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## Interactive Program Guide

The Interactive Program Guide (IPG) gives you instant access to current and future program information—channel by channel—while you watch TV. The IPG is an onscreen "window" that displays a 90-minute block of scheduled programs, and a starting point for purchasing Pay-Per-View programs and setting timers.



## How to Display the Guide

- Press the GUIDE key once for the Guide screen (displays 6 channels).
- Press the GUIDE key a second time or press the EXIT key to return to watching programs.
- Press the GO BACK key to return to the menu last viewed (or return to TV viewing).

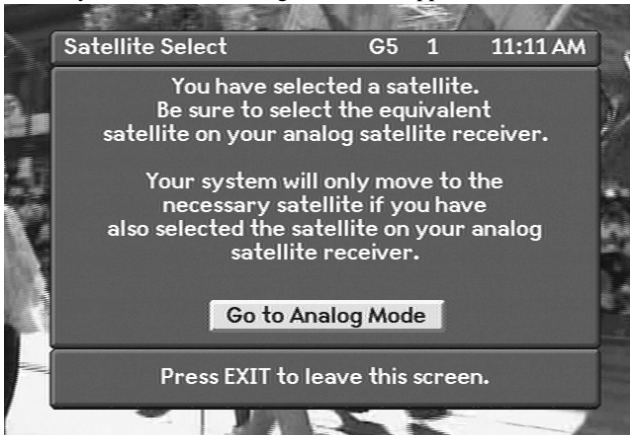
## How to Use the Guide

- Press the **◆** keys to display different channels.
- Press the **◀ ▶** keys to scroll backward and forward by half-hour increments.
- Enter a particular channel number to display that channel at the top of the screen.
- Press the ENTER key to tune to a current program that is highlighted. If you press the ENTER key on a future program, a detailed program information banner appears (discussed later in this section).
- Press the INFO key to display more detailed information.
- Press the SAT key to display a satellite list. Then select a satellite, and the Guide will display its programming schedule.
- Press the CHAN **◆** to page up and down throughout the Guide.

The IPG will provide information about both the analog and digital programming available on your system. If you try to tune to an analog broadcast from the IPG, the following screen will appear:



If you try to tune to a digital broadcast on a satellite other than the one to which you are currently tuned, the following screen will appear:

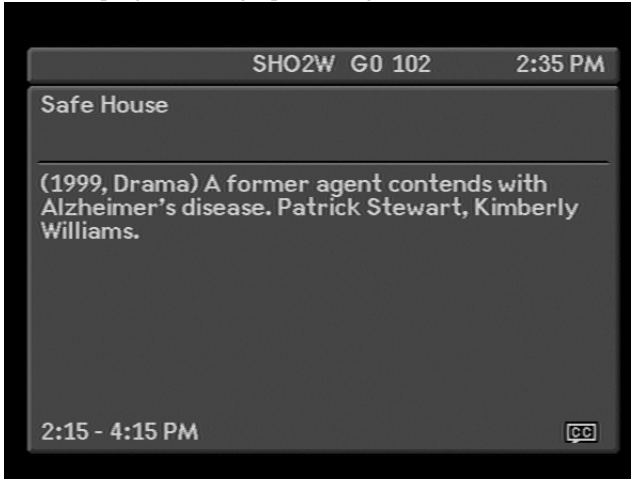


## Guide Screen

The header (top of screen) displays the current Interests menu setting (sports, movies, etc.) on the left side and time on the right. Displayed below the header is the day of the program being viewed. The rest of the screen displays the channel names, and numbers on the left and the program names on the right—along with information icons. The Guide screen displays 6 programs at the same time.

## Detailed Program Information

Press the INFO key to display a program information banner that has a detailed description of the program, ratings, purchasing, and information icons.



## How to Display a Future Day and Time on the Guide

You can always scroll ahead with the Guide, but if you want to immediately look at program offerings for another day or a specific time, there are two ways you can jump ahead without scrolling.

1. On the remote control, press FUTURE.
2. On the front panel of the Digital Sidecar:
  - Display the Options menu.
  - Select option 2 (Guide & Favorites). The Guide & Favorites menu appears.
  - Select option 2 (Set a Future Day & Time for the Guide). A Choose Day menu appears.
  - Select which day of the guide you would like to display. A Choose Time menu will appear.
  - Select the time of day for the Guide programming you would like to view.

After you have finished reviewing the Guide information and have returned to your program viewing, remember that the next time you press the GUIDE key, the Guide will return to displaying the current day and time. If you press the GO BACK key, you will return to the previous screen or the program you were viewing.

## Set Timer for Future Program

Using the Guide, you can set a timer to automatically display a program at a future time and date. If you are viewing a programming list for a future date or time on the Guide, press the ENTER key or the INFO key while a program is highlighted to display the detailed program information banner. This banner includes a Timer button. Select the Timer button by pressing the ENTER key to display a Confirm Timer screen. More information on timers is in the section entitled, "Options: Setting Timers." Press INFO again or the GO BACK key to turn off the detailed information and return to the Guide. Remember to set a concurrent timer for your analog receiver.

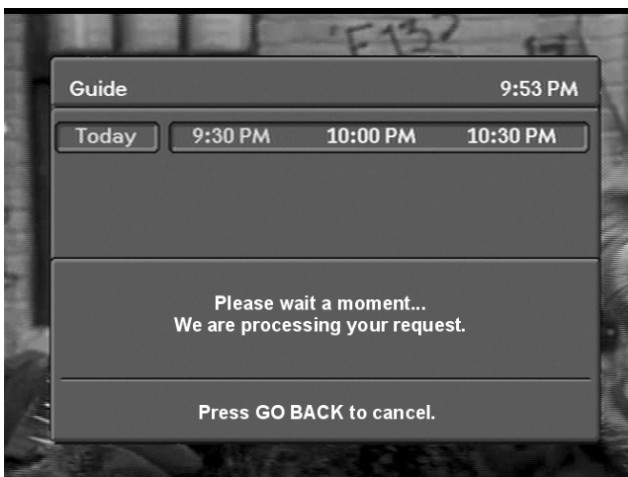
## How to Refresh the IPG

Always leave your dish on the homing satellite (currently G0) when not in use. To manually refresh the Guide information, always:

- BEFORE pressing the Guide button, move the dish to the homing satellite.
- Once you have moved your dish to the homing satellite, press the Guide button and wait for the Guide to update.

Alternatively, the Guide will update automatically if the analog receiver is moved to the homing satellite at night.

If the power to the Digital Sidecar is cut, or if you forget to move your analog receiver to the homing satellite at night, the unit may need to have the Guide manually refreshed. If the guide information is depleted or lost, the following screen will appear:



When this screen appears:

- Press the A/D button on the remote control to display the output of your analog satellite receiver.
- Move your dish to the homing satellite (currently G0).
- Press the A/D button on the remote to display the output of the receiver. The Digital Sidecar will paint the complete IPG when the download is complete.

### **Updating the IPG – Programming the Home Satellite and Power Off at Night**

It is suggested that you program a timer into your analog satellite receiver which will tune to the digital home satellite between the hours of 2:00 am and 4:00 am local time. The IPG in the Digital Sidecar is refreshed from a data stream currently broadcast on satellite G0, transponder 9. Your DSR-905 (Digital SideCar) will automatically search for this data stream every night, so long as the unit has been placed in the stand-by mode (power off). The actual digital download will only take about fifteen minutes, so setting a short analog timer to automatically move your dish in the middle of the night, enabling your receiver to automatically handle this “housekeeping” chore, will make its operation nearly transparent. If you forget to move your dish or turn the receiver off the IPG can always be manually updated. You will be prompted by an on screen request under circumstances where the unit requires such a download.

- Turn the power off (POWER key) when you are finished watching programs because the receiver can only update the Guide when it is turned off. If the receiver is in use at 2:00 am, it will capture at the soonest opportunity prior to 4:00 am. If the unit is left on past 4:00 am, the receiver will cease attempts to download and wait for the next 2:00 am download period.