

Do you know the current analog broadcasting will be ended on 24 July, 2011?



Let's start preparing for terrestrial digital broadcasting!

The new format, terrestrial digital broadcasting will begin from 2011.



★ Pay attention to this mark when you buy new products

If you are considering purchasing new TV or recording device, please confirm whether or not the product is applicable to the terrestrial digital broadcasting. The left mark represents the new format. Of course, the best way is to ask a shop staff for detail.

★ Why do we all have to be ready for the terrestrial digital broadcasting?

For the current TV, electronic wave is transmitted by a system called analog frequency. However, in the 21st century, the analog frequency cannot handle enormous information anymore. Then, the government has established a law which specifies a changeover to digital broadcasting by 2011.

★ What can be more convenient by the terrestrial digital broadcasting?

There are several benefits of this new broadcasting. Few examples are raised in below.

- ① Along with richer images, high quality audio like CD is delivered to you.
- ② Interactive service between TV and viewers enables us to participate in TV program's quizzes and questionnaires.
- ③ The latest news, weather forecast and other useful information are obtainable anytime by pressing a button on your remote control.
- ④ Electronic program guide on screen gives you program information even one week after and it is recordable.

★ How can we change to the terrestrial digital broadcasting?

You can still use the present TV by 2011. But please start considering how you want to receive digital broadcasting among the following three ways:

- ① Buying terrestrial digital broadcasting TV
- ② Using the current analog TV connected to digital tuner or a recording device with a built-in terrestrial digital tuner.
- ③ If you use cable TV, please contact the cable TV company.

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★ Is there any particular change on antenna?

The terrestrial digital broadcasting requires a UHF antenna. So the current VHF antenna can be no longer used. Please see the following items for antenna usage:

- ① Detached house . . . Connect to a UHF antenna but need to confirm reception direction.
- ② Flat and Apartment house . . . Simply need to check reception direction if a community antenna is already connected.
- ③ Due to geographical reasons, if your TV uses facilities to solve poor reception . . . Please contact to the company which is in charge of facility maintenance and management.

The terrestrial digital broadcasting can show us new things that the analog TV cannot do. When you buy TV and tuner or connect to antenna, please consult with shop or operator. Then, you can start experiencing new TV life.

(For this article, we referred to “Terrestrial Digital TV Quick Guidance” issued by the association for Promotion of Digital Broadcasting, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications. For your information, this guidance is translated into 3 languages other than Japanese.

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