Subscriber Networks

IR Blaster VCR Commander™ Service



Description

The IR Blaster VCR Commander™ Service integrates the interactive TV program guide with the VCR so that consumers simply point-and-click to setup and record programs.

During operation, the IR Blaster cable sends VCR commands from the Explorer[®] set-top to the VCR. These signals instruct the VCR to record the selected program.

The IR Blaster cable connects to the IR port on the back panel of the Explorer set-top. The other end of the cable contains the IR transmitter, which is attached to the front of the VCR near the IR receiver window. Because the IR transmitter does not block the IR receiver window, a VCR remote control can still target the VCR directly.

The IR Blaster VCR Commander Service integrates the Explorer set-top, Explorer remote control, and VCR so that consumers simply scroll through the onscreen program guide and point-and-click on programs to record.



Once a program is selected, the Explorer set-top does the rest. The Explorer turns on the VCR at the appropriate time, tunes to the correct channel, starts and stops the VCR recording function, and then powers off the VCR. The Explorer can also hold in queue as many as eight future program selections.

The IR Blaster VCR Commander Service includes the IR Blaster cable and access to VCR Commander setup software. This software is pre-loaded into all Explorer set-tops, except the model 2000.

Features

- Integrates Explorer set-tops (models 2100 to 8000) and interactive program guides with VCRs
- · Permits quick, point-and-click selection of programs to record using the Explorer remote control
- Lets subscribers pre-select up to eight future programs at a time for the VCR to record
- Installs easily; simply connect the IR Blaster cable to the Explorer set-top and VCR
- Includes extensive library of device codes for setting up VCRs

Specifications

Temperature Range: 0°C to 40°C Relative Humidity: 5% to 95% at 50°C, non-condensing

Specifications and product availability are subject to change without notice.



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