## Troubleshooting Guide

Many TV problems have relatively simple solutions which don't require a costly service call. Before you call for service, follow this easy troubleshooting guide.

If you have no sound...

- Check volume setting on converter box, television, or stereo.
- Press "mute" setting on converter, television, or stereo remote.
- Be sure the cables are properly connected.

• Check your Second Audio Program (SAP) feature on your television and VCR. To restore sound, turn SAP feature OFF.

If you have no picture... Is the set on and tuned to Channel 3? Is the converter box on? Is the TV set plugged into the converter box7 Is the converter box plugged into a live electrical outlet? Does a wall switch control the outlet.? Is it on? Do you need to replace the battery in the remote control unit?

If you need fine tuning... • Check that your TV is on Channel 3.

• If your set is equipped with an automatic tine-tuning (AFT) control, turn it off.

Select Channel 3 on converter.
Adjust the fine-tuning control on your TV set for the best picture, then return the AFT control to the "on" position. Please call your TV repair service if the following

- applies: • No sound on all channels, but picture is good.
- (Be sure mute button is off.)
- Picture too small.
- Elongated picture.
- Horizontal bar across screen with
- no picture.

Please call your local MediaOne office if the following applies:

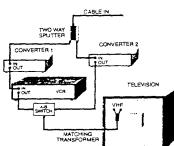
- White or tinted screen.
- Picture snowy with no sound:
- Straight or wavy lines
- (Try tine-tuning procedures.)
- Weak picture.
- Ghosts or double images.
- Windshield wiper effect.

#### Your VCR

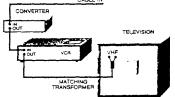
and Cable Hook Up There are many ways to hook-up your VCR. The one that's right for you depends on how you want to use your VCR. (Remember, all channel selections are made through the converter. Be sure it's

on and set for the channel you want to record. It is not necessary for your

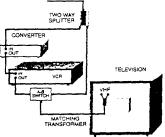
N to be on.) Some cable converter boxes are tuned to Channel 4 instead of Channel 3. Record any channel while watching any channel



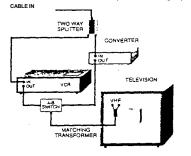
VCR recording of same channel being viewed and event programming while not watching CABLE IN



Record my channel while watching unscrambled channels only CABLE IN



Record unscrambled channels only while watching any channel



#### **Home Wiring**

Home wiring is that cable which runs from your TV set to a point approximately twelve inches outside your dwelling unit. Home wiring includes all the wiring inside your home, including extra outlets, as well as splitters, connections, in-home amplifiers, fittings or wall plates attached to the wire. It does not include converters, descramblers, A/B switches, parental lockout devices, security devices or other terminal equipment. In a building with multiple dwelling units, home wiring includes the cable wiring in the interior space of each separate unit.

MediaOne installs high-quality coaxial cable and other home wiring materials to ensure the strongest and clearest signal for you and your neighbors. This wiring plays an integral role in the quality of picture and service. Cable wiring must be of the highest quality in order to avoid signal leakage and to maintain the clear picture you are accustomed to.

In accordance with regulations of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), al1 MediaOne customers are given the opportunity to acquire the cable wiring inside their dwelling unit when they terminate service. In addition, MediaOne allows its customers to rearrange, remove, replace or maintain cable wiring inside their homes prior to termination of service.

Upon request, MediaOne will rearrange, remove, replace or maintain cable home wiring at the applicable hourly service charge plus a charge for materials. Alternatively, customers may select a qualified third-party contractor or perform the service themselves as long as their actions do not interfere with MediaOne's ability to meet the FCC's technical standards or to provide service to other customers. It is very important that the highest-quality cable home wiring materials are used and installed properly to avoid signal leakage and maintain signal quality. Customers who elect to rearrange, replace, remove or maintain their own wiring may obtain high-quality materials from MediaOne slightly above cost.

If cable home wiring which is not installed by MediaOne results in harmful or improper signal leakage, or the need for a technician to visit your home for service, MediaOne may hold the customer responsible for rectifying the problem. Further, MediaOne is required by the FCC rules to terminate service to any location where signal leakage problems are not corrected.

MediaOne is responsible for problems relating to any equipment which you tease from us, other than problems resulting from tampering, neglect or abuse. We are not, however, responsible for problems related to customer-owned equipment such as Ns. VCRs, home antennas, etc. which may be connected to the cable wiring inside your home.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call our local office.

## How to Use Your MediaOne Television Equipment

This information is intended to explain compatibility issues between your cable television system, television set, VCR and remote control.

MediaOne scrambles many of its programming services for security reasons- However, depending on your subscription level and/or the type of tuning capability of your TV or VCR, a converter box may not be necessary to receive some levels of service.

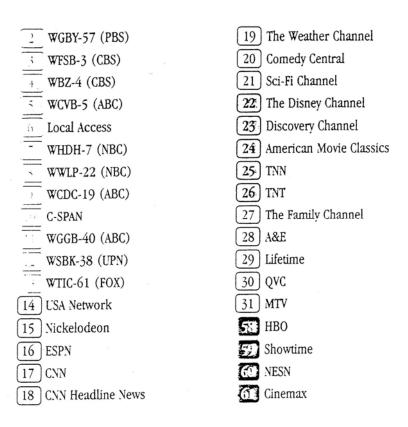
Your cable television system may transmit channels that cannot be received by a typical television or VCR if connected directly. These channels are normally in the upper bands, above channel 36. The capability of receiving these channels wilt vary depending on the model of your television and VCR. Special "set top" converter equipment is available to expand the capability of your television and VCR tuner. Non-descrambling converters can be obtained from local retailers or from MediaOne Using instructions provided with the converter, it can easily be installed between the cable input and the television. Special converters capable of descrambling premium cable services, such as movie channels, can also be ordered from us. In addition, if you wish to allow simultaneous reception of multiple signals, we can provide you with (at cost) the equipment needed or direct you to a local retailer

Some features of your television and VCR may not function when using a converter. Functions such as recording one channel while watching another, recording two or more consecutive programs on different channels, and advanced television features such as "picture in picture" may require additional equipment or wiring. For additional information, consult your customer handbook or instructions provided with your television or VCR.

Remote control units that are compatible with converters, televisions, and VCRs can be purchased from local retailers. Remote controls such as Radio Shack's "VCR Pro Easy Programmer" model 15-1922), or the "3-in-1 Easy Remote (model 15 -1910) can be programmed to operate most customer equipment. Features and functions of remote controls vary significantly. Call MediaOne or the remote control manufacturer for compatibility questions. Eventual replacement of the converter, television, or VCR may cause future compatibility problems and the loss of function of the remote control.

As new technology becomes available, MediaOne may offer equipment for purchase at cost plus a reasonable profit, according to what FCC regulations will allow.

# **CHANNEL LINE-UP**



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## **Technology and Equipment**

## As telecommunication systems of the future are unveiled, count on Mediaone to set the pace.

#### Converters

Cable systems may transmit channels that cannot be received by every television or VCR. Our convener equipment expands the capability of your television and VCR to receive more channels or unscramble' others encoded to prevent unauthorized reception. "Cable-Ready" Equipment

"Cable-ready" can be a misleading term because some features of your television and VCR may not function when using a converter. Functions like recording one channel while watching another, recording two or more consecutive programs on different channels, and advanced television features like "picture-in-picture" may require additional equipment or wiring.' **Parental Guidance Lock** 

There may be some channels that you do not want your children to view. For your convenience, we can tell you how to lock out certain channels.

#### **Remote Control Options**

MediaOne offers a remote-capable converter and handheld remote control. You can order this option even though your TV does not have a remote control feature. Remote controls that are compatible with our equipment also can be purchased from a local retailer. Radio Shack's "VCR Pro Easy Programmer" (Model 15-1922) or the "3 In 1 Easy Remote" (Model 15-1910).

#### Your Liability for Equipment

You are responsible for paying for damage of equipment owned by Media0ne that is the result ofabuse or negligence. You could be charged up to \$250 for a converter and \$25 for a hand-held remote if it is lost, stolen, or not returned when your service terminates. You may not modify or attach any equipment other than a VCR or A/B switch to Media0ne's facilities and equipment without our expressed written consent.

#### Theft of Service

Under the law, it is illegal to fraudulently obtain cable service by attaching a wire or device to the converter or any other company wires or equipment. The penalties under the law include fines up to \$10,000, imprisonment, or both. Periodically we audit systems to determine whether service is being stolen. For the protection of our loyal customers, Media0ne intends to prosecute any violation to the fullest extent of the law.

If you suspect someone of tampering with equipment or stealing cable service, please contact us at:

### 1•800•432•4390

'A non-descrambling converter can be purchased from a local retailer. Please note, this converter cannot receive scrambled channel; such as premium movie channels. For more information or assistance, call your local MediaOne office.

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#### PUBLIC BUILDINGS IN SHELBURNE

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Shelburne Falls Village Information Center
Shelburne Falls Trolley Museum
Shelburne Volunteer Fire Dept.
Shelburne Fellowship Hall
Shelburne Historical Society
Shelburne Senior Center
\* Cowell Gymnasium
\* Shelburne Free Public Library
\* Shelburne Highway Department
Buckland Shelburne Regional School
Shelburne Band Shell
\*Arms Library
Trinity Church
Shelburne Falls Post Office

\* Actually owned by the town of Shelburne

#### FCC CABLE RULES CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS TITLE 47 -- TELECOMMUNICATION CHAPTER I -- FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION SUBCHAPTER C -- BROADCAST RADIO SERVICES PART 76--CABLE TELEVISION SERVICE

#### §76.309 Customer Service Obligations

(a) A cable franchise authority may enforce the customer service standards set forth in section (c) of this rule against cable operators. The franchise authority must provide affected cable operators ninety (90) days written notice of its intent to enforce the standards.

(b) Nothing in this rule should be construed to prevent or prohibit:

(1) A franchising authority and a cable operator from agreeing to customer service requirements that exceed the standards set forth in section (c) of this rule;

(2) A franchising authority from enforcing, through the end of the franchise term, preexisting customer service requirements that exceed the standards set forth in section (c) of this rule and are contained in current franchise agreements;

(3) Any State or any franchising authority from enacting or enforcing any consumer protection law, to the extent not specifically preempted herein; or

(4) The establishment or enforcement of any State or municipal law or regulation concerning customer service that imposes customer service requirements that exceed, or address matters not addressed by, the standards set forth in section (c) of this rule.

(c) Effective July 1, 1993, a cable operator shall be subject to the following customer service standards:

(1) Cable system office hours and telephone availability.

(i) The cable operator will maintain a local, toll-free or collect call telephone

access line which will be available to its subscribers 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

(A) Trained company representatives will be available to respond to

customer telephone inquiries during normal business hours.

(B) After normal business hours, the access line may be answered by a service or an automated response system, including an answering machine. Inquiries received after normal business hours must be responded to by a trained company representative on the next business day.

(ii) Under normal operating conditions, telephone answer time by a customer representative, including wait time, shall not exceed thirty (30) seconds when the connection is made. If the call needs to be transferred, transfer time shall not exceed thirty (30) seconds. These standards shall be met no less than ninety (90) percent of the time under normal operating conditions, measured on a quarterly basis.

(iii) The operator will not be required to acquire equipment or perform surveys to measure compliance with the telephone answering standards above unless an historical record of complaints indicates a clear failure to comply.

(iv) Under normal operating conditions, the customer will receive a busy signal less than three (3) percent of the time.

(v) Customer service center and bill payment locations will be open at least during normal business hours and will be conveniently located.

(2) *Installations, outages and service calls.* Under normal operating conditions, each of the following four standards will be met no less than ninety five (95) percent of the time measured on a quarterly basis:

(i) Standard installations will be performed within seven (7) business days after an order has been placed. "Standard" installations are those that are located up to 125 feet from the existing distribution system.

(ii) Excluding conditions beyond the control of the operator, the cable operator will begin working on "service interruptions" promptly and in no event later than 24 hours after the interruption becomes known. The cable operator must begin actions to correct other service problems the next business day after notification of the service problem.

(iii) The "appointment window" alternatives for installations, service calls, and

other installation activities will be either a specific time or, at maximum, a four hour time block during normal business hours. (The operator may schedule service calls and other installation activities outside of normal business hours for the express convenience of the customer.)

(iv) An operator may not cancel an appointment with a customer after the close of business on the business day prior to the scheduled appointment.

(v) If a cable operator representative is running late for an appointment with a customer and will not be able to keep the appointment as scheduled, the customer will be contacted. The appointment will be rescheduled, as necessary, at a time which is convenient for the customer.

(3) Communications between cable operators and cable subscribers.

(i) Refunds. Refund checks will be issued promptly, but no later than either-

(A) The customer's next billing cycle following resolution of the request or

thirty (30) days, whichever is earlier, or

(B) The return of the equipment supplied by the cable operator if service is terminated.

(ii) Credits. Credits for service will be issued no later than the customer's next billing cycle following the determination that a credit is warranted.

#### (4) Definitions.

(i) *Normal Business Hours*. The term "normal business hours" means those hours during which most similar businesses in the community are open to serve customers. In all cases, "normal business hours" must include some evening hours at least one night per week and/or some weekend hours.

(ii) Normal Operating Conditions. The term "normal operating conditions" means those service conditions which are within the control of the cable operator. Those conditions which are not within the control of the cable operator include, but are not limited to, natural disasters, civil disturbances, power outages, telephone network outages, and severe or unusual weather conditions. Those conditions which are ordinarily within the control of the

cable operator include, but are not limited to, special promotions, pay-per-view events, rate increases, regular peak or seasonal demand periods, and maintenance or upgrade of the cable system.

(iii) *Service Interruption.* The term "service interruption" means the loss of picture or sound on one or more cable channels.

