

Parental Control: Blocking Programs

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What is Parental Control?

Parental Control allows you to block (control) the programs that can be viewed on your TV. This way, you can make sure your family doesn't watch anything you don't want them to.

You can block programs in 4 different ways:

- Block Channel
- Block Rating
- Block Time Period
- Block Title

Before you can turn Parental Control on, you must set up your Parental Control blocking preferences and your PIN number.

How to Set Your Preferences

You can set all your preferences in the **General Settings** menu.

1. Press the **SETTINGS** button on your remote control to display the **Quick Settings** menu.

Channel Block Preference

1. Start in the **General Settings** menu.
2. Use the **UP** or **DOWN** keys to scroll down to **Block: Channels**.
3. Press the **SELECT** button. A list of all channels will appear.
4. Press the **UP** or **DOWN** arrow buttons to highlight a channel you want to block.
5. Press the **SELECT** button. You have now blocked this channel.
 - A red lock appears next to the channel you've selected.
 - The channel number also appears in a list of **Blocked Channels** on the right side of the screen.
6. To block more channels, highlight each one, and press the **SELECT** button.

7. To remove a channel from the list, just highlight it and press the **SELECT** button again.
8. When you're done, press the **LEFT** arrow button.

Rating Block Preference

1. Start in the **General Settings** menu.
2. Use the **UP** or **DOWN** keys to page down to **Block: Ratings**.
3. Press the **SELECT** button. A list of ratings will appear.
4. Press the **UP** or **DOWN** arrow buttons to highlight a rating you want to block.
5. Press the **SELECT** button. You have now blocked this rating and all ratings that are more mature than this one. For example, if you select PG, you will also block PG-13, R, NC-17 and higher.
 - o A red lock appears next to each blocked rating.
 - o All blocked ratings are also listed on the right side of the screen.
6. Press the **A** button to accept these blocks, or the **C** button to cancel them.

Time Block Preferences

1. Start in the **General Settings** menu.
2. Use the **UP** or **DOWN** keys to page down to **Block: Time**.
3. Press the **SELECT** button. A list of days will appear.
4. Press the **UP** or **DOWN** arrow button to choose the day. You may also choose **Daily**, **Weekends**, **Weekdays** or **Every day (M-Sun)**.
5. Press the **RIGHT** arrow button to move to the next column.
6. Press the **RIGHT** arrow button again to choose the **START TIME** column.
7. Press the **UP** or **DOWN** arrow buttons to select the **Hour** .
8. Press the **RIGHT** button to move into the columns for **Minutes** and **AM/PM** and use the **UP** or **DOWN** arrow buttons to set your choices.
9. Repeat these instructions for the **STOP TIME**.
10. Once you have set your **Time Block** , press the **A** button to accept it or press the **C** button to cancel it.
11. When you accept this Block, a new line appears, called **BLOCKED TIME 1**.
12. You can set up to 4 Blocked Time periods. Each can be turned on or off individually. During these blocked time periods, every channel and program will be blocked. This way you can restrict all viewing at certain times, such as after-school or late at night.

Block PIN

1. Start in the **General Settings** menu.
2. Press the **UP** or **DOWN** keys to scroll to **Block: PIN**.
3. Press the **SELECT** button. **Enabled** will be highlighted.
4. Press the **A** button to accept.
5. Enter your new PIN.

Activating Parental Control

Now that you've set up your Parental Control Preferences, you're ready to activate them.

Important:

Setting up the Blocks is not enough, you have to activate them as well. If you do not activate the blocks, they won't work. Activate **Parental Control** from the **Quick Settings** menu.

1. Press the **SETTINGS** button to bring up the **Quick Settings** menu.
2. Use the **UP** or **DOWN** arrow buttons to select **Turn on Parental Control**.
3. Press **SELECT**.
4. Enter your **PIN** number if prompted.
5. Press the **A** button to accept.

Watching with Blocks Activated

1. Once you have set up your blocks and activated Parental Control, any time you tune to a blocked program you will see a **Parental Control** alert.

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