

AFN Television Services Fact Sheet

The American Forces Network satellite-delivered television services offer the best stateside programming for US forces stationed outside of the United States, its territories or possessions. AFN television services are delivered on base cable systems, in the case of major garrison locations, or directly to the homes of our audience members using a satellite dish and AFN-capable decoder.

AFN offers two distinct programming streams, Direct to Home (DTH) and Direct to Sailor (DTS). The DTH service is an eight-channel programming package, which includes: AFN|prime Atlantic, AFN|prime Pacific, AFN|news, AFN|sports, AFN|sports2, AFN|spectrum, AFN|family(AFN|pulse), and the AFN|movie channel. The DTS service is a three-channel programming package, designed specifically for Navy ships at sea, includes AFN|prime, AFN|news and AFN|sports channels. Program scheduling information for all services is available online at www.myafn.net.



AFN|prime Atlantic programming is time-shifted for the audience in Europe. It consists of a three-hour news block in the morning that is different than the three-hour news block seen on AFN|prime Pacific. AFN|prime Atlantic airs news and information in the morning, daytime programs and syndicated game and talk shows during the morning and afternoon; popular current network dramas, sitcoms, reality series, and movies in primetime; and late night talk shows. Locally and regionally produced news is inserted in some prime services on weekdays. AFN|prime Atlantic has 12 hours of live and tape-delayed sports on Saturday and on Sunday.



AFN|prime Pacific programming is time-shifted for the audience in Japan and Korea. AFN|prime Pacific airs news and information in the morning, daytime programs and syndicated game and talk shows during the morning and afternoon; popular current network dramas, sitcoms, reality series, and movies in primetime; and late night talk shows. Locally and regionally produced news is inserted in some prime services on weekdays. AFN|prime Pacific offers alternative programming when AFN|prime Atlantic airs sporting events on Saturday and Sunday.



AFN|spectrum airs popular entertainment programs from major broadcast and cable networks and provides an alternate entertainment choice that combines popular first-run network shows and encore presentations of established hit shows. The AFN|spectrum programming streams for Europe and Asia are time shifted for audiences in each region.



AFN|family provides a wide variety of quality entertainment including the most popular kids programming from U.S. cable and broadcast networks targeted specifically to family members between the ages of two and 17. The programming is tailored for different audiences during the day starting with pre-school kids in the morning and transitioning to teen viewers later in the day. At 7 p.m. in the two regions the service transitions to AFN|pulse with programming directed toward young adults. This channel is time-shifted for European and Japan/Korea audiences.



AFN|news is a full-time news and information service with programming primarily from ABC, CBS, CNN, FNC, MSNBC, NBC and PBS. Additionally, you'll find news and information about the DoD and the military services provided by the Defense Media Activity and the military services. AFN|news is the primary means for the AFRTS audience to stay in touch with national and international events and military news and information.



AFN|sports provides a wide variety of sports programming based on the interests of the AFN military audience. This fulltime sports and sports-news service features programming from major sports sources such as ESPN, FSN, FX, OLN, Speed, TBS and TNT, along with national and international sports coverage from the broadcast networks of ABC, CBS, NBC and FOX. It provides the most popular sports events such as MLB, NASCAR, NBA, NCAA football and basketball, NFL, NHL, Olympic Winter and Summer Games and the PGA Tour.



AFN|sports2 compliments AFN|sports to deliver sports programming the audience craves. Because of the variety of sports events and sports news products, this service provides an alternate channel to give viewers more of the sports they want.



AFN|movie provides a wide variety of theatrical and made-for-TV movies and specials in addition to entertainment news and features. AFN|movie is primarily targeted to adults, ages 18 and older. Theatrical features conform to domestic American over-the-air broadcast standards. AFN|movie is time-shifted for European and Japan/Korea audiences.