



INFORMATION TO THE USER

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

WARNING

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the manufacturer could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

This digital apparatus does not exceed the Class B limits for radio noise emissions from digital apparatus set out in the Radio Interference Regulations of the Canadian Department of Communications.

Le present appareil numerique n'emet pas de bruits radioelectriques depassant les limites applicables aux appareils numeriques de la class B prescrites dans le Reglement sur le brouillage radioelectrique edicte par le ministere des Communications du Canada.

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V.gis User Manual

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WHAT IS THE V.GIS

The V.gis allows you to determine what programs you want your family to watch. Programs are rated using codes which indicate the age level for which the programming is considered appropriate. The ratings are based on the amount of violence(V), language(L), sexual(S) content, and suggestive dialog(D) in the program.

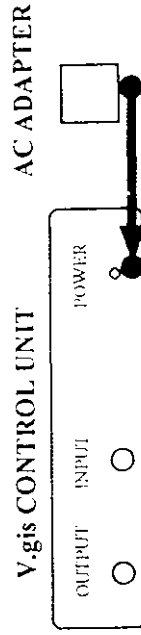
Installation

1.1 THE V.GIS DECODER SYSTEM

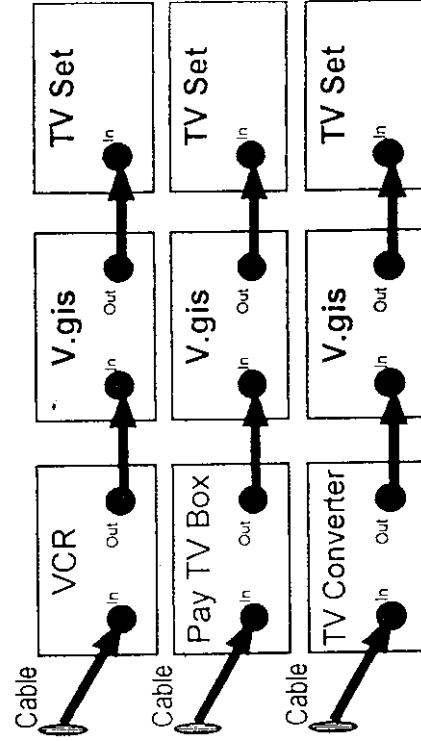
Your V.gis decoder system includes a V.gis control box, a 120 V power adapter, and a remote control unit with 2 AAA batteries. The remote control unit can only be used with Tri-Vision's V.gis decoder box.

1.2 CONNECTING THE POWER CORD

The power adapter connects at the rear of the V.gis box, by inserting the point of the AC adapter into the power socket of the V.gis control box. The AC adapter is then plugged into a 120V power outlet.



1.3 CONNECTING YOUR DECODER BOX



Rating Systems

2.1 US T.V. PARENTAL GUIDELINES

TV-Y ALL CHILDREN

This program is designed to be appropriate for all children. The themes and elements in this program are specifically designed for a very young audience, including children from ages 2-6.

TV-Y7 OLDER CHILDREN

This program is designed for children age 7 and above. It may be more appropriate for children who have acquired the developmental skills needed to distinguish between make-believe and reality. Themes and elements in this program may include mild physical or comedic violence.

TV-G GENERAL AUDIENCE

Most parents would find this program suitable for all ages. Although this rating does not signify a program designed specifically for children, most parents may let younger children watch this program unattended. It contains little or no violence, no strong language and little or no sexual dialogue or situations.

TV-PG PARENTAL GUIDANCE

This program may contain some material that some parents would find unsuitable for younger children. The program may contain infrequent coarse language, limited violence, some suggestive sexual dialogue and situations.

TV-14 PARENTS CAUTIONED

This program may contain some material that many parents would find unsuitable for children under 14 years of age. This program may contain sophisticated themes, sexual content, strong language and more intense violence.

TV-MA MATURE AUDIENCE ONLY

This program is specifically designed to be viewed by adults and therefore may be unsuitable for children under 17. This program may contain mature themes, profane language, graphic violence and explicit sexual content.

Please ensure that all equipment connected to your V.gis decoder box is selected to **channel 3**. Follow the diagrams on page 3 for easy V.gis integration into your current cable system or call your local cable company for assistance.

1.4 REMOTE CONTROL UNIT

The V.gis decoder box will only work with the remote control unit provided in the package. You must aim and point the remote control at the V.gis decoder box then press the keys to make your selections.

When the V.gis IR LINK device is plugged into the back of the V.gis decoder, the remote control should be pointed directly at the V.gis IR LINK to operate the V.gis functions.

Included with the remote are two AAA batteries. If the remote control is not working properly, check to ensure the batteries are correctly inserted.

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1.5 SERVICING YOUR V.GIS BOX

If your V.gis box is not functioning you should contact the customer service department of your local cable company or return it to your nearest authorized service repair center.

2.2 MPAA RATING (MOVIES)

G

GENERAL AUDIENCE

This is a film which contains nothing in theme, language, nudity and sex, violence, etc. which would, in the view of the Rating Board, be offensive to parents whose younger children view the film. The G rating is not a "certificate of approval," nor does it signify a children's film.

PG

PARENTAL GUIDANCE

This is a film which clearly needs to be examined or inquired into by parents before they let their children watch. There may be some profanity, some violence or brief nudity. But these elements are not deemed intense.

PG-13

PARENT STRONGLY CAUTIONED

These movies may be unsuitable for children under the age of 13 years old. Parents, by the rating, are alerted to be very careful about the viewing of their under-teenage children. A PG-13 film is one which, in the view of the Rating Board, leaps beyond the boundaries of the PG rating in theme, violence, nudity, sensuality, language, or other contents.

R

Restricted

In the opinion of the Rating Board, this film definitely contains some adult material. The film is not recommended for unsupervised viewing by anyone under the age of 17 years old. An R-rated film may include hard language, or tough violence, or nudity within sensual scenes, or drug abuse or other elements, or a combination of some of the above.

NC-17

NO ONE UNDER 17

This rating declares that the Rating Board believes that this is a film that most parents will consider patently too adult for their youngsters under 17. The reasons for the application of an NC-17 rating can be violence or sex or aberrational behavior or drug abuse or any other elements which, when present, most parents would consider too strong and therefore off-limits for viewing by their children.

Using The V.gis

3.1 TURNING ON YOUR V.GIS

Once you have connected your V.gis decoder point and aim the V.gis remote control at the V.gis decoder, then press the "MENU" button. The "V.gis MAIN MENU" will appear on your TV screen. You can then begin to select any item from the menu screen

V.gis MAIN MENU	
[1] V.gis LOCK	OFF
[2] SET RATINGS	
[3] CHANGE PIN #	
[4] CLOSED CAPTIONS	CC1
[5] ENGLISH/SPANISH	
[6] HELP	

PRESS [1] TO [6] TO SELECT
PRESS [MENU] TO EXIT

3.2 CHANGING PIN NUMBER

By pressing (3) on your remote control you will be prompted to enter your current Parental I.D. Number (PIN). **The default PIN number is 1234.** Enter this number by pressing the corresponding numbers on your remote.

After entering the proper PIN number the following screen will appear:

ENTER NEW PIN NUMBER

SELECT [MENU] TO EXIT

Simply type in a new (easy to remember) 4 digit Parental Identification Number. Once you have done this the system will ask you to re-enter the new number for verification. Upon doing this you will return to the "V.GIS MAIN MENU" screen. Make sure to write down the number in a safe place for future reference.

3.3 SELECT RATINGS

By pressing (2) on your remote you will be prompted for your PIN number. After entering your PIN number the "SET RATINGS" screen will appear.

SET RATINGS	
[1] VIEW UNRATED SHOWS?	YES
[2] TV GUIDELINES MENU	
[3] MOVIE RATINGS MENU	
[4] HELP	
PRESS [1] TO [3] TO SELECT PRESS [MENU] TO EXIT	

By pressing (1) you are able to toggle back and forth the VIEW UNRATED SHOWS option. If "NO" rating level is selected then all unrated programs will be BLOCKED. This includes VCR tapes & video games.

By pressing (2) at the "SET RATINGS" page you advance to the TV GUIDELINES MENU.

Here you must toggle all 6 ratings to either YES (to view) or NO (to block).

SELECT YES FOR PREFERRED 1 TO 6	
[1] TV-Y	NO
[2] TV-Y7	NO
[3] TV-G	NO
[4] TV-PG	NO
[5] TV-14	NO
[6] TV-MA	NO
[7] HELP	NO
	FV
	DSL
	DSL
	SLV
PRESS [1] TO [6] TO SELECT PRESS [MENU] TO EXIT	

These selections are all INDEPENDENT of each other as the rating system is not one of levels. For example you may select "YES" TV-Y and TV-G but "NO" for TV-Y7 if the description does not meet your TV viewing values. For some of the ratings when you choose YES (allowed) you will be asked additional questions to further customize your guidelines.

If you choose TV-Y7 the following screen will appear:

TV-Y7 SUITABLE FOR AGE 7 & ABOVE	
WILL YOU ALLOW SHOWS WITH?	
[1] FANTASY VIOLENCE	NO
PRESS [1] FOR YES/NO PRESS [MENU] TO EXIT	

If you choose TV-PG the following screen will be displayed:

TV-PG UNSUITABLE FOR YOUNG CHILDREN	
WILL YOU ALLOW SHOWS WITH:	
[1] SOME SUGGESTIVE DIALOG?	NO
[2] SOME COARSE LANGUAGE?	NO
[3] SOME SEXUAL SITUATION?	NO
[4] MODERATE VIOLENCE?	NO
PRESS [1] TO [4] FOR YES/NO PRESS [MENU] TO EXIT	

If you choose TV-14 the following screen will be displayed:

TV-14 UNSUITABLE FOR AGE 14 & UNDER	
WILL YOU ALLOW SHOWS WITH:	
[1] INTENSIVE SUGGESTIVE DIALOG?	NO
[2] STRONG COARSE LANGUAGE?	NO
[3] INTENSE SEXUAL SITUATION?	NO
[4] INTENSE VIOLENCE?	NO
PRESS [1] TO [4] FOR YES/NO PRESS [MENU] TO EXIT	

If you choose TV-MA the following screen will be displayed:

TV-MA SUITABLE FOR AGE 17 & ABOVE	
WILL YOU ALLOW SHOWS WITH:	
[1] INDECENT COARSE LANGUAGE?	NO
[2] EXPLICIT SEXUAL SITUATION?	NO
[3] GRAPHIC VIOLENCE?	NO
PRESS [1] TO [3] FOR YES/NO PRESS [MENU] TO EXIT	

By pressing (1) to (4) at the TV-PG, TV-14, and TV-MA menu, you are able to toggle between YES (allowed) and NO (blocked) for each respective question.

At the "TV GUIDELINES" screen you will see: FV (fantasy violence), D (suggestive dialog), L (language), S (sex) & V (violence); next to each rating when you have chosen to ALLOW this type of program. The letters will not appear when you have chosen to block these conditions.

Back at the "SET RATINGS" screen you may also choose the desired level of movie rating to stand as the highest level of movie allowable without parental permission. By pressing [3] you will go to the MOVIE RATING menu. Using the MPAA rating system (on page 6) choose the highest level of unblocked movies allowed by pressing the corresponding number. There are no further options and after entering the desired level you will be returned back to the "SET RATINGS" screen.

NOTE: Pressing (MENU) returns you to the previous screen. To return to television viewing simply press (MENU) until your usual screen appears.

3.4 V.GIS LOCK (TURNING ON & OFF)

Once you have set the ratings according to your families needs the V.gis becomes a simple lock which you can turn on and off with a short few steps.

At the "V.gis MAIN MENU" press (1), after entering your PIN the "V.gis LOCK" menu will appear.

V.gis LOCK	
[1] OFF	= REGULAR TV VIEWING
[2] ON	= CONTROLLED VIEWING
[3] AUTO	= OFF FOR 2 HRS THEN ON
[4] CHANGE	AUTO OFF DURATION
PRESS [1] TO [4] TO SELECT PRESS [MENU] TO EXIT	

You can now choose to turn off the V.gis by pressing [1], turn it back on if you have already turned it off by pressing [2], or turn it off for a specified period of time by pressing [3].

The purpose of AUTO OFF is so that you are able to watch regular TV without having to worry about who might watch X hours later.

You can change the length of AUTO OFF by pressing [4] and then simply entering the number of hours you would like for the system to be off for. To do this simply press any number between 1 and 9 on the remote pad to correspond with the hour length.

3.5 CLOSED CAPTIONING

This feature in the V.gis decoder allows the user to view all close captioning programs. From the MAIN MENU, press '4' to select the CLOSED CAPTIONS option. The following screen will appear:

CAPTION SETUP	
[1] CC1	[5] TXT 1
[2] CC2	[6] TXT 2
[3] CC3	[7] TXT 3
[4] CC4	[8] TXT 4
	[9] OFF
PRESS [1] TO [9] TO SELECT PRESS [MENU] TO EXIT	

NOTE: At this time broadcasters only transmit one set standard closed captioning "CC1". Please consult your local service provider for closed captioning setup or additional services available.

3.6 VIEW FUNCTION

The VIEW SCREEN will appear whenever a show is blocked using your guidelines or whenever anyone presses (VIEW) on your remote control.

On this screen you will get program information: time, name & rating. To view the program simply press (VIEW) again. If the show is blocked you will be asked to enter your PIN number and then brought to the V.gis LOCK MENU. At this point if you would like to watch the program either turn the V.gis OFF or AUTO OFF using the V.gis LOCK menu instructions.

Troubleshooting

4.1 On Screen Help Menu Explanation

1) V.gis MAIN MENU

1.1 V.gis Lock

CHOOSE ON TO TURN ON YOUR V.gis
CHOOSE OFF TO TURN OFF YOUR V.gis

1.2 Set Ratings

SELECT TV AND MOVIES GUIDELINE RATINGS

1.3 Change PIN

ALLOWS USER TO CHANGE 4 DIGIT PIN NUMBER

1.4 Closed Captions CC1

ALLOWS SWITCHING BETWEEN DIFFERENT CLOSED CAPTIONS (WHERE AND WHEN AVAILABLE)

1.5 English/Spanish

CHANGES MENU LANGUAGE FROM ENGLISH TO SPANISH

2) V.gis LOCK MENU

2.1 V.gis Lock

CHOOSE ON TO TURN ON YOUR V.gis
CHOOSE OFF TO TURN OFF YOUR V.gis

2.2 Set Auto Off Time

V.gis DECODER CAN BE IN THE "OFF" POSITION TO ALLOW VIEWING FOR A PRE-SELECTED NUMBER OF HOURS

3) SET RATINGS MENU

3.1 View Unrated Shows

ALLOWS YOU TO BLOCK OR VIEW UNRATED PROGRAMS

3.2 TV Guidelines Menu/Movie Ratings Menu

ALLOWS INDEPENDENT "YES" OR "NO" SELECTION TO SET DESIRED RATING LEVEL.
"YES" SELECTION WILL ALLOW VIEWING.
"NO" SELECTION WILL BLOCK PROGRAMS AT THE LEVELS SELECTED.
IN A SELECTION WHERE FV,D,L,S,V APPEARS USER CAN SELECT "YES" OR "NO" TO ANY OF THE FV,D,L,S,V OPTIONS.

4.2 User Troubleshooting

•What if I forget my PIN number?

Call 1-800-xxx-xxxx, your V.gis service representative operator will ask you for the full serial number of your V.gis decoder located on the bottom of the decoder device.

The operator will advise the user of a general code number which the user can enter into the remote control when aimed at the V.gis decoder. Once the user enters this code (make sure the remote is pointed at the V.gis decoder and the decoder is plugged in). The decoder will then switch back to the factory default ready code PIN number "1234". The user can then set their own PIN number as in the user instruction 4.2.

•No V.gis display menus when the "MENU" button is pressed.

Ensure your remote control is working. Check to make sure the two AAA batteries are good.

•Snowy picture or no picture on screen.

Check that the V.gis decoder voltage adapter is plugged into the V.gis decoder and the AC outlet into the wall.

For all other inquiries, please contact your local V.gis service center or retailer.

4.3 Warranty Obligations

TRI-VISION'S WARRANTY OBLIGATION FOR THE V.gis PRODUCT

1 YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY

Tri-Vision Electronics warrants its products to be free from defects in material or workmanship for a period of 1 year or 12 months from the date of purchase. (Only manufacturing defects are covered by this warranty. Customer misuse or damage is not covered.) This warranty is not transferable under any circumstances and is limited to the original purchaser of the unit.

Who Is Protected?...Where?

This warranty is extended to the original retail purchaser for products purchased and used in the U.S.A.

What the Purchaser Must Do

If you require an exchange during the warranty period, you must take your V.gis product to the dealer from whom it was purchased. Proof of purchase is required for all claims during the warranty period.

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CAUTION

This device contains no user parts. Refer all servicing to qualified personnel. Refer to the user manual for operation, warranty, liability and service instructions.

PRODUCT REGISTRATION INFORMATION

The serial number of this product may be found on the surface of the unit. No others should record the number and other vital information here and retain this book as a permanent record of your purchase to aid identification in case of theft.

Date of Purchase

Dealer Purchased From

Dealer Address

Dealer Phone #

Model #

Serial #

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC rules.

Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, And
- (2) This device must accept any interference received, Including interference that may cause undesired operation