

Video Conversion Formats

When preparing video for other countries, it's important to keep in mind that not all countries use the same format and systems we do in the US. The following (as of 1/1/00) will give you the formats for video, audio and captioning. Generally these do not change but you may want to confirm before having duplications or mailings prepared.

<u>Country</u>	<u>TV</u>	<u>COLOR FORMAT</u>	<u>STEREO</u>	<u>SUBTITLES</u>
Albania	B/G	PAL		
Argentina	N	PAL-N		
Australia	B/G	PAL	FM-FM	TeleText
Austria	B/G	PAL	FM-FM	TeleText
Azores (Portugal)	B	PAL		
Bahamas	M	NTSC		
Bahrain	B	PAL		
Barbados	N	NTSC		
Belgium	B/G	PAL	Nicam	TeleText
Bermuda	M	NTSC		
Brazil	M	PAL-M	MTS	
Bulgaria	D	SECAM		
Canada	M	NTSC	MTS	CC
Canary Is.	B	PAL		
China	D	PAL		
Colombia	N	NTSC		
Cyprus	B	PAL		
Czechoslovakia	D/K	SECAM/PAL		
Denmark	B	PAL	Nicam	TeleText
Egypt	B	SECAM		

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Faeroe Islands (DK)	B	PAL		
Finland	B/G	PAL	Nicam	TeleText
France	E/L	SECAM	Antiope	
Gambia	I	PAL		
Germany	B/G	PAL	FM-FM	TeleText
Germany (prev. East)	B/G	SECAM/PAL		
Gibraltar	B	PAL		
Greece	B/H	SECAM		
Hong Kong	I	PAL	Nicam	
Hungary	B/G & D/K	PAL (was SECAM)	Nicam (Budapest only)	
Iceland	B	PAL		
India	B	PAL		
Indonesia	B	PAL		
Iran	H	SECAM		
Ireland	I	PAL	Nicam	TeleText
Israel	B/G	PAL	Nicam	TeleText
Italy	B/G	PAL	FM/FM	TeleText
Jamaica	M	SECAM		
Japan	M	NTSC	Matrix	
Jordan	B	PAL		
Kenya	B	PAL		
Korea	M	NTSC		
Luxembourg	B/G	PAL		TeleText

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Madeira	B	PAL		
Madagascar	B	SECAM		
Malaysia	B	PAL		
Malta	B/G	PAL		
Mauritius	B	SECAM		
Mexico	M	NTSC	MTS	CC
Monaco	L/G	SECAM/PAL		
Morocco	B	SECAM		
Netherlands	B/G	PAL	FM-FM	TeleText
New Zealand	B/G	PAL	Nicam	TeleText
North Korea	D/K?	SECAM		
Norway	B/G	PAL	Nicam	
Pakistan	B	PAL		
Paraguay	N	PAL		
Peru	M	NTSC		
Philippines	M	NTSC		
Poland	D/K	PAL		TeleText
Portugal	B/G	PAL	Nicam	TeleText
Romania	G	PAL		
Russia	D/K	SECAM		
Saudi Arabia	B	SECAM		
Seychelles	I	PAL		
Singapore	B	PAL		

<u>Country</u>	<u>TV</u>	<u>COLOR FORMAT</u>	<u>STEREO</u>	<u>SUBTITLES</u>
South Africa	I	PAL		
South Korea	N	NTSC		
Spain	B/G	PAL	Nicam	TeleText
Sri Lanka	B/G	PAL		
Sweden	B/G	PAL	Nicam	TeleText
Switzerland	B/G	PAL	FM-FM	TeleText
Tahiti	KI	SECAM		
Taiwan	M	NTSC		
Thailand	B	PAL		
Trinidad	M	NTSC		
Tunisia	B	SECAM		
Turkey	B	PAL		TeleText
United Arab Emirates	B/G	PAL		
United Kingdom	I	PAL	Nicam	TeleText
Uruguay	N	PAL	MTS	
USA	M	NTSC	MTS	CC
Venezuela	M	NTSC		
Yugoslavia	B/H	PAL		
Zimbabwe	B	PAL		

Symbol Log NTSC – National Television Standards Committee (60 Hz) 525 lines
 PAL – Phase Alternate Line (50 Hz) 625 lines
 SECAM – Sequential Couleurs A' Me'morie 625 lines

