



SD Sports Channels to be Discontinued April 2019

All out-of-market sports games will remain available in HD on channels GAMEHD 1-14 and TEAMHD 1-10

Please pass along to Technical, Headend and Engineering Personnel

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Dear Affiliate:

In March 2017, iNDEMAND increased the number of HD channels available for our out-of-market sports packages, allowing us to distribute 100% of the games in high-definition. Since then, all games have been simulcast in both standard definition (SD) and high-definition (HD) on the respective GAME and TEAM channels. Beginning in April 2019, iNDEMAND will discontinue the SD channels and distribute MLB Extra Innings, NHL Center Ice and NBA League Pass in HD only.

Our Pay-Per-View (PPV) channels, iN1, iN2, iN3, PPV en Español, Hot Choice and SDPPV will continue to be distributed in SD.

In preparation for the discontinuation of the SD sports channels, please plan to continue airing the out-of-market sports channels in one of two modes:

- **Down-convert HD to SD**
 - All existing Cisco D9824 or D9800 IRDs receiving GAME 1-14 and/or TEAM 1-10 in SD can be re-tuned to the HD channels, and are compatible to receive the HD MPEG-4 version of these channels.
 - Each downlink location/headend will need to purchase and install equipment to be placed downstream from the IRDs to transcode and down-convert the signals to SD.

- **Migrate to all HD**
 - All existing Cisco D9824 or D9800 IRDs receiving GAME 1-14 and/or TEAM 1-10 in SD can be re-tuned to the HD channels, and are compatible to receive the HD MPEG-4 version of these channels.
 - Each downlink location/headend will need to add the additional HD channels which are currently not carried.
 - Cable systems will need to migrate any SD-only sports package subscriber to an HD settop box.

Information regarding the timing of these changes for each sports package is provided on the next page.

NHL Center Ice

SD games will be available on channels GAME 1-14 through the entire 2018-2019 season which concludes April 6, 2019. Beginning with the 2019-2020 season, NHL Center Ice will only be available in HD on channels GAMEHD 1-14.

NBA League Pass

SD games will be available on channels TEAM 1-10 through the entire 2018-2019 season which concludes April 11, 2019. Beginning with the 2019-2020 season, NBA League Pass will only be available in HD on channels TEAMHD 1-10.

MLB Extra Innings

SD games will be available on channels GAME 1-14 through the entire 2018 season. Beginning with the 2019 season, MLB Extra Innings will only be available in HD on channels GAMEHD 1-14. Cable systems will need to plan to add any additional HD channels, or prepare to down-convert the HD channels in early 2019.

In advance of this change, iNDEMAND will also be relocating our SD pay-per-view services between January and March 2019. Additional information and specific dates regarding all of these changes will be provided in the coming weeks.

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact us at one of the numbers below:

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