

# Digital Switchover

Throughout 2011 the analogue television signal will be switched off throughout the country and replaced with a digital signal.

Staffordshire is currently served by five different transmitters, and the switchover will take place at different times, depending on where you live. There are three stages left to be completed. The switchover dates for each transmitter take place in two stages and are as follows:

Waltham	-	17 August and 31 August 2011
Sutton Coldfield	-	7 September and 21 September 2011
Fenton	-	7 September and 21 September 2011

**Residents will need to re-tune their television after both switchover dates for their relevant transmitter have taken place.**

You are advised not to purchase any additional aerials or equipment until after your switchover has taken place. Some rogue traders may advise that you need a new aerial, however it is worth waiting to see if your signal is adversely affected before paying for work to be carried out. If you have a good television picture then it is unlikely you will need a new aerial after the switchover.

If you find you do need a new aerial, contact the Trader Register for a list of reputable installers in your area on 01785 330888. If you think you need to purchase new television equipment, shop around, making sure you have all the information you need to make an informed decision.

**If you need extra help, or to find out which transmitter you receive your television signal from, contact Digital UK on 08456 50 50 50.**

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All our alerts are available in a range of formats and languages, including large print. Please contact Community Development if this would be helpful to you, or to someone you know.

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