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**Terms, definitions and acronyms applicable to  
the transmission of television and sound-  
programme signals and of related data signals**

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## **ITU-T RECOMMENDATION J.1**

### **TERMS, DEFINITIONS AND ACRONYMS APPLICABLE TO THE TRANSMISSION OF TELEVISION AND SOUND-PROGRAMME SIGNALS AND OF RELATED DATA SIGNALS**

#### **Summary**

This Recommendation points to a recommended glossary of terms, definitions and acronyms applicable to ITU texts on the transmission of television and sound-programme signals and of related data signals for purposes of contribution, primary distribution and secondary distribution, which have been compiled from ITU-T Recommendations of the J series and a selection from Recommendation N.1. The terminology covers, among other subjects, cable television and its related services.

#### **Source**

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*(revised in 1999)*

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**2 Terms, definitions and acronyms**

For a correct comprehension of the Recommendations in the J series and N series, reference should be made to the lists of terms, definitions and acronyms found at the ITU-T website.

It is recommended that these terms and acronyms should be used as appropriate in all future ITU texts on the transmission of television and sound programme signals and of related data signals.

The terms, definitions and acronyms also appear in Supplement 4 to the J series of Recommendations.





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