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Follow these easy steps to connect your TiVo® HD Digital Video Recorder

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Setting up your TiVo® HD Digital Video Recorder (DVR) is easy.

Activate the TiVo® service (if you haven't already)

The TiVo service is what makes your DVR smart. It includes everything from your program listings to Season Pass™ recordings and WishList® searches—all the cool features you've heard about.

Some TiVo DVRs are sold with a TiVo service plan. If yours was not, activate the TiVo service at www.tivo.com/activate or call TiVo Customer Support at 1-877-367-8486. You'll need your 15-digit TiVo Service Number, found on the label on the back of the DVR. Write it here for reference _____.

Now, let's get started with Connecting Your TiVo HD Digital Video Recorder! First, a few questions:

Do I need a CableCARD™ decoder?



If you subscribe to digital cable, the answer is **YES**.

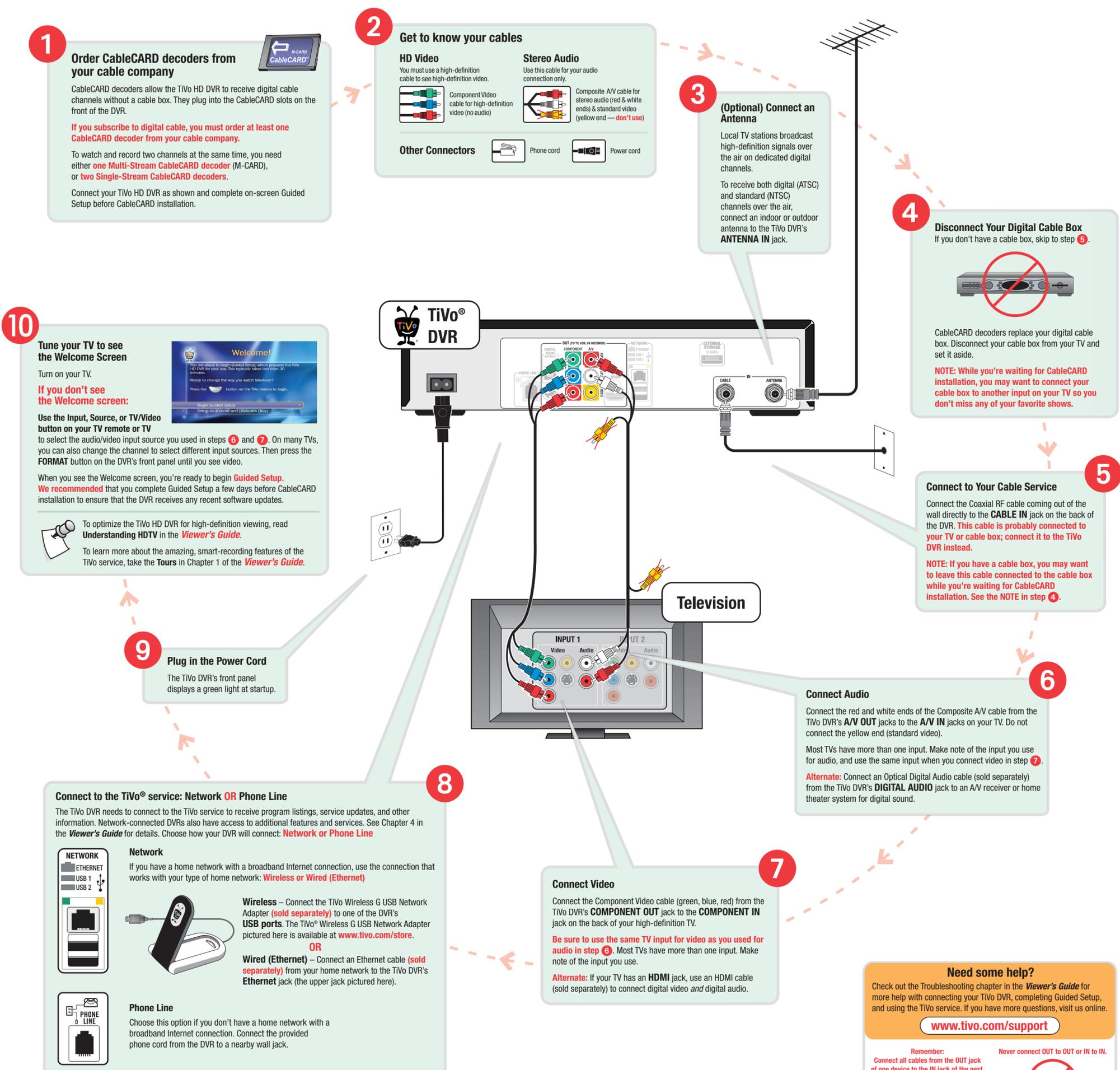
The TiVo HD DVR does not support a connection to an external cable box. To receive digital cable channels, you need at least one CableCARD decoder. To watch and record two channels at the same time, you need either **one Multi-Stream CableCARD decoder**, or **two Single-Stream CableCARD decoders**.

How do I get CableCARD decoders?

You can only get CableCARD decoders from your cable company, typically delivered by an installer. **Call your cable company** to order either one Multi-Stream CableCARD decoder, or two Single-Stream CableCARD decoders.

Locate the sheet titled **Instructions for CableCARD Installers**, included in the DVR carton. Give these instructions to the installer upon arrival. This sheet also has instructions for you, after the installer leaves.

Connecting Your TiVo HD Digital Video Recorder



1 Order CableCARD decoders from your cable company

CableCARD decoders allow the TiVo HD DVR to receive digital cable channels without a cable box. They plug into the CableCARD slots on the front of the DVR.

If you subscribe to digital cable, you must order at least one CableCARD decoder from your cable company.

To watch and record two channels at the same time, you need either **one Multi-Stream CableCARD decoder (M-CARD)**, or **two Single-Stream CableCARD decoders**.

Connect your TiVo HD DVR as shown and complete on-screen Guided Setup before CableCARD installation.

2 Get to know your cables

HD Video
You must use a high-definition cable to see high-definition video.

Stereo Audio
Use this cable for your audio connection only.

Other Connectors

- Component Video cable for high-definition video (no audio)
- Phone cord
- Power cord
- Composite A/V cable for stereo audio (red & white ends) & standard video (yellow end — **don't use**)

3 (Optional) Connect an Antenna

Local TV stations broadcast high-definition signals over the air on dedicated digital channels.

To receive both digital (ATSC) and standard (NTSC) channels over the air, connect an indoor or outdoor antenna to the TiVo DVR's **ANTENNA IN** jack.

4 Disconnect Your Digital Cable Box

If you don't have a cable box, skip to step 5.

CableCARD decoders replace your digital cable box. Disconnect your cable box from your TV and set it aside.

NOTE: While you're waiting for CableCARD installation, you may want to connect your cable box to another input on your TV so you don't miss any of your favorite shows.

5 Connect to Your Cable Service

Connect the Coaxial RF cable coming out of the wall directly to the **CABLE IN** jack on the back of the DVR. **This cable is probably connected to your TV or cable box; connect it to the TiVo DVR instead.**

NOTE: If you have a cable box, you may want to leave this cable connected to the cable box while you're waiting for CableCARD installation. See the NOTE in step 4.

6 Connect Audio

Connect the red and white ends of the Composite A/V cable from the TiVo DVR's **A/V OUT** jacks to the **A/V IN** jacks on your TV. Do not connect the yellow end (standard video).

Most TVs have more than one input. Make note of the input you use for audio, and use the same input when you connect video in step 7.

Alternate: Connect an Optical Digital Audio cable (sold separately) from the TiVo DVR's **DIGITAL AUDIO** jack to an A/V receiver or home theater system for digital sound.

7 Connect Video

Connect the Component Video cable (green, blue, red) from the TiVo DVR's **COMPONENT OUT** jack to the **COMPONENT IN** jack on the back of your high-definition TV.

Be sure to use the same TV input for video as you used for audio in step 6. Most TVs have more than one input. Make note of the input you use.

Alternate: If your TV has an **HDMI** jack, use an HDMI cable (sold separately) to connect digital video *and* digital audio.

Need some help?

Check out the Troubleshooting chapter in the *Viewer's Guide* for more help with connecting your TiVo DVR, completing Guided Setup, and using the TiVo service. If you have more questions, visit us online.

www.tivo.com/support

10 Tune your TV to see the Welcome Screen

Turn on your TV.

If you don't see the Welcome screen:

Use the **Input, Source, or TV/Video** button on your TV remote or TV to select the audio/video input source you used in steps 6 and 7. On many TVs, you can also change the channel to select different input sources. Then press the **FORMAT** button on the DVR's front panel until you see video.

When you see the Welcome screen, you're ready to begin **Guided Setup**. We **recommended** that you complete Guided Setup a few days before CableCARD installation to ensure that the DVR receives any recent software updates.

To optimize the TiVo HD DVR for high-definition viewing, read **Understanding HDTV** in the *Viewer's Guide*.

To learn more about the amazing, smart-recording features of the TiVo service, take the **Tours** in Chapter 1 of the *Viewer's Guide*.

9 Plug in the Power Cord

The TiVo DVR's front panel displays a green light at startup.

8 Connect to the TiVo® service: Network OR Phone Line

The TiVo DVR needs to connect to the TiVo service to receive program listings, service updates, and other information. Network-connected DVRs also have access to additional features and services. See Chapter 4 in the *Viewer's Guide* for details. Choose how your DVR will connect: **Network or Phone Line**

Network

If you have a home network with a broadband Internet connection, use the connection that works with your type of home network: **Wireless or Wired (Ethernet)**

Wireless – Connect the TiVo Wireless G USB Network Adapter (sold separately) to one of the DVR's **USB ports**. The TiVo® Wireless G USB Network Adapter pictured here is available at www.tivo.com/store.

OR

Wired (Ethernet) – Connect an Ethernet cable (sold separately) from your home network to the TiVo DVR's **Ethernet** jack (the upper jack pictured here).

Phone Line

Choose this option if you don't have a home network with a broadband Internet connection. Connect the provided phone cord from the DVR to a nearby wall jack.

