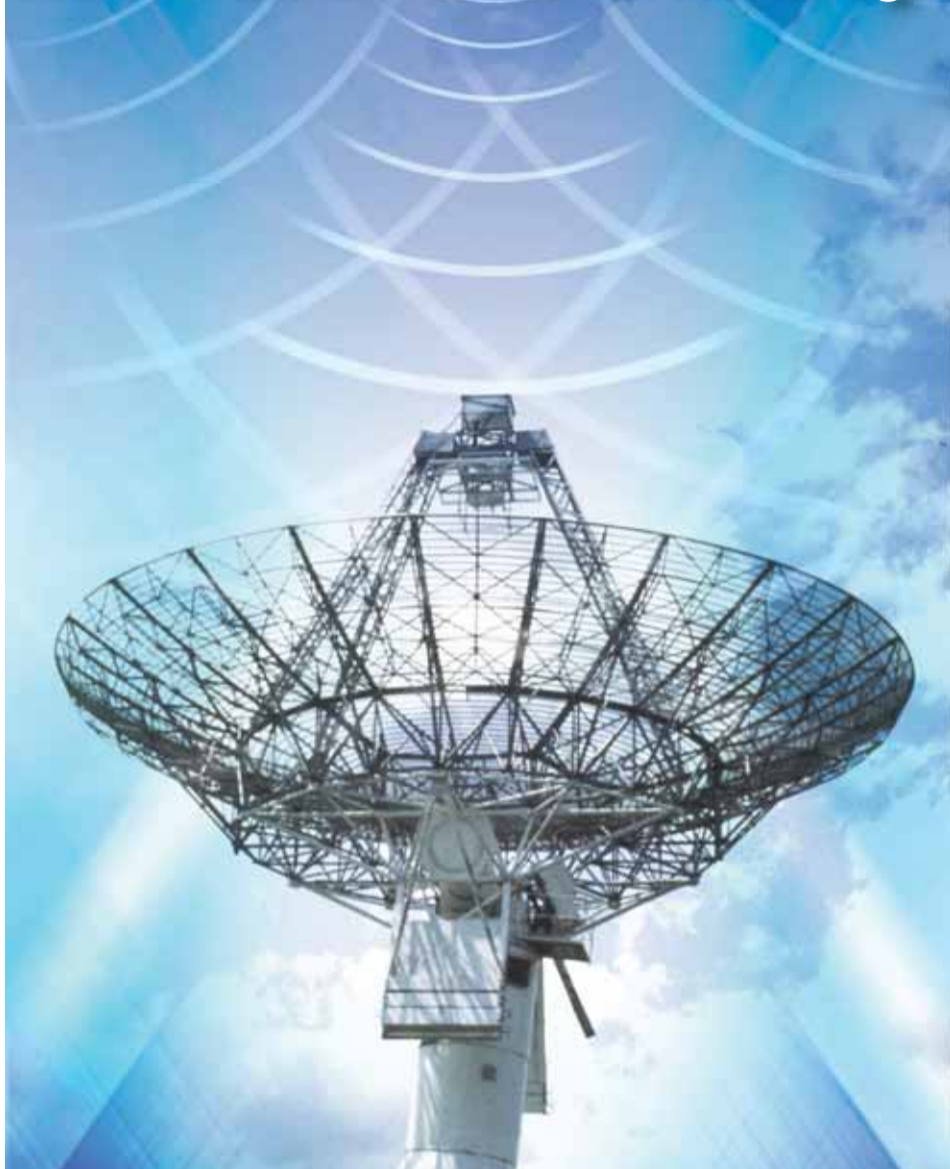


The Sat and PC Guy



Are you confused about British television on the Costa Blanca? What is Freesat and Freeview? Can I watch British television on the Costa Blanca? What size satellite dish do I require? Why can I no longer receive Channel 4 in the evenings?

These are just some of the many questions regarding the reception of British satellite television in Spain, and it is no wonder why people can get confused. The Sat and PC Guy has been installing and maintaining satellite television services on the Costa Blanca North for many years and is here to assist.

We are able to supply and install a variety of dishes, from 80cm to 2.4meter dishes, depending on your requirements. We are able to supply and install digital satellite receivers, from Sky Digiboxes and the award winning Sky+ Digital Recorder, to Freesat, High Definition (HD) and generic receivers.

As long as you have the required size satellite dish and digital satellite receiver you can you can watch BBC, ITV C4, and many other FREE satellite channels in Spain legally. It is not illegal to watch free TV channels. Reception of the main UK channels is dependent on depending on your location and the size of satellite dish; normally a 1.8 or a 2.4 meter dish will be required. A smaller dish can also be but will reduce the amount of channels available to you.

As from 4th August, Channel 4 has changed frequencies in preparation for when it goes free - you will be able to view C4 without a Sky subscription of FTV card. However, this changing of frequency has mean that C4 will only be available for the same time as BBC2, for the Costa Blanca North, approx 5am to 6pm.

It is worth noting that re-broadcaster / microwave services rebroadcast channels illegally and without the provider's consent, many services have experienced many problems in the last few months, with clients being left without the channels they were promised, and as the signal that is used is relayed by many transmitters, you may be getting a third or fourth generation signal. With these systems you pay for channels that are available with your own satellite system for free and of higher digital quality direct from the satellite.

In-fact you may have heard that recently many

rebroadcasters have reduced the number of channels available, removing premium channels like Sky Sports, due to complications with licensing. This has caused demand for satellite dishes and installations to rocket, and has affected the availability of satellite dishes.

Freesat was launched in May 2008 to assist with the digital changeover in the UK, to ensure that when the analogue TV signal are switch off, every household has access to digital TV, either by satellite (Freesat) or TV aerial (Freeview). A Freesat receiver differs from a Sky Digibox, in that it has no method of receiving encrypted subscription services, such as Sky Sports or UK Gold.

With the Freesat HD receiver, you can start to watch subscription free HD channels, like BBCHD and ITVHD, for approximately 250 Euros. Or with a Sky+HD receiver and subscription you can currently receive up to 19 HD channels and Sky have said that they are planning to have about 30 by the end of the year.

Before you consider buying a Freesat receiver it may be worth telling you that towards December Freesat will launch their Personal Video Recorder (PVR - built in hard disk for recording) allowing you to pause Live TV, or watch one channel and record another, currently only available with a Sky subscription and a Sky+ or SkyHD Digibox.

Television Digital Terrestre (TDT) is the Spanish equivalent of the UK's Freeview service. It provides approximately 30 digital television channels, now including the Disney Channel, for free via your TV aerial. In most cases you can watch the channels with their original audio, excellent for movies or American or British series. Most new LCD or Plasma TV's now come with TDT incorporated; otherwise you will require a TDT receiver - yes another remote control! You cannot receive BBC or any UK TV channels by using a UK Freeview receiver in Spain, A UK Freeview receiver may work in Spain, with some limitations.

Whether you require a satellite system installing, your existing system upgraded or serviced, or more information contact The Sat and PC Guy on 96 281 9796 / 620 130 292 or visit www.satandpcguy.com.

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Trading

HONDA DELIVERS FCX CLARITY TO FIRST CUSTOMERS

Zero emissions, hydrogen fuel cell cars now on the road

The first Honda FCX Clarity customers have taken delivery of their zero emission cars in California. Up to 200 customers will begin leasing the fuel cell vehicles in the United States and Japan over the next three years.

Film director Ron Yerxa was the first customer to get the keys to an FCX Clarity, followed by actress Jamie Lee Curtis and her husband, Christopher Guest.

"I really wasn't expecting it to be so luxurious," said Curtis. "I love the interior layout, design and access to controls. It is user friendly and very modern."

The FCX Clarity is Honda's next generation, hydrogen-powered fuel cell vehicle. Driven by an electric motor that runs on electricity generated by a fuel cell, the car's only emissions are heat and water. Its fuel efficiency is three times that of a modern petrol engine.

UK's best hot hatch? The new MINI John Cooper Works!

It's only been on sale for a month, yet the new MINI John Cooper Works has already claimed the title of Best Hot Hatch 2008, awarded by Auto Express.

The fastest-ever series production MINI has beaten off competition from the likes of the Honda Civic Type



R, Volkswagen Golf GTI and Clio Renaultsport to take top spot in the annual Auto Express New Car Honours.

An amazing 211 hp, or 132 hp per litre, is delivered from a heavily revised 1.6-litre turbocharged petrol power plant and forms the basis of the appeal of the new MINI John Cooper Works.

Despite the newcomer's engine being an identical unit to that featuring in the high-performance MINI CHALLENGE race car, the CO2 emission and fuel consumption figure for the MINI John Cooper Works beats the competition hands down.

The MINI John Cooper Works offers supreme performance, finely-honed chassis dynamics and an industry-leading ownership prospect which proved irresistible to the team of judges at Auto Express.

David Johns, Editor of Auto Express magazine said: "The latest JCW model to be produced at MINI's Plant Oxford is a firecracker. Not only is it one of the quickest cars in its class, it's also one of the most environmentally-friendly. It outscores all its rivals for entertainment, bringing the no-frills thrills of the original to life in a thoroughly modern and brilliant package."



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