

ESPN RADIO XDS RELAY CONFIGURATION

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XDS relay configurations can be done in various ways, but should take into account the station's specific needs.

With all play-by-play games airing on alternate channels, stations may need to reconfigure their XDS relay assignments.

IMPORTANT: ESPN Netcues are associated with programs and will trigger a relay if any of the four audio ports are tuned to the program and the Netcue is mapped to a relay. For ESPN 24/7, Netcue 237 is used for local breaks.

If a game is selected from the Special Events tab on the <u>https://myxdsreceiver.espn.com</u> website on your primary audio port, but another port is still tuned to ESPN 24/7, Netcue 237 will continue to trigger. This will be a problem if the station has the game local break cues mapped to the same relay (see Example #1)

Rly 1	Rly 2	Rly 3	Rly 4	Rly 5	Rly 6	Rly 7	Rly 8	Rly 9	Rly 10	Rly 11	Rly 12	Rly 13	Rly 14	Rly 15	Rly 16
237	EB!	T98													
EF1	ES4														
SPL	ES														
ES3	EF2														
ES1	LID														
EB4	EID														

Example #1

In this example, Netcue 237 is on Relay Port A, Rly 1, along with the local break Netcues for other play by play programs (EF1, ES3, ES1, etc.). If the station is using a second port (i.e. for streaming), the 237 Netcue will continue to fire along with the Netcues for the sports event.



In order to keep Netcue 237 from triggering during a game, all play by play event Netcues should be assigned to a different relay than ESPN 24/7 (see Example #2).



Example #2

If a station has limited relay resources for automation, another option is to air ESPN News Streaming Cover from the Program List and NOT the Special Events tab. This would have to be scheduled on the second audio port while the game is airing on the primary port. This will change the second port to a different channel which will keep Netcue 237 from closing the Local Break Netcue (See Example #3).

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Pr Edit Schedule *
Schedule 'ESPN News Streaming Cover' on KFFN-AW Network Feed Time 4:00 AM to 3:59:50 AM (MT) every Su starting 4/9/2012.
(Fe What would you like to do with this program?
 Broadcast the program live at the time of the Network Feed. Broadcast the program delayed by automatically capturing the program and then broadcasting it at a Local Air Time of my choice. Capture the program (record) to a file to manually play it back later.
Set which Local Air Times to broadcast from the live network feed.
Local Air Start 12:00 PM
K Fi Local Air End 5:00 PM Use Complete Feed
Network Feed starts at 4:00 AM and ends at 3:59:50 AM (MT). This schedule will play 5:00:00 (H1:MM:SS) of the network feed live (concurrently with the network feed) and will start 8:00:00 (HH:MM:SS) into the program's network feed.
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3 nev Check the network feed days to use for this schedule.
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k F. Start Date 4/17/2013
End Date 4/17/2013 Open-ended
Network Feed starts on 4/9/2012
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Add Cancel
nmit Schedule to Receiver



Example #3

From the Program List, do the following:

- 1. Choose the day to schedule ESPN Streaming Cover, and select Create a Station Schedule
- 2. Confirm Broadcast the Program Live is selected.
- 3. Uncheck the Use Complete Feed check box, then enter the local air start and end times.
- 4. Confirm the correct day has been selected
- 5. Uncheck the Open-ended check box
- 6. Set the start and end dates (if the streaming cover is needed past midnight, be sure to enter the corresponding end date).
- 7. Click Add, then Commit Schedule to Receiver

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