PROGRAMMING A PERSONAL VIDEO RECORDER (PVR) FROM ILLICO WEB

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I – Introduction

The online **remote recorder** application enables you to consult Videotron’s illico digital TV service listings and to use its advanced functions for the following:

- **Program** a Personal Video Recorder (PVR);
- **Manage** recordings on illicoweb.tv from any computer connected to the Internet.

The application enables you to:

- **Browse** the program guide;
- **Do a search by** keyword or category;
- Identify a show you’re looking for, and;
- **Access** most of the functions available on a Personal Video Recorder (PVR), including:
  1. Program, edit or delete the recording of a show;
  2. Program, edit or delete a manual recording;
  3. Consult the recordings on the device’s hard drive, scheduled recordings and recordings in progress.

The application is compatible with the following Scientific Atlanta Personal Video Recorder (PVR) models: 8300 and 8300HD.
II – Identification and opening of session

You can access the remote recorder application at illicoweb.tv in the Program guide section.

1) User login
To access the advanced functions of the application, though, you will have to enter the user name and password you use in the Customer Centre section of videotron.com.

2) Automatic session logout
It is possible that the session will automatically log out after a period of inactivity. In this case, the following message will be displayed and you will have to log in again:

To record a show and use customized functions, please identify yourself.
III – Searching for a show

There are many functions used to search for a show:

- **Browse** listings by date and time of day
- **Display** by category
- Search by keyword
- **Search** in favourite channels

1) Browsing the listings

A channel display selection menu allows you to display the various channels based on the following criteria:

- **"All channels"**: Listings display all Videotron channels available. In this case, the greyed-out channels are those that are not included in your package, and which you can therefore not record.
- **"My package"**: Displays the channels included in your package.
- **"My favourites"**: Only displays those channels you have included in your favourites (see Chapter III, paragraph 4).

The main screen of the application displays the current programming slot. The yellow dotted line specifies the time at which you accessed the listings.
For **show details** and to access the **recording functions**, just click on the **title** of the show in the listings. The detail is displayed in a description pane at the bottom of the listings:

You can close the description pane at any time to continue consulting the listings.

The listings include programming for all the channels **for the next 4 days**. To consult the schedule for a different day, just use the **Calendar** tool or click the **DATE AND PERIOD** button:
You can also browse the listings per time of day by using the navigation arrows above and below the listings:

The arrows preceded or followed by a vertical line enable you to return to the beginning of the schedule (current time) or to go to the last available period of the schedule:

2) Display by category

In order to make the research easier, you can select the type of show desired by using the category selection pull-down menu.

When a category is selected, the corresponding shows are displayed in the listings in pale yellow:
3) Search by keyword

A Search by keyword field, located above the listings, enable you to quickly find a show.

When you launch a search, a pane opens **to the left** of the listings and displays the search results. The search is done on the entire listings, including the title, description, actors and director of each show:
The search tool takes into account any filters that may have been applied to the navigation listings, i.e.:

- **Category** filter
- **Channel display** filter

Accordingly, it may be necessary to delete these filters in order to extend the search:
Once you have found a show using the search tool, just click on it to position it in the listings and display the description pane:

Once your search is completed, you can close the search results pane to return to the full-screen listings.

4) Favourite channels

To quickly and efficiently consult the listings, you can include channels of your choice in *My favourites*.

Just click on the small grey star next to the channel logo. The star turns yellow. To remove a selection from *My favourites*, just do the reverse. When you click on a yellow star, it changes back to grey:
To only display channels included in **My favourites** on the screen, you need to use the display selection menu at the top of the listings:
IV – Programming a recording

Reminder: To access recording functions, you need to:

- Have a Personal Video Recorder (PVR) connected to the Videotron network
- Have logged into the remote recorder application on illicoweb.tv, using the same user name and password you use for Customer Centre on videotron.com

1) Recording from the listings

You can access the recording functions in the description pane at the bottom of the listings. This pane opens when you select a show:

To program a recording of the selected show, click the Record button. The recording details are displayed:

Three functions are available for managing the recording:

1 - Record: This function lets you specify whether to record just today's show, playing at a specific time, or whether to record all the episodes of this show on this channel and in this time slot (in the case of a multi-episode show).

2 - Extend: This function adds extra recording time, on top of the end time given in the listings.
3 - **Save**: This function enables you to erase shows saved on the PVR automatically or manually.

Once you have selected these items, just click **Confirm** to complete the programming. The programmed show is then displayed in the listings with a red bar above the title:

![Show](image)

### 2) Manual recording

A manual recording is not linked with any particular show from the listings, but is based on a specific **date** and **time period**.

To manually record something, select **Manual recording** in the navigation menu at the top of the listings. Once the recording window is open, select:

- The channel you want to record;
- Recording date and **start** and **end** times;
- Rule for saving the show on the hard disk of the PVR:
Once completed, the programming is displayed in the listings, with a red bar above the slot you have just programmed:
3) Managing several Personal Video Recorders (PVR)

In the event where several PVRs are associated with your user account, a pull-down menu at the top of the listings enables you to select the recorder you want to use:

In this menu, each recorder is identified by its model number (e.g. 8300HD). If several devices with the same model number are associated with your account, you should then consult the list of previously recorded shows on each of them to locate the device you wish to use (see Chapter V, paragraph 1).

4) Instant recording

If you want to start recording something right away, keep in mind that the application requires a 3- to 5-minute interval before it starts recording.

5) 18 years and older content

By default, the listings do not display content details for shows rated 18 years and older. To access this information, you need to specify it by selecting Include shows for 18 years and older at the top of the listings:

You can program shows rated for 18 years and older without restrictions using the online application. The device ensures parental control according to the rules chosen by the user (protection PIN).
V – Managing recordings

The **Managing recordings** section is accessible via the navigation menu located above the listings by clicking on **My recordings**.

1) Previously recorded shows on the PVR

The **Recorded** tab presents the shows previously recorded on the PVR, whether they were programmed from the online application or directly on the device. This view presents all the content in the recorder.

By clicking on the arrow in front of a show's title, you get the detail of each recording, which allows you to identify the show properly.

If the recording was done manually, the description is not available since a manual recording is linked to a period and not a show.

An HD logo appears opposite the show's title, in the case of an HD channel recording.

**Important:** Since an HD show occupies 6 times more disk space than a standard show, you can free up an equivalent amount of space on your hard drive just by deleting an HD show.
2) Scheduled recordings

The **Scheduled** tab presents the shows programmed for recording, whether they were programmed from the online application or directly on the device. This view displays all the scheduled recordings.

By clicking on the arrow in front of the show's title, the detail of each recording is displayed and you can **change the details** of each scheduled recording including **frequency** of recording, **duration** of extra recording time, and deletion **rule**.

If the recording was done manually, the description is not available since a manual recording is linked to a period and not a show.

Deleting an item from this list cancels the scheduled recording.

3) Recording in progress

The **In progress** tab presents shows that are currently being recorded. When a recording that is under way is stopped, the part that has already played is saved on the recorder's drive.

4) Scheduling conflict

With the Personal Video Recorder (PVR), you can **simultaneously record** 2 shows. If you want to record a show and there are already 2 other recordings programmed, there is a conflict. In this case, the application will invite you to choose 2 out of the 3 shows to record.
Once the scheduling conflict has been resolved, the conflict message disappears and a **red bar** is displayed in the listings, above the programmed shows.

5) **Lack of disk space**

If a large number of shows have already been recorded, you may **not have enough disk space** for a new recording.

In this situation, the application displays a message indicating that there is a shortage of space and invites you to delete one or more shows to free up space for a new recording.

**Important:** *Shows on HD channels take up about 6 times more disk space than shows recorded from standard channels. Accordingly, deleting just one HD show can free up an equivalent amount of disk space.*