

Frequently Asked Questions

CBS Television Network Programming Launch on KOAT's Digital Subchannel

Starting August 1, 2026, CBS network programming is coming to KOAT 7.4. Here's what viewers need to know about the change.

Station	KOAT — New Mexico Durango, Colorado
Over-the-air digital subchannel	7.4
Over-the-air launch date	6am on August 1, 2026

What's happening on August 1, 2026?

KOAT is adding CBS network programming to its lineup, broadcasting on a new over-the-air digital subchannel, 7.4. This includes CBS's full schedule of primetime series, daytime programming, late night, sports, and news.

How do I watch CBS on KOAT?

Over the air (antenna): Available now on Digital subchannel 7.4. If you watch with an antenna, you may need to rescan your TV or converter box to pick up the new subchannel — look for a "channel scan" or "auto-tune" option in your device's setup menu.

Cable, satellite, or streaming TV: We are actively working with cable, satellite, and streaming TV providers to ensure the availability of CBS on their systems. As soon as we have those details, we will let you know.

Do I need to do anything to get CBS?

If you watch over an antenna, you may need to rescan your TV or converter box to find the new subchannel. If you have cable, satellite, or a streaming TV service, no action is needed on your part — the channel will simply appear in your guide when confirmed and updated by your provider.

I used to watch CBS on a different channel. What happened?

CBS's affiliation in New Mexico & Durango, Colorado has changed. Beginning August 1, 2026, KOAT's digital subchannel 7.4 is the new home for CBS in this market. We know it may take a little getting used to, and we're glad to have you watching.

Will I still get local news along with CBS programming?

Yes. KOAT 7's existing local news team will air on the new CBS subchannel, so you'll see the same anchors, reporters, and local coverage you already know.

Why does the news look different from what I'm used to seeing with CBS?

If you previously watched CBS on a different station, that station had its own separate news team. Starting August 1, the CBS affiliation belongs to KOAT, so the newscasts paired with CBS programming are produced by the KOAT Action 7 News team, simulcast from our main channel.

What CBS programming will be available?

The full CBS network schedule includes primetime dramas and comedies, daytime programming, late night talk shows, NFL and other sports coverage, and CBS News programming — along with local newscasts from KOAT Action 7 News.

Is KOAT's main channel changing?

No. KOAT's primary channel and existing programming are not changing. CBS is being added as an additional over-the-air digital subchannel, 7.4.

Will I still be able to see ABC on KOAT?

Yes. KOAT's primary channel and existing programming are **NOT** changing—you will still be able to watch the same ABC programming and news you watch on KOAT. CBS is being added as an additional over-the-air digital subchannel, 7.4.

Where can I get updates on cable, satellite, or streaming availability?

You can contact your provider directly. This page will be updated as soon as carriage dates and channel numbers are confirmed.

Who can I contact with questions?

Call 505-884-7777