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Maryland Public Service Commission Releases FAQs for New 667 Area Code

BALTIMORE—Consumers who have questions concerning Maryland's new 667 area code can visit the Maryland Public Service Commission's website for specific answers. In cooperation with Verizon, the PSC has posted a list of Frequently Asked Questions that address the March rollout of the new area code.

Known as an area code overlay, the addition of the 667 area code into areas served by other codes is being implemented because the available numbers in the 410 and 443 areas are expected to be exhausted soon. The FAQs cover many common issues related to how the new area code affects current service, which customers are affected, and the anticipated start date of the overlay. Existing 410 and 443 customers will not have a change in their service, and new customers receiving a 667 area code will follow the existing 10-digit dialing pattern.

New area code assignments will begin on or around March 24, 2012. The [complete list of FAQs](#) can be accessed from the PSC's homepage, www.psc.state.md.us, under the Telecommunication link.

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