

Patent Abstract

Title: An electronic program guide selection system with fast search, compact presentation and flexible programming capabilities

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ABSTRACT

The present invention aims to offer very fast ways to program timers for viewing or
10 recording in digital broadcast equipment by the implementation of a fast title search in current and future electronic program guides with convenient user input of searched title name, or by using the current
15 title when so requested, a new way to display the events of the program guide as well as the list of records in which identical titles are grouped by default, the possibility to automatically overwrite a previous record
20 with the same name or to record separately events with the same name but a different content., and finally to let the automatic timer programming continue beyond the existing program guide, even when the
25 equipment is set to standby.