

## **Freebox subscribers now have their own home media center**

*Free has turned its Freebox into a true home media center, enabling users to use their television to view images and films stored on their computer, or their HiFi system to listen to music recorded on their computer*

Free has further improved the features available with the Freebox (the leading multiservice platform in France, with more than one million users) by introducing its Freeplayer software, which turns the Freebox into a media center which allows users to download their digital files to their TV screens and HiFi systems.

It's very easy to use Freeplayer. The Freebox is connected to the television via a SCART lead and to the HiFi via a SPDIF socket and to computers which can support a router via either a USB or Ethernet port or using a WiFi card.

After downloading the Freeplayer software from the [www.free.fr](http://www.free.fr) website, users can run Freeplayer either from their computers or from their television screen using the Freebox remote control.

Users can use an interface featuring a Play List in order to manage their files and:

- use their television to watch films recorded on the hard disk of their computer;
- use their television to look at photos stored on the hard disk of their computer;
- use their HiFi system to listen to music recorded on the hard disk of their computer;
- watch DVDs played on their computer's DVD player.

The Freeplayer service is available to all subscribers with a Freebox v3 or v4, whether or not they are using an unbundled line, and the Freebox subscription charge remains exactly the same.

Free will provide developers with the necessary technical specifications so that they can write new applications to further enhance the audiovisual functionalities of the Freebox.

Free's introduction of its Freeplayer service is part and parcel of its policy of being the first player on the market to offer the most advanced services at the most attractive price.

With Free, for just €29.99 per month, new subscribers in an unbundled area receive\*:

- Internet access at download speeds of up to 20 Mbit/s and 1 Mbit/s upload,
- telephone services including free local and national calls to landline phones in mainland France,
- up to 200 television channels, 80 of which are free-to-air channels, including the TNT channels,
- a free Freebox modem/router, which supports WiFi,
- the option to do away with telephone line rental charges (€13.99/month) by subscribing to the Total Freebox or Total Freebox for a deactivated number service.

In areas which are not yet unbundled, for €29.99 per month, new subscribers receive\*:

- Internet access at download speeds of up to 10,272 kbit/s and 320 kbit/s upload,
- telephone services including free calls to landline phones in mainland France,
- a free Freebox modem/router, which supports WiFi.

The Freeplayer service will be operational in a few days time.

*\*Subject to local availability and the technical characteristics of the line.*

*Service available after acceptance of the new conditions of sale.*

*The service is to be used only for personal, non-business use and must not breach copyright. Piracy is harmful to artistic creativity.*

*Service availability is subject to minimum hardware requirements.*

### **About Free**

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