- (1) Prevents it from rejecting or refusing any subscription television broadcast program which it reasonably believes to be unsatisfactory or unsuitable or contrary to the public interest; or substituting a subscription or conventional program which in its opinion is of greater local or national importance; or
- (2) Delegates to any other person the right to schedule the hours of transmission of subscription programs: provided, however, that this rule shall not prevent a licensee, permittee, or applicant from entering into a greement or arrangement whereby it agrees to schedule a specific subscription television broadcast program at a specific time; or
- (3) Prevents it from making a free choice of subscription programs, whatever their source; or
- (4) Deprives it of the right of ultimate decision concerning the maximum amount of any subscription program charge or fee.
- §73.643 General operating Requirements.
- (a) No commercial advertising announcements shall be carried during subscription television operations except for promotion of subscription television broadcast programs before and after such programs.
- (b) Charges, terms and conditions of service to subscribers shall be applied uniformly: provided, however, that subscribers may be divided into of different sets of terms and conditions may be applied to subscribers in different classifications.
- (c) Any television broadcast station licensee or permittee authorized to broadcast subscription programs shall broadcast, in addition to its subscription broadcasts, at least the minimum hours of programs required by Section 73.651 of the Rules.
- (d) If a television broadcast station supplies the only Grade A signal to a community, not more than 15% of its non-prime broadcast time (including subscription and non-subscription broadcast time during that period), and not more than 50% of its prime broadcasting time (including subscription broadcast time during that period) may be devoted to subscription broadcasting; if it supplies the second or third Grade A signal, broadcast time; if it supplies the fourth Grade A signal, broadcast time; if it supplies the fourth Grade A signal, not more than 50% of its non-prime broadcast time, and 75% of its prime broadcast time; and if it is one of five or more stations supplying a Grade A signal to the be devoted to subscription broadcasting.
- (e) Except as they may be otherwise waived by the Commission in authorizations issued hereunder, the rules applicable to regular television broadcast stations will be applicable to subscription television operations