



SPEC8300-9	2-Hour 9 Act – 8 Break FEATURE MOVIE FORMAT
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Description (SMPTÉ drop frame time code is mandatory)		29.97 fps		Duration Mm;ss;ff	25 fps	
		Timecode In hh:mm:ss;ff	Timecode Out hh:mm:ss;ff		Timecode In Hh:mm:ss:ff	Timecode Out Hh:mm:ss:ff
Bars & Tone		00:59:40:00	00:59:44:00	00:04:00	09:59:40:00	09:59:44:00
Black	Black	00:59:44:00	00:59:45:00	00:01:00	09:59:44:00	09:59:45:00
Slate	Main Slate	00:59:45:00	00:59:50:00	00:05:00	09:59:45:00	09:59:50:00
Slate	Supplemental Slate (WOO's, etc)	00:59:50:00	00:59:55:00	00:05:00	09:59:50:00	09:59:55:00
Countdown	Video countdown from 5 to 3 with single frame of tone at the first frame of each second (5...4...3)	00:59:55:00	00:59:57:06	00:02:06	09:59:55:00	09:59:57:06
White	White Flash and Sync Indicator Two frames of white video and 1000 hz tone	00:59:57:06	00:59:57:08	00:00:02	09:59:57:06	09:59:57:08
Black	Black	00:59:57:08	01:00:00:00	00:02:20	09:59:57:08	10:00:00:00
Content Act #1	(Must be longest Act; up to 12:00 of content)	<b>01:00:00:00</b>			<b>10:00:00:00</b>	
BREAK #1	Black			00:05:00		
Content Act #2	(Act length minimum 5 min)					
BREAK #2	Black			00:05:00		
Content Act #3	(Act length minimum 5 min)					
BREAK #3	Black			00:05:00		
Content Act #4	(Act length minimum 5 min)					
BREAK #4	Black			00:05:00		
Content Act #5	(Act length minimum 5 min, content time must end on or near 40 min)					
BREAK #5	Black			00:05:00		
Content Act #6	(Act length minimum 5 min)					
BREAK #6	Black			00:05:00		
Content Act #7	(Act length minimum 5 min)					
BREAK #7	Black			00:05:00		
Content Act #8	(Act length minimum 5 min)					
BREAK #8	Black			00:05:00		
Content Act #9	(Act length minimum 5 min; seamless; credits not to exceed 1 min)		<b>02:23:40:00</b>			<b>11:23:40:00</b>



**PROGRAM FORMAT SPECIFICATIONS FOR 29.97 / 25 fps**

- First program video and/or audio must hit at timecode 01;00;00;00 / 10:00:00:00
- Total Content Time, including credits (cannot exceed) **83:00**  
(Content Time Includes: disclaimers, graphic titles, Acts 1-9 end credits and any other elements attached to the program.)
- Breaks (:05 x 8 breaks) **00:40**
- TOTAL RUNNING TIME (TRT) **83:40**

**Editing Guidelines:**

- Acts do not have to begin and end at :00 frames, **except** the beginning of Act 1 and the end of Act 9.
- Follow content act guidelines within the table.
- Act 9 should also include the end credits
- If any Act falls below five minutes of content, please contact [own\\_dfs@own.tv](mailto:own_dfs@own.tv) for approval.

**\*Special Note** – The information below applies to programs delivering to Discovery in **1080p 23.98**. After Discovery converts the program to 1080i 59.94 with 29.97 drop frame time code the program will match the **SPEC8300-9 clock**.

**PROGRAM FORMAT SPECIFICATIONS FOR 1080p 23.98:**

- First program video and/or audio must hit at time code 01:00:00:00.
- Total Content Time cannot exceed **2;23;05;00** when timecode converted to 29.97  
(Content Time Includes: disclaimers, graphic titles, **Acts 1-9**, and any other elements, attached to the program.)
- Breaks (:05 x 8 breaks)
- TOTAL RUNNING TIME (TRT) Must equal **2;23;40;00** when converted to 29.97.