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Section 4

## SUPPLEMENTAL SERVICES

## 4.9 **BLOCKING SERVICE**

## 4.9.1 General

Blocking service is a feature that permits customers to restrict access from their telephone line to various discretionary services. The following blocking options are available:

- a. 900, 700 Blocking allows the subscriber to block all calls beginning with the 900 and 700 prefixes (i.e. 900-XXX-XXXX) from being placed.
- b. 900, 971, 974, 540, 550, 396, 970, 976, 910, 920 & 700 Blocking allows the subscriber to block all calls beginning with the above prefixes from being placed.
- c. Third Number Billed and Collect Call Restriction provides the subscriber with a method of denying all third number billed and collect calls to a specific telephone number provided the transmitting operator checks their validation data base.
- d. Toll Restriction (1+ and 0+ Blocking) provides the subscriber with local dialing capabilities but blocks any customer-dialed call that has a long distance charge associated with it.
  - Toll Restriction will not block the following types of calls: 911 (Emergency), 1 + 800 (Toll Free), and operator assisted toll calls.
- e. Direct Inward Dialing Blocking (Third Party and Collect Call) provides business customers who subscribe to DID service to have Third Party and Collect Call Blocking on the number ranges provided by the Company.

## 4.9.2 Regulations

- a. The Company will not be liable for any charge incurred when any long distance carrier or alternative operator service provider accepts third number billed or collect calls.
- Blocking Service is available where equipment and facilities permit.
- c. Blocking Services or a telephonic block can only be removed pursuant to a written request by the customer of record, of the customer providing the correct password over the telephone, or by a request made in person by such customer. The customer can provide a personal password to use to remove blocking service at the time blocking service is established.

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