

I am not sure if this is the right place to ask this question, but.....

Does the FCC provide a legal definition for "Breaking News"?

I live in Columbus, OH, and enjoy watching CBS programming very much. Often I will still be awake when the local news comes on at 11pm. It seems like WBNS-TV uses the term "Breaking News" to entice views to stick around and watch. Example, last night they lead their news with Break News (graphics, sound effects, etc.). This caught my attention. I wanted to know what is happening in my city. Then they go to tell the story of a man in Alabama shot a bus driver and took a 6-year-old hostage. Now I am sympathetic to the families of all involved, but really, how is that breaking news?

Keep in mind that this is one example. This type of "scare" reporting goes on 3-4 times a week.

If I could get the FCC's definition of Breaking News, I would appreciate it.

Thanks,

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