

Important Information

PIC Freeze Information From TriCounty Telephone Membership Corporation

What is a **PIC Freeze**? A **Preferred Interexchange Carrier Freeze** is an option you have to prevent unauthorized changes to your chosen Primary (1+) Long Distance Carrier (being “slammed”). Your Primary Long Distance Carrier handles all long distance calls outside the 40-mile toll area.

- **With** a PIC Freeze on your carrier selection, **you** will control any changes made to your account.
- **Without** a PIC Freeze, if a carrier such as AT&T, BTI, ITC Deltacom, Sprint, TriCounty Communications, or any other carrier that provides 1+ service from our exchanges sends TriCounty Telephone a notice to change your carrier to their company, FCC regulations require that we make the change **without getting your approval**.

To request a PIC Freeze at no charge, fill out and return the form below to:

TriCounty Telephone Membership Corp.
PO Box 520
Belhaven, NC 27810

You may also send this form in with your monthly telephone bill.

I authorize TriCounty Telephone Membership Corporation to put a PIC Freeze on my telephone number(s). Please choose **ONE** of the three options below:

- Intralata and interlata long distance carriers
- Intralata long distance carrier only
- Interlata long distance carrier only

I understand that if I wish to change my long distance carrier, I must personally contact TriCounty TMC by phone or in writing to authorize the change.

Print Name _____ Date _____

Telephone Number(s): _____

Billing Address: _____

Signature _____