## HD RADIO™ TECHNOLOGY

HD Radio™ systems provide digital radio broadcasts on AM/FM radio alongside the analogue radio signals. HD Radio technology is capable of providing improved audio quality compared to the analogue broadcast.

HD Radio<sup>™</sup> technology operates in a very similar way to the standard AM/FM system. For information on storing stations, waveband selection etc. see 111, RADIO CONTROLS.

When an HD Radio signal is detected and received, the tuner gradually blends automatically between the analogue and the digital audio.

In areas of poor reception due to signal masking and transmitter strengths, the HD Radio™ system may switch between the HD Radio primary signal and the corresponding analogue broadcast more frequently. If tuned to a multicast service, the audio may mute more frequently.

**Note:** During this process, a change in volume levels may be experienced. The volume matching between the analogue and digital signal is dependent upon the broadcaster.

**Note:** If poor reception and auto switching becomes unacceptable, it is recommended that HD is switched off or the radio tuned to an HD Radio service with better coverage.

The HD Radio digital signal is transmitted at the same frequency as the analogue signal and can also provide additional multicast channel services where available.

To switch the HD Radio feature on and off:

- Select Settings.
- Select HD Off to deactivate or On to activate HD Radio.

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When tuned to an HD Radio channel, the station name shown in the display, is prefixed by **HD**. If there are multicast services available, the station name will be prefixed by **HD1**.

## HD RADIO™ RECEIVER OPERATION

HD Radio<sup>™</sup> technology operates in a very similar way to the standard AM/FM system. For information on storing stations, waveband selection etc., see 113, SATELLITE RADIO CONTROLS.

When an HD Radio signal is detected and received, the tuner gradually blends automatically between the analogue and the digital audio.

**Note:** During this process, a change in volume levels may be experienced. The volume matching between the analogue and digital signal is dependent upon the broadcaster.

If a digital signal is unavailable, the AM/FM analogue signal is automatically selected. If the signal is lost when listening to a multicast service, the audio will be muted.

When tuned to an HD Radio channel, the station name shown in the display, is prefixed by **HD**. If there are multicast services available, the station name will be prefixed by **HD1**.

## **TUNING TO MULTICAST SERVICES**

Multicast services (extra digital audio channels) can be received on HD Radio™ channel broadcasts. Their availability is dependent upon the channel broadcaster. If an HD Radio channel features multicast services, **HD1** will be displayed.