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PoE and Bandwidth Reference Guide

Power Over Ethernet (PoE) Cable provides both data and electric power to a device, eliminating the need for additional wiring. Most category cable installed today offers PoE functionality, but bandwidth limits - the maximum amount of data that can be transferred along a cable - dictate the most appropriate application for each type of cable.

Cable Type	Bandwidth @ 100 Meters	Bandwidth @ 30 Meters	Recommended PoE Limit
Category 6A	10 Gbps	40 Gbps	60W+
Category 6+	1 Gbps	10 Gbps	Up to 60W
Category 6	1 Gbps	10 Gbps	Up to 25.5W
Category 5e	1 Gbps	1 Gbps	Up to 12.95W

Recommended Applications								
Data centers	Wireless access points	IP video surveillance	Digital signage	VoIP phones	Basic voice + data networks			
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	Category 6+							
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			Category 5e					