# How nluminaire

## Works

#### **OVERVIEW**

**nLUMINAIRE** is a PoE Connected Lighting System that uses ethernet cable to transmit DC power and data to efficiently power, monitor, and control LED light fixtures. It reduces installation and operating costs and lowers carbon footprint while enhancing safety and security. By implementing this elegant lighting system, both commercial and industrial buildings are becoming smarter and more sustainable.





#### Infrastructure

nLUMINAIRE comprises of intelligent hardware devices and software suites that are simple to install, configure, and manage. The system is straightforward to deploy with any star topology network infrastructure and its interoperability enables it to work with any network switch that supports PoE technology. nLUMINAIRE devices are also compatible with any third-party LED light fixtures. In addition, nLUMINAIRE can be implemented in either upcoming lighting installations or existing LED lighting networks in renovation or upgrade situations.

#### Hardware Connectivity

At the heart of the nLUMINAIRE is the nController, which is directly connected with the PoE switch via a single CAT5e cable (or higher) using a dedicated RJ-45 input port to transmit power and data.

The nController has multiple port options to connect a single LED light fixture, nSensor, and nSwitch. White LED fixtures can be connected in two ways: if RJ-45 enabled, then the LED fixture is connected to the nController via a dedicated RJ-45 port; otherwise, a gaugewired LED fixture is connected through a twopole dry contact. Alternatively, RGB LED fixture can be connected through an assigned, fourpole dry contact. Finally, the nSensor and nSwitch are directly linked with the nController through two additional RJ-45 ports specifically allocated to them.



Next, the nDriver is available in two different models: The first can power a constant current, white LED light fixture, while the second can power a constant voltage, RGB LED light fixture. Both models are directly connected with the PoE switch via a single CAT5e cable (or higher) using a dedicated RJ-45 input port to transmit power and data. Here again, the constant current, white LED light fixture can be connected in two ways: if RJ-45 enabled, the LED fixture is connected to the nDriver via a dedicated RJ-45 port; otherwise, a gauge-wired LED fixture is connected through a two-pole dry contact. Similarly, a constant voltage RGB LED light fixture can be connected through an assigned four-pole dry contact. Note that up to five nDrivers can be grouped and associated with a single nController to provide unified control of a group of LED light fixtures.





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#### Functionality

Centralized configuration of every nController, nDriver, nSensor, and nSwitch is handled through the nManager application and can be pushed to each device separately or to a set of devices (depending on their location and grouping, or the entire building). Configuration parameters are also stored locally in the nController, nDriver, nSensor, and nSwitch.

### **Connecting to nManager**

Once all nLUMINAIRE devices are properly connected, the nController and nDriver obtains IP addresses from DHCP under the designated VLAN, and the devices are verified and configured by the nManager. Then, the nController will establish a secure connection with nManager and supply power to the connected LED light fixture, as well as the nSensor and nSwitch. At the same time, each nDriver will establish a secure connection with nManager and powers its connected LED light fixture. At this point, all nLUMINAIRE devices are now discovered, registered, and displayed in the nManager application.

Each connected device forwards real-time data to the nManager application for the monitoring and reporting of a variety of data points, including energy usage, manual override status, occupancy status, light level, luminaire status, sensor data and more. More precisely, the status of all lighting components and luminaires is forwarded to the nManager application and displayed in dashboards. Immediate adjustments to lighting are also made by assessing the level of daylight available using daylight harvesting and then dimming or brightening light levels as appropriate. Any lighting parameters can also be temporarily overridden with the physical nSwitch or any of the applications via nManager or nManager Mobile (available for iOS or Android mobile devices).

Meanwhile, the nManager application provides the interface to all management, configuration, status, and reporting for the LED lighting system — from the entire building down to a single LED light fixture, whether it's hosted on the on-premise nGateway or cloud-based. After the hardware installation is completed, the installation information is imported into the nManager application; this provides a complete view of all lighting components and their locations within the building.

By utilizing the intuitive capabilities of the nLUMINAIRE, any LED lighting network can become not only powered by PoE technology, but also managed and controlled in the smartest, most secure, and simplest way.



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