

URC Intros Z-Wave Plus-Certified Lighting Control

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URC announces the TRF-ZW3 gateway and 500 series switches and dimmers at CEDIA Expo 2019-- components making a next generation smart lighting control system complete with Z-Wave Plus certification, at least according to the company.



Designed for either standalone installation or integration with the URC Total Control 2.0 or MX HomePro systems, the 500 Series is compatible with LED lighting and promises several benefits, including increased power, increased range (up to 152m), 250% more bandwidth, enhanced security and ease of installation. It consists of wireless light switches, dimmers, receptacles, accessory modules and a wireless gateway. As a standalone system, the end user controls it using the URC Home App on iOS and Android devices.

Making the heart of the system is the TRF-ZW3 gateway. It offers more power to handle larger installations in comparison to the first-generation URC lighting system, with performance reaching up to 100 nodes of Z-Wave/Z-Wave Plus compatible hardware. Meanwhile the 500 Series switches, dimmers and receptacles come in 3 designer colours (white, light almond and black), with the switchers and dimmers also available in master neutral and accessory neutral versions. The dimmers support up to 600W.

Rounding out the lineup is an appliance module allowing installers to automate not only lighting, but also coffee makers, table lamps, seasonal lighting and anything else they can connect. All the 500 Series products are controllable using any URC Total Control 2.0 user interface, and the system is compatible with URC MX HomePro IoT control systems for smaller installations.

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