



TL 9000 Informational Alert

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Category Tables R5.8 and R5.9	17 May 2023
5. Reason for Alert:	
To announce the release of a new edition of the TL 9000 Category Tables – Version R5.9.	
6. Description:	
A new version of the TL 9000 Category Tables (CT) has been approved for use. The new Tables may be used to submit May 2023 data to the TL 9000 Measurements Repository System and must be used for October 2023 data and forward. CT 5.8 can continue to be used through the September 2023 data submission. See the Category Tables page on the tl9000.org website for more details including a change history document listing all of the specific changes in R5.9.	
7. Comments:	
The changes in the R5.9 Tables include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Renamed 2.6 Network Access Control to 2.6 Network Security and Access Control and modified the definition to clarify what products fall under this category• Added 'Fixed optical attenuators' to the examples of 3.1.1.2.2 Optical connectors.• Renamed 4.2.1.2 NFV Orchestrator to 4.2.1.2 Network Orchestration, modified the definition, and added Policy-Based Automation (PBA), Software-Defined Networking (SDN), and Intent-Based Networking Systems (IBNS) to the examples.• Changed the definition of category 4.2.3 Offline (Operations Support Systems) to include the latest products that fall under this category• Added category 5.5 Data center / Central Office Cooling Equipment. Please see the change history document noted above for the detailed list of changes in this release.	