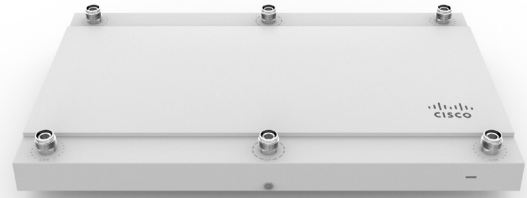


MR53E

Dual-band, 802.11ac Wave 2 access point with external antenna connectors for challenging RF and high-density deployments



High performance 802.11ac Wave 2 wireless

The Cisco Meraki MR53E is a cloud-managed 4x4:4 802.11ac Wave 2 access point with 160 MHz channels and MU-MIMO support. Designed for demanding next-generation deployments in busy offices, schools, hospitals, stadiums, factories, warehouses, and other venues, the MR53E offers high performance, enterprise-grade security, and simple management. The MR53E provides a maximum of 2.5 Gbps* aggregate frame rate with concurrent 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz radios. A dedicated third radio provides real-time WIDS/WIPS with automated RF optimization, and a fourth integrated radio delivers Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) scanning and Beacons.

The MR53E supports a variety of smart, auto-detectable external antenna that can deliver both focused, targeted coverage in challenging RF scenarios as well as broader coverage in a variety of environments, including those with very high ceilings. These antenna include panel and panel downtilt omnidirectionals, wide patch, and narrow patch options.

With the combination of cloud management, best-in-class hardware, multiple radios, and advanced software features that leverage the intelligence and power of the Meraki cloud, the MR53E makes an outstanding platform for the most challenging use cases — including high-density deployments and bandwidth or performance-critical applications like voice and high-definition video.

MR53E and Meraki cloud management: a powerful combination

Management of the MR53E is handled through the Meraki dashboard, an intuitive browser-based interface that enables rapid deployment across multiple sites without the need for time-consuming training or costly certifications.

Since the MR53E is self-configuring and managed over the web, it can be deployed at a remote location in a matter of minutes, even without on-site IT staff. 24x7 monitoring via the Meraki cloud delivers real-time alerts if the network encounters problems. Remote diagnostic tools enable immediate troubleshooting so that distributed networks can be managed with a minimum of hassle.

The MR53E's firmware is automatically kept up to date via the cloud. New features, bug fixes, and enhancements are delivered seamlessly over the web. This means no manual software updates to download or missing security patches to worry about.

Product Highlights

- External antenna connectors
- 4 x 4 160 MHz MU-MIMO 802.11ac Wave 2
- 2.5 Gbps dual-radio aggregate frame rate
- Multigigabit ethernet
- 24 x 7 real-time WIPS/WIDS and spectrum analytics via dedicated third radio
- Integrated Bluetooth Low Energy Beacon and scanning radio
- Enhanced transmit power and receive sensitivity
- Full-time Wifi location tracking via dedicated 3rd radio
- Integrated enterprise security and guest access
- Application-aware traffic shaping
- Self-configuring, plug-and-play deployment
- Sleek, low-profile design blends into office environments
- Optimized for voice and video

Features

Dual-radio aggregate frame rate of up to 2.5 Gbps*

A 5 GHz 4x4:4 radio supporting 160 MHz channel widths and a 2.4 GHz 4x4:4 radio supporting 40 MHz channel widths offer a combined dual-radio aggregate frame rate of 2.5 Gbps*, with up to 1,733 Mbps in the 5 GHz band thanks to 802.11ac Wave 2 and 800 Mbps in the 2.4 GHz band. Technologies like transmit beamforming and enhanced receive sensitivity allow the MR53E to support a higher client density than typical enterprise-class access points, resulting in fewer APs for a given deployment.

Multi User Multiple Input Multiple Output (MU-MIMO)

The MR42E's sophisticated, dedicated dual-band third radio scans the environment continuously, characterizing RF interference and containing wireless threats like rogue access points. No more need to choose between wireless security, advanced RF analysis, and serving client data: a dedicated third radio means that all three occur in real-time, without any impact to client traffic or AP throughput.

Multi-gigabit and Link Aggregation uplink options

The MR53E's integrated multi-gigabit uplink ensures maximum capacity for this high performance 802.11ac Wave 2 hardware configuration. The MR53E's two Ethernet uplinks can be configured for link aggregation if switch infrastructure does not yet support multigigabit. The second Ethernet port can be used to connect wired client devices, like a security camera, when not used for link aggregation.

Bluetooth Low Energy Beacon and scanning radio

An integrated fourth radio for Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) provides seamless deployment of BLE Beacon functionality and effortless visibility of BLE devices. The MR53E enables the next generation of location-aware applications while future-proofing your deployment, ensuring it's ready for any new customer engagement strategies.

Automatic cloud-based RF optimization

The MR53E's sophisticated and automated RF optimization means that there is no need for the dedicated hardware and RF expertise typically required to tune a wireless network. The RF data collected by the dedicated third radio is continuously fed back to the Meraki cloud. This data is then used to automatically tune the channel selection, transmit power, and client connection settings for optimal performance under even the most challenging RF conditions.

Integrated enterprise security and guest access

The MR53E features integrated, easy-to-use security technologies to provide secure connectivity for employees and guests alike. Advanced security features such as AES hardware-based encryption and WPA2-Enterprise authentication with 802.1X and Active Directory integration provide wire-like security while still being easy to configure. One-click guest isolation provides secure, Internet-only access for visitors. PCI compliance reports check network settings against PCI requirements to simplify secure retail deployments.

3rd radio delivers 24x7 wireless security and RF analytics

The MR53E's dedicated dual-band scanning and security radio continually assesses the environment, characterizing RF interference and containing wireless threats like rogue access points. There's no need to choose between wireless security, advanced RF analysis, and serving client data - a dedicated third radio means that all functions occur in real-time, without any impact to client traffic or AP throughput.

Enterprise Mobility Management (EMM) & Mobile Device Management (MDM) integration

Meraki Systems Manager natively integrates with the MR53E to offer automatic, context-aware security. You can use Systems Manager's self-service enrollment to rapidly deploy MDM without installing additional equipment, and then dynamically tie firewall and traffic shaping policies to client posture.

* Refers to maximum over-the-air data frame rate capability of the radio chipset, and may exceed data rates allowed by IEEE 802.11ac-compliant operation.

Features (cont'd)

Application-aware traffic shaping

The MR53E includes an integrated Layer 7 packet inspection, classification, and control engine, enabling you to set QoS policies based on traffic type. Prioritize your mission critical applications while setting limits on recreational traffic like peer-to-peer and video streaming. Policies can be implemented per network, per SSID, per user group, or per individual user for maximum flexibility and control.

Voice and video optimization

Industry standard QoS features are built in and easy to configure. Wireless Multi Media (WMM) access categories, 802.1p, and DSCP standards support all ensure important applications get prioritized correctly, not only on the MR53E, but on other devices in your network. Unscheduled Automatic Power Save Delivery (U-APSD) ensures minimal battery drain on wireless VoIP phones.

Self-configuring, self-maintaining, always up-to-date

When plugged in, the MR53E automatically connects to the Meraki cloud, downloads its configuration, and joins the appropriate network. If new firmware is required, this is retrieved by the AP and updated automatically. This ensures the network is kept up-to-date with bug fixes, security updates, and new features.

Advanced analytics

Drill down into the details of your network usage with highly granular traffic analytics. Extend your visibility into the physical world with journey tracking through location analytics. View visitor numbers, dwell time, repeat visit rates, and track trends. View real-time, per-radio spectrum analytics to troubleshoot nearby interference. Analyze AP events, client utilization, and bandwidth usage on a per-radio basis. Fully customize your analysis with raw data available via simple APIs.

MR53E Tx / Rx Tables | 2.4 GHz

Operating Band	Operating Mode	Data Rate	TX Power	RX Sensitivity
2.4 GHz	802.11b	1 Mb/s	19 dBm	-96.5 dBm
		2 Mb/s	19 dBm	-91.5 dBm
		5.5 Mb/s	19 dBm	-90.5 dBm
		11 Mb/s	19 dBm	-85.5 dBm
2.4 GHz	802.11g	6 Mb/s	19 dBm	-90.5 dBm
		9 Mb/s	19 dBm	-89.5 dBm
		12 Mb/s	18 dBm	-88.5 dBm
		18 Mb/s	18 dBm	-86.5 dBm
		24 Mb/s	18 dBm	-83.5 dBm
		36 Mb/s	18 dBm	-80.5 dBm
		48 Mb/s	17 dBm	-74.5 dBm
		54 Mb/s	17 dBm	-73.5 dBm
2.4 GHz	802.11n (HT20)	MCS0/8/16/24	19/22/23/27 dBm	-90.5/-93.5/-94.5/-96.5 dBm
		MCS1/9/17/25	18/21/22/24 dBm	-86.5/-89.5/-90.5/-92.5 dBm
		MCS2/10/18/26	18/21/22/24 dBm	-84.5/-87.5/-88.5/-90.5 dBm
		MCS3/11/19/27	17/20/21/23 dBm	-80.5/-83.5/-84.5/85.5 dBm
		MCS4/12/20/28	17/20/21/23 dBm	-78.5/-81.5/-82.5/-84.5 dBm
		MCS5/13/21/29	16/19/20/25 dBm	-73.5/-76.5/-77.5/-79.5 dBm
		MCS6/14/22/30	15/18/19/21 dBm	-71.5/-74.5/-75.5/-77.5 dBm
		MCS7/15/23/31	15/18/19/21 dBm	-70.5/-73.5/-74.5/-76.5 dBm

MR53E Tx / Rx Tables | 5 GHz

Operating Band	Operating Mode	Data Rate	TX Power	RX Sensitivity
5 GHz	802.11a	6 Mb/s	20 dBm	-89.5 dBm
		9 Mb/s	20 dBm	-88.5 dBm
		12 Mb/s	20 dBm	-87.5 dBm
		18 Mb/s	20 dBm	-85.5 dBm
		24 Mb/s	19 dBm	-78.5 dBm
		36 Mb/s	19 dBm	-75.5 dBm
		48 Mb/s	18 dBm	-73.5 dBm
		54 Mb/s	18 dBm	-72.5 dBm
5 GHz	802.11n (HT20)	MCS0/8/16/24	20/23/24/26 dBm	-89.5/-92.5/-93.5/-95.5 dBm
		MCS1/9/17/25	20/23/24/26 dBm	-86.5/-89.5/-90.5/-92.5 dBm
		MCS2/10/18/26	20/23/24/26 dBm	-83.5/-86.5/-87.5/-89.5 dBm
		MCS3/11/19/27	20/23/24/26 dBm	-80.5/-83.5/-84.5/-86.5 dBm
		MCS4/12/20/28	19/22/23/25 dBm	-76.5/-79.5/-80.5/-82.5 dBm
		MCS5/13/21/29	19/22/23/25 dBm	-72.5/-75.5/-76.5/-78.5 dBm
		MCS6/14/22/30	18/21/22/24 dBm	-69.5/-72.5/-73.5/-75.5 dBm
		MCS7/15/23/31	17/20/21/23 dBm	-70.5/-73.5/-74.5/-76.5 dBm
5 GHz	802.11n (HT40)	MCS0/8/16/24	20/23/24/26 dBm	-86.5/-89.5/-90.5/-92.5 dBm
		MCS1/9/17/25	20/23/24/26 dBm	-83.5/-86.5/-87.5/-89.5 dBm
		MCS2/10/18/26	20/23/24/26 dBm	-80.5/-83.5/-84.5/-86.5 dBm
		MCS3/11/19/27	20/23/24/26 dBm	-77.5/-80.5/-81.5/-83.5 dBm
		MCS4/12/20/28	19/22/23/25 dBm	-74.5/-77.5/-78.5/-80.5 dBm
		MCS5/13/21/29	19/22/23/25 dBm	-71.5/-74.5/-75.5/-77.5 dBm
		MCS6/14/22/30	18/21/22/24 dBm	-70.5/-73.5/-74.5/-76.5 dBm
		MCS7/15/23/31	17/20/21/23 dBm	-68.5/-71.5/-72.5/-74.5 dBm

Operating Band	Operating Mode	Data Rate	TX Power	RX Sensitivity
5 GHz	802.11ac (VHT20)	MCS0/0/0/0	20/23/24/26 dBm	-89.5/-92.5/-93.5/-95.5 dBm
		MCS1/1/1/1	20/23/24/26 dBm	-86.5/-89.5/-90.5/-92.5 dBm
		MCS2/2/2/2	20/23/24/26 dBm	-83.5/-86.5/-87.5/-89.5 dBm
		MCS3/3/3/3	20/23/24/26 dBm	-80.5/-83.5/-84.5/-86.5 dBm
		MCS4/4/4/4	19/22/23/25 dBm	-76.5/-79.5/-80.5/-82.5 dBm
		MCS5/5/5/5	19/22/23/25 dBm	-72.5/-75.5/-76.5/-78.5 dBm
		MCS6/6/6/6	18/21/22/24 dBm	-69.5/-72.5/-73.5/-75.5 dBm
		MCS7/7/7/7	17/20/21/23 dBm	-70.5/-73.5/-74.5/-76.5 dBm
		MCS8/8/8/8	16/19/20/22 dBm	-64.5/-67.5/-68.5/-70.5 dBm
		MCS9/9/9/9	15/18/19/21 dBm	-60.5/-63.5/-64.5/-66.5 dBm
5 GHz	802.11ac (VHT40)	MCS0/0/0/0	20/23/24/26 dBm	-86.5/-89.5/-90.5/-92.5 dBm
		MCS1/1/1/1	20/23/24/26 dBm	-83.5/-86.5/-87.5/-89.5 dBm
		MCS2/2/2/2	20/23/24/26 dBm	-81.5/-84.5/-85.5/-87.5 dBm
		MCS3/3/3/3	20/23/24/26 dBm	-77.5/-80.5/-81.5/-83.5 dBm
		MCS4/4/4/4	19/22/23/25 dBm	-74.5/-77.5/-78.5/-80.5 dBm
		MCS5/5/5/5	19/22/23/25 dBm	-71.5/-74.5/-75.5/-77.5 dBm
		MCS6/6/6/6	18/21/22/24 dBm	-70.5/-73.5/-74.5/-76.5 dBm
		MCS7/7/7/7	17/20/21/23 dBm	-68.5/-71.5/-72.5/-74.5 dBm
		MCS8/8/8/8	16/19/20/22 dBm	-61.5/-64.5/-65.5/-67.5 dBm
		MCS9/9/9/9	15/18/19/21 dBm	-58.5/-61.5/-62.5/-64.5 dBm
5 GHz	802.11ac (VHT80)	MCS0/0/0	20/23/24/26 dBm	-83.5/-86.5/-87.5/-89.5 dBm
		MCS1/1/1	20/23/24/26 dBm	-79.5/-82.5/-83.5/-85.5 dBm
		MCS2/2/2	20/23/24/26 dBm	-77.5/-80.5/-81.5/-83.5 dBm
		MCS3/3/3	20/23/24/26 dBm	-74.5/-77.5/-78.5/-80.5 dBm
		MCS4/4/4	19/22/23/25 dBm	-70.5/-73.5/-74.5/-76.5 dBm
		MCS5/5/5	19/22/23/25 dBm	-66.5/-69.5/-70.5/-72.5 dBm
		MCS6/6/6	18/21/22/24 dBm	-64.5/-67.5/-68.5/-70.5 dBm
		MCS7/7/7	17/20/21/23 dBm	-63.5/-66.5/-67.5/-69.5 dBm
		MCS8/8/8	16/19/20/22 dBm	-59.5/-62.5/-63.5/-65.5 dBm
		MCS9/9/9	15/18/19/21 dBm	-57.5/-60.5/-61.5/-63.5 dBm

Operating Band	Operating Mode	Data Rate	TX Power	RX Sensitivity
5 GHz	802.11ac (VHT8P80/VHT160)	MCS0	20 dBm	-80.5 dBm
		MCS1	20 dBm	-76.5 dBm
		MS2	19 dBm	-74.5 dBm
		MCS3	19 dBm	-71.5 dBm
		MCS4	19 dBm	-67.5 dBm
		MCS5	19 dBm	-63.5 dBm
		MCS6	18 dBm	-61.5 dBm
		MCS7	17 dBm	-60.5 dBm
		MCS8	16 dBm	-56.5 dBm
		MCS9	15 dBm	-54.5 dBm

Specifications

Radios
2.4 GHz 802.11b/g/n/ac client access radio
5 GHz 802.11a/n/ac Wave 2 client access radio
2.4 GHz & 5 GHz dual-band WIDS/WIPS, spectrum analysis, and location analytics radio
2.4 GHz Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) radio with Beacon and BLE scanning support
Concurrent operation of all three radios
Supported frequency bands (country-specific restrictions apply): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2.412-2.484 GHz• 5.150-5.250 GHz (UNII-1)• 5.250-5.350 GHz (UNII-2)• 5.470-5.600, 5.660-5.725 GHz (UNII-2e)• 5.1725-5.825 GHz (UNII-3)
Antenna
List of compatible antennas: MA-ANT-3-A5/B5/C5/D5/E5/F5
Individual antenna elements for each radio
802.11ac Wave 2 and 802.11n Capabilities
4 x 4 multiple input, multiple output (MIMO) with four spatial streams
SU-MIMO and MU-MIMO support
Maximal ratio combining (MRC) and beamforming
20 and 40 MHz channels (802.11n), 20, 40, 80, and 160 MHz channels (802.11ac)
Up to 256-QAM on both 2.4 GHz & 5 GHz bands
Packet aggregation
Power
Power over Ethernet: 37-57 V (802.3at required; functionality-restricted 802.3af mode supported)
Alternative 12 V DC input
Power consumption: 20 W max (802.3at)
Power over Ethernet injector and DC adapter sold separately
Interfaces
1x 100/1000/2.5G BASE-T Ethernet
1x 10/100/1000 BASE-T Ethernet (RJ45)
1x DC power connector (5.5 mm x 2.5 mm, center positive)
Six external RP-TNC antenna connectors
Mounting
All standard mounting hardware included
Desktop, ceiling, and wall mount capable
Ceiling tile rail (9/16, 15/16, or 1 1/2" flush or recessed rails), assorted cable junction boxes
Bubble level on mounting cradle for accurate horizontal wall mounting
Physical Security
Two security screw options included
Kensington lock hard point
Concealed mount plate with anti-tamper cable bay
Environment
Operating temperature: 32 °F to 104 °F (0 °C to 40 °C)
Humidity: 5% to 95%

Physical Dimensions
10.59" x 6.3" x 1.06" (269 mm x 160 mm x 27 mm), not including deskmount feet or mount plate
Weight: 41.27 oz (1.17 kg)
Security
Integrated Layer 7 firewall with mobile device policy management
Real-time WIDS/WIPS with alerting and automatic rogue AP containment with Air Marshal
Flexible guest access with device isolation
VLAN tagging (802.1Q) and tunneling with IPSec VPN
PCI compliance reporting
WEP, WPA, WPA2-PSK, WPA2-Enterprise with 802.1X
EAP-TLS, EAP-TTLS, EAP-MSCHAPv2, EAP-SIM
TKIP and AES encryption
Enterprise Mobility Management (EMM) & Mobile Device Management (MDM) integration
Cisco ISE integration for guest access and BYOD posturing
Quality of Service
Advanced Power Save (U-APSD)
WMM Access Categories with DSCP and 802.1p support
Layer 7 application traffic identification and shaping
Mobility
PMK, OKC, and 802.11r for fast Layer 2 roaming
Distributed or centralized Layer 3 roaming
Analytics
Embedded location analytics reporting and device tracking
Global L7 traffic analytics reporting per network, per device, and per application
LED Indicators
1 power/booting/firmware upgrade status
Regulatory
RoHS
For additional country-specific regulatory information, please contact Meraki Sales
Warranty
Lifetime hardware warranty with advanced replacement included
Compliance
EN 60601-1-2 EMC requirements for the Medical Directive 93/42/EEC
Ordering Information
MR53E-HW: Meraki MR53E Cloud Managed 802.11ac Wave 2 AP
MA-PWR-30W-XX: Meraki AC Adapter for MR Series (XX = US/EU/UK/AU)
MA-INJ-5-XX: Meraki Multigigabit 802.3at Power over Ethernet Injector (XX = US/EU/UK/AU)
MA-ANT-3-A6
MA-ANT-3-B6
MA-ANT-3-C6
MA-ANT-3-D6
MA-ANT-3-E6
MA-ANT-3-F6
Note: Meraki access point license required

Compliance and Standards

IEEE Standards

- 802.11ac Wave 2
- 802.11a
- 802.11b
- 802.11e
- 802.11g
- 802.11h
- 802.11i
- 802.11k
- 802.11n
- 802.11r
- 802.11u

Safety Approvals

- UL 60950-1
- CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 60950-1
- IEC 60950-1
- EN 60950-1
- Conforms to UL 2043 (Plenum Rating)

Radio Approvals

- Canada: FCC Part 15C, 15E, RSS-247
- Europe: EN 300 328, EN 301 893
- Australia/NZ: AS/NZS 4268
- Mexico: NOM-121
- Taiwan: NCC LP0002
- For additional country-specific regulatory information, please contact Meraki Sales

EMI Approvals (Class B)

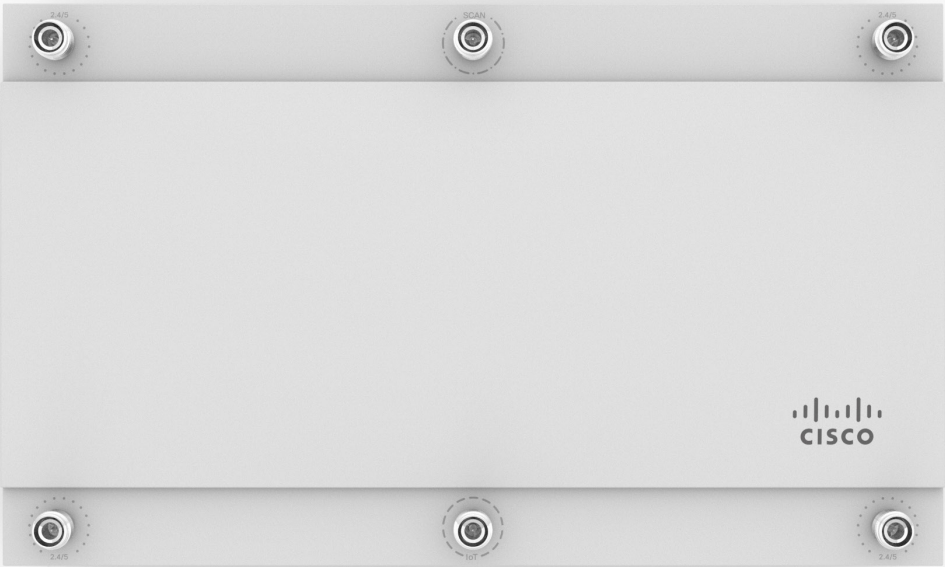
- Canada: FCC Part 15B, ICES-003
- Europe: EN 301 489-1-17, EN 55032, EN 55024
- Australia/NZ: CISPR 22
- Japan: VCCI

Exposure Approvals

- Canada: FCC Part 2, RSS-102
- Europe: EN 50385, EN 62311, EN 62479
- Australia/NZ: AS/NZS 2772

Wi-Fi Alliance Product Certification

MR53E-HW Cert ID: WFA75884



ThunderIT for the REMC SAVE Contract

ThunderIT offers products and services for REMC SAVE contract customers at a discounted price in accordance to the REMC price list.

Overview for the REMC SAVE contract

REMC SAVE provides large volume contracts for a variety of educational resources, including furniture, school and office supplies, software and digital services, and technology.

The program saves time and money by providing bids compliant with the Michigan Revised School Code that also provides local school districts with the authority to purchase using REMC contracts. The legislation that established REMCs (Michigan Compiled Laws Act 451 Section 380.671), and State Board of Education Rules, enables REMCs to bid on behalf of local school districts and also provide local school districts with the authority to purchase using REMC contracts. All items and vendors are awarded through a sealed bid process by the REMC SAVE Bid Project and approved by the REMC Association.

REMC SAVE is provided as a project of the REMC Association of Michigan for all Michigan schools. REMC SAVE provides large-volume contracts for a variety of educational resources. By using REMC SAVE contracts, Michigan schools have saved more than \$1 billion since 1990. Every dollar saved through REMC SAVE today is one more dollar to invest in instruction tomorrow.

ThunderIT services the following REMC districts; REMC 1, REMC 2N, REMC 2C, REMC 2S, REMC 3, REMC 4, REMC 5, REMC 6, REMC 7, REMC 8, REMC 9, REMC 10, REMC 11, REMC 12W, REMC 12E, REMC 13, REMC 14W, REMC 14E, REMC 15, REMC 16, REMC 17, REMC 18S, REMC 18N, REMC 19W, REMC 19E, REMC 20, REMC 21, REMC 22

ThunderIT services the following REMC customers; AKIVA HEBREW DAY SCHOOL, BIRNEY MIDDLE SCHOOL, BUSSEY CTR-EARLY CHILDHOOD DEV, DEVRY UNIVERSITY - SOUTHFIELD – CENTRAL, HAMILTON ACADEMY CENTRAL OFFICE, LEONHARD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, MCINTYRE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, OAKLAND INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY

Other REMC contract holders include: Inacomp Technical Services Group, Sentinel Technologies, Software Services Group, Insight Direct USA, Information Systems Intelligence, Netech, Secant Technologies, CDW Logistics Inc (CDWG)

ThunderIT offers a variety of Solutions & Services to meet your every need

Digital Workplace

Transform your digital workplace and empower employees to drive your business forward. We deliver flexible, tailored, end-to-end solutions to keep your workforce engaged and productive. With an innovative approach centered around exceptional user experiences.

Smart Spaces

We provide smart workspace solutions to help you deliver consistent network performance and give guests, employees and students an uninterrupted experience.

Secure Network Solutions

Our security solutions help protect your network and critical data from cybersecurity threats

Safe Environments

We believe that employee, student, and customer safety is paramount in any environment. That's why our solutions provide a cloud based platform to help you intuitively manage and monitor physical locations to ensure a safe experience for everyone.

Next Generation WiFi

Power new and improved user experiences with our managed wifi solutions, offering faster speeds for enhanced application experience and more capacity for high density indoor and outdoor environments.

Remote Work Solutions

With our remote work solutions, working away from the office is no big deal. Give employees a secure, optimized connection to your entire network from anywhere.

Hybrid Workforce

We provide a seamless hybrid workforce solution that embraces change and operational scale. Give your employees and customers unrivaled experiences with a cloud platform that unifies best-in-class technologies.

Free Network Evaluation & Demo

ThunderIT offers a FREE Network Evaluation and/or product Demo to help ensure you are well informed and confident when choosing the right Cisco Meraki solution for your needs. During our call we'll architect a custom built Cisco Meraki solution for your business or environment.

Migration & Deployment

ThunderIT offers Migration and Deployment Services for your Cisco Meraki solution. Our experienced team of IT Professionals can configure, deploy and support your products to meet your needs. Our custom solutions ensure maximum efficiency and provide a clear path for your business going forward.

Managed Security

ThunderIT offers the best and most cost-effective solution to lower your risk in a heightened threat environment. Our team of certified Cisco engineers are ready to ensure that your network is secure, and your firewall is optimally configured to defend your business.

Mobile device management (MDM) Services

Our Mobile Device Management (MDM) solution unifies management of thousands of endpoint devices in a secure cloud platform, driving your organization's mobility initiatives, while maintaining an environment of agility and security.

Support & Monitoring

ThunderIT offers network support and monitoring services that are designed to fit the needs of every customer.

FAQs for the REMC SAVE Contract

Q: Does REMC SAVE meet the legal requirement for competitive bidding? A: The legislation that established REMCs (Michigan Compiled Laws Act 451 Section 380.671), and State Board of Education Rules, enables REMCs to bid on behalf of local school districts and also provide local school districts with the authority to purchase using REMC contracts. All items are competitively bid by REMC SAVE and awarded by the REMC Association.

Q: Who can Use REMC SAVE contracts? A: The following agencies are eligible to purchase using REMC SAVE contracts: PreK-12 Public, Charter (PSA) and Non-Public Schools, Community Colleges, Universities and Colleges, Public Libraries, Museums, State, County, and Local Government Agencies, Educational Non-profit Organizations and Health Care Facilities. Personal purchases at awarded bid pricing are at the discretion of the vendors.

Q: What is REMC SAVE? A: REMC SAVE is a free service of the REMC Association for all Michigan schools. There are 3 staff of REMC SAVE, and they conduct all of the bids and maintain vendor contracts. You can ask your local REMC Center questions. Find your local REMC Center by scrolling down the REMC SAVE home screen to view the map for your region or look up by zip code.

Q: How do I provide feedback? A: Your local REMC SAVE contact will always listen to any feedback you wish to provide. If you have feedback about the product, scroll down the home screen at remcsave.org and click 'View All Vendors' and you can complete a vendor evaluation form.

Q: What if my company wishes to become an awarded vendor? A: Go to vendorcenter.remcbids.org and create an account by clicking Login or Register in the upper right corner. Follow the directions! The only requirement is that you need five Michigan K12 school references. Customers can send their vendor recommendations to their local REMC contact or email remcsave@remc.org

Q: How are the vendors and products selected? A: Products and Vendors are awarded through a competitive bid process. REMC SAVE staff analyzes all bids and make recommendations to the REMC SAVE Advisory Committee for award. Once the REMC SAVE Advisory Committee votes on the award recommendations, they are then voted on by the REMC Association Board of Directors for final award.

Q: Where do I send my order or contact an awarded vendor? To contact vendors, navigate to the vendor listing by scrolling down the home screen and click 'view all vendors,' or navigate to <https://www.remcsave.org/vendors>. Click on the vendor name to find their contact information.

Q: What do I need to include on my purchase order? Please make sure your purchase order is itemized and includes the REMC item number, the model number/name, the reseller product number (if available), the quantity of each item to be purchased, and the unit price. A quote may be attached, but the purchase order should still be itemized. Sometimes the item numbers for the warranties, accessories, and upgrades are located on the spec sheet, linked from the awarded item page – be sure to include on the Purchase Order.