

HOMEBUYER BENEFITS AND APPLICATIONS

A TechHome rating ensures your home has the infrastructure in place to support a wide variety of electronics products that provide exciting digital lifestyle benefits.



Home Theater Room/Media Room

Using a TechHome infrastructure, you can easily set up a home theater or media room where entertainment most commonly will be enjoyed. Products that can be connected to the TechHome infrastructure here include HDTVs, speakers, DVD players, digital video recorders, cable/satellite boxes, radios, iPod docks, A/V receivers, and numerous other products, many of which can be hidden from view along with the structured wiring.



Multi-Room Audio and Video (MRAV)

Use the TechHome infrastructure to distribute music, movies, video, photos and more throughout the property. With an MRAV system in place, each member of the family can share all of the homes content and simultaneously enjoy their own individual digital multimedia experience, in any connected room. Products in this area can include centralized movie, video or audio servers, control management systems, wireless and wired touchscreens, remotes or keypads, in-wall/in-ceiling speakers, HDTV displays and projectors, and much more.



Networking and Communication

Maximize a TechHome infrastructure to deliver not only audio and video entertainment but also a fully digital home office environment, with unified communications, telephony, fax, Internet access, file sharing, PC networking, centralized calendar, scheduling and more.



Complete Home Control

Take advantage of the TechHome infrastructure to implement a home control and automation system that not only can control entertainment throughout the home but also lighting, climate, security and more. You can interact with the system through products such as in-wall and wireless keypads and touch panel PCs—even smart phones.



Lighting and Shade Control

Make lighting and shade control automatic and much more “intelligent,” in the process by controlling natural and ambient lighting, room occupancy, thus helping to conserve energy in terms of electricity and energy usage, as well as enhancing moods and ambience. This application can be integrated with a complete home control system or delivered standalone.



Safety and Security

Use the TechHome infrastructure to implement a full security system for your home, including video security and remote monitoring.



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TECHHOME RATING SYSTEM LEVELS

Depending on the amount and the nature of the structured wiring installed, a home can achieve one of three THRS levels: Bronze (basic), Gold (advanced) or Platinum (premium).



A **Bronze** THRS rating denotes that the home is properly wired to enable the distribution of TV and video, networking and communications in standard living spaces, including the kitchen, the bedroom and the family room/multimedia room.



A **Gold** THRS rating provides all of the capabilities of a Bronze home, adds multi-room audio distribution and system control capabilities, and services a greater number of defined living

spaces, including the master bathroom, outdoor areas and the dining room.



A **Platinum** THRS rating is the highest designation of a technology-ready home. A Platinum-rated home provides all of the capabilities of a Gold home, and incorporates additional structured wiring to achieve full functionality in eight or more living spaces throughout the property, including a home office. Platinum provides for complete integration throughout the home for multi-room audio and video, control, security and communications. A Platinum THRS home is equipped to deliver the ultimate digital experience for the homeowner.

Full structured wiring guidelines for each level are available at TechHome.com at no cost.