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# MC100FX-TX-PoE Media Converter User Manual



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# Chapter 1

## Introduction



The GE Security MC100FX-TX-PoE 100Base-FX to 10/100Base-TX PoE Media Converter is a great solution for remote network equipment deployment. It integrates the following two networking technologies:

- **Media Conversion:** 100Base-FX to 10/100Base-TX
- **Power over Ethernet:** Power Sourcing Equipment (PSE), PoE Injector

Providing both PoE and Fiber Optical interfaces, the MC100FX-TX-PoE is ideal for service providers, campuses and public areas requiring deployment of PoE devices at wireless access points for IP-based surveillance cameras or IP phones easily, efficiently and cost effectively.

# Package Contents

Your MC100FX-TX-PoE carton should contain the following items:

- 100Base-FX to 10/100Base-TX PoE Media Converter x1
- User's Manual x1

If any item is missing or damaged, please consult the dealer from whom you purchased your PoE Media Converter.

## Introduction

Thank you for purchasing the GE MC100FX-TX-PoE 10/100Mbps Ethernet Twisted pair to 100Base-FX Fiber-optic PoE Bridge Converter. This converter is used to convert one type media signal to other equivalent type. The two type segments connect easily, efficiently and inexpensively. The converter provides a Power over Ethernet power injector function, which is able to drive one IEEE 802.3af compliant powered device.

## About the Power over Ethernet Injector

The MC100FX-TX-PoE is an IEEE 802.3af Power over Ethernet Injector that provides DC 48V over Ethernet cables (power supply not provided). The MC100FX-TX-PoE IEEE 802.3af Power over Ethernet Injector inserts DC Voltage into Cat.5 cable, allowing the cable between the Injector (MC100FX-TX-PoE) and PoE PD (Powered Device) to transfer data and power simultaneously. The maximum distance between the Injector (MC100FX-TX-PoE) and PoE PD is 100 meters. When a MC100FX-TX-PoE is installed, it combines the Ethernet digital data with power over the twisted pair cables as an IEEE 802.3af Power over Ethernet Injector. The IEEE 802.3af Power over Ethernet splitter can separate the digital data and the power into two outputs.

**NOTE:** This product is intended to be supplied by a UL Listed Direct Plug-In Power Unit marked "Class 2" or "LPS" and output rated 48 VDC, 380 mA minimum.



When an IEEE 802.3af Power over Ethernet device is installed the system administrator only has to use a single RJ-45 Ethernet cable to carry both power and data signals to each device.

## Model List

The PoE Media Converter model is:

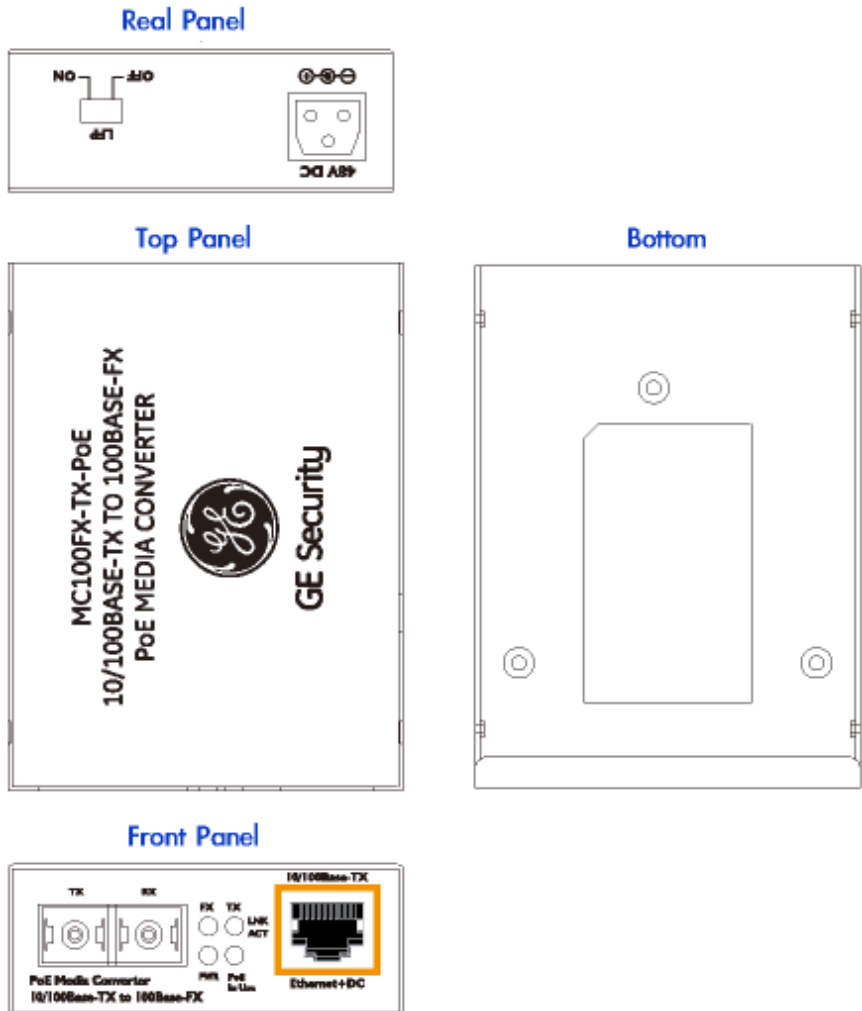
- **MC100FX-TX-PoE:** with on board SC/Multi-mode fiber connector, up to 2km

## Media Converter Features

- Complies with the IEEE 802.3, IEEE 802.3u 10/100Base-TX, 100Base-FX, IEEE 802.3af Power Over Ethernet standard
- Auto-Negotiation for 10/100Base-TX Half-Duplex or 10/100Base-Full-Duplex
- Compact in size, easy installation
- 100Base-FX interface for up to 2km (multi-mode fiber 50 $\mu$ m/125 $\mu$ m) on MC100FX-TX-POE
- LED indicators for easy network troubleshooting
- 48V/0.4A DC power supply (NOT SUPPLIED)
- Layer 2 Features:
  - IEEE 802.3x Full-duplex flow-control, back-pressure in half-duplex eliminate packets loss
  - Support Maximum frame size to 1600bytes
  - Support auto MDI/MDI-X function
  - Store-and-Forward mechanism
  - Auto Loop Back Test function
- Side DIP-switch: with LFP (Link Fault Pass-through) mode selection

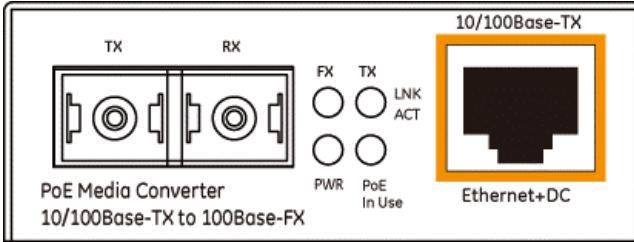
# Overview

Figure 1: Product Views



## Front Panel

Figure 2: Front panel



## Rear Panel

One DIP switch for the Link Fault Pass Through (LFP) feature. **"ON"** to enable LLCF and LLR detection. **"OFF"** to disable. One DC 48V power socket for the PoE Media Converter.

Figure 3: Rear panel



## Link Fault Pass through (LFP)

The LFP function includes the Link Fault Pass Through function (LLCF/LLR) in the DIP Switch design. LLCF/LLR can immediately alarm administrators to problems of linked media and provide efficient solutions to monitor the net. The DIP Switch settings can disable or enable the LFP function.

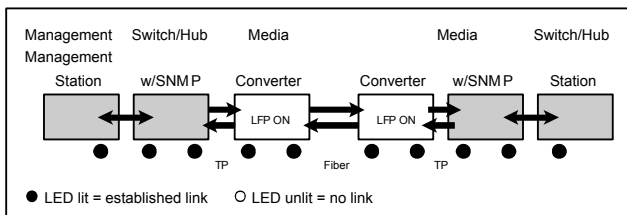
**LLCF (Link Loss Carry Forward)** means that when a device is connected to the converter and the TP line losses it's link, the converter will cease transmitting. **LLR (Link Loss Return)** means when a device is connected to the converter and the fiber line losses it's link, the converter will cease transmitting. Both can immediately alarm administrators of the problems of the linked media and provide efficient solutions to monitor the network.

## Link Loss Carry Forward (LLCF)

The MC100FX-TX-PoE incorporates an LLCF function for troubleshooting a remote connection. When the LFP function is enabled, the FL/TP ports do not transmit a link signal until they receive a link signal from the opposite port.

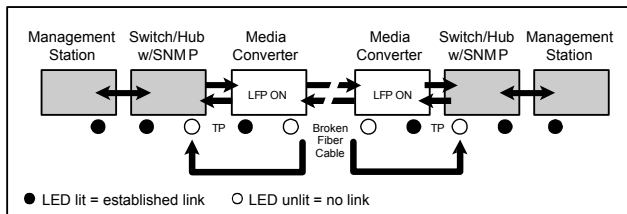
The diagram below shows a typical network configuration with a good link status using the MC100FX-TX-PoE for remote connectivity.

Figure 4: Good Link status



If the connection breaks, the MC100FX-TX-PoE will send a link loss forward to the switch or hub that generates a trap to the management station. The administrator can then determine the source of the problem.

Figure 5: Link Loss



**Note:** Units are shipped with the LFP function disabled (OFF).

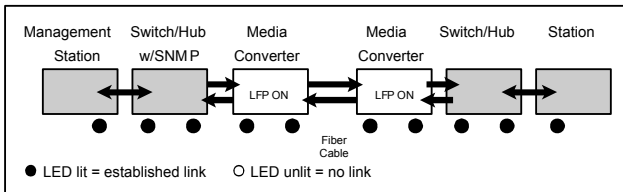
## Link Loss Return (LLR)

The fiber ports of MC100FX-TX-PoE have been designed with an LLR function for troubleshooting a remote connection. LLR works in conjunction with LLCF.

When the LFP function is enabled, the port's transmitter shuts down when its receiver fails to detect a valid receive link. LLR should only be enabled on one end of the link and is typically enabled on either end of the unmanaged or remote device.

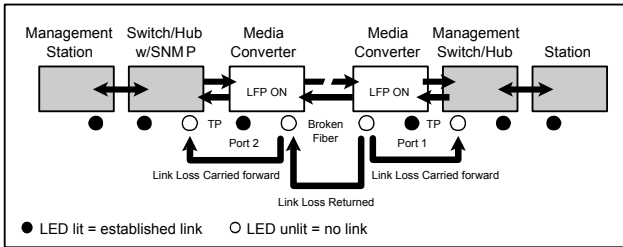
The diagram below shows a typical network configuration with good link status using MC100FX-TX-PoE for remote connectivity. Note that LLR and LLCF are enabled as indicated in the diagram.

**Figure 6: Good Link Status**



If one of the optical conductors is bad (as shown in the diagram box below), the converter with the LLR function enabled will return a no-link condition to its link partner. The no-link condition is also carried forward to the switch or hub where the trap was generated to the management station. The administrator can then determine the source of the loss.

Figure 7: Link Loss



**NOTE:** The LFP function is disabled by default. This feature can be turned on via the side DIP-switch. If you are not familiar with Network installations and diagnostics, please leave it in the default position.

# Chapter 2

# Hardware

# Installation

## Installing the Converter

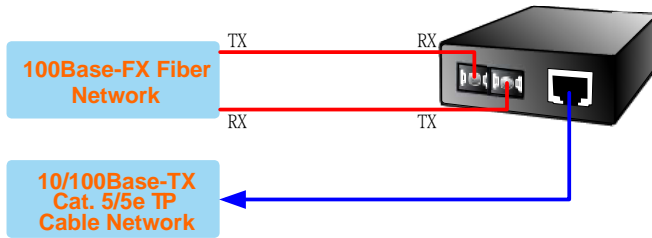
Please follow these steps to install the PoE Media converter:

1. Turn off the power of the device/station in a network to which the MC100FX-TX-PoE will be attached.
2. Ensure that there is no activity in the network.
3. Attach a fiber cable from the MC100FX-TX-PoE to the fiber network. TX, RX must be paired at both ends.
4. Attach a Cat. 5 UTP cable from the 10/100Base-TX network to the RJ-45 port on the MC100FX-TX-PoE.
5. Connect a 48V DC power adapter (not supplied) to the MC100FX-TX-PoE and verify that the Power LED lights up.

**NOTE:** This product is intended to be supplied by a UL Listed Direct Plug-In Power Unit marked "Class 2" or "LPS" and output rated 48 VDC, 380 mA minimum.

6. Turn on the power of the device, the TX Link and FX Link LEDs should light when all cables are attached.

Figure 7: Connection diagram



**NOTE:** An RJ-45/STP, UTP Cat 5, straight/crossover cable is accepted.

Please refer to the Specification chapter for more about the wiring distance of your TP, Optic-fiber networks.

## PoE functions

### The MC100FX-TX-PoE and the IEEE 802.3af Injector/Splitter installation:

Before installation, we recommend that you verify your network environment. If there are any IEEE 802.3af devices that need power, then the MC100FX-TX-PoE can provide power for this Ethernet device. The MC100FX-TX-PoE can use an AC-DC adapter (not supplied) with DC 48V input and injects this DC power into the pin of the twisted pair cable (pair 1, 2 and pair 3, 6).

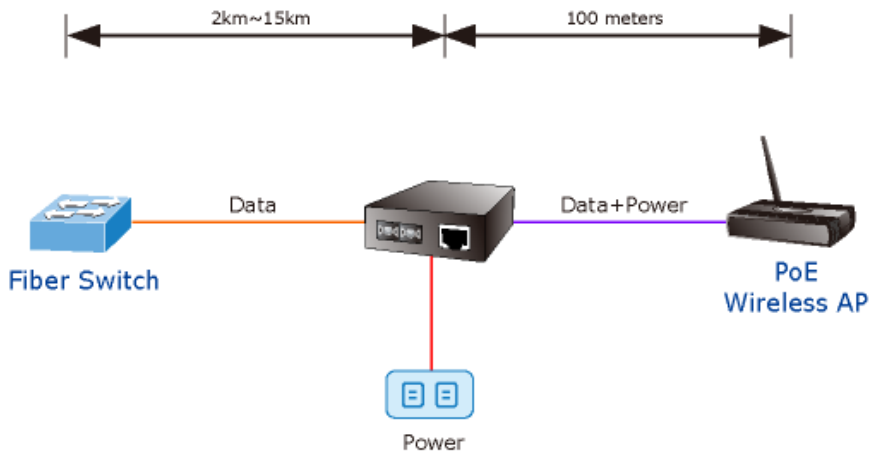
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If it is very difficult to find a power socket for AC-DC Adapter for your non-IEEE 802.3af networked device, the MC100FX-TX-PoE and SP-PoE can provide you a way to supply DC power for these Ethernet devices conveniently and easily.



The MC100FX-TX-PoE provides the easiest way to power your Ethernet devices such as a GE Security IEEE 802.3af Power over Ethernet Splitter with an Internet Camera or PoE Wireless Access Point installed in the Network.

Figure 8: Installation schematic





# Chapter 3

# Specifications

## MC100FX-TX-PoE Technical Specifications

The MC100FX-TX-PoE comes with the following standard features:

- **Standard:**
  - IEEE 802.3u, 10/100Base-TX ,100Base-FX
  - IEEE 802.3af Power over Ethernet
- **Connectors:**
  - One RJ-45 (Auto-MDI/MDI-X) Twisted Pair, EIA568 with PoE
  - One Fiber-optic, 1310nm wavelength, connector-type vary with model
- **Data Transfer Rate:** 10/100Mbps (TP), 100Mbps (FX)  
**Duplex mode support:** Full or half-duplex mode by Auto-Negotiation (TP)

- **LED indicators:**  
PWR, FX LNK/ACT,  
TX LNK/ACT, PoE in Use
- **PoE Power Output:** 48VDC, Max. 15.4 watts, 350mA
- **Power Pin Assignment:** 1/2, 3/6 / End-Span
- **Power Supply (not supplied):** 48V DC, 0.4A, external AC-DC adapter
- **Ambient Temperature:** 0° to 50°C (operating)
- **Humidity:** 5% to 90% (non-condensing)
- **Dimension:** 26 x 70 x 97mm (H x W x D)
- **Cable:**  
UTP: Cat 5/5E UTP cable  
Fiber: MM: 50/125 (m or 62.5/125 (m optic fiber)

**NOTE:** When connecting to Router, Bridge, Switch, or Hub, please refer to that device's Technical Manual.

## LED Indicators

### System

LED	Color	Function	
PWR	Green	Lit	Indicates that the device is receiving power

## 10/100Base-TX Port

LED	Color	Function	
LNK/ACT	Green	Blink	Indicates that the Media Converter is actively sending or receiving data over that port.
		Lit	Indicates that the port is link up.
		Off	Indicates that the port is link down.
PoE in Use	Green	Lit	Indicates that the port is providing 48VDC to remote powered device.
		Off	Indicates that the port is not providing 48VDC to a remote powered device.

## 100Base-FX SC Port

LED	Color	Function	
LNK/ACT	Green	Blink	Indicate that the Media Converter is actively sending or receiving data over that port.
		Lit	Indicate that the port is link up.
		Off	Indicate that the port is link down.

**NOTE:** Fiber-optic partners should be set to the correct mode according to this FDX indicator for optimal network performance.

## Cable Connection Specifications

The specifications are listed below:

Duplex	Connection	Limitation (max.)
<b>Twisted Pair</b>		
Half / Full	Node to Node Node to Switch/Hub	100 meters
<b>Multi-Mode Converters</b>		
MM Half	Node to Node Node to Switch	412 meters
MM Full	Node to Node Node to Switch	MC100FX-TX-PoE: 2 kilometers

## RJ-45 Pin Assignments

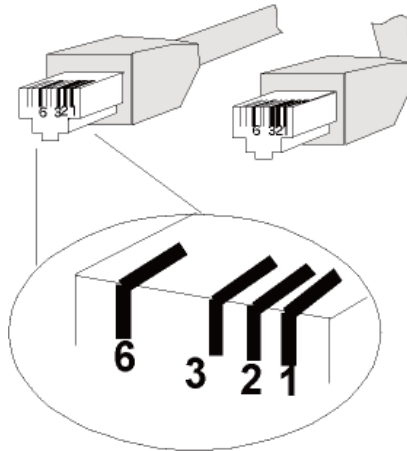
### 10/100Mbps, 10/100Base-TX

Contact	MDI	MDI-X
1	1 (TX +)	3
2	2 (TX -)	6
3	3 (RX +)	1
6	6 (RX -)	2
4, 5, 7, 8	Not used	Not used

Implicit implementation of the crossover function within a twisted-pair cable, or at a wiring panel, while not expressly forbidden, is beyond the scope of this standard.

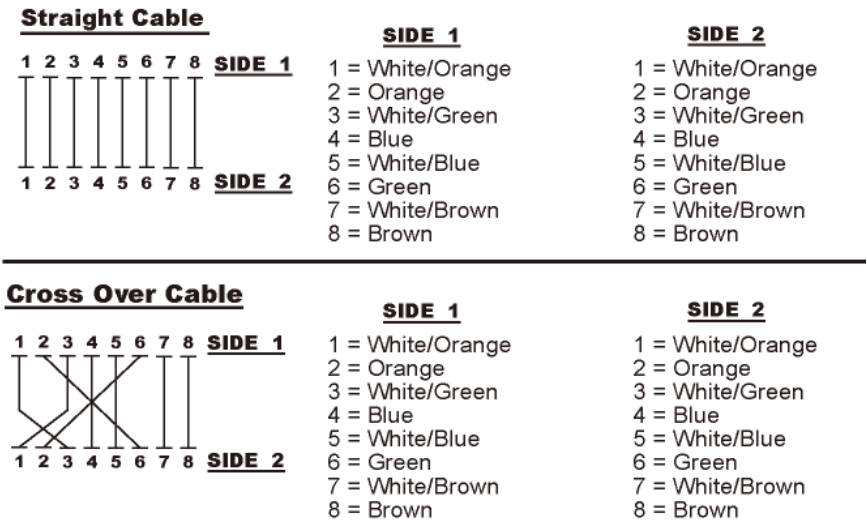
### RJ-45 cable pin assignment

Figure 9: Cable pin labels



There are 8 wires on a standard UTP/STP cable and each wire is color-coded. The following shows the pin allocation and color of straight and crossover cable connection:

Figure 10: Straight-Through and Crossover Cable



Please make sure your connected cables have the same pin assignment and color as above before deploying the cables into your network.

**Fiber Optical patch Cables:**

<b>Standard</b>	<b>Fiber Type</b>	<b>Cable Specification</b>
100Base-FX (1310nm)	Multi-mode	50/125µm or 62.5/125µm