

SMART HOME CONTROLLER BUYER'S CHECKLIST

Evaluate & Choose the Right Hub Before You Buy with DomaNuvra

CONTROLLER CANDIDATE: _____ PRICE: \$ _____

☒ **PROTOCOL CHECKLIST (Tick all that apply):**

- ☐ Wi-Fi (2.4 , 5 GHz)
- ☐ Zigbee 3.0
- ☐ Z-Wave Plus
- ☐ Thread Mesh
- ☐ Matter Native
- ☐ Bluetooth LE

10 MANDATORY QUESTIONS TO ASK BEFORE BUYING

[] **1. DEVICE COMPATIBILITY**

Does it natively support the smart devices I already own or plan to buy?

[] **2. PROTOCOL SUPPORT**

Does it have built-in radios for my target protocols (Zigbee/Z-Wave/Thread)?

[] **3. MATTER STANDARD**

Does it support Matter bridging and act as a Thread Border Router?

[] **4. LOCAL AUTOMATION**

Do routines and automations run locally inside the hub without internet?

[] **5. ADVANCED ROUTINES**

Can I build multi-condition rules (e.g., IF motion AND after sunset)?

[] **6. SETUP & MAINTENANCE**

Is the installation and dashboard management comfortable for my skill level?

[] **7. SOFTWARE UPDATES**

Does the manufacturer issue regular security patches and firmware updates?

[] **8. COMMUNITY & DOCS**

Is there an active user forum, official documentation, or community support?

[] **9. CLOUD FALLBACK**

What happens to my home if the manufacturer goes bankrupt or cloud fails?

[] **10. FUTURE EXPANSION**

Can I add additional radios, USB adapters, or secondary hubs later?

NOTES & COMPARISON VERDICT

Final Status:

[] Recommended ☒ [] Needs Research  [] Skip 