

Q.2931

ITU-T specification, based on Q.931, for establishing, maintaining, and clearing network connections at the B-ISDN user-network interface. The UNI 3.1 specification is based on Q.2931. See also *Q.931* and *UNI*.

Q.920/Q.921

ITU-T specifications for the ISDN UNI data link layer. See also UNI.

Q.922A

ITU-T specification for Frame Relay encapsulation.

Q.931

ITU-T specification for signaling to establish, maintain, and clear ISDN network connections. See also *Q.93B*.

Q.93B

ITU-T specification for signaling to establish, maintain, and clear BISDN network connections. An evolution of ITU-T recommendation Q.931. See also *Q.931*.

QAM

quadrature amplitude modulation. Method for encoding digital data in an analog signal in which each combination of phase and amplitude represents one of sixteen four-bit patterns. This is required for fax transmission at 9600 bits per second.

QLLC

Qualified Logical Link Control. Data link layer protocol defined by IBM that allows SNA data to be transported across X.25 networks.

QoS

quality of service. Measure of performance for a transmission system that reflects its transmission quality and service availability.

QoS parameters

quality of service parameters. Parameters that control the amount of traffic the source in an ATM network sends over an SVC. If any switch along the path cannot accommodate the requested QoS parameters, the request is rejected and a rejection message is forwarded back to the originator of the request.

QoS Policy Propagation on BGP

See QPPB.

QPPB

QoS Policy Propagation on BGP. Feature that classifies packets by IP precedence based on BGP community lists, BGP autonomous system paths, and access lists. After a packet is classified, other quality of service features such as committed access rate (CAR) and Weighted Random Early Detection (WRED) can specify and enforce policies to fit a business model.

QPM

See QPM in the "Cisco Systems Terms and Acronyms" section.

QPSK

quaternary phase shift keying. Digital frequency modulation technique used for sending data over coaxial cable networks. Because it's both easy to implement and fairly resistant to noise, QPSK is used primarily for sending data from the cable subscriber upstream to the Internet.

QRSS

quasi-random signal sequence. A test pattern widely used to simulate voice signals. **QSIG**

Q (point of the ISDN model) Signaling. Signaling standard. Common channel signaling protocol based on ISDN Q.931 standards and used by many digital PBXs.

Qualified Logical Link Control

See QLLC.

quality of service

See QoS.

quartet signaling

Signaling technique used in 100VG-AnyLAN networks that allows data transmission at 100 Mbps over four pairs of UTP cable at the same frequencies used in 10BaseT networks. See also *100VG-AnyLAN*.

query

Message used to inquire about the value of some variable or set of variables.

queue

1. Generally, an ordered list of elements waiting to be processed.

2. In routing, a backlog of packets waiting to be forwarded over a router interface.

queuing delay

Amount of time that data must wait before it can be transmitted onto a statistically multiplexed physical circuit.

queuing theory

Scientific principles governing the formation or lack of formation of congestion on a network or at an interface.

QUIPU

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QWP

query with permission.