
IEEE802.11 A/G Access Point

User Guide

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1

Introducing the 802.11 A/G Access Point

1.1 Overview

The 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT is an access-point based on IEEE 802.11a/g based 2.4-GHz and 5-GHz radio technology. It contains an 802.11a/g and three half/full-duplex 10/100 LAN interfaces. The 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT can function as a simple Access Point (AP), and act as the center point of a wireless network supporting a data rate of up to 54 Mbps. It can also connect these wireless devices to wired network through the LAN interface.

The 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT can also function in a Wireless Distribution System (WDS) mode. Multiple 802.11A/G ACCESS POINTs can be configured to operate in the WDS mode to inter-connect wired LAN segments that are attached to these 802.11A/G ACCESS POINTs.

Since the 802.11g shares the same 2.4GHz radio band with the 802.11b technology, it can inter-operate with existing 802.11b(up to 11Mbps) devices. Therefore, You can reserve your existing investment in 802.11b client cards, and migrate to the high-speed 802.11g standard as your needs grow.

To address growing security concerns in a wireless LAN environment, different levels of security can be enabled in the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT:

- To disable SSID broadcast to restrict association to only those client stations that are already pre-configured with the correct SSID
- To enable WEP (Wireless Encryption Protocol) 64, 128, or 152-bit encryption to protect the privacy of your data.
- Support of Access List Control to allow you to grant/deny access to/from specified wireless stations
- Provisioning of centralized authentication through Radius Server.
- WPA-PSK (Wi-Fi Protected Access, Pre-Shared Key) for home users to provide authentication, data integrity, and data privacy.
- WPA (Wi-Fi Protected Access) works with a RADIUS server to provide stronger authentication as well as data integrity and privacy.

1.2 Features

- Compliant with draft 802.11a, 802.11b and 802.11g standards with roaming capability.
- Support of the standard access point mode for connection to wireless clients.
- Support of the WDS mode for interconnecting LAN segments.
- Static assignment or DHCP client to set the device IP address.
- Multiple security measures: SSID hiding, Access Control List, WEP based encryption (64, 128, 152 bits), enhanced Security with 802.1x using a primary and a backup Radius Server with/without dynamic WEP keys, WPA-PSK, and WPA.
- Extensive monitoring capability such as event logging, traffic/error statistics monitoring. Support of remote logging.
- Easy configuration and monitoring through the use of a Web-browser based GUI, SNMP commands from a remote SNMP management station, and UPnP for users to automatically discover the device.
- Setup Wizard for easy configuration/installation.
- Configuration file download and restore.
- Firmware upgradeable.

1.3 Network configuration examples

A group of wireless stations communicating with each other is called a Basic Service Set (BSS) and is identified by a unique SSID.

When an 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT is used, it can be configured to operate in the following network configurations

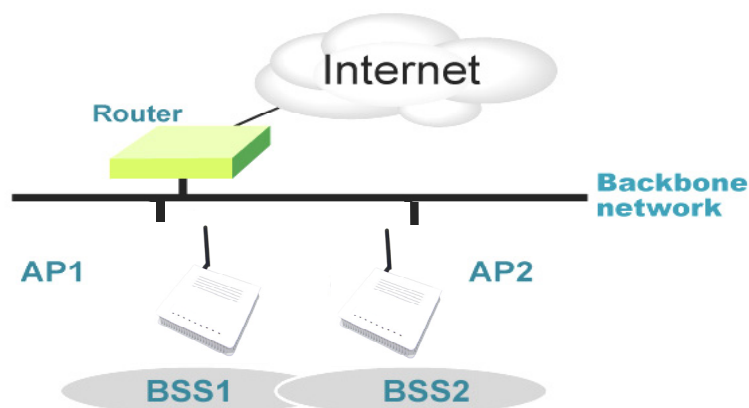
1.3.1 AS AN ACCESS POINT

When configured in the Access Point mode, the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT allows a group of wireless stations to communicate with each other through it. Such a network is called an Infrastructure BSS.



The 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT further provides bridging functions between the wireless network and the wired LAN network.

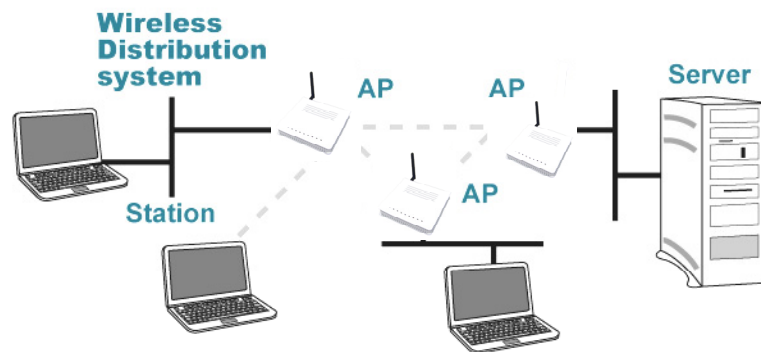
When multiple access points are connected to the same LAN segment, stations can **roam** from one 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT to another without losing their connections, as long as they are using the same SSID. See the diagram below.



1.3.2 AS A POINT TO MULTI-POINTS BRIDGE

When configured to operate in the Wireless Distribution System (WDS) Mode, the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT provides bridging functions between the LAN behind it and separates LANs behind other APs' operating in the WDS mode. The system will support up to eight APs in a WDS configuration.

Note that an 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT runs in the WDS mode can also support wireless stations simultaneously. See the diagram below:



1.4 Set up the device

The 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT can be managed remotely by a PC through either the wired or wireless network. To do this, the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT must first be assigned an IP address, which can be done using one of the following two methods.

1.4.1 STATIC IP

The default IP address of the LAN interface of an 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT is a *private IP address* of **192.168.1.1**, and a *network mask* of 255.255.255.0. This means IP addresses of other devices on the LAN should be in the range of 192.168.1.2 to 192.168.1.254.

This IP address can be modified to either a different address in this same subnet or to an address in a different subnet, depending on the existing network settings (if there is any) or user's preferences.

1.4.2 AUTOMATIC IP

The 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT can also be configured to "obtain" an IP address automatically from a DHCP server on the network. This address is called "dynamic" because it is only *dynamically* assigned to the device, which may change depends on the IP assignment policy used by the DHCP server on the network. Since the IP address in this case may change from time to time, this method is not recommended - unless the user uses UPnP or other management tools that do not depend on a fixed IP address.

2

Install the 802.11 A/G Access Point

This section describes the installation procedure for the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT. It starts with a summary of the content of the package you have purchased, followed by steps of how to power up and connect the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT. Finally, this section explains how to configure a Windows PC to communicate with the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT.

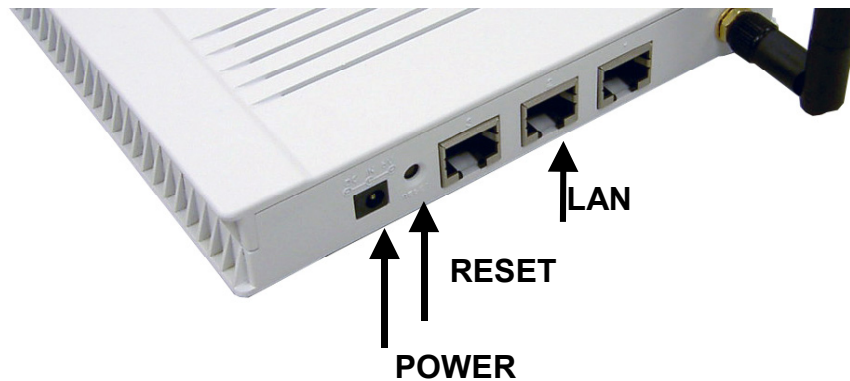
2.1 What's in the box?

The 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT package contains the following items:

- One 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT
- One 5V DC power adapter with a barrel connector
- CD of the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT User Guide

2.2 Connect the cables

The Back Panel of the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT appears as follows:



Follow these steps to install your 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT:

- Step 1. Connect a LAN hub to the LAN port on the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT using the supplied LAN cable.
- Step 2. Connect the power adapter to an electrical outlet and the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT.

Note: *You can reset the Access Point's Settings to factory defaults by pushing a paperclip in the RESET hole.*

Push and hold until the lights at the front of the Access Point are off.

2.3 Configuration steps

This section describes configuration required for the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT before it can work properly in your network.

First, it is assumed that in your LAN environment, a separate DHCP server will be available for assigning dynamic (and often private) IP addresses to requesting DHCP clients.

Additionally, since you need to perform various configuration changes to the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT, including the SSID, Channel number, the WEP key, ..., etc., it is necessary to associate a fixed IP address with the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT, which is why the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT will be shipped with a factory default private IP address of **192.168.1.1** (and a network mask of 255.255.255.0).

Therefore, during the system installation time, you need to build an isolated environment with the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT and a PC, and then perform the following steps:

- Step 1. Manually change the IP address of the PC to become 192.168.1.3.
- Step 2. Connect the PC to the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT and change its configuration to a static IP address based on your network environment. For example, if there is a DHCP server that assigns IP addresses from the range 192.168.23.10 - 192.168.23.254 to DHCP client devices, it can reserve 192.168.23.10 for the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT and then the address pool with the DHCP server becomes 192.168.23.11 – 192.168.23.254.

If there is no DHCP server on your network environment, you just have to make sure that there is no machine in the environment has the same IP address as another machine.

Please note that after you change the IP address of the ACCESS POINT, the PC client may not be able to reach the ACCESS POINT. This is because they may no longer belong to the same IP network address space.

- Step 3. Change the setting of the PC back to “obtain IP addresses dynamically”.

Now you can put the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT and the PC to your network where the DHCP server is connected. From then on, any wireless client configured to “obtain IP addresses dynamically” will work with the AP, with each other, and with devices on the wired LAN network.

2.4 Set up a wireless client as a DHCP client

The following will give detailed steps of how to configure a PC or a wireless client to “obtain IP addresses automatically”.

In the case of using a LAN attached PC, the PC must have an Ethernet interface installed properly, be connected to the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT either directly or through an external LAN switch, and have TCP/IP installed and configured to obtain an IP address automatically from a DHCP server in the network.

In the case of using a wireless client, the client must also have an 802.11a/b/g wireless interface installed properly, be physically within the radio range of the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT, and have TCP/IP installed and configured to obtain an IP address automatically from a DHCP server in the network.

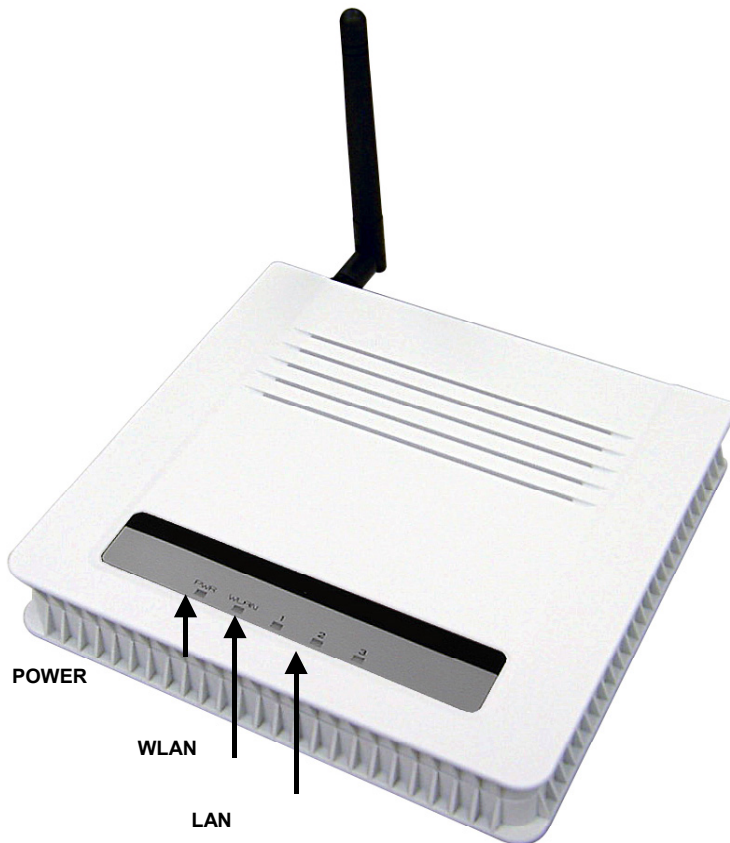
Then perform the following steps for either of the cases above. To configure types of workstations other than Windows 95/98/NT/2000, please consult the manufacturer’s documentation.

- Step 1. From the Win95/98/2000 Start Button, select Settings, then Control Panel. The Win95/98/2000 Control Panel displays.
- Step 2. Double-click on the *Network* icon.
- Step 3. Check your list of Network Components in the Network window Configuration tab. If TCP/IP has already been installed, go to Step 8. Otherwise, select Add to install it now.
- Step 4. In the new Network Component Type window, select Protocol. In the new Select Network Protocol window, select Microsoft in the Manufacturers area.
- Step 5. In the Network Protocols area of the same window, select TCP/IP, then click OK. You may need your Win95/98 CD to complete the installation. After TCP/IP installation is complete, go back to the Network window described in Step 4.
- Step 6. Select TCP/IP in the list of Network Components.
- Step 7. Click **Properties**, and check the settings in each of the TCP/IP Properties window: **Bindings Tab**: both **Client for Microsoft Networks** and **File and printer sharing for Microsoft Networks** should be selected. **Gateway Tab**: All fields should be blank. **DNS Configuration Tab**: **Disable DNS** should be selected. **IP Address Tab**: **Obtain IP address automatically** should be selected.
- Step 8. With the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT powered on, reboot the PC/wireless client. After the PC/wireless client is re-booted, you should be ready to configure the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT. See Chapter 3.

The procedure required to set a static IP address is not too much different from the procedure required to set to “obtain IP addresses dynamically” - except that at the end of step 7, instead of selecting “obtain IP addresses dynamically, you should specify the IP address explicitly.

2.5 A look at the front panel

The LEDs on the front of the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT reflect the operational status of the unit. The status of the LAN, the WLAN, and Power can be monitored from this display.



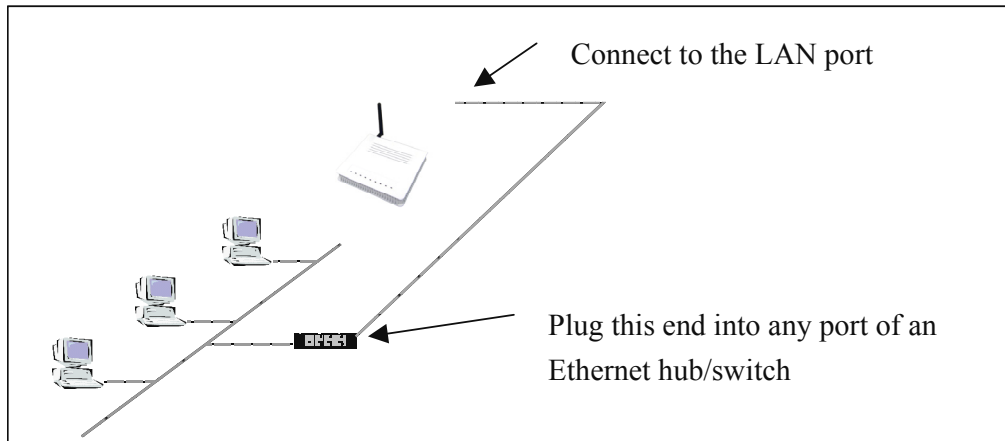
802.11A/G Access Point LED Description

Label	LAN	WLAN	POWER
SOLID	Link is active	Link is active	Power
OFF	No Wireless connection	No LAN connection	No Power
FLASH	XMT/RCV Data	XMT/RCV Data	N/A

* “Link is active” has lower FLASH frequency than “XMT/RCV Data”.

2.6 Connect more devices through a hub

The 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT provides an RJ45 LAN interface that you can use to connect to a PC or an external hub.



3

Basic Configuration of the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT

This section describes the basic configuration procedure for the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT. It describes how to set up the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT for wireless connections, and the configuration of the local LAN environment. All basic configurations may be effected through a standard Web browser such as Microsoft Internet Explorer. From a PC that has been configured as described in Chapter 2, enter the IP address of the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT as the URL in your browser, e.g. **http://192.168.1.1.**

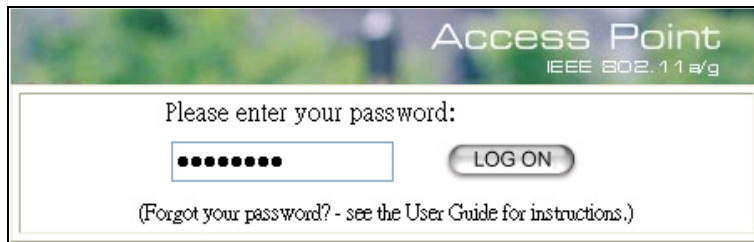


Note: *The IP address of your PC must be in the same IP subnet as the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT.*

The Home Page of the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT screen will appear. Its main menu displays on the right hand side of the window. The main menu includes the following choices: Setup Wizard, Device Status, Advanced Settings, System Tools, and Help.

Log On

If you attempt to access a configuration item from the browser menu, an administrator logon screen, shown below, will appear.



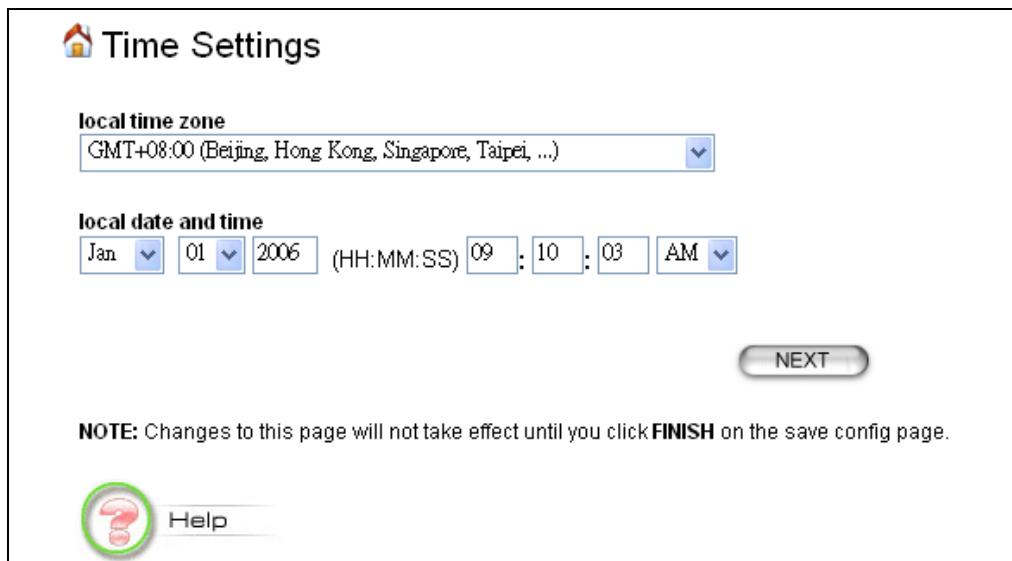
The screenshot shows a web browser window titled "Access Point" with the IEEE 802.11 a/g standard listed. Below the title bar, there is a text prompt "Please enter your password:" followed by a password input field containing ten dots. To the right of the input field is a "LOG ON" button. At the bottom of the form, there is a link: "(Forgot your password? - see the User Guide for instructions.)".

If you are logging on for the first time, you should use the factory default setting “**password**”. The password is always displayed as a string of dots. Click the **LOG ON** button to start the configuration session.

3.1 Setup wizard

The Setup Wizard will guide you through a series of configuration screens to set up the basic functionality of the device. After you finish these screens, press the “FINISH” button on the last screen to make all your modifications effective. See Chapter 3.1.4.


3.1.1 TIME SETTINGS



The screenshot shows the "Time Settings" page. At the top, there is a home icon and the title "Time Settings". Below the title, there are two main sections. The first section, "local time zone", has a dropdown menu currently showing "GMT+08:00 (Beijing, Hong Kong, Singapore, Taipei, ...)". The second section, "local date and time", contains several input fields: a month dropdown (Jan), a day dropdown (01), a year input (2006), a time format label "(HH:MM:SS)", hour (09), minute (10), second (03), and an AM/PM dropdown (AM). A "NEXT" button is located at the bottom right of the form. Below the form, there is a "NOTE" stating: "Changes to this page will not take effect until you click **FINISH** on the save config page." At the bottom left, there is a "Help" button with a question mark icon.

After logging on, the **Time Settings** page appears. The device time is automatically set to the local time of the management PC at the first time a connection is made. To modify the device’s time, modify the appropriate fields, then click **NEXT**.

3.1.2 DEVICE IP SETTINGS

 **Device IP Settings**

You can select one of the following two approaches to assign an IP address to this device.

☒ **Assign static IP to this device.**

IP Address:

IP Subnet Mask:


Gateway IP Address:

DNS Server :

☐ **Use the DHCP client protocol to automatically get the IP address for this device.**

Selecting this option will disable your dhcp server automatically.

NOTE: Changes to this page will not take effect until you click FINISH on the save config page.

 [Help](#)

The **Device IP Settings** screen allows you to configure the IP address and subnet of the device. Although you can rely on a DHCP server to assign an IP address to the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT automatically, it is recommended that you configure a static IP address manually in most applications.

If you choose to assign the IP address manually, enable the checkbox of “Assign static IP to this device” and then fill in the following fields

IP Address and IP Subnet Mask: Default values are 192.168.1.1 and 255.255.255.0 respectively. It is important to note that there are similar addresses falling in the standard private IP address range and it is an essential security feature of the device. Because of this private IP address, the device can no longer be accessed (seen) from the Internet.

Gateway IP Address: Enter the IP address of your default gateway.

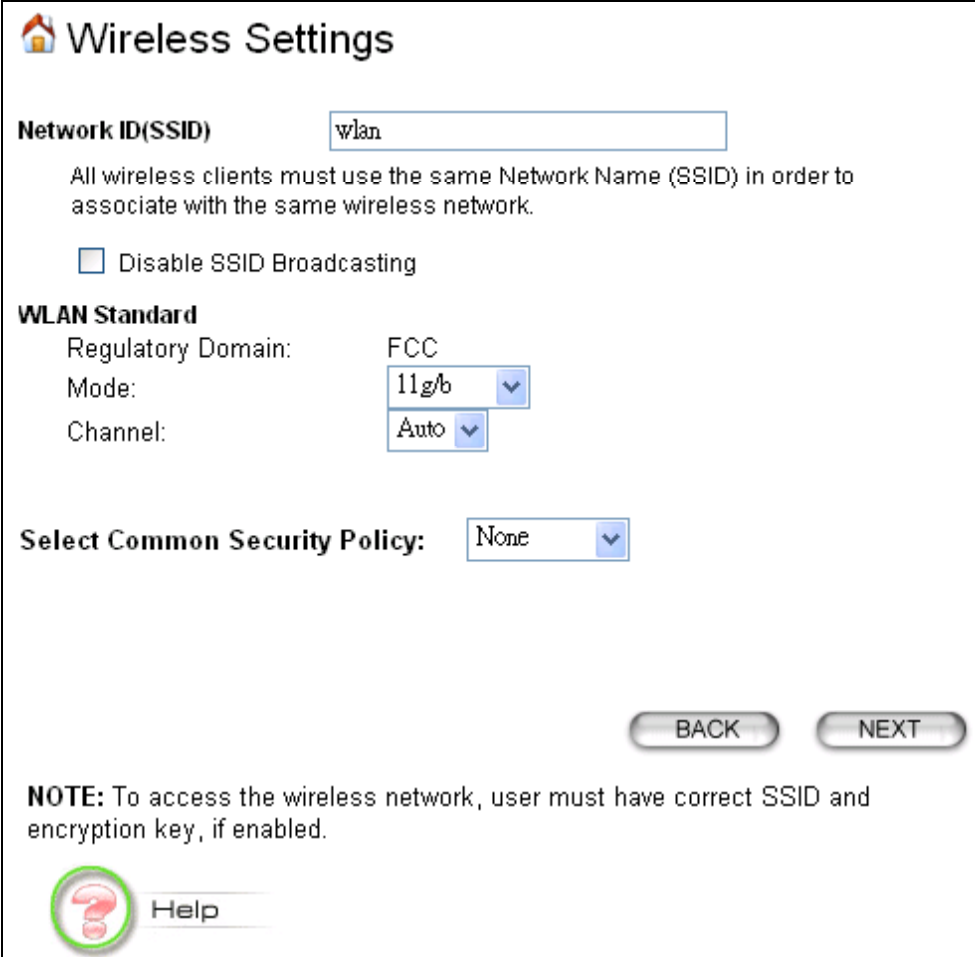
DNS Server: The Domain Name System (DNS) is a server on the Internet that translates logical names such as “www.yahoo.com” to IP addresses like 66.218.71.80. In order to do this, a query is made by the requesting device to a DNS server to provide the necessary information. If your system administrator requires you to manually enter the DNS Server addresses, you should enter them here.

Click Next to go to the next screen.

If you choose to use a DHCP Server to acquire an IP address for the 802.11A/G Access Point automatically, enable the checkbox that says, “Use the DHCP client protocol to automatically get the IP address for this device”. Then click Next to go to the next screen.

Again, as a reminder, it is recommended that your 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT should be assigned a static IP address in order to make it easy for you to manage the device later on.

3.1.3 WIRELESS SETTINGS



The image shows a 'Wireless Settings' configuration window. At the top is a home icon and the title 'Wireless Settings'. Below this is the 'Network ID(SSID)' section with a text box containing 'wlan'. A note states: 'All wireless clients must use the same Network Name (SSID) in order to associate with the same wireless network.' Below the note is a checkbox labeled 'Disable SSID Broadcasting'. The 'WLAN Standard' section includes 'Regulatory Domain' set to 'FCC', 'Mode' set to '11g/b' (with a dropdown arrow), and 'Channel' set to 'Auto' (with a dropdown arrow). The 'Select Common Security Policy:' section has a dropdown menu set to 'None'. At the bottom right are 'BACK' and 'NEXT' buttons. At the bottom left is a 'Help' button with a question mark icon. A 'NOTE' at the bottom states: 'To access the wireless network, user must have correct SSID and encryption key, if enabled.'

Network ID(SSID)

All wireless clients must use the same Network Name (SSID) in order to associate with the same wireless network.

☐ Disable SSID Broadcasting

WLAN Standard

Regulatory Domain: FCC


Mode: 11g/b ▼

Channel: Auto ▼

Select Common Security Policy: None ▼

BACK **NEXT**

NOTE: To access the wireless network, user must have correct SSID and encryption key, if enabled.

 **Help**

Network ID (SSID): The SSID is the network name used to identify a wireless network. The SSID must be the same for all devices in the wireless network (i.e. in the same BSS). Several access points on a network can have the same SSID. The SSID length is up to 32 characters. The default SSID is “wlan”.

Disable SSID Broadcasting: An access point periodically broadcasts its SSID along with other information, which allows client stations to learn its existence while searching for access points in a wireless network. Check **Disable SSID Broadcasting** if you do not want the device to broadcast the SSID.

Regulatory Domain: Please make sure that your regulatory domain matches your region. The default value is **FCC**.

WLAN Mode: The wireless module is IEEE 802.11g and 802.11b compliant, and choosing “11g/b” allows both 802.11b and 802.11g client stations to get associated. However, choosing “11g” allows only 802.11g client stations to get associated and get better overall performance. 802.11a is not compliant with either 802.11b or 802.11g; choosing “11a” only allows 802.11a client stations to get associated.

Channel: Select a channel from the drop down menu. All devices in a BSS must use the

same channel. You can select **Auto** to let the system pick up the best channel for you.

Note: *The available channels are different from country to country and for different WLAN mode.*

Security Policy: You can select different security policy to provide association authentication and/or data encryption.

WEP

Select Common Security Policy: WEP

Encryption
Enabling encryption will secure data and prevent unauthorized users from accessing your wireless network. Identical encryption keys must be entered on all authorized wireless clients.

Passphrase for ☒ 64 bit ☐ 128 bit GENERATE

Select one of the WEP keys for the wireless network:
Encrypt data transmitting with WEP Key 1

WEP Key 1	WEP64-ASCII	<input type="text"/>
WEP Key 2	WEP64-ASCII	<input type="text"/>
WEP Key 3	WEP64-ASCII	<input type="text"/>
WEP Key 4	WEP64-ASCII	<input type="text"/>

WEP64-ASCII
WEP64-Hex
WEP128-ASCII
WEP128-Hex
WEP152-ASCII
WEP152-Hex

BACK NEXT

NOTE: To access the wireless network, user must have correct SSID and encryption key, if enabled.

Help

WEP allows you to use data encryption to secure your data from being eavesdropped by malicious people. It allows 3 types of key: 64 (**WEP64**), 128 (**WEP128**), and 152 (**WEP152**) bits. You can configure up to 4 keys using either **ASCII** or **Hexadecimal** format.

Key Settings: The length of a **WEP64** key must be equal to 5 bytes, a **WEP128** key is 13 bytes, and a **WEP152** key is 16 bytes. For WEP64 and WEP128, you can just enter a pass-phrase and click the **GENERATE** button to generate the four keys. So you can use a mnemonic string as the pass-phrase instead of memorizing the four keys.

Key Index: You have to specify which of the four keys will be active.

Once you enable the WEP function, please make sure that both the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT and the wireless client stations use the same key.

Note: Some wireless client cards only allow Hexadecimal digits for WEP keys. Please note that when configuring WEP keys, a WEP128 ASCII key looks like “**This is a key**”(13 characters), while a WEP128 Hex key looks like “**546869732069732061206b6579**”(26 HEX) (hexadecimal notation are 0-9 and A-F).


802.1x

Select Common Security Policy:	802.1x ▼
Select Key Length for WEP Rekeying:	128 bit ▼

802.1x allows users to leverage a RADIUS server to do association authentications. You can also enable dynamic WEP key (128 bit) to have data encryption. Here you do not have to enter the WEP key manually because it will be generated automatically and dynamically.

Note: *After you have finished the configuration wizard, you have to configure the Radius Settings in Advanced Settings in order to make the 802.1x function work.*

WPA-PSK

Select Common Security Policy:	WPA-PSK ▼
Pre-shared Key (ASCII string):	<input type="text"/>
(8-63 characters)	
WPA Encryption Type:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> TKIP <input type="radio"/> CCMP(AES) <input type="radio"/> Both
WPA Group Rekey Interval:	<input type="text" value="60"/> sec.(0 means disable rekey)
<input type="button" value="BACK"/> <input type="button" value="NEXT"/>	
NOTE: To access the wireless network, user must have correct SSID and encryption key, if enabled.	
 Help	

Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA) with Pre-Shared Key (PSK) provides better security than WEP keys. It does not require a RADIUS server in order to provide association authentication, but you do have to enter a shared key for the authentication purpose. The encryption key is generated automatically and dynamically.

Pre-shared Key: This is an ASCII string with 8 to 63 characters. Please make sure that both the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT and the wireless client stations use the same key.

Encryption Type: There are two encryption types **TKIP** and **CCMP (AES)**. While CCMP provides better security than TKIP, some wireless client stations may not be equipped with the hardware to support it. You can select **Both** to allow TKIP clients and CCMP clients to connect to the Access Point at the same time.

Group Rekey Interval: A group key is used for multicast/broadcast data, and the rekey interval is time period that the system will change the group key periodically. The shorter the interval is, the better the security is. 60 seconds is a reasonable time, and it is used by default.

WPA


Select Common Security Policy: WPA

WPA Encryption Type: ☒ TKIP ☐ CCMP(AES) ☐ Both

WPA Group Rekey Interval: 60 sec. (0 means disable rekey)

BACK
NEXT


NOTE: To access the wireless network, user must have correct SSID and encryption key, if enabled.


[Help](#)

Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA) requires a RADIUS server available in order to do authentication (same as 802.1x), thus there is no shared key required. The **Encryption Type** and **Group Rekey Interval** settings are the same as WPA-PSK.


3.1.4 FINISH SETUP WIZARD AND SAVE YOUR SETTINGS

After stepping through the Wizard's pages, you can press the **FINISH** button for your modification to take effect. This also makes your new settings saved into the permanent memory on your system.

 **Save Config**

You have completed the setup wizard configuration. Click **FINISH** to save these settings.

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FINISH


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Congratulations! You are now ready to use the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT.


Note: *If you change the device's IP address, as soon as you click on **FINISH** you will no longer be able to communicate with your 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT. You need to change your IP address and then re-boot your computer in order to resume the communication.*

3.2 Advanced settings

The advanced settings tab on the top row of the window allows you to perform modifications that normally you may not need to do for general operations except changing your password from the default factory setting (this is highly recommended for security purposes).

3.2.1 PASSWORD SETTINGS

The default factory password is “**password**”. To change the password, press the **Password Settings** button to enter the **Password Settings** screen, then enter the Current Password followed by the New Password twice. The entered characters will appear as asterisks.

 **Password Settings**

Change Password


To change your administrative password, enter your current password and then the new password twice.

Current Password:

New Password:


Re-enter New Password:

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3.2.2 SYSTEM MANAGEMENT

Clicking the **System Management** button to configure system related parameters to for the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT.

 **System Management**

System Administration

HTTP Port No: timeout: minutes

UPnP

☐ Enable UPnP

Bridge


☐ Enable STP

Syslog

☐ Enable Syslog

Syslog server IP address: . . .

NOTE: Syslog is a standard for logging system events (IETF RFC-3164). System event messages generated by the wireless access point will be sent to a Syslog daemon running on a server identified by this IP address.

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Management Utility Port Definition: The standard port settings for the HTTP Web server may be replaced by entering new port numbers in these fields.

Management Session Time-out: This setting specifies the duration of idle time (inactivity) before a web browser or telnet management session times out. The default time-out value is 10 minutes.

UPnP: The Universal Plug and Play (UPnP) feature allows a Windows XP/ME PC to discover this 802.11A/G Access Point and automatically show an icon on the screen. Then a user can double-click the icon to access this device directly (without having to find out its IP address).


Syslog: Syslog is an IETF (Internet Engineering Task Force - the Internet standards

body)-conformant standard for logging system events (RFC-3164). When the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT encounters an error or warning condition (e.g., a log-in attempt with an invalid password), it will create a log in the system log table. To be able to remotely view such system log events, you need to check the **Enable Syslog** box and configure the IP address of a Syslog daemon. When doing so, the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT will send logged events over network to the daemon for future reviewing.

Syslog server IP address: The IP address of the PC where the Syslog daemon is running.

3.2.3 SNMP Settings

This screen allows you to configure SNMP parameters including the system name, the location and contact information.


SNMP Settings

☐ **Enable SNMP**

Assign system information:

System Name:

System Location:

System Contact:

Assign the SNMP community string:

Community String For Read:

Community String For Write:

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Assign a specific name and IP address for your SNMP trap manager:

Name:


IP Address: . . .

ADD

Select	Name	IP Address	Enable
-	-	-	-

DELETE SELECTED

NOTE:


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System Name: A name that you assign to your 802.11a+g Router. It is an alphanumeric string of up to 30 characters.

System Contact: Contact information for the system administrator responsible for managing your 802.11a+g Router. It is an alphanumeric string of up to 60 characters.

Community String For Read: If you intend the router to be managed from a remote SNMP management station, you need to configure a read-only “community string” for read-only operation. The community string is an alphanumeric string of up to 15 characters.

Community String For Write: For read-write operation, you need to configure a write “community string”.

A trap manager is a remote SNMP management station where special SNMP trap messages are generated (by the router) and sent to in the network. You can define trap managers in the system.

You can add a trap manager by entering a **name**, an **IP address**, followed by pressing the **ADD** button.

You can delete a trap manager by selecting the corresponding entry and press the **DELETE SELECTED** button.

You enable a trap manager by checking the **Enable** box in the corresponding entry or disable the trap manager by un-checking the Enable box.

3.2.4 MAC FILTERING SETTINGS

The 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT allows you to define a list of MAC addresses that are allowed or denied to access the wireless network.

Disable MAC address control list: When selected, no MAC address filtering will be performed.

Enable GRANT address control list: When selected, data traffic from only the specified devices in the table will be allowed in the network.

Enable DENY address control list: When selected, data traffic from the devices specified in the table will be denied/discarded by the network.



MAC Filtering Settings

This feature allows you to define a list of MAC addresses that are authorized to access or denied from accessing the wireless network.

- ☒ **Disable MAC address control list**
No MAC address filtering is performed.
- ☐ **Enable GRANT address control list**
Allow data traffic from devices listed in the table to access the network.
- ☐ **Enable DENY address control list**
Deny/discard data traffic from devices listed in the table.

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Mnemonic Name:

MAC Address:

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ADD

Select	Name	MAC Address(es)
-	-	-

DELETE SELECTED

NOTE: Incorrect configuration may cause undesirable behavior. Please refer to the user manual for more details



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To add a MAC address into the table, enter a Mnemonic Name and the MAC Address, and then click **ADD**. The table lists all configured MAC Filter entries.

To delete entries, check the corresponding **Select** boxes and then press **DELETE SELECTED**.

3.2.5 WIRELESS SETTINGS

Beacon Interval: The 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT broadcasts beacon frames regularly to announce its existence. The beacon Interval specifies how often beacon frames are transmitted in time unit of milliseconds. The default value is **100**, and a valid value should be between 1 and 65,535.

RTS Threshold: RTS/CTS frames are used to gain control of the medium for transmission. Any unicast (data or control) frames larger than specified RTS threshold must be transmitted following the RTS/CTS handshake exchange mechanism. The RTS threshold should have a value between 256-2347 bytes, with a default of **2347**. It is recommended that this value does not deviate from the default too much.

Fragmentation: When the size of a unicast frame exceeds the fragmentation threshold, it will be fragmented before the transmission. It should have a value of 256-2346 bytes, with a default of **2346**. If you experience a high packet error rate, you should slightly decrease the Fragmentation Threshold.

DTIM Interval: The 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT buffers packets for stations that operate in the power-saving mode. The Delivery Traffic Indication Message (DTIM) informs such power-conserving stations that there are packets waiting to be received by them. The DTIM interval specifies how often the beacon frame should contain DTIMs. It should have a value between 1 to 255, with a default value of **3**.

User Limitation: The range of user limitation is from 1 to 100.

Transmit Power: Transmit power output depends upon the size and RF characteristics because that will determine the number of APs, channels, and need for antennas.

Ack TimeOut (11a)/ (Turbo-11a)/ (11g)/ (Turbo-11g): The "ACK time-out" determines how long the program waits after receiving a packet from a file stream to determine that stream to be a complete file.

Wireless Settings

Beacon Interval : (msec. range 20-1000, default 100)

RTS Threshold : (range: 0-2347, default 2347)

Fragmentation : (range: 256-2346, default 2346)

DTIM Interval : (range 1-255, default 1)

User Limitation: (range: 1-100, default 100)

Transmit Power : 

☐ **Enable Radio 1 eXtended Range**

AckTimeOut (11a): (range: 10-255, default 25)

AckTimeOut (Turbo-11a): (range: 10-255, default 22)

AckTimeOut (11g): (range: 10-255, default 48)

AckTimeOut (Turbo-11g): (range: 10-255, default 22)

[ACK Calculator](#)

[DEFAULT](#)

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3.2.6 OPERATIONAL MODE

The 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT can be configured to operate in one of the following modes as mentioned previously in Chapter 1:

(1) Access Point (2) Wireless Distribution System (WDS)

When configured as a WDS, you need to further configure the name and MAC address of its peer WDS devices.

 **Operational Mode**

select the operational mode

☐ Access Point

☐ Wireless Distribution System(Bridge Mode)

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Additional configurations for WDS mode:


Peer Name:

MAC Address: - - - - -

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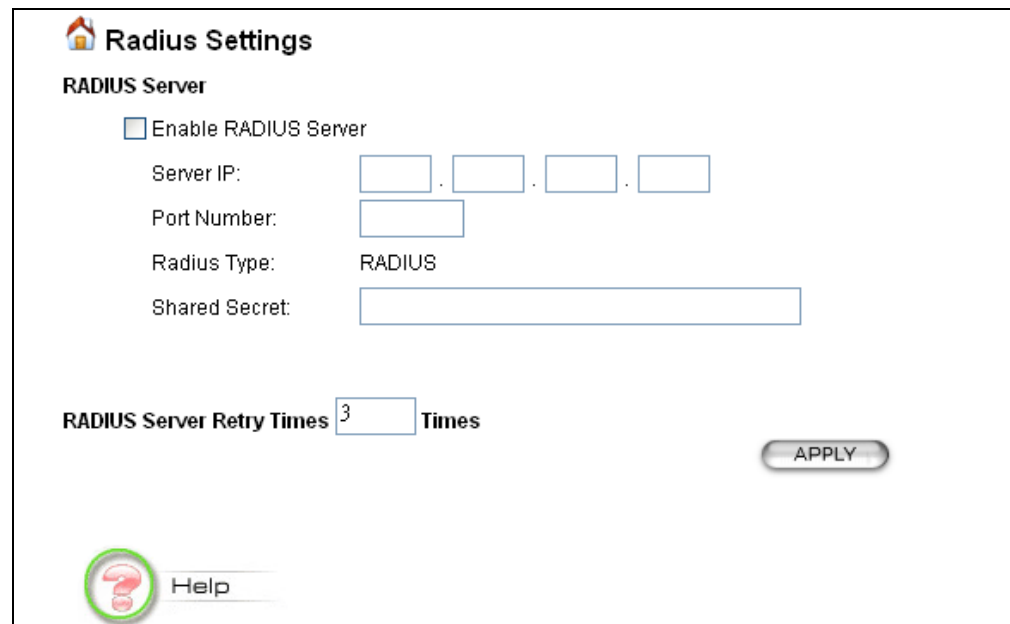
Select	Peer Name	MAC Address
-	-	-

DELETE SELECTED

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3.2.7 RADIUS SETTINGS

Radius servers provide centralized authentication services to wireless clients. Two Radius servers can be defined: one acts as a primary, and the other acts as a backup.



The image shows a 'Radius Settings' configuration window. At the top left is a home icon followed by the title 'Radius Settings'. Below the title is the section 'RADIUS Server'. It contains a checkbox labeled 'Enable RADIUS Server'. Below this are four input fields: 'Server IP' (four separate boxes for IP octets), 'Port Number' (one box), 'Radius Type' (a dropdown menu showing 'RADIUS'), and 'Shared Secret' (a long text box). Below these fields is a label 'RADIUS Server Retry Times' followed by a box containing the number '3' and the word 'Times'. To the right of these fields is an 'APPLY' button. At the bottom left is a 'Help' button with a question mark icon.

MAC address filtering based authentication requires a MAC address filter table to be created in either the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT (as described in Chapter 3.2.3 MAC Filtering Settings) and/or the Radius server. During the authentication phase of a wireless station, the MAC address filter table is searched for a match against the wireless client's MAC address to determine whether the station is to be allowed or denied to access the network.

To Enable RADIUS Server:

Server IP: The IP address of the RADIUS server.

Port Number: The port number that your RADIUS server uses for authentication. The default setting is 1812.

Radius Type: RADIUS

Shared Secret: This is used by your RADIUS server in the Shared Secret field in Radius protocol messages. The shared secret configured in the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT must match the shared secret configured in the RADIUS server. The shared secret can contain up to 64 alphanumeric characters.

RADIUS Server Retry Times: The number of times the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT should attempt to contact the primary server before giving up

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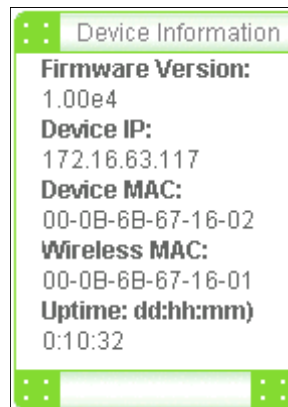
Manage the 802.11A/G Access Point

This Chapter covers other management aspects of your 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT:

- Check Device Information
- View System Log
- Wireless Client Table
- Bridge Table
- Upgrade Firmware
- Save or Restore Configuration Changes
- Reset to Factory Default
- Reboot AP
- What if you forgot the password?

4.1 Device Information

You can monitor the system status and get general device information from the **Device Information** screen:

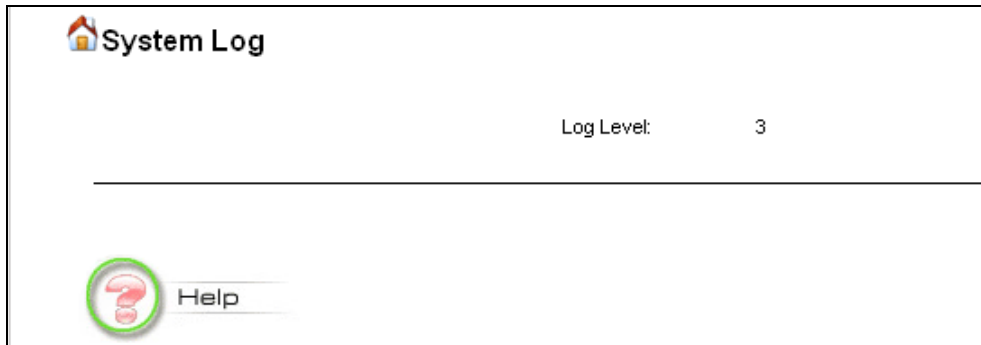


This is at the left-bottom corner of the **Device Status** window.

4.2 System Log

The 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT maintains a system log that you can use to track events that have occurred in the system. Such event messages can sometimes be helpful in determining the cause of a problem that you may have encountered.

You can select **System Log** on the left side of the **Device Status** window to view log events recorded in the system. The System Log entries are shown in the main screen along with the log level, the severity level of messages that are being displayed (lower is severer), and the uptime, which is the amount of time since the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT was boot-up.



4.3 Wireless Client Table


The wireless client table lists the current wireless clients and its MAC address, state, and traffic statistics. You can check this table by clicking **Wireless Client Table** at the left side of the **Device Status** window.

The screenshot shows the 'Wireless Client Table' window. At the top left is a home icon followed by the title 'Wireless Client Table'. Below the title is a table with four columns: 'MAC Address', 'State', 'Tx Pkts', and 'Rx Pkts'. The table contains one row of data. At the bottom left, there is a circular help icon with a question mark and the word 'Help' next to it.


MAC Address	State	Tx Pkts	Rx Pkts
00-0c-f1-0a-43-3d	Associated	585	741

4.4 Bridge Table

The bridge table shows all MAC entries learned from the wired LAN interface, wireless clients, and WDS peers (if running in the WDS mode). You can check this table by clicking **Bridge Table** at the left side of the **Device Status** window.

 **Bridge Table**


MAC Address	Interface
00-0b-6b-38-1a-9b	wlan0(local)
00-0b-6b-38-1a-9c	eth0(local)
00-0c-f1-0a-43-3d	wlan0

 **Help**

4.5 Firmware Upgrade

You can upgrade the firmware of your 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT (the software that controls your 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT's operation). Normally, this is done when a new version of firmware offers new features that you want, or solves problems that you have encountered with the current version. System upgrade can be performed through the System Upgrade window as follows:


Step 1 Select **System Tools**, then **Firmware Upgrade** from the menu.

 **Firmware Upgrade**

Select the firmware file by clicking **Browse**, then click **UPGRADE**.

NOTE:

1. Do not power off the AP while upgrading the firmware.
2. Some browsers would fail to locate the firmware file when there is any localized character in the firmware file path.

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Step 2 To update the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT firmware, first download the firmware from the distributor's web site to your local disk, and then from the above screen enter the path and filename of the firmware file (or click **Browse** to locate the firmware file). Next, Click the **Upgrade** button to start.

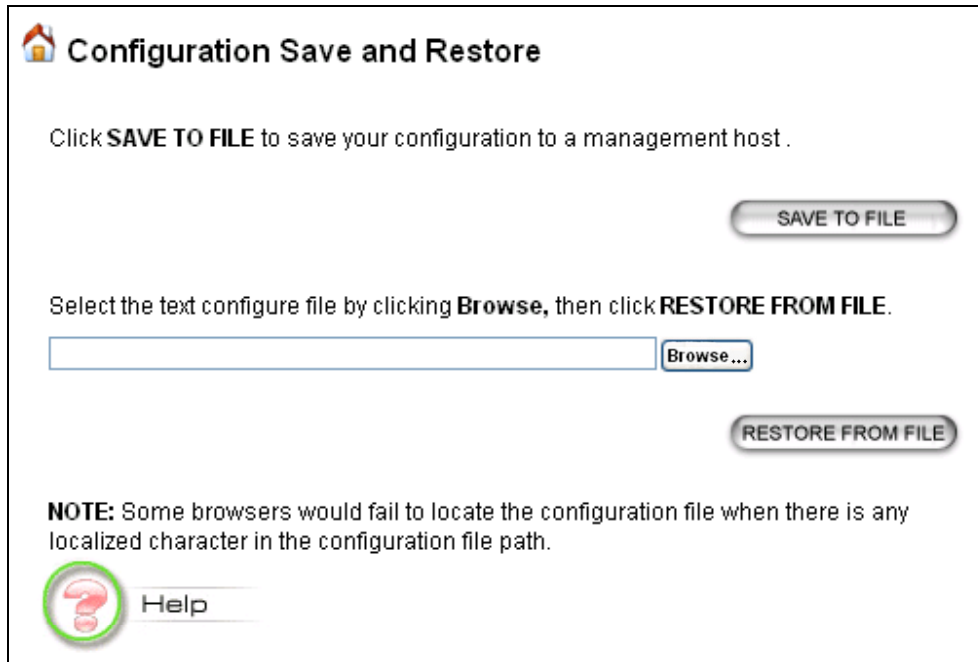
The new firmware will be loaded to your 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT. After a message appears telling you that the operation is completed, you need to reset the system to have the new firmware take effect.

Note: *It is recommended that you do not upgrade your 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT unless the new firmware has new features you need or if it has a fix to a problem that you've encountered.*

4.6 Configuration Save and Restore

You can save system configuration settings to a file, and later download it back to the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT by following the steps.

Step 1 Select **Configuration Save and Restore** from the **System Tools** menu.



The screenshot shows a web interface titled "Configuration Save and Restore" with a home icon. It contains the following elements:

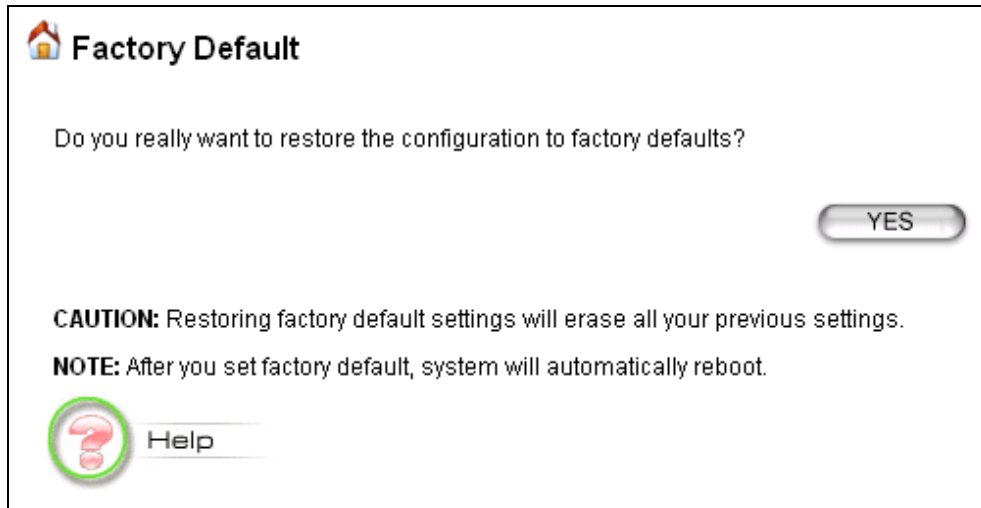
- A text instruction: "Click **SAVE TO FILE** to save your configuration to a management host ."
- A button labeled "SAVE TO FILE".
- A text instruction: "Select the text configure file by clicking **Browse**, then click **RESTORE FROM FILE**."
- A text input field for the file path.
- A button labeled "Browse...".
- A button labeled "RESTORE FROM FILE".
- A **NOTE**: "Some browsers would fail to locate the configuration file when there is any localized character in the configuration file path."
- A "Help" link with a question mark icon.

Step 2 Enter the path of the configuration file to save-to/restore-from (or click the **Browse** button to locate the configuration file). Then click the **SAVE TO FILE** button to save the current configuration into the specified file, or click the **RESTORE FROM FILE** button to restore the system configuration from the specified file.

4.7 Factory Default

You can reset the configuration of your 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT to the factory default settings. To do it:

Step 1 Select **Factory Default** from the **System Tools** menu.

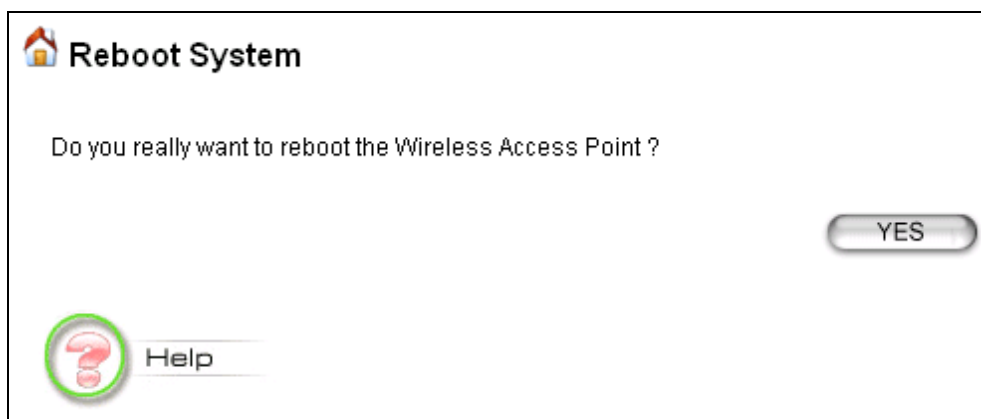


Step 2 Click **YES** to go ahead and restore the configuration to the factory default.

4.8 Reboot System

You can reset your 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT from the Browser. To reset it:

Step 1 Select **Reboot System** from the **System Tools** menu.



Step 2 Click **YES** to reboot the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT.

Note: *Rebooting the 802.11A/G ACCESS POINT disconnects any active clients, and therefore will disrupt any current data traffic.*

4.9 What if you forgot the password?

If you forgot the password, the only way to recover is to clear the device configuration and return the unit to its original state as shipped from the factory.

You can reset the Access Point's Settings to factory defaults by pushing a paperclip in the RESET hole on the back panel. Push and hold for around 2 seconds until the lights at the front of the Access Point are off. Doing so will clear your current configuration.

Specification

Product Name	IEEE 802.11a/g Access Point
OS	Linux® 2.4.18
Standard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IEEE 802.11a/b/g • IEEE 802.1d Spanning Tree • IEEE 802.1x • IEEE 802.3u Ethernet protocol
WLAN Network Architecture Type	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infrastructure
Wireless Transfer Data Rate for IEEE 802.11a Draft Standard	IEEE 802.11a Standard: 54, 48, 36, 24, 18, 12, 9 & 6 Mbps with auto fallback
Wireless Transfer Data Rate for IEEE 802.11g Draft Standard	IEEE 802.11g Draft Standard: 54, 48, 36, 24, 18, 12, 9 & 6 Mbps with auto fallback
Wireless Transfer Data Rate for IEEE 802.11b	11, 5.5, 2 & 1 Mbps with auto fallback
Physical Specification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • External Power Adapter with DC5V/2A Input • Desktop Installation • Wall/Ceiling Mountable
Hardware & Antenna	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 x RJ45 • 1 x Restore Button • 1x External Antenna • 5 x LED (1 x Power, 3 x LAN, 1 x WLAN)
Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WEP 64-bit, 128-bit, 152-bit Encryption • MAC Access Control for the wireless interface • EAP & 802.1x support • Support Primary & secondary RADIUS server • WPA and WPA-PSK
Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Web-Based Management Tool • UPnP • Upload & download test-based configuration file via HTTP browser • Firmware upgrade via HTTP browser • SysLog
IP Address Assignment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DHCP Client • Static IP Address
Environmental Specification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operation Temperature: 0⁰ ~40⁰ C. • Storage Temperature: -20⁰ ~ 65⁰C • Operating Humidity: 10% ~90% (without Condensation)
EMC Certification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CE