3G 802.11B/G/N Indoor Router

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1. Terminology

3DES	Triple Data Encryption Standard
AES	Advanced Encryption Standard
ANSI	American National Standards Institute
AP	Access Point
APN	Access Point Name
CCK	Complementary Code Keying
CSMA/CA	Carrier Sense Multiple Access/Collision Avoidance
CSMA/CD	Carrier Sense Multiple Access/Collision Detection
DDNS	Dynamic Domain Name Server
DH	Diffie-Hellman Algorithm
DHCP	Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol
DSSS	Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum
EAP	Extensible Authentication Protocol
ESP	Encapsulating Security Payload
EVDO	Evolution-Data Optimized
FCC	Federal Communications Commission
FTP	File Transfer Protocol
HSDPA	High Speed Downlink Packet Access
HSUPA	High Speed Uplink Packet Access
IEEE	Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers
IKE	Internet Key Exchange
IP	Internet Protocol
ISM	Industrial, Scientific and Medical
LAN	Local Area Network
MAC	Media Access Control
MD5	Message Digest 5
NAT	Network Address Translation
NT	Network Termination
NTP	Network Time Protocol
PIN	Personal Identification Number
PPTP	Point to Point Tunneling Protocol
PSD	Power Spectral Density
RF	Radio Frequency
SHA1	Secure Hash Algorithm

SNR	Signal to Noise Ratio
SSID	Service Set Identification
TCP	Transmission Control Protocol
TFTP	Trivial File Transfer Protocol
TKIP	Temporal Key Integrity Protocol
UMTS	Universal Mobile Telecommunication System
UPNP	Universal Plug and Play
VPN	Virtual Private Network
WDS	Wireless Distribution System
WEP	Wired Equivalent Privacy
WLAN	Wireless Local Area Network

2. Introduction

The WLAN Broadband Router is an affordable IEEE 802.11b/g /n specifications of WLAN Broadband Router solution; setting SOHO and enterprise standard for high performance, secure, manageable and reliable WLAN. This document describes the steps required for the initial IP address assign and other configuration of the WLAN Broadband Router. The description includes the implementation of the above steps.

2.1 Package contents

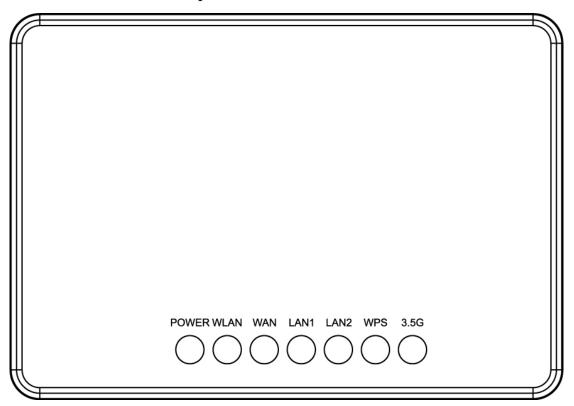
The package of the WLAN Broadband Router includes the following items,

- ✓ WLAN Broadband Router
- ✓ DC 12V Power Adapter
- ✓ Documentation CD
- ✓ RJ-45 Cable Line
- ✓ Cradle
- ✓ Detachable antenna

2.2 Product Features

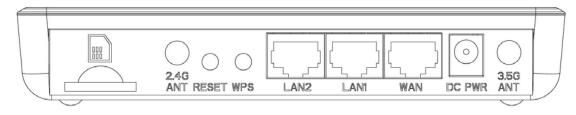
- > Compatible with IEEE 802.11n Specifications provides wireless speed up to 150Mbps data rate.
- Compatible with IEEE 802.11g standard to provide wireless speeds of 54Mbps data rate.
- Maximizes the performance and ideal for media-centric applications like streaming video, gaming and Voice over IP technology.
- > Support various operation (Bridge/Gateway/Ethernet Converter) modes between wireless and wired Ethernet interfaces.
- ➤ Share 3G/3.5G USB Cellular Modem
- > Supports UMTS/HSDPA/HSUPA/EVDO cellular network device
- Support 3G/3.5G and xDSL/Cable modem connection
- > Supports WPS, 64-bit and 128-bit WEP, WPA, WPA2 encryption to protect the wireless data transmission.
- ➤ Support TKIP/AES/TKIPAES of WPA algorithms.
- Support IEEE 802.3x full duplex flow control on 10/100M Ethernet interface.
- > Support DHCP server to provide clients auto IP addresses assignment.
- Support DHCP client, static IP, PPPoE, L2TP and PPTP of WAN Interface.
- Supports firewall security with port filtering, IP filtering, MAC filtering, port forwarding, DMZ hosting and URL filtering functions.
- > Support WEB based management and configuration.
- Support System Log.
- Support Dynamic DNS
- Support NTP

2.3 Front Panel Description



LED Indicator	State	Description
POWER	On	The WLAN Broadband Router is powered on.
POWER	Off	The WLAN Broadband Router is powered off.
WLAN	Flashing	Data is transmitting or receiving on the antenna.
WLAN	Off	No data is transmitting or receiving on the antenna.
	Flashing	Data is transmitting or receiving on the WAN interface.
WAN	On	Port linked.
	Off	No link.
	Flashing	Data is transmitting or receiving on the LAN interface.
LAN1 / LAN2	On	Port linked.
	Off	No link.
	Flashing	Wireless WPS function is enabled
WPS	Off	Wireless WPS function is not enabled or the connection is successful.
3.5G	On	3G/3.5G USB modem device has been detected
3.30	Off	3G3.5G USB modem device can not be detected

2.4 Rear Panel Description



Interfaces	Description
SIM	A slot for ISP 3.5G SIM card.
2.4G ANT	A SMA connector for the Wireless LAN Antenna.
RESET	Push continually the reset button $5 \sim 10$ seconds to reset the configuration parameters to factory defaults.
WPS	Press this button for 3 seconds to start WPS function.
LAN1/LAN2	The RJ-45 sockets allow LAN connection through Category 5 cables. Support auto-sensing on 10/100M speed and half/ full duplex; comply with IEEE 802.3/ 802.3u respectively.
WAN	The RJ-45 socket allows WAN connection through a Category 5 cable. Support auto-sensing on 10/100M speed and half/ full duplex; comply with IEEE 802.3/ 802.3u respectively.
	The power jack allows an external DC power supply connection.
DC PWR	The external DC adaptor provide adaptive power requirement to the WLAN Broadband Router.
3.5G ANT	A SMA connector for 3.5G Antenna

3. Installation

3.1 Hardware Installation

Step 1:

Please screw the detachable antenna onto SMA connector first.

Step 2:

Place the WLAN Broadband Router to the best optimum transmission location. The best transmission location for your WLAN Broadband Router is usually at the geographic center of your wireless network, with line of sign to all of your mobile stations.

Step 3:

Connect the WLAN Broadband Router to your wired network:

- 1. Connect the Ethernet WAN interface of WLAN Broadband Router by category 5 Ethernet cable to your switch/ hub/ xDSL modem or cable modem. A straight-through Ethernet cable with appropriate cable length is needed.
- 2. Or connect 3G USB modem device to the WLAN Broadband Router.

Step 4:

Plug in the DC power to the WLAN Broadband Router. Use only the AC/DC power adapter supplied with the WLAN Broadband Router; it maybe occur damage by using a different type of power adapter.

The hardware installation finished.

3.2 Software Installation

There is no software driver or utility installation needed, but only the configuration setting. Please refer to chapter 4 for software configuration.

Notice: It will take about 50 seconds to complete the boot up sequence after powered on the WLAN Broadband Router; Power LED will be active, and after that the WLAN Activity LED will be flashing to show the WLAN interface is enabled and working now.

4. Software configuration

There are web based management and configuration functions allowing you to have the jobs done easily.

The WLAN Broadband Router is delivered with the following factory default parameters on the Ethernet LAN interfaces.

Default IP Address: 192.168.1.254 Default IP subnet mask: 255.255.255.0

WEB login User Name: admin WEB login Password: admin

4.1 Prepare your PC to configure the WLAN Broadband Router

For OS of Microsoft Windows 2000/XP:

- 1. Click the *Start* button and select Settings, then click *Control Panel*. The *Control Panel* window will appear.
- 2. Move mouse and double-click the right button on *Network and Dial-up Connections* icon. Move mouse and double-click the *Local Area Connection* icon. The *Local Area Connection* window will appear. Click *Properties* button in the *Local Area Connection* window.
- 3. Check the installed list of *Network Components*. If TCP/IP is not installed, click the *Add* button to install it; otherwise go to step 6.
- 4. Select *Protocol* in the *Network Component Type* dialog box and click *Add* button.
- 5. Select *TCP/IP* in *Microsoft of Select Network Protocol* dialog box then click OK button to install the TCP/IP protocol, it may need the Microsoft Windows CD to complete the installation. Close and go back to *Network* dialog box after the TCP/IP installation.
- 6. Select TCP/IP and click the properties button on the Network dialog box.
- 7. Select Specify an IP address and type in values as following example.
 - ✓ IP Address: 192.168.1.1, any IP address within 192.168.1.1 to 192.168.1.253 is good to connect the Wireless LAN Access Point.
 - ✓ IP Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0
- 8. Click *OK* to complete the IP parameters setting.

For OS of Microsoft Windows Vista / 7:

- 1. Click the *Start* button and select *Settings*, then click *Control Panel*. The *Control Panel* window will appear.
- 2. Move mouse and double-click the right button on *Network Connections* item. The *Network Connections* window will appear. Double click *Local Area Connection* icon, then User Account Control window shown. Right click Continue button to set properties.
- 3. In *Local Area Connection Properties* window, Choose *Networking* tab, move mouse and click *Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4)*, then click *Properties* button.
- 4. Move mouse and click *General* tab, Select *Specify an IP address* and type in values as following example.
 - ✓ IP Address: 192.168.1.1, any IP address within 192.168.1.1 to 192.168.1.253 is good to connect the Wireless LAN Access Point.
 - ✓ IP Subnet Mask: 255,255,255.0
- 5. Click *OK* to complete the IP parameters setting.

For OS of Microsoft Windows NT:

- 1. Click the *Start* button and select Settings, then click *Control Panel*. The *Control Panel* window will appear.
- 2. Move mouse and double-click the right button on Network icon. The Network window will appear. Click Protocol tab from the Network window.
- 3. Check the installed list of Network Protocol window. If TCP/IP is not installed, click the Add button to install it; otherwise go to step 6.
- 4. Select Protocol in the Network Component Type dialog box and click Add button.
- 5. Select *TCP/IP* in *Microsoft of Select Network Protocol* dialog box then click OK button to install the TCP/IP protocol, it may need the Microsoft Windows CD to complete the installation. Close and go back to *Network* dialog box after the TCP/IP installation.
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- 8. Click *OK* to complete the IP parameters setting.

4.2 Connect to the WLAN Broadband Router

Open a WEB browser, i.e. Microsoft Internet Explore 6.1 SP1 or above, then enter 192.168.1.254 on the URL to connect the WLAN Broadband Router.

4.3 Management and configuration on the WLAN Broadband Router

4.3.1 Wizard

This Wizard page guides you to configure Internet connection and Wireless Settings quickly.

Step 1: configure Internet connection

Setup Wizard

This Router is for home networking. The 'Setup Wizard' will guide you to configure the router to connect to your ISP(Internet Service Provider).

The wizard will guide you through these two quick steps. Begin by clicking on Next.

Step 1. Configure Internet connection

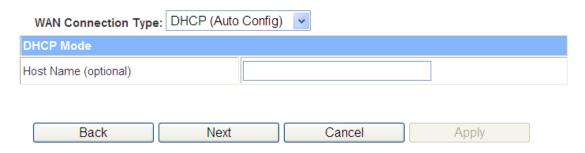
Step 2. Configure Wireless settings

Back Next Cancel Apply

Click *Next* button to next step for Internet connection settings. There are six options (DHCP, Static Mode, PPPOE, L2TP, PPTP, 3G) for Internet connection on WAN port.

a. DHCP (Auto Config)

Step 1. Configure Internet Connection



If you select **DHCP** option, please click *Next* button to jump at Step2.

b. Static Mode (fixed IP)

Server

Server

Secondary DNS

Step 1. Configure Internet Connection

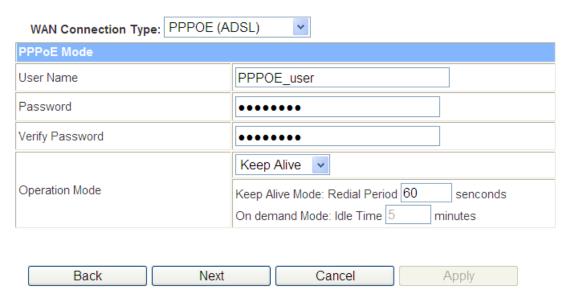
WAN Connection	Type: Static Mode (fixed IP)
Static Mode	
IP Address	
Subnet Mask	
Default Gateway	
Primary DNS Server	
Secondary DNS Serv	ver
Back	Next Cancel Apply
Item	Description
IP Address	Fill in the IP address for WAN interface.
Subnet Mask	Fill in the subnet mask for WAN interface.
Default Gateway Fill in the default gateway for WAN interface out going data packets.	

When you finish these settings, then click *Next* button to jump at Step2.

Fill in the IP address of Domain Name Server 2.

c. PPPOE (ADSL)

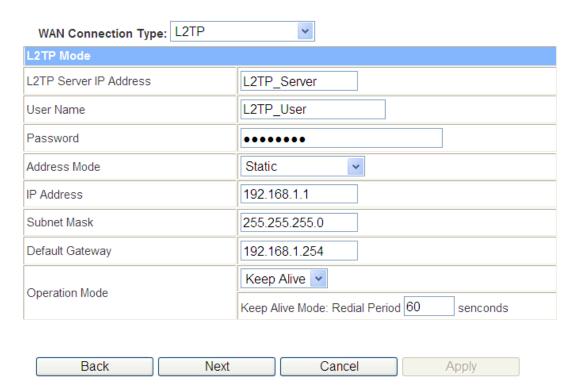
Step 1. Configure Internet Connection



Item	Description
User Name	If you select the PPPoE support on WAN interface, fill in the user name and password to login the PPPoE server.
Password	If you select the PPPoE support on WAN interface, fill in the user name and password to login the PPPoE server.
Verify Password	Fill in the password again for verification.
Operation Mode	Keep Alive: Keep the PPPoE connection all the time. Please also configure the Redial Period field. On Demand: Please configure the Idle Time field. When time is up, the PPPoE connection will disconnect. The connection will re-connect when any outgoing packet arise. Manual: Let user connect the PPPoE connection manually.

d. L2TP

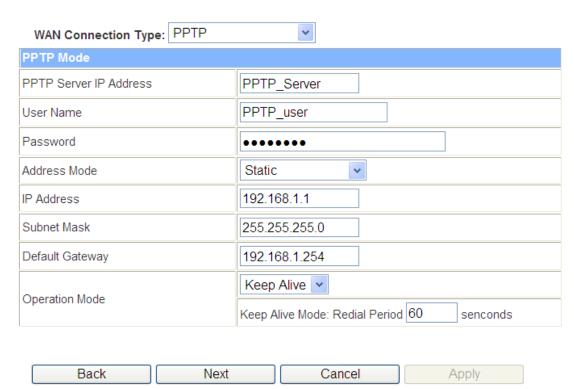
Step 1. Configure Internet Connection



Item	Description
L2TP Server IP Address	Allow user to make a tunnel with remote site directly to secure the data transmission among the connection. User can use embedded L2TP client supported by this router to make a VPN connection. If you select the L2TP support on WAN interface, fill in the IP address for it.
User Name	Fill in the user name and password to login the L2TP server.
Password	Fill in the user name and password to login the L2TP server.
Address Mode	Static: To configure the IP address information by manually, please fill in the related setting at below. Dynamic: The option allows the machine to get IP address information automatically from DHCP server on WAN side.
IP Address	Fill in the IP address for WAN interface.
Subnet Mask	Fill in the subnet mask for WAN interface.
Default Gateway	Fill in the default gateway for WAN interface out going data packets.
Operation Mode	Keep Alive: Keep the L2TP connection all the time. Please also configure the Redial Period field.Manual: Let user connect the L2TP connection manually.

e. PPTP

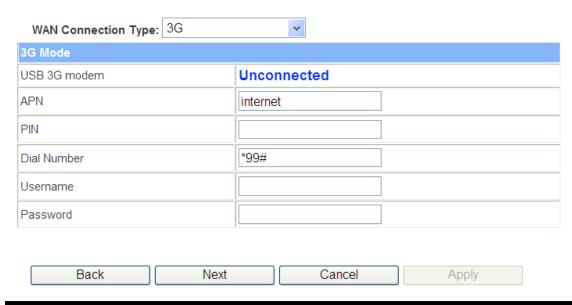
Step 1. Configure Internet Connection



Item	Description
PPTP Server IP Address	Allow user to make a tunnel with remote site directly to secure the data transmission among the connection. User can use embedded PPTP client supported by this router to make a VPN connection. If you select the PPTP support on WAN interface, fill in the IP address for it.
User Name	Fill in the user name and password to login the PPTP server.
Password	Fill in the user name and password to login the PPTP server.
Address Mode	Static: To configure the IP address information by manually, please fill in the related setting at below. Dynamic: The option allows the machine to get IP address information automatically from DHCP server on WAN side.
IP Address	Fill in the IP address for WAN interface.
Subnet Mask	Fill in the subnet mask for WAN interface.
Default Gateway	Fill in the default gateway for WAN interface out going data packets.
Operation Mode	Keep Alive: Keep the PPTP connection all the time. Please also configure the Redial Period field.Manual: Let user connect the PPTP connection manually.

f.3G

Step 1. Configure Internet Connection

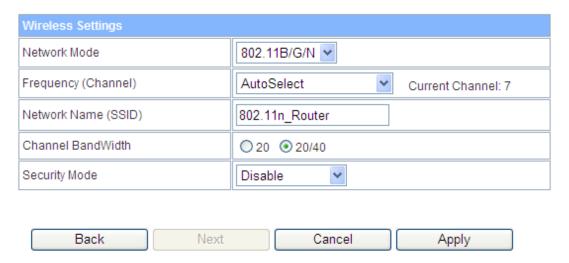


Item	Description	
USB 3G Modem	This field is automatically showing the model name of the embedded 3G moden module.	
APN	Please input the access point name.	
PIN	Please input Pin Code for your UMTS or HSDPA connection, this is optional, and only required if your service provider asks you to do so.	
Dial Number	Please input Dialed Number for your UMTS or HSDPA connection, the default is *99#. This field should not be altered except when required by your service provider.	
User Name	Please input user name assigned by your Internet service provider here.	
Password	word Please input password assigned by your Internet service provider here.	

Step 2: configure Wireless Settings

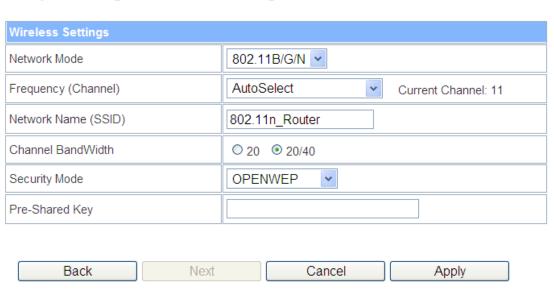
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Step 2. Configure Wireless Settings



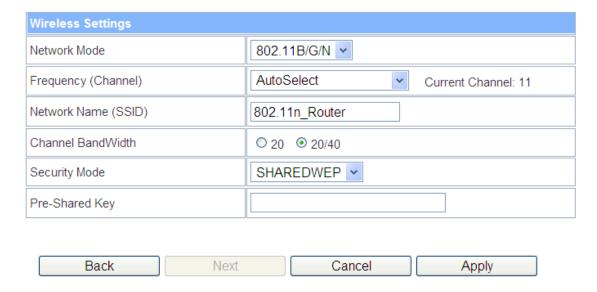
1. OPENWEP

Step 2. Configure Wireless Settings



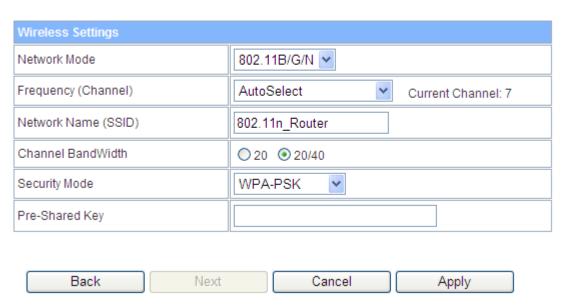
2. SHAREDWEP

Step 2. Configure Wireless Settings



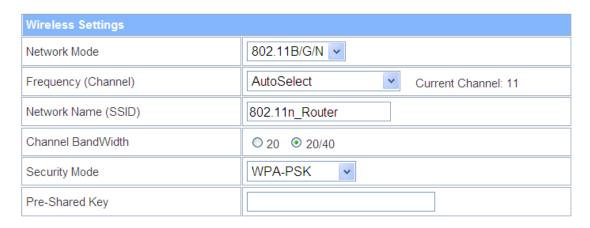
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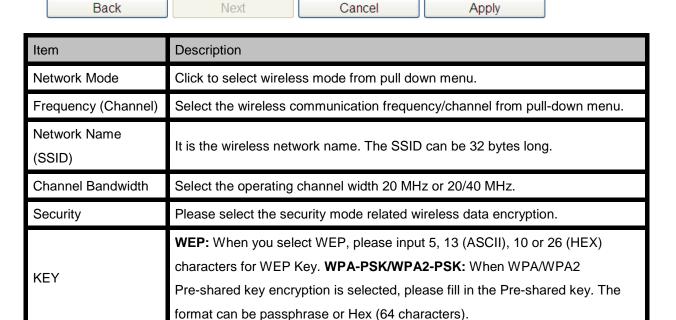
Step 2. Configure Wireless Settings



4. WPA2-PSK

Step 2. Configure Wireless Settings





When you finish these settings, then click Apply button to save.

4.3.2Operation Mode

a. Bridge:

O Bridge:

All ethernet and wireless interfaces are bridged into a single bridge interface.

O Gateway:

The first ethernet port is treated as WAN port. The other ethernet ports and the wireless interface are bridged together and are treated as LAN ports.

O Wireless ISP:

The wireless apoli interface is treated as WAN port, and the wireless ap interface and the ethernet ports are LAN ports.

Apply Cancel

The **Bridge** mode allows that all Ethernet and wireless interfaces are bridged into a single bridge interface.

b. Gateway:

O Bridge:

All ethernet and wireless interfaces are bridged into a single bridge interface.

• Gateway:

The first ethernet port is treated as WAN port. The other ethernet ports and the wireless interface are bridged together and are treated as LAN ports.

O Wireless ISP:

The wireless apoli interface is treated as WAN port, and the wireless ap interface and the ethernet ports are LAN ports.

:

Apply Cancel

The **Gateway** mode allows that the first Ethernet port is treated as WAN port and the Ethernet port and the wireless interface are bridged together and are treated as LAN ports.

c. Wireless ISP

\circ	Bridge:
	All ethernet and wireless interfaces are bridged into a single bridge interface.
0	Gateway:
	The first ethernet port is treated as WAN port. The other ethernet ports and the wireless interface are bridged together and are treated as LAN ports.
•	Wireless ISP:
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The **Wireless ISP** mode allows that the wireless interface is treated as WAN port, and the Ethernet ports are LAN ports.

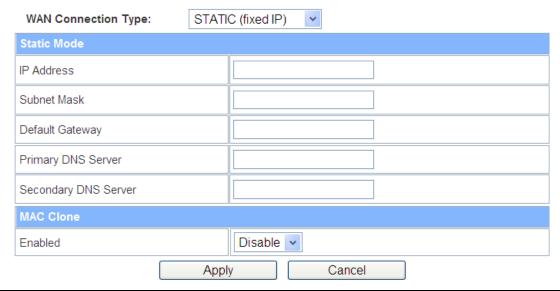
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Apply

4.3.3 Internet Settings

4.3.3.1 WAN

a. STATIC



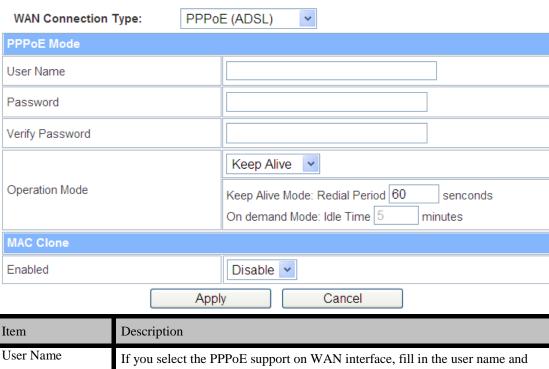
Item	Description	
IP Address	Fill in the IP address for WAN interface.	
Subnet Mask	Fill in the subnet mask for WAN interface.	
Default Gateway	Fill in the default gateway for WAN interface out going data packets.	
Primary DNS Server	Fill in the IP address of Domain Name Server 1.	
Secondary DNS Fill in the IP address of Domain Name Server 2. Server		
MAC Clone Take NIC MAC address of PC on LAN side as the MAC address interface.		

b. DHCP



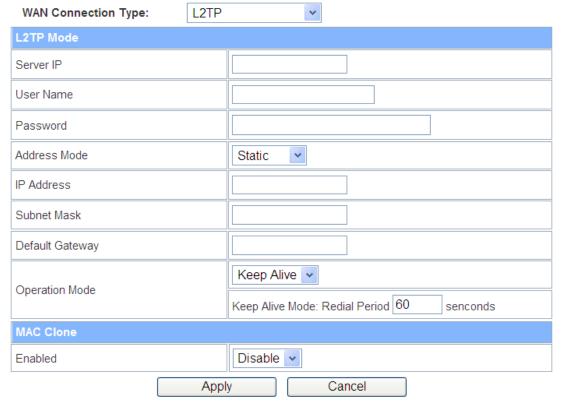
Item	Description
Hostname	Fill in the host name of Host Name of DHCP server. The default value is empty.
	Take NIC MAC address of PC on LAN side as the MAC address of WAN interface.

.c. PPPoE



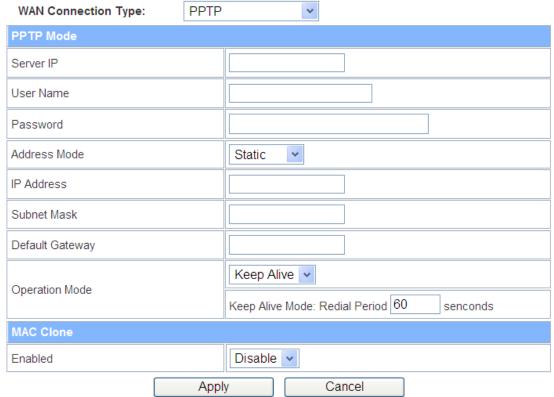
Item	Description	
User Name	If you select the PPPoE support on WAN interface, fill in the user name and password to login the PPPoE server.	
Pasword	If you select the PPPoE support on WAN interface, fill in the user name and password to login the PPPoE server.	
Verify Password	Fill in the password again for verification.	
Operation Mode	 Keep Alive: Keep the PPPoE connection all the time. Please also configure the Redial Period field. On Demand: Please configure the Idle Time field. When time is up, the PPPo connection will disconnect. The connection will re-connect when any outgoin packet arise. Manual: Let user connect the PPPoE connection manually. 	
MAC Clone	Take NIC MAC address of PC on LAN side as the MAC address of WAN interface.	

d. L2TP



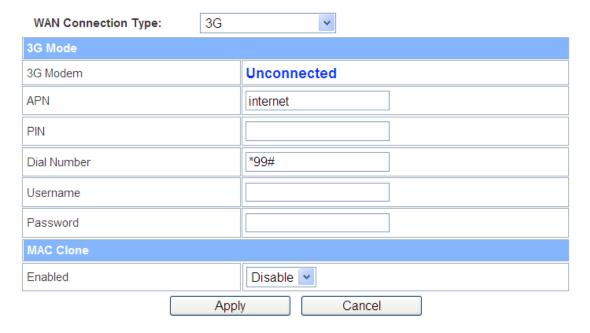
Item	Description		
Server IP	Allow user to make a tunnel with remote site directly to secure the data transmission among the connection. User can use embedded L2TP client supported by this router to make a VPN connection. If you select the L2TP support on WAN interface, fill in the IP address for it.		
User Name	Fill in the user name and password to login the L2TP server.		
Password	Fill in the user name and password to login the L2TP server.		
Address Mode	Static: To configure the IP address information by manually, please fill in the related setting at below. Dynamic: The option allows the machine to get IP address information automatically from DHCP server on WAN side.		
IP Address	Fill in the IP address for WAN interface.		
Subnet Mask	Fill in the subnet mask for WAN interface.		
Default Gateway	Fill in the default gateway for WAN interface out going data packets.		
Operation Mode Keep Alive: Keep the L2TP connection all the time. Please also config Redial Period field. On Demand: Please configure the Idle Time field. When time is up, the connection will disconnect. The connection will re-connect when any o packet arise. Manual: Let user connect the L2TP connection manually.			
MAC Clone Take NIC MAC address of PC on LAN side as the MAC address of			
	interface.		

e. PPTP



Item	Description	
Server IP	Allow user to make a tunnel with remote site directly to secure the data transmission among the connection. User can use embedded PPTP client supported by this router to make a VPN connection. If you select the PPTP support on WAN interface, fill in the IP address for it.	
User Name	Fill in the user name and password to login the PPTP server.	
Password	Fill in the user name and password to login the PPTP server.	
Address Mode	Static: To configure the IP address information by manually, please fill in the related setting at below. Dynamic: The option allows the machine to get IP address information automatically from DHCP server on WAN side.	
IP Address	Fill in the IP address for WAN interface.	
Subnet Mask	Fill in the subnet mask for WAN interface.	
Default Gateway	Fill in the default gateway for WAN interface out going data packets.	
Operation Mode	Keep Alive: Keep the PPTP connection all the time. Please also configure the Redial Period field. On Demand: Please configure the Idle Time field. When time is up, the PPTP connection will disconnect. The connection will re-connect when any outgoing packet arise. Manual: Let user connect the PPTP connection manually.	
MAC Clone	Take NIC MAC address of PC on LAN side as the MAC address of WAN interface.	

f. 3G



Item	Description	
USB 3G Modem	This field is automatically showing the model name of the embedded 3G modem module.	
APN	Please input the access point name.	
PIN	Please input Pin Code for your UMTS or HSDPA connection, this is optional, and only required if your service provider asks you to do so.	
Dial Number	Please input Dialed Number for your UMTS or HSDPA connection, the default is *99#. This field should not be altered except when required by your service provider.	
User Name	Please input user name assigned by your Internet service provider here.	
Password	Please input password assigned by your Internet service provider here.	
MAC Clone Take NIC MAC address of PC on LAN side as the MAC address.		

4.3.3.2 LAN

Local Area Network (LAN) Settings

You may enable/disable networking functions and configure their parameters as your wish.

LAN Setup	
MAC Address	00:1A:EF:1D:F0:FA
IP Address	192.168.1.200
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
DHCP Type	Disable 🕶
Lease Time	86400
802.1d Spanning Tree	Disable 🕶
LLTD	Disable 🕶
IGMP Proxy	Disable 🕶
UPNP	Disable 🕶
Router Advertisement	Disable 🕶
PPPoE Relay	Disable 🕶
DNS Proxy	Disable 🕶
	Apply Cancel

Item	Description	
MAC Address	Show the MAC address of LAN interface.	
IP Address	Fill in the IP address of LAN interfaces.	
Subnet Mask	Fill in the subnet mask of LAN interfaces.	
Default Gateway	Fill in the default gateway for LAN interfaces out going data packets.	
DHCP Type	Disable: Disable DHCP server on LAN side. Server: Enable DHCP server on LAN side.	
Start IP Address	Fill in the start IP address to allocate a range of IP addresses; client with DHCP function set will be assigned an IP address from the range.	
End IP Address	Fill in the end IP address to allocate a range of IP addresses; client with DHCP function set will be assigned an IP address from the range.	
Lease Time	Fill in the lease time of DHCP server function.	

802.1d Spanning	Select enable or disable the IEEE 802.1d Spanning Tree function from pull-down	
Tree	menu.	
LLTD	Select enable or disable the Link Layer Topology Discover function from pull-down menu.	
IGMP Proxy	Select enable or disable the IGMP proxy function from pull-down menu.	
UPNP	Select enable or disable the UPnP protocol from pull-down menu.	

4.3.3.3 DHCP Clients

The "DHCP clients" page shows all the active DHCP clients. The table window shows the active clients with their Hostname, MAC address, assigned IP address, and time expired information.

DHCP Client List

You could monitor DHCP clients here.

DHCP Clients			
Hostname	MAC Address	IP Address	Expires in
Benson-PC	74:F0:6D:7B:3B:65	192.168.1.171	23:59:59
Refresh	'	·	

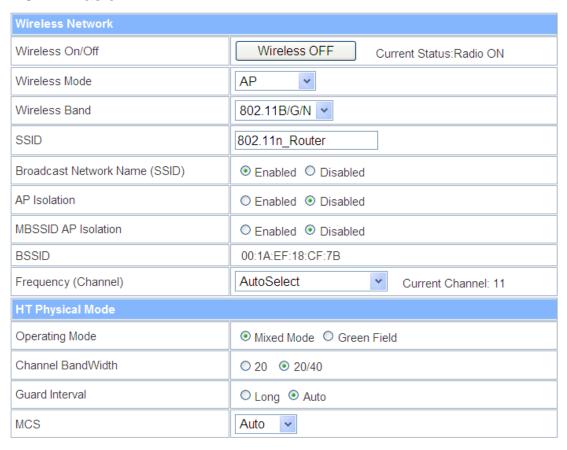
4.3.3.4 VPN Pass Through



Item	Description
L2TP Pass through	Select enable or disable the L2TP pass-through function from pull-down menu.
IP Sec Pass through	Select enable or disable the IP Sec pass-through function from pull-down menu.
PPTP Pass through	Select enable or disable the PPTP pass-through function from pull-down menu.

4.3.4 Wireless Settings

4.3.4.1 Basic



Item	Description
Wireless On/Off	Click Wireless OFF button to turn off wireless RF radio.
	Click Wireless ON button to turn on wireless RF radio.
Wireless Mode	Click to select wireless mode from pull down menu.
SSID	It is the wireless network name. The SSID can be 32 bytes long. User can use the default SSID or change it.
Broadcast Network Name (SSID)	Enable or disable the SSID broadcast function.
AP Isolation	Wireless network is similar to the virtual local area network. All of the Wireless client devices can access each other completely. When you enable this function, it will turn off connection between wireless clients. Only allows connection between wireless client and this router.
MBSSID AP Isolation	Enable this function will turn off connection between clients with different
	MBSSID. Example: The client connected with BSSID 1. When enable this
	function, it will not connect with BSSID 2. Only can access between clients with SSID 1.
BSSID	Show the MAC address of Wireless interface.

Cancel

Apply

Frequency (Channel)	Select the wireless communication frequency/channel from pull-down menu.	
Operating Mode	Select "Mixed Mode" for 11b/g/n mode or "Green Field" for 11n mode.	
Channel BandWidth	Select the operating channel width 20 MHz or 20/40 MHz.	
Guard Interval	Select "Long" or "Auto". Guard intervals are used to ensure that distinct	
	transmissions do not interfere with one another. Only effect under Mixed Mode.	
MCS	Select 0~7 or "Auto" from pull down menu. The default is "Auto". Only effect	
	under Mixed Mode.	

4.3.4.2 Advanced

Advanced Wireless		
B/G Protection Mode	Auto 🕶	
Beacon Interval	100 ms (range 20 - 999, default 100)	
Data Beacon Rate (DTIM)	ms (range 1 - 255, default 1)	
Fragment Threshold	2346 (range 256 - 2346, default 2346)	
RTS Threshold	2347 (range 1 - 2347, default 2347)	
TX Power	100 (range 1 - 100, default 100)	
Short Preamble	○ Enabled ⊙ Disabled	
Short Slot	● Enabled ○ Disabled	
Tx Burst		
Country Code	US (United States)	

Apply	Cancel

Item	Description
B/G Protection Mode	Default: Auto . You can select the other options including On and Off . The B/G protection technology is CTS-To-Self. It will try to reserve the throughput for 11g clients from 11b clients connecting to the device as AP mode.
Beacon Interval	Beacons are the packets sending by Access point to synchronize the wireless network. The beacon interval is the time interval between beacons sending by this unit in AP or AP+WDS operation. The default and recommended beacon interval is 100 milliseconds.
Data Beacon Rate(DTM)	This is the Delivery Traffic Indication Map. It is used to alert the clients that multicast and broadcast packets buffered at the AP will be transmitted immediately after the transmission of this beacon frame. You can change the value from 1 to 255. The AP will check the buffered data according to this value. For example, selecting "1" means to check the buffered data at every beacon.
Fragment Threshold	The fragmentation threshold determines the size at which packets are fragmented (sent as several pieces instead of as one block). Use a low setting in areas where communication is poor or where there is a great deal of radio interference. This function will help you to improve the network performance.
RTS Threshold	The RTS threshold determines the packet size at which the radio issues a request to send (RTS) before sending the packet. A low RTS Threshold setting can be useful in areas where many client devices are associating with the device, or in areas where the clients are far apart and can detect only the device and not each other. You can enter a setting ranging from 0 to 2347 bytes.

TX Power	The default TX power is 100%. In case of shortening the distance and the coverage of the wireless network, input a smaller value to reduce the radio transmission power. For example, input 80 to apply 80% Tx power.
Short Preamble	Default: Disable. It is a performance parameter for 802.11 b/g mode and not supported by some of very early stage of 802.11b station cards. If there is no such kind of stations associated to this AP, you can enable this function.
Short Slot	It is used to shorten the communication time between this AP and station.
TX Burst	The device will try to send a serial of packages with single ACK reply from the clients. Enable this function to apply it.
Country Code	Select the country code for wireless from pull down menu.

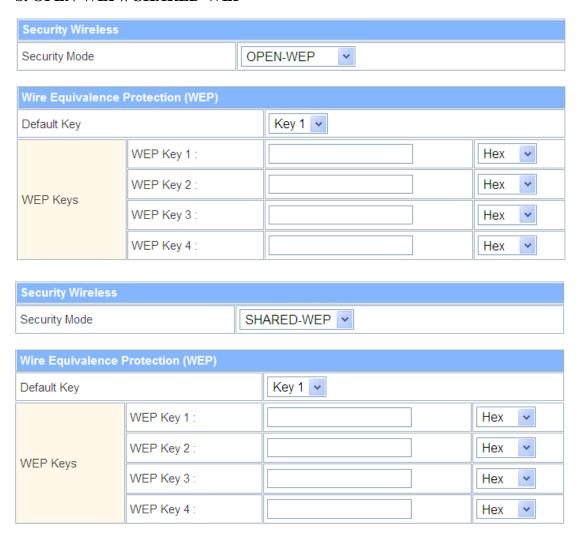
4.3.4.3 Security

a. Disable



If you set Security Mode to "**Disable**", the wireless data transmission will not include encryption to prevent from unauthorized access and monitoring.

b. OPEN-WEP// SHARED-WEP



If you set Security Mode to "**OPEN-WEP or SHARED-WEP**", please fill in the related configurations at below.

Item	Description
Default Key	Specify a Key number for effective.
WEP Keys (1~4)	When you select WEPAUTO, please input 5, 13 (ASCII), 10 or 26 (HEX) characters for WEP Key.

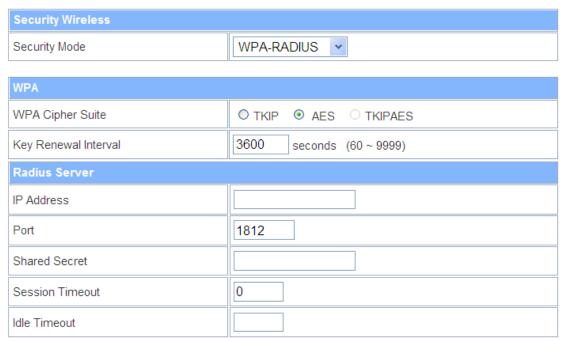
c. WPAPSK/WPA2PSK



If you set Security Mode to "WPAPSKWPA2PSK", please fill in the related configurations at below.

Item	Description	
WPA Algorithms	Select TKIP , AES , or TKIPAES for WPA algorithms.	
Pre-Shared key	Please fill in a passphrase like 'test wpa 123', or a hexadecimal string like '65E4 E123 456 E1'.	
Key Renewal Interval	Please fill in a number for Group Key Renewal interval time.	

d.WPA-RADIUS



If you set Security Mode to "**WPA-RADIUS**", please fill in the related configurations at below.

Item	Description	
WPA Cipher Suite	Select TKIP , AES , or TKIPAES for WPA algorithms.	
Key Renewal Interval	Please fill in a number for Group Key Renewal interval time.	
IP Address	Enter the RADIUS Server's IP Address provided by your ISP.	
Port	Enter the RADIUS Server's port number provided by your ISP. (The Default is	
	1812.)	
IP Address	Enter the RADIUS Server's IP Address provided by your ISP.	
Port	Enter the RADIUS Server's port number provided by your ISP. (The Default is	
	1812.)	
Shared Secret	Enter the password that the Wireless Router shares with the RADIUS Server.	

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Item	Description
IP Address	Enter the RADIUS Server's IP Address provided by your ISP.
Port	Enter the RADIUS Server's port number provided by your ISP. (The Default is 1812.)
IP Address	Enter the RADIUS Server's IP Address provided by your ISP.
Port	Enter the RADIUS Server's port number provided by your ISP. (The Default is 1812.)
Shared Secret	Enter the password that the Wireless Router shares with the RADIUS Server.

g. Access Policy

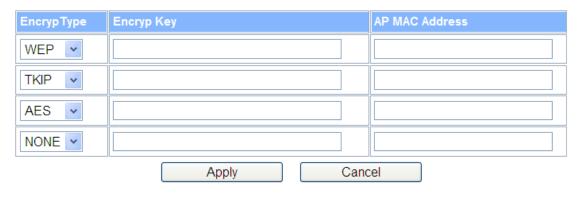


Item	Description	
Policy	Select the Disabled , Allow or Reject of drop down menu choose wireless access	
	control mode. This is a security control function; only those clients registered in	
	the access control list can link to this WLAN Broadband Router.	
Add a station MAC	Fill in the MAC address of client to register this router access capability.	

4.3.4.4 WDS

Wireless Distribution System

Wireless Distribution System Settings

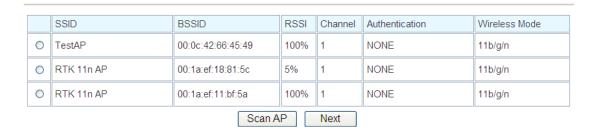


Item	Description
Encryp	Select WEP,TKIP,or AES for WDS algorithms.

4.3.4.5 Site Survey

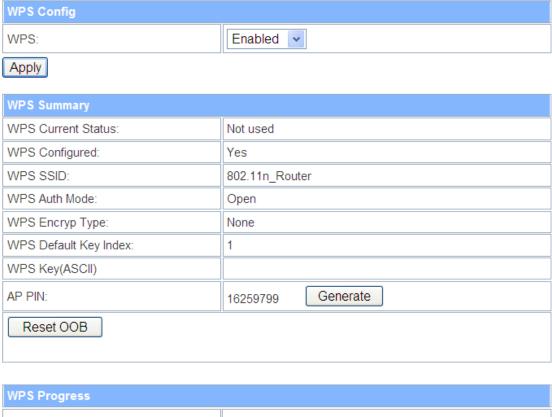
Site Survey

You could configure AP Client parameters here.



You could configure AP Client parameters here.

4.3.4.6 WPS



WPS Progress	
WPS mode	● PIN ○ PBC
PIN	
Apply	

Item	Description	
WPS	Select Enable or Disable the Wi-Fi Protected Setup function. Then click Apply	
	button to take effect function after change.	
WPS Summary	After enabling the WPS function, if there is connection the WPS Summary will show related information and status.	
AP PIN	Here shows the AP's PIN code (Personal Identification Number) that the enrollee should enter the registrar's PIN code to make a connection. Click <i>Generate</i> button to generate a new AP PIN code.	
Reset OOB	Click <i>Reset OOB</i> button to reset WPS AP to the OOB (out-of-box) configuration.	
WPS mode	Select WPS mode. PIN : Personal Identification Number. PBC : Push Button Communication.	
PIN	Input enrollee's PIN code to AP-registrar.	

4.3.5 Firewall

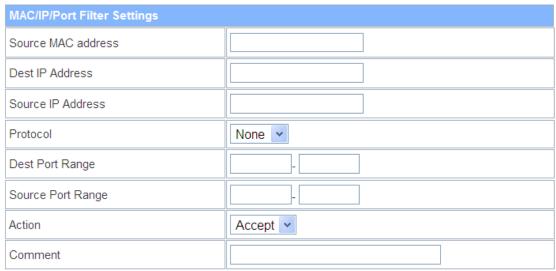
4.3.5.1 MAC/IP/Port Filtering

MAC/IP/Port Filtering Settings

You may setup firewall rules to protect your network from virus, worm and malicious activity on the Internet.



Item	Description
MAC/IP/Port Filtering	Select Enable or Disable the MAC/IP/Port Filtering function.



(The maximum rule count is 32.)

Apply Reset

Item	Description	
Source MAC address	Fill in the MAC address of source NIC, to restrict data transmission.	
Dest IP Address	Fill in the IP address of destination, to restrict data transmission.	
Source IP Address	Fill in the IP address of source, to restrict data transmission.	
Protocol	Select the protocol that you want to restrict. There are four options: None, TCP, UDP and ICMP.	
Dest Port Range	Fill in the start-port and end-port number of destination, to restrict data transmission.	
Source Port Range	Fill in the start-port and end-port number of source, to restrict data transmission.	
Action	Select Accept or Drop to specify the action of filtering policies.	
Comment	Make a comment for the filtering policy.	



 Item
 Description

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 Make a mark for next action.

 Delete Selected
 Click Delete Selected button to delete all that you selected.

 Reset
 Click Reset button to clear selected items.

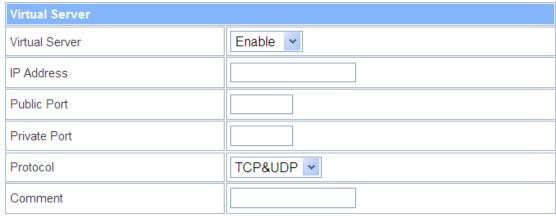
4.3.5.2 Port Forwarding



(The maximum rule count is 32.)



Item	Description
Port Forwarding	Select Enable or Disable the Port Forwarding function.
IP Address	To forward data packets coming from WAN to a specific IP address that hosted in local network behind the NAT firewall, fill in the IP address.
Port Range	To forward data packets coming from WAN to a specific IP address that hosted in local network behind the NAT firewall, fill in the port range.
Protocol	Specify protocol, TCP&UDP, TCP or UDP.
Comment	Make a comment for the port forwarding policy.



(The maximum rule count is 32.)

Apply	Reset
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Item	Description
Virtual Server	Select Enable or Disable the Virtual Server function.
IP Address	To forward data packets coming from WAN to a specific IP address that hosted in local network behind the NAT firewall, fill in the IP address.
Public Port	To forward data packets coming from WAN to a specific IP address that hosted in local network behind the NAT firewall, fill in the public port.
Private Port	To forward data packets coming from WAN to a specific IP address that hosted in local network behind the NAT firewall, fill in the private port.
Protocol	Specify protocol, TCP&UDP, TCP or UDP.
Comment	Make a comment for the virtual server policy.
Add	Make a mark for next action.

4.3.5.3 DMZ

DMZ Settings

You may setup a De-militarized Zone(DMZ) to separate internal network and Internet.



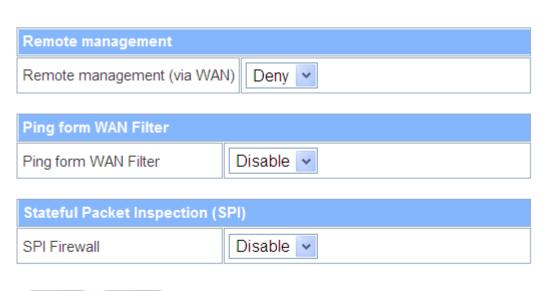


Item	Description
DMZ Settings	Enable or Disable the DMZ function.
DMZ IP Address	To support DMZ in your firewall design, fill in the IP address of DMZ host that can be access from the WAN interface.

4.3.5.4 System Security

System Security Settings

You may configure the system firewall to protect AP/Router itself from attacking.



Apply		Reset
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Item	Description
Remote management	Select Deny or Allow for remote management function.
Ping form WAN Filter	Select Disable or Enable for Ping permit from WAN.
SPI Firewall	Select Disable or Enable for SPI firewall function.

4.3.5.5 Content Filtering

Webs URL Filter Settings



Item	Description
URL	Fill in a URL string for URL filter. Then click Add button to save the URL filter policy or click Reset button to clear the field.
Add	Make a mark for next action.
	Make a mark for next action.
Delete	Click <i>Delete</i> button to delete all that you selected.
Reset	Click <i>Reset</i> button to clear selected items.

Webs Host Filter Settings

Add a Host(keyword) Filter:		
Keyword		
Add Reset		
Current Website Host Filters:		
No	Host(Keyword)	
1 🗆	test	
Delete Reset		

Item	Description
Keyword	Fill in a word for Webs Host Filter policy.
	Make a mark for next action.
Delete	Click <i>Delete</i> button to delete all that you selected.
Reset	Click <i>Reset</i> button to clear selected items.

4.3.6 Administration

4.3.6.1 Management

System Management

You may configure administrator account and password, NTP settings, and Dynamic DNS settings here.

Adminstrator Setti	ngs			
Username		admin		
Password		••••		
	Apply	Cancel		
NTP Settings				
Current Time		Sat Jan 1 02:09:23 UTC 200 Sync with host		
Time Zone:		(GMT-11:00) Midway Island, Samoa		
NTP Server		ex: time.nist.gov ntp0.broad.mit.edu time.stdtime.gov.tw		
NTP synchronization(hours)				
Apply Cancel				
Item	Description			
Username	Fill in the user name for web management login control.			
Password	Fill in the password for web management login control.			
Current Time	It shows the current time.			
Time Zone	Select the time zone in your country from pull-down menu			
NTP Server	Fill in NTP server IP address.			
NTP synchronization	Fill in a number to decide the synchronization frequency with NTP server.			

DDNS Settings	
Dynamic DNS Provider	None
Account	
Password	
DDNS	
	Apply Cancel

Item	Description
Dynamic DNS Provider	Click the drop down menu to pick up the right DDNS provider you registered.
Account	Fill in the account of DDNS you registered.
Password	Fill in the password of DDNS you registered.
DDNS	Fill in the domain name that you registered.

4.3.6.2 Qos

Quality of Service Settings

You may setup rules to provide Quality of Service guarantees for specific applications.

QoS Setup			
Quality of Service	Enable 💌		
Uplink Speed (Kbps):			
Downlink Speed (Kbps) :			
QoS Rules Setting			
Local IP Address:	-		
Uplink BandWidth (Kbps):			
Downlink BandWidth (Kbps):			
Apply			
No. Local IP Address	Uplink BandWidth	Downlink BandWidth	Select

Item	Description
Uplink Speed	Input uplink Maximum upload speed
Downlink Speed	Input downlink Maximum upload speed
Local IP Address	Fill in the local IP address
Uplink Bandwidth	Fill limit upload bandwidth
Downlink Bandwidth	Fill limit downlink bandwidth

4.6.3.3 Upload Firmware

Upgrade Firmware

Upgrade the Device firmware to obtain new functionality. It takes about 1 minute to upload upgrade flash and be patient please. Caution! A corrupted image will hang up the system.



Item	Description
Location	Click the <i>Browse</i> button to select the new firmware image file on PC.
	And click the <i>Apply</i> button to upgrade firmware.

4.3.6.4 Settings Management

Settings Management

You might save system settings by exporting them to a configuration file, restore them by importing the file, or reset them to factory default.



Item	Description
Export Button	Click <i>Export</i> button to export the current configuration to your PC.
Settings file location	Click <i>Browse</i> button to select the configuration file from your PC, then click <i>Import</i> button to update the configuration.
Load Default Button	Click the <i>Load Default</i> button to reset the configuration parameter to factory defaults.

4.3.6.5 Status

This page shows the current status and some basic settings of the device, includes system info, Internet Configurations and Local Network

Access Point Status

This page show the current status and some basic settings of the device.

System Information			
Firmware Version	1.0.22-3G		
System Up Time	2 hours, 12 mins, 58 secs		
Operation Mode	AP Client Mode		
Wireless Information	Wireless Information		
Status	Radio ON		
Mode	AP+WDS		
SSID	802.11n_Router		
Channel	2		
Encryption	OPEN		
BSSID	00:1A:EF:18:CF:7B		
WAN Information			
Connected Type	3G		
WAN IP Address			
Subnet Mask			
Default Gateway			
DNS1			
DNS2			
MAC Address	00:1A:EF:18:CF:7C		
LAN Information			
DHCP Server	Enabled		
LAN IP Address	192.168.1.254		
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0		
MAC Address	00:1A:EF:18:CF:7B		

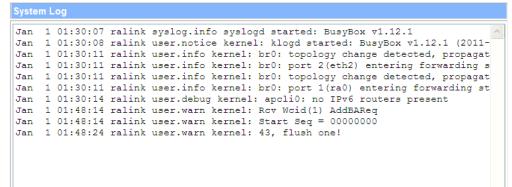
4.3.6.6 System Log.

This page is used to view system logs.

System Log

Syslog:





Item	Description
Refresh	Click the <i>Refresh</i> button to refresh the log shown on the screen.
Clear	Click the <i>Clear</i> button to clear the log display screen.

4.4 Configuration Examples

4.4.1 Example one – PPPoE on the WAN

Sales division of Company ABC likes to establish a WLAN network to support mobile communication on sales' Notebook PCs. MIS engineer collects information and plans the WLAN Broadband Router implementation by the following configuration.

WAN configuration: PPPoE

User Name	user123
Password	password123

Note: User Name and password that ISP provided.

LAN configuration:

IP Address	192.168.1.254
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
DHCP Client Range	192.168.1.100 -192.168.1.200

WLAN configuration:

SSID	AP
Channel Number	AutoSelect

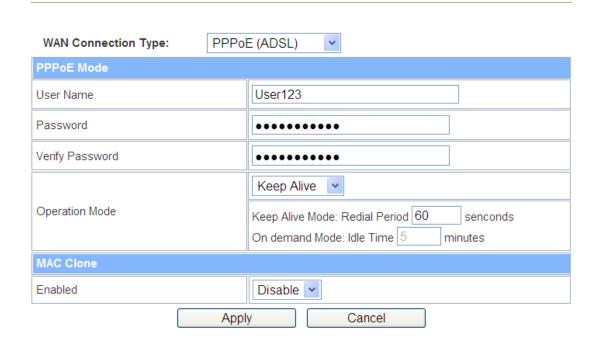
1. Configure the WAN interface:

Open "Wide Area Network (WAN) Settings" page, select PPPoE then enter the User Name "user123" and Password "password123", the password is encrypted to display on the screen.

Press "Apply" button to confirm the configuration setting.

Wide Area Network (WAN) Settings

You may choose different connection type suitable for your environment. Besides, you may also configure parameters according to the selected connection type.



2. Configure the LAN interface:

Open "Local Area Network (LAN) settings" page, enter the IP Address "192.168.1.254", Subnet Mask "255.255.255.0". Enable DHCP Server, DHCP client range "192.168.1.100" to "192.168.1.200", default Gateway "10.10.10.254".

Press "Apply" button to confirm the configuration setting.

Local Area Network (LAN) Settings

You may enable/disable networking functions and configure their parameters as your wish.



3. Configure the WLAN interface:

Open "Basic Wireless Settings" page, enter the SSID "AP", Channel Number "AutoSelect".

Press "Apply" button to confirm the configuration setting.



4.4.2 Example two – fixed IP on the WAN

Company ABC likes to establish a WLAN network to support mobile communication on all employees' Notebook PCs. MIS engineer collects information and plans the WLAN Broadband Router implementation by the following configuration.

WAN configuration: Fixed IP

IP Address	10.10.10.10
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
Default Gateway	10.10.10.1
Primary DNS Address	168.95.1.1

LAN configuration:

IP Address	192.168.1.254
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
DHCP Client Range	192.168.1.50 – 192.168.1.150

WLAN configuration:

SSID	RalinkInitAP_1906B8
Channel Number	AutoSelect

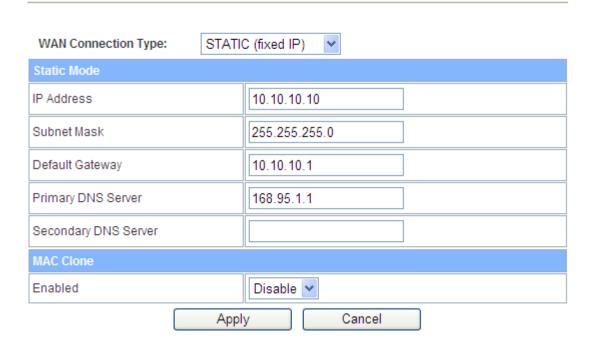
1. Configure the WAN interface:

Open "Wide Area Network (WAN) Settings" page, select STATIC(fixed IP) then enter IP Address

"10.10.10.10", subnet mask "255.255.25.0", Default gateway "10.10.10.1". Press "Apply" button to confirm the configuration setting.

Wide Area Network (WAN) Settings

You may choose different connection type suitable for your environment. Besides, you may also configure parameters according to the selected connection type.



2. Configure the LAN interface:

Open "Local Area Network (LAN) settings" page, enter the IP Address "192.168.1.254", Subnet Mask

"255.255.25.0". Enable DHCP Server, DHCP client range "192.168.1.50" to "192.168.1.150", default

Gateway "192.168.1.254".

Press "Apply" button to confirm the configuration setting

Local Area Network (LAN) Settings

You may enable/disable networking functions and configure their parameters as your wish.

LAN Setup		
MAC Address	00:1A:EF:19:06:B8	
IP Address	192.168.1.254	
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0	
DHCP Type	Server 💌	
Start IP Address	192.168.1.50	
End IP Address	192.168.1.150	
Lease Time	86400	
802.1d Spanning Tree	Disable 💌	
LLTD	Disable 💌	
IGMP Proxy	Disable 💌	
UPNP	Disable 🕶	
PPPoE Relay	Disable 🕶	
DNS Proxy	Disable 🕶	
Apply Cancel		

3. Configure the WLAN interface:

Open "Basic Wireless Settings" page, enter the SSID "
RalinkInitAP_1906B8", Channel Number "AutoSelect".Press "Apply"
button to confirm the configuration
setting.

Basic Wireless Settings

You could configure the minimum number of Wireless settings for communication, such as Network Name (SSID) and Channel. The Access Point can be set simply with only the minimum setting items.

Wireless Network		
Wireless On/Off	Wireless OFF Current Status:Radio ON	
Antenna Switch	○ External	
Wireless Mode	AP 💌	
Wireless Band	802.11B/G/N 🕶	
SSID	RalinkInitAP_1906B8	
Broadcast Network Name (SSID)	● Enabled ○ Disabled	
AP Isolation	○ Enabled	
MBSSID AP Isolation	○ Enabled	
BSSID	00:1A:EF:19:06:B8	
Frequency (Channel)	AutoSelect Current Channel: 11	
HT Physical Mode		
Operating Mode	Mixed Mode Green Field	
Channel BandWidth	○ 20	
Guard Interval	○ Long	
MCS	Auto 💌	
Ар	ply Cancel	

4.4.3 Example three - set WLAN to be WAN as WISP

User Mr. ABC likes to configure this WLAN Broadband Router to be a WiFi client. In order to

communicate with another AP. Mr. ABC collects information and plans the WLAN Broadband Router

implementation by the following configuration.

WAN configuration: DHCP (Auto config)

	<u> </u>
IP Address	n/a
Subnet Mask	n/a
Default Gateway	n/a
Primary DNS Address	n/a

LAN configuration:

IP Address	192.168.1.254
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
DHCP Client Range	192.168.1.100 -192.168.1.200

WLAN configuration:

SSID	RalinkInitAP_1906B8
Channel Number	1

WISP configuration:

SSID	TEST AP	
Channel Number	Channel 1	
Wireless Encryption	n/a	
DHCP server	192.168.88.50~192.168.88.150	

1. Configure the Operation Mode:

Open "Operation Mode Configuration" page, select Ethernet Converter, then click "Apply" button to confirm the configuration setting and reboot the WLAN Broadband Router. After reboot, the wireless LAN will become to WAN interface.

Operation Mode Configuration

You may configure the operation mode suitable for you environment.

O Bridge:

All ethernet and wireless interfaces are bridged into a single bridge interface.

O Gateway:

The first ethernet port is treated as WAN port. The other ethernet ports and the wireless interface are bridged together and are treated as LAN ports.

Wireless ISP:

The wireless apcli interface is treated as WAN port, and the wireless ap interface and the ethernet ports are LAN ports.

Apply Cancel

2. Site Survey:

Open "Site Survey" page under Wireless Settings, and select the AP "testap". Press "Connect" button to connect with the AP.

Site Survey

You could configure AP Client parameters here.

	SSID	BSSID	RSSI	Channel	Authentication	Wireless Mode
0	TestAP	00:0c:42:66:45:6a	76%	165	NONE	11a
0	EL	00:1a:ef:1e:81:84	5%	149	NONE	11a/n
	Scan AP Next					

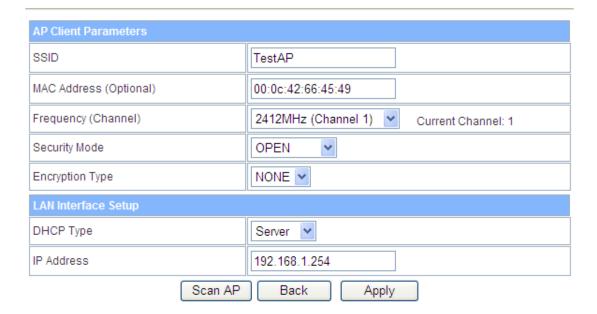
3. Wireless encryption setting:

If the AP has encryption setting, it will pop out a window for you filling the encryption setting.

Please fill up the encryption code and click "Apply" button to connect with the AP.

Site Survey

You could configure AP Client parameters here.



4. Station Link Status:

After connection with AP, you can open "Link Status" page under Wireless Settings to check Link Status.

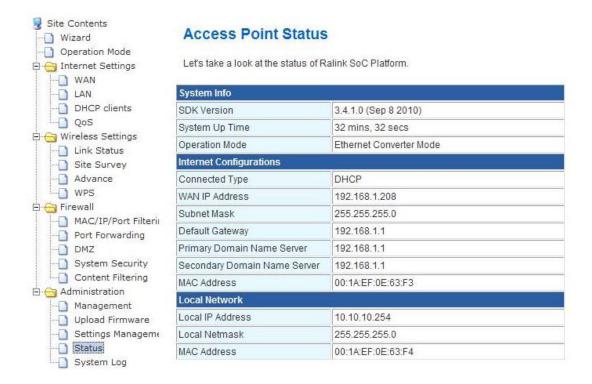
Access Point Status

This page show the current status and some basic settings of the device.

System Information				
Firmware Version	1.0.18-N_H			
System Up Time	7 mins, 19 secs			
Operation Mode	AP Client Mode			
Wireless Information				
Status	Radio ON			
Mode	AP			
SSID	RalinkInitAP_1906B8			
Channel	1			
Encryption OPEN				
BSSID 00:1A:EF:19:06:B8				
WAN Information				
Connected Type	DHCP			
WAN IP Address	192.168.88.187			
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0			
Default Gateway	192.168.88.1			
DNS1	168.95.1.1			
DNS2	168.95.1.1			
MAC Address	00:1A:EF:19:06:B9			
LAN Information				
DHCP Server	Enabled			
LAN IP Address	192.168.1.254			
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0			
MAC Address	00:1A:EF:19:06:B8			

4 Status:

You also can open "Status" page under Administration to check Internet Configurations.



5. FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

Enter topic text here.

5.1 What and how to find my PC's IP and MAC address?

IP address is the identifier for a computer or device on a TCP/IP network. Networks using the TCP/IP protocol route messages based on the IP address of the destination. The format of an IP address is a 32-bit numeric address written as four numbers separated by periods. Each number can be zero to 255. For example, 191.168.1.254 could be an IP address

The MAC (Media Access Control) address is your computer's unique hardware number. (On an Ethernet LAN, it's the same as your Ethernet address.) When you're connected to the Internet from your computer (or host as the Internet protocol thinks of it), a correspondence table relates your IP address to your computer's physical (MAC) address on the LAN.

To find your PC's IP and MAC address,

- ✓ Open the Command program in the Microsoft Windows.
- ✓ Type in "ipconfig /all", then press the Enter button.
- ✓ Your PC's IP address is the one entitled IP Address and your PC's MAC address is the one entitled Physical Address.

5.2 What is Wireless LAN?

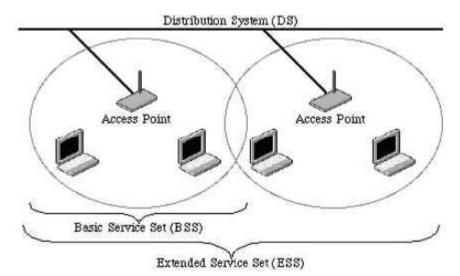
A wireless LAN (WLAN) is a network that allows access to Internet without the need for any wired connections to the user's machine.

5.3 What are ISM bands?

ISM stands for Industrial, Scientific and Medical; radio frequency bands that the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) authorized for wireless LANs. The ISM bands are located at 915 +/-13 MHz, 2450 +/-50 MHz and 5800 +/-75 MHz.

5.4 How does wireless networking work?

The 802.11 standard define two modes: infrastructure mode and ad hoc mode. In infrastructure mode, the wireless network consists of at least one access point connected to the wired network infrastructure and a set of wireless end stations. This configuration is called a Basic Service Set (BSS). An Extended Service Set (ESS) is a set of two or more BSSs forming a single sub-network. Since most corporate WLANs require access to the wired LAN for services (file servers, printers, Internet links) they will operate in infrastructure mode.



Example 1: wireless Infrastructure Mode

Ad hoc mode (also called peer-to-peer mode or an Independent Basic Service Set, or IBSS) is simply a set of 802.11 wireless stations that communicate directly with one another without using an access point or any connection to a wired network. This mode is useful for quickly and easily setting up a wireless network anywhere that a wireless infrastructure does not exist or is not required for services, such as a hotel room, convention center, or airport, or where access to the wired network is barred (such as for consultants at a client site).



Example 2: wireless Ad Hoc Mode

5.5 What is **BSSID**?

A six-byte address is that distinguish a particular a particular access point from others. Also know as just SSID. Serve as a network ID or name.

5.6 What is ESSID?

The Extended Service Set ID (ESSID) is the name of the network you want to access. It is used to identify different wireless networks.

5.7 What are potential factors that may causes interference?

Factors of interference:

- Obstacles: walls, ceilings, furniture... etc.
- Building Materials: metal door, aluminum studs.
- Electrical devices: microwaves, monitors and electrical motors.

Solutions to overcome the interferences:

- ✓ Minimizing the number of walls and ceilings.
- ✓ Position the WLAN antenna for best reception.
- ✓ Keep WLAN devices away from other electrical devices, eg: microwaves, monitors, electric motors...etc.
- ✓ Add additional WLAN Access Points if necessary.

5.8 What are the Open System and Shared Key authentications?

IEEE 802.11 supports two subtypes of network authentication services: open system and shared key. Under open system authentication, any wireless station can request authentication. The station that needs to authenticate with another wireless station sends an authentication management frame that contains the identity of the sending station. The receiving station then returns a frame that indicates whether it recognizes the sending station. Under shared key authentication, each wireless station is assumed to have received a secret shared key over a secure channel that is independent from the 802.11 wireless network communications channel.

5.9 What is WEP?

An option of IEEE 802.11 function is that offers frame transmission privacy similar to a wired network. The Wired Equivalent Privacy generates secret shared encryption keys that both source and destination stations can use to alert frame bits to avoid disclosure to eavesdroppers.

WEP relies on a secret key that is shared between a mobile station (e.g. a laptop with a wireless Ethernet card) and an access point (i.e. a base station). The secret key is used to encrypt packets before they are transmitted, and an integrity check is used to ensure that packets are not modified in transit.

5.10 What is Fragment Threshold?

The proposed protocol uses the frame fragmentation mechanism defined in IEEE 802.11 to achieve parallel transmissions. A large data frame is fragmented into several fragments each of size equal to fragment threshold. By tuning the fragment threshold value, we can get varying fragment sizes. The determination of an efficient fragment threshold is an important issue in this scheme. If the fragment threshold is small, the overlap part of the master and parallel transmissions is large. This means the spatial reuse ratio of parallel transmissions is high. In contrast, with a large fragment threshold, the overlap is small and the spatial reuse ratio is low. However high fragment threshold leads to low fragment overhead. Hence there is a trade-off between spatial re-use and fragment overhead.

Fragment threshold is the maximum packet size used for fragmentation. Packets larger than the size programmed in this field will be fragmented.

If you find that your corrupted packets or asymmetric packet reception (all send packets, for example). You may want to try lowering your fragmentation threshold. This will cause packets to be broken into smaller fragments. These small fragments, if corrupted, can be resent faster than a larger fragment. Fragmentation increases overhead, so you'll want to keep this value as close to the maximum value as possible.

5.11 What is RTS (Request to Send) Threshold?

The RTS threshold is the packet size at which packet transmission is governed by the RTS/CTS transaction. The IEEE 802.11-1997 standard allows for short packets to be transmitted without RTS/CTS transactions. Each station can have a different RTS threshold. RTS/CTS is used when the data packet size exceeds the defined RTS threshold. With the CSMA/CA transmission mechanism, the transmitting station sends out an RTS packet to the receiving station, and waits for the receiving station to send back a CTS (Clear to Send) packet before sending the actual packet data.

This setting is useful for networks with many clients. With many clients, and a high network load, there will be many more collisions. By lowering the RTS threshold, there may be fewer collisions, and performance should improve. Basically, with a faster RTS threshold, the system can recover from problems faster. RTS packets consume valuable bandwidth, however, so setting this value too low will limit performance.

5.12 What is Beacon Interval?

In addition to data frames that carry information from higher layers, 802.11 include management and control frames that support data transfer. The beacon frame, which is a type of management frame, provides the "heartbeat" of a wireless LAN, enabling stations to establish and maintain communications in an orderly fashion.

Beacon Interval represents the amount of time between beacon transmissions. Before a station enters power save mode, the station needs the beacon interval to know when to wake up to receive the beacon (and learn whether there are buffered frames at the access point).

5.13 What is Preamble Type?

There are two preamble types defined in IEEE 802.11 specification. A long preamble basically gives the decoder more time to process the preamble. All 802.11 devices support a long preamble. The short preamble is designed to improve efficiency (for example, for VoIP systems). The difference between the two is in the Synchronization field. The long preamble is 128 bits, and the short is 56 bits.

5.14 What is SSID Broadcast?

Broadcast of SSID is done in access points by the beacon. This announces your access point (including various bits of information about it) to the wireless world around it. By disabling that feature, the SSID configured in the client must match the SSID of the access point.

Some wireless devices don't work properly if SSID isn't broadcast (for example the D-link DWL-120 USB 802.11b adapter). Generally if your client hardware supports operation with SSID disabled, it's not a bad idea to run that way to enhance network security. However it's no replacement for WEP, MAC filtering or other protections.

5.15 What is Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA)?

Wi-Fi's original security mechanism, Wired Equivalent Privacy (WEP), has been viewed as insufficient for securing confidential business communications. A longer-term solution, the IEEE 802.11i standard, is under development. However, since the IEEE 802.11i standard is not expected to be published until the end of 2003, several members of the WI-Fi Alliance teamed up with members of the IEEE 802.11i task group to develop a significant near-term enhancement to Wi-Fi security. Together, this team developed Wi-Fi Protected Access.

To upgrade a WLAN network to support WPA, Access Points will require a WPA software upgrade. Clients will require a software upgrade for the network interface card, and possibly a software update for the operating system. For enterprise networks, an authentication server, typically one that supports RADIUS and the selected EAP authentication protocol, will be added to the network.

5.16 What is WPA2?

It is the second generation of WPA. WPA2 is based on the final IEEE 802.11i amendment to the 802.11 standard.

5.17 What is 802.1x Authentication?

802.1x is a framework for authenticated MAC-level access control, defines Extensible Authentication Protocol (EAP) over LANs (WAPOL). The standard encapsulates and leverages much of EAP, which was defined for dial-up authentication with Point-to-Point Protocol in RFC 2284.

Beyond encapsulating EAP packets, the 802.1x standard also defines EAPOL messages that convey the shared key information critical for wireless security.

5.18 What is Temporal Key Integrity Protocol (TKIP)?

The Temporal Key Integrity Protocol, pronounced tee-kip, is part of the IEEE 802.11i encryption standard for wireless LANs. TKIP is the next generation of WEP, the Wired Equivalency Protocol, which is used to secure 802.11 wireless LANs. TKIP provides per-packet key mixing, a message integrity check and a re-keying mechanism, thus fixing the flaws of WEP.

5.19 What is Advanced Encryption Standard (AES)?

Security issues are a major concern for wireless LANs, AES is the U.S. government's next-generation cryptography algorithm, which will replace DES and 3DES.

5.20 What is Inter-Access Point Protocol (IAPP)?

The IEEE 802.11f Inter-Access Point Protocol (IAPP) supports Access Point Vendor interoperability, enabling roaming of 802.11 Stations within IP subnet. IAPP defines messages and data to be exchanged between Access Points and between the IAPP and high layer management entities to support roaming. The IAPP protocol uses TCP for inter-Access Point communication and UDP for RADIUS request/response exchanges. It also uses Layer 2 frames to update the forwarding tables of Layer 2 devices.

5.21 What is Wireless Distribution System (WDS)?

The Wireless Distribution System feature allows WLAN AP to talk directly to other APs via wireless channel, like the wireless bridge or repeater service.

5.22 What is Universal Plug and Play (uPNP)?

UPnP is an open networking architecture that consists of services, devices, and control points. The ultimate goal is to allow data communication among all UPnP devices regardless of media, operating system, programming language, and wired/wireless connection.

5.23 What is Maximum Transmission Unit (MTU) Size?

Maximum Transmission Unit (MTU) indicates the network stack of any packet is larger than this value will be fragmented before the transmission. During the PPP negotiation, the peer of the PPP connection will indicate its MRU and will be accepted. The actual MTU of the PPP connection will be set to the smaller one of MTU and the peer's MRU.

5.24 What is Clone MAC Address?

Clone MAC address is designed for your special application that request the clients to register to a server machine with one identified MAC address. Since that all the clients will communicate outside world through the WLAN Broadband Router, so have the cloned MAC address set on the WLAN Broadband Router will solve the issue.

5.25 What is DDNS?

DDNS is the abbreviation of Dynamic Domain Name Server. It is designed for user owned the DNS server with dynamic WAN IP address.

5.26 What is NTP Client?

NTP client is designed for fetching the current timestamp from internet via Network Time protocol. User can specify time zone, NTP server IP address.

5.27 What is VPN?

VPN is the abbreviation of Virtual Private Network. It is designed for creating point-to point private link via shared or public network.

5.28 What is IPSEC?

IPSEC is the abbreviation of IP Security. It is used to transferring data securely under VPN.

5.29 What is WLAN Block Relay between Clients?

An Infrastructure Basic Service Set is a BSS with a component called an Access Point (AP). The access point provides a local relay function for the BSS. All stations in the BSS communicate with the access point and no longer communicate directly. All frames are relayed between stations by the access point. This local relay function effectively doubles the range of the IBSS.

5.30 What is WMM?

WMM is based on a subset of the IEEE 802.11e WLAN QoS draft standard. WMM adds prioritized capabilities to Wi-Fi networks and optimizes their performance when multiple concurring applications, each with different latency and throughput requirements, compete for network resources. By using WMM, end-user satisfaction is maintained in a wider variety of environments and traffic conditions. WMM makes it possible for home network users and enterprise network managers to decide which data streams are most important and assign them a higher traffic priority.

5.31 What is WLAN ACK TIMEOUT?

ACK frame has to receive ACK timeout frame. If remote does not receive in specified period, it will be retransmitted.

5.32 What is Modulation Coding Scheme (MCS)?

MCS is Wireless link data rate for 802.11n. The throughput/range performance of an AP will depend on its implementation of coding schemes. MCS includes variables such as the number of spatial streams, modulation, and the data rate on each stream. Radios establishing and maintaining a link must automatically negotiate the optimum MCS based on channel conditions and then continuously adjust the selection of MCS as conditions change due to interference, motion, fading, and other events.

5.33 What is Frame Aggregation?

Every 802.11 packet, no matter how small, has a fixed amount of overhead associated with it. Frame Aggregation combines multiple smaller packets together to form one larger packet. The larger packet can be sent without the overhead of the individual packets. This technique helps improve the efficiency of the 802.11n radio allowing more end user data to be sent in a given time.

5.34 What is Guard Intervals (GI)?

A GI is a period of time between symbol transmission that allows reflections (from multipath) from the previous data transmission to settle before transmitting a new symbol. The 802.11n draft specifies two guard intervals: 400ns (short) and 800ns (long). Support of the 400ns GI is optional for transmit and receive. The purpose of a guard interval is to introduce immunity to propagation delays, echoes, and reflections to which digital data is normally very sensitive.