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User Guide

TL-WA901ND

300Mbps Wireless N Access Point



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Package Contents

- The following items should be found in your package:
- One TL-WA901ND 300Mbps Wireless N Access Point
- One Power Injector
- Ethernet Cable
- One Power Adapter for TL-WA901ND 300Mbps Wireless N Access Point
- Quick Installation Guide
- One Resource CD for TL-WA901ND 300Mbps Wireless N Access Point, including:
 - This User Guide
 - Other helpful information

 **Note:**

Make sure that the package contains the above items. If any of the listed items are damaged or missing, please contact with your distributor.

Chapter 1 Introduction

1.1 Product Overview

The TL-WA901ND 300Mbps Wireless N Access Point is dedicated to Small Office/Home Office (SOHO) wireless network solutions. It allows for greater range and mobility within your wireless network while also allowing you to connect the wireless devices to a wired environment. Increased mobility and the absence of cabling will be beneficial for your network.

With using IEEE 802.11n wireless technology, your device can transmit wireless data at the rate of up to 300Mbps. With multiple protection measures, including SSID broadcast control and wireless LAN 64/128/152-bit WEP encryption, WiFi protected Access (WPA2- PSK, WPA- PSK), the TL-WA901ND 300Mbps Wireless N Access Point delivers complete data privacy. This device leverages some 802.11n features to provide improved performance and coverage compared to 802.11a/g devices, and fully interoperates with 802.11n products if they are Wi-Fi CERTIFIED.

It supports an easy, web-based setup for installation and management. Even though you may not be familiar with the Access Point, you can easily configure it with the help of this Guide. Before installing the AP, please look through this Guide to get the full information of the TL-WA901ND 300Mbps Wireless N Access Point.

1.2 Conventions

The AP or TL-WA901ND, or device mentioned in this User guide stands for TL-WA901ND 300Mbps Wireless N Access Point without any explanations.

Parameters provided in the pictures are just references for setting up the product, which may differ from the actual situation. You can set the parameters according to your demand.

1.3 Main Features

- Wireless speed up to 300Mbps
- Supports Access Point, Multi-SSID, Client, Repeater (Universal Repeater) and Bridge with AP modes
- Up to 4 SSIDs and VLAN support
- Up to 30 meters (100 feet) of flexible deployment with included Power over Ethernet Injector
- Easily setup a WPA encrypted secure connection at a push of the WPS button
- Supports Remote and Web management
- Backward compatible with 802.11b/g products
- Smart antenna technology: deliver uninterrupted wireless signal to any wireless device anywhere in your home or small office.

1.4 Appearance

1.4.1 The Front Panel



Figure 1-1

The front panel of the TL-WA901ND consists of several LED indicators, which is designed to indicate connections. View from left to right, Table 1-1 describes the LEDs on the front panel of the device.

LED Explanation






Name	Status	Indication
	Off	No Power
	On	Power on
	Off	The device has a system error
	On	The device is initialising
	Flashing	The device is working properly
	Off	There is no device linked to the corresponding port
	On	There is a device linked to the corresponding port but no activity
	Flashing	There is an active device linked to the corresponding port
	Off	The Wireless function is disabled
	Flashing	The Wireless function is enabled
	Slow Flash	A wireless device is connecting to the network by WPS function. This process will last in the first 2 minutes.
	On	A wireless device has been successfully added to the network by WPS function.
	Quick Flash	A wireless device failed to be added to the network by WPS function.

Table 1-1

1.4.2 The Rear Panel

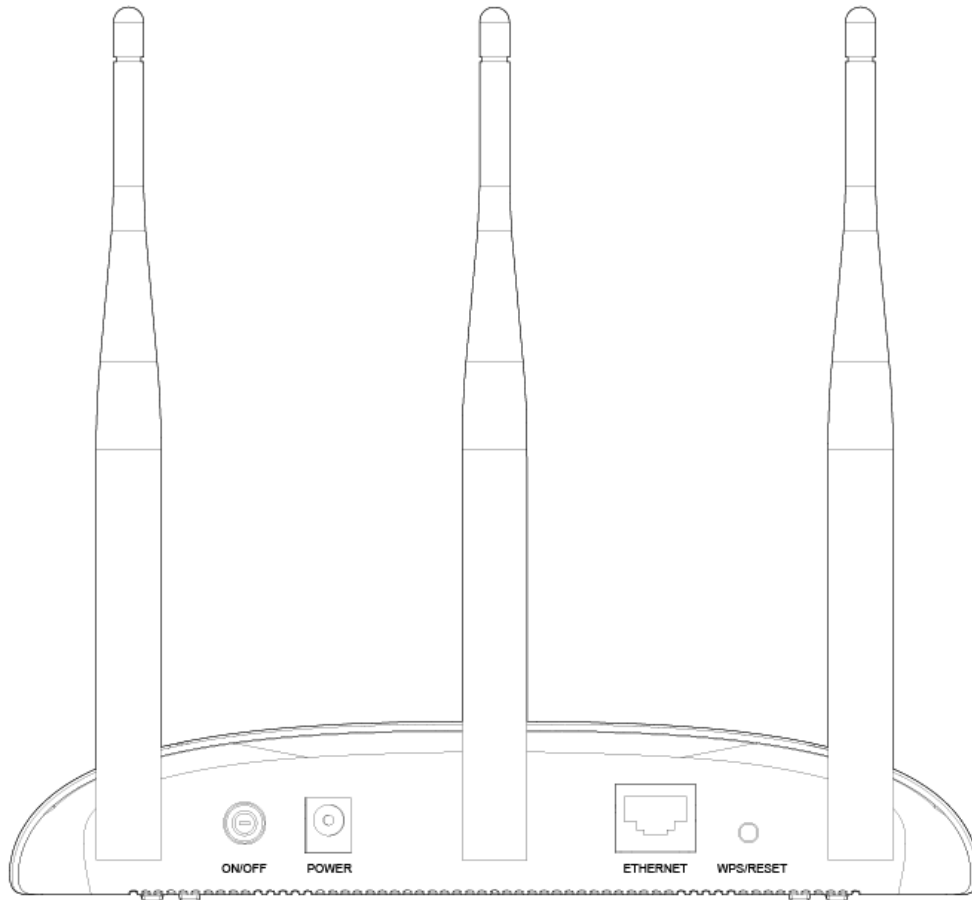


Figure 1-2

Viewed from left to right, the following parts are located on the rear panel of TL-WA901ND.

ON/OFF: The switch for the power.

POWER: The power port connects to the power adapter provided with the TL-WA901ND 300Mbps Wireless N Access Point.

Ethernet: One LAN 10/100Mbps RJ45 port connects to a network device, such as a switch or a router.

WPS/RESET: This button is used for both WPS and Reset function. To use the WPS function, press it for less than five seconds; to use the RESET function, press it for more than five seconds.

- **Used as RESET button:**

There are two ways to reset to the Router's factory defaults:

- 1) Use the **Factory Defaults** function on **System Tools** -> **Factory Defaults** page in the Router's Web-based Utility.
- 2) Use the **WPS/RESET** button: With the Router powered on, press and hold the **WPS/RESET** button (more than 5 seconds) until the SYS LED becomes quick-flash from slow-flash. Then release the button and wait the Access Point to reboot to its factory default settings.

- **Used as WPS button:**

If you have client devices, such as wireless adapters, that support Wi-Fi Protected Setup, then you can press this button to quickly establish a connection between the Access Point and client devices and automatically configure wireless security for your wireless network.

Wireless antenna: The external antenna is used to transmit and receive wireless data.

Chapter 2 Hardware Installation

2.1 Before You Begin

Please read this User Guide carefully before installing and using the equipment. The operating distance range of your wireless connection can vary significantly depending on the physical position of the wireless devices. Factors that can weaken signals by getting in the way of your network's radio waves are metal appliances or obstructions, and walls. Typical ranges vary base on the types of materials and background RF (radio frequency) noise in your home or office.

For best performance of your wireless network, you are suggested to:

- 1). Avoid redundant obstacles and interference between the wireless devices.
- 2). Keep your AP away from appliances with a strong electric field or magnetic field, such as a microwave oven or refrigerator.
- 3). Place the AP near the center of the area in which your computers operates.

2.2 Basic Requirements

- Use only the power adapter provided with your AP
- Place your AP in a well ventilated place far from direct sunlight, any heater or heating vent
- Leave at least 2 inches (5cm) space around the device for heat dissipation
- Turn off your AP and unplug the power adapter in a lighting storm to avoid damage
- Web browser, such as Microsoft Internet Explorer 5.0 or above, Netscape Navigator 6.0 or above
- Operating temperature: 0°C~40°C (32°F~104°F)
- Operating Humidity: 10%~90%RH, Non-condensing

2.3 Connecting the Device

Figure 2-1 is an example of the typical application of TL-WA901ND in the infrastructure network. An Infrastructure network contains an access point or a wireless router.

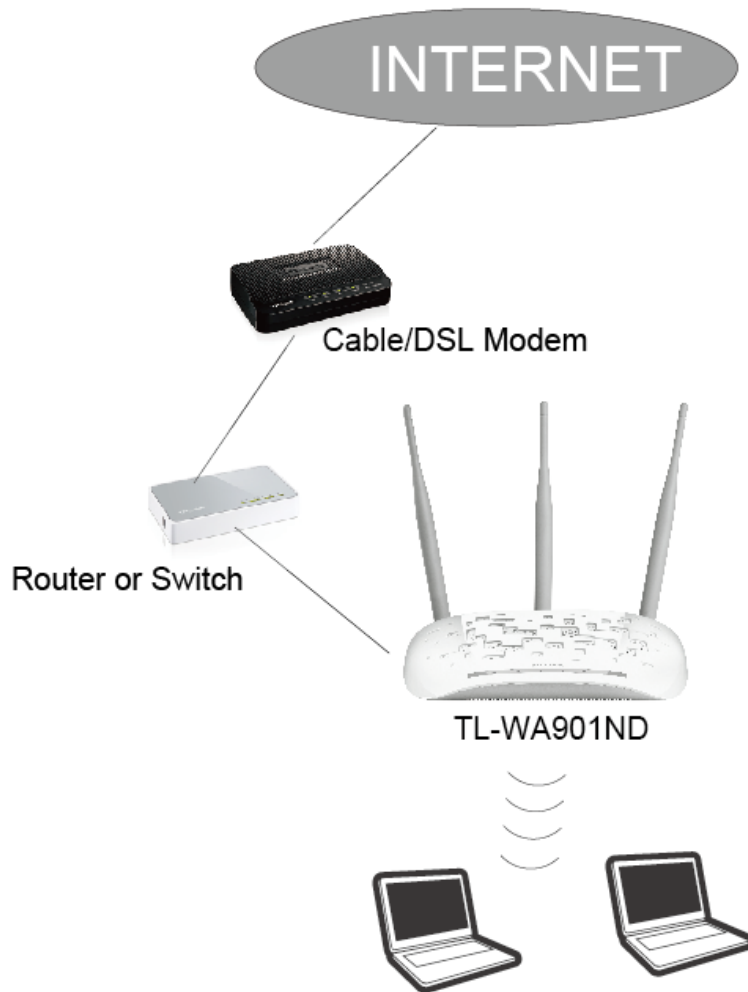


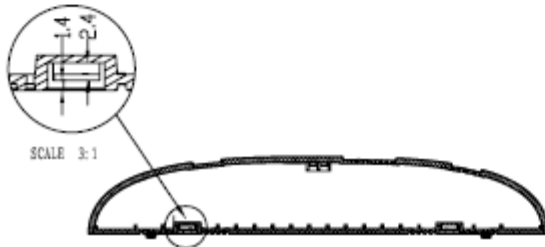
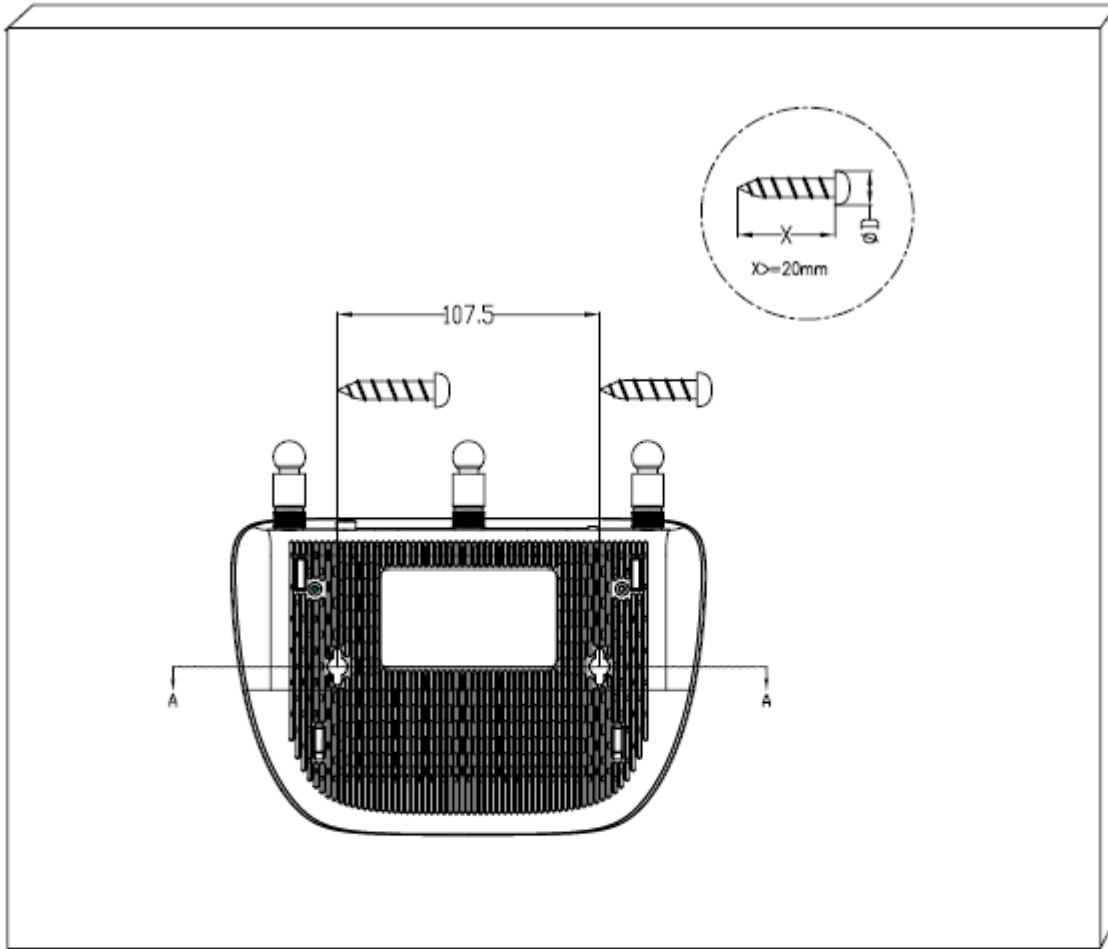
Figure 2-1 The Example of Infrastructure Network Incorporating the TL-WA901ND

To establish a typical connection of the AP, please take the following steps:

1. Connect the Cable or DSL modem to a Router.
2. Locate an optimum location for the AP. The best place is usually near the center of the area in which your wireless devices like PCs, smart phones will wirelessly connect.
3. Adjust the direction of the antenna. Normally, upright is a good direction.
4. Connect the Ethernet Broadband Router to the TL-WA901ND Access Point. Power on the AP.
5. Then you can connect a desktop PC or laptop to your network. (Make sure your computer or laptop is equipped with a Wireless Adapter and the IP address is configured as obtain an IP address automatically.)

Note:

If you are not so clear about how to connect your devices to the network, please refer to [Appendix A Application Example](#).



Note:

The diameter of the screw, $3.5\text{mm} < D < 7.8\text{mm}$, and the distance of two screws is 107.5mm. The screw that project from the wall need around 4mm based, and the length of the screw need to be at least 20mm to withstand the weight of the product.

Chapter 3 Quick Installation Guide

This chapter will guide you to configure your PC to communicate with the AP and to configure and manage the TL-WA901ND 300Mbps Wireless N Access Point easily with a Web-based utility.

3.1 Quick Setup

With a Web-based utility, it is easy to configure and manage the TL-WA901ND 300Mbps Wireless N Access Point. The Web-based utility can be used on any Windows, Macintosh or UNIX OS with a Web browser, such as Microsoft Internet Explorer, Mozilla Firefox or Apple Safari.

 **Note:**

If you cannot access the web-based configuration page, please refer to **T3** in [Appendix C: Troubleshooting](#) for help.

1. To access the configuration utility, open a web-browser and type in the default address <http://tplinkap.net> in the address field of the browser and press Enter.



Figure 3-1 Login to the AP

After a moment, a login window will appear, similar to the Figure 3-2. Enter the default values for the User Name and Password (both are **admin** in lower case letters). Then click **OK** or press Enter.

Enter the default values for the User Name and Password (both are **admin** in lower case letters) in Figure 4-2 below. Then click **OK** or press Enter.

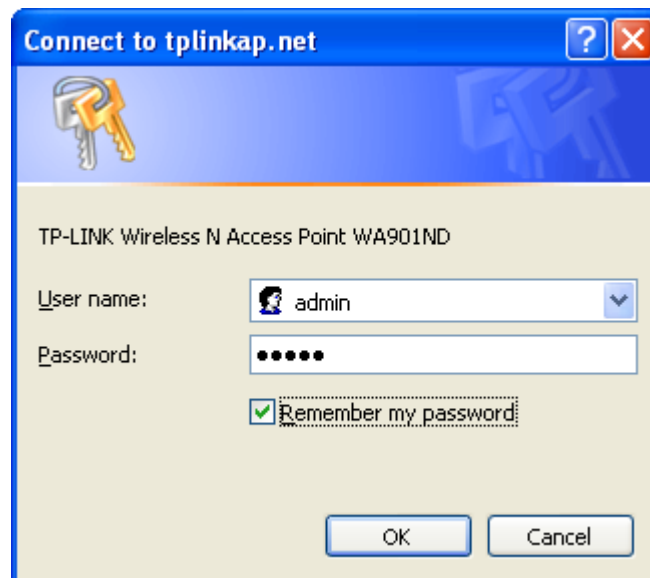


Figure 3-2 Login Windows

 **Note:**

If the above screen does not prompt, it means that your web-browser has been set to a proxy. Go to **Tools menu>Internet Options>Connections>LAN Settings**, in the screen that appears, cancel the **Using Proxy** checkbox, and click **OK** to finish it.

2. After successfully logging in, the **Quick Setup** page will display. Click **Next** to continue.

Figure 3-3 Quick Setup

- The **Quick Setup Start** page will display. Click **Next** to continue.

Figure 3-4 Quick Setup

Note:

By selecting YES for **Change the login account**, you can modify your login user name and password. In this case, it is suggested that you record them in some place easy to find.

- The **Operation Mode** page will appear then, shown in Figure 3-5. The TL-WA901ND supports up to five operation modes.

Figure 3-5 Operation Mode

- In **Access Point** mode, the product will act as a wireless central hub for your wireless LAN clients, giving a wireless extension for your current wired network.
- In **Repeater(Range Extender)** mode, the product can extend the coverage of your main Router/AP.

- In **Bridge with AP** mode, the product can wirelessly connect two or more remote LANs together.
 - In **Client** mode, the product will act as a wireless adapter to connect your wired devices (e.g. IPTV Set-top-box, Smart TVs, Game Consoles, DVD and Blu-ray Players, etc.) to a wireless network.
 - In **Multi-SSID** mode, the product can be assigned up to four SSIDs to work with your VLAN.
5. Select the operation mode based on your need.
- A.** When you choose **Access Point** mode, the **Wireless Settings** page will be shown in Figure 3-6.

Start	Mode	Wireless Settings	Network Settings	Finish
Access AP Mode Settings:				
Wireless Network Name(SSID):	<input type="text" value="TP-LINK_AP_86A417"/>	(also called SSID)		
Channel:	<input type="text" value="Auto"/>			
Wireless Security Mode:	<input type="text" value="WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK(Recomr"/>			
Wireless Password:	<input type="text" value="1234567890"/>			
<small>You can enter ASCII or Hexadecimal characters. For Hexadecimal, the length should be between 8 and 64 characters; for ASCII, the length should be between 8 and 63 characters. For good security it should be of ample length and should not be a commonly known phrase.</small>				
<input type="button" value="Back"/>		<input type="button" value="Next"/>		

Figure 3-6 Wireless Setting - Access Point mode

- 1) Create an easy-to-remember and distinguish name for your wireless network, write it into **Wireless Network Name(SSID)**.
 - 2) Select **Channel** for your device.
 - 3) It's recommended select **Most Secure (WPA/WPA2-PSK)** encryption mode and enter a password below to prevent unauthorized access to your AP.
 - 4) Click **Next**, you will then come to **Network Setting** page for further configuration.
- B.** When you choose **Repeater(Range Extender)** mode, the **Wireless Settings** page will be shown in Figure 3-7.

Start	Mode	Wireless Settings	Network Settings	Finish
Repeater(Range Extender) Mode Settings:				
Repeater Mode:		<input checked="" type="radio"/> Universal Repeater <input type="radio"/> WDS Repeater <input type="button" value="Survey"/>		
You can click the Survey button to scan the network SSIDs, and then choose the target one to setup the connection.				
Main Router/AP Wireless Network Name(SSID):		<input type="text"/>		
MAC Address of Main Router/AP(BSSID):		<input type="text"/>		
Wireless Security Mode:		WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK(Recomr <input type="button" value="v"/>		
Wireless Password:		<input type="text"/>		
Please ensure that the wireless security mode and wireless password is the same as those for the main router/AP.				
<input type="button" value="Back"/>		<input type="button" value="Next"/>		

Figure 3-7 Wireless Setting – Repeater(Range Extender) mode

- 1) Select the **Repeater Mode**, Universal Repeater is recommended as for better compatibility.
- 2) Click **Survey**, then the window displaying a list of available SSIDs will appear in Figure 3-8.

AP List					
AP Count: 3					
Choose	SSID	Signal	MAC	Channel	Security
Connect	Guest3		32-85-A9-E8-BF-73	1	None
Connect	TP-LINK_Network		94-0C-6D-2F-3C-BE	4	WPA-PSK
Connect	TP-LINK_37DE92		F8-1A-67-37-DE-92	3	WPA2-PSK
<input type="button" value="Back"/> <input type="button" value="Refresh"/>					

Figure 3-8 AP List

- 3) Find the SSID of the Access Point / Router or WISP which you want you to connect to, and click **Connect** in the corresponding row. You will then return to the previous page.
 - 4) Select the security mode and enter the password that is the same as on your router or access point in Figure 3-7.
 - 5) Click **Next**, you will then come to **Network Settings** page for further configuration.
- C.** When you choose **Bridge with AP** mode, the **Wireless Setting** page will be shown in Figure 3-9.

Start	Mode	Wireless Settings	Network Settings	Finish
<p>Bridge with AP Mode Settings:</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="button" value="Survey"/></p> <p>You can click the Survey button to scan the network SSIDs, and then choose the target one to setup the connection.</p> <p>Main Router/AP Wireless Network Name(SSID): <input type="text"/></p> <p>MAC Address of Main Router/AP(BSSID): <input type="text"/></p> <p>Wireless Security Mode: WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK(Recomr <input type="button" value="v"/></p> <p>Wireless Password: <input type="text"/></p> <p>Please ensure that the wireless security mode and wireless password is the same as those for the main route/AP.</p>				
<p>Local Wireless Setting:</p> <p>Local Wireless Network Name: <input type="text" value="TP-LINK_AP_86A417"/> (also called SSID)</p> <p>Wireless Security Mode: <input type="button" value="No Security"/> <input type="button" value="v"/></p> <p>If you choose No Security mode, the wireless stations will be able to connect the AP without encryption. It is recommended strongly that you choose one of following options to enable security.</p>				
<input type="button" value="Back"/> <input type="button" value="Next"/>				

Figure 3-9 Wireless Setting – Bridge with AP mode

- 1) Click **Survey**, then the window displaying a list of available SSIDs will appear in Figure 3-8.
 - 2) Find the SSID of the Access Point / Router or WISP which you want you to connect to, and click **Connect** in the corresponding row. You will then return to the page shown in Figure 3-9.
 - 3) Select the security mode and enter the password that is the same as on your router or access point in **Wireless Bridge Setting**.
 - 4) You can name the bridge AP in **Local Wireless Name**, and configure the **Local Wireless Setting** for the bridge AP.
 - 5) Click **Next** in Figure 3-9, and you will come to **Network Settings** page for furthers configuration.
- D.** When you choose **Client** mode, the **Wireless Settings** page will be shown in Figure 3-10.

Start	Mode	Wireless Settings	Network Settings	Finish
Client Mode Settings:				
<input type="button" value="Survey"/>				
You can click the Survey button to scan the network SSIDs, and then choose the target one to setup the connection.				
Main Router/AP Wireless Network Name(SSID):		<input type="text"/>		
MAC Address of Main Router/AP(BSSID):		<input type="text"/>		
Wireless Security Mode:		WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK(Recomr <input type="button" value="v"/>		
Wireless Password:		<input type="text"/>		
Please ensure that the wireless security mode and wireless password is the same as those for the main router/AP.				
<input type="button" value="Back"/> <input type="button" value="Next"/>				

Figure 3-10 Wireless Setting – Client mode

- 1) Click **Survey**, then the window displaying a list of available SSIDs will appear in Figure 3-8.
 - 2) Find the SSID of the Access Point / Router or WISP which you want you to connect to, and click **Connect** in the corresponding row. You will then return to the page shown in Figure 3-10.
 - 3) Select the security mode and enter the password that is the same as on the main Router/AP.
 - 4) Click **Next**, you will then come to **Network Settings** page for further configuration.
- E.** When you choose **Multi-SSID** mode, the **Wireless Settings** page will be shown in Figure 3-11.

Start	Mode	Wireless Settings	Network Settings	Finish
Multi-SSID Mode Settings:				
Enable VLAN: <input checked="" type="radio"/> OFF <input type="radio"/> ON				
Channel: Auto				
SSID1: TP-LINK_AP_86A417 VLAN ID: 1				
Wireless Security Mode: WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK(Recomr)				
Wireless Password: 1234567890				
<input type="checkbox"/> SSID2: TP-LINK_AP_86A417_2 VLAN ID: 1				
<input type="checkbox"/> SSID3: TP-LINK_AP_86A417_3 VLAN ID: 1				
<input type="checkbox"/> SSID4: TP-LINK_AP_86A417_4 VLAN ID: 1				
If you choose No Security mode, the wireless stations will be able to connect the AP without encryption. It is recommended strongly that you choose one of following options to enable security.				
Back Next				

Figure 3-11 Wireless Setting – Multi-SSID mode

You are suggested to implement Multi-SSID function with a switch that supports Tag VLAN feature.

For advanced configuration of this step, please refer to explanations of this mode in [4.6.1 Wireless Settings](#).

- When you have configured Wireless Settings in step 4, The **Network Settings** page will appear then, shown in Figure 3-12. It is recommended that you keep the default settings on this page.

Start	Mode	Wireless Settings	Network Settings	Finish
Type: Smart IP(DHCP)				
Note: The IP parameters cannot be configured if you have chosen Smart IP (DHCP) (In this situation the device will help you configure the IP parameters automatically as you need).				
IP Address: 192.168.0.254				
Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0				
We recommend you configure this AP with the same IP subnet and subnet mask, but different IP address from your root AP/Router.				
DHCP Server: <input checked="" type="radio"/> Disable <input type="radio"/> Enable				
Back Next				

Figure 3-12 Network Setting

Note:

These settings are only for basic wireless parameters, for advanced settings, please refer to [4.5 Network](#) and [4.7 DHCP](#).

7. Click the **Next** button. You will then see the **Finish** page. Here takes the settings for Access Point mode for example.

Check your settings and click **Save** to save your settings for future reference.

Click the **Finish** button to finish the configuration of the Access Point.

Start	Mode	Wireless Settings	Network Settings	Finish
Confirm the configuration you have set. If anything is wrong, please go BACK to reset. <i>It's recommended to take a note of these settings that you'll need later for reference.</i>				
Wireless Settings				
Operation Mode:		Access Point		
Wireless Network Name(SSID):		TP-LINK_AP_86A417		
Channel:		Auto (Current channel 3)		
Wireless Security Mode:		Most Secure(WPAWPA2-PSK)		
Wireless Password:		1234567890		
Network Settings				
Default Access:		http://tplinkap.net		
Login UserName:		admin		
Login Password:		admin		
LAN IP Address:		192.168.0.254		
<input type="button" value="Save"/>		Save these settings as a text file for future reference		
<input type="button" value="Back"/> <input type="button" value="Finish"/>				

Figure 3-13 Quick Setup – Finish

Chapter 4 Configure the Device

This Chapter describes how to configure your Access Point via the web-based management page. The TL-WA901ND 300Mbps Wireless N Access Point is easy to configure and manage with the Web-based (Internet Explorer, Netscape® Navigator, Firefox, Safari, Opera or Chrome) management page, which can be launched on any windows, Macintosh or UNIX OS with a web browser.

4.1 Login

Open your web browser. Type in *http://tplinkap.net* in the address field of web browser and press Enter.



Figure 4-1 Login to the AP

Enter the default values for the User Name and Password (both are **admin** in lower case letters) in Figure 4-2 below. Then click **OK** or press Enter.

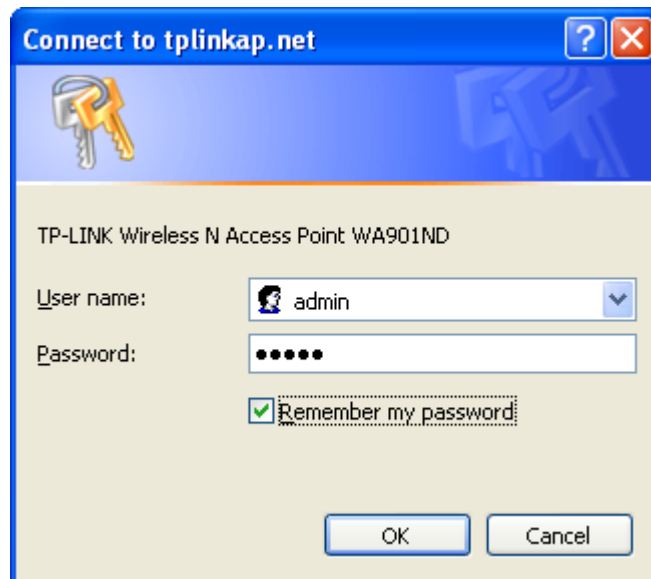


Figure 4-2 Login Windows

Note:

If the above screen does not prompt, it means that your web-browser has been set to a proxy. Go to **Tools menu>Internet Options>Connections>LAN Settings**, in the screen that appears, cancel the **Using Proxy** checkbox, and click **OK** to finish it.

After a successful login, you can configure and manage the device. There are six main menus on the leftmost column of the web-based management page: **Status**, **WPS**, **Network**, **Wireless**, **DHCP** and **System Tools**. Submenus will be available after clicking one of the main menus. On the right of the web-based management page lies the detailed explanations and instructions for the corresponding page.

4.2 Status

Selecting **Status** will enable you to view the AP's current status and configuration, all of which is read-only.

Status		
Firmware Version:	3.13.31 Build 130412 Rel.60217n	
Hardware Version:	WA901ND v3 00000000	
Wired		
MAC Address:	E0-05-C5-86-A4-17	
IP Address:	192.168.0.254	
Subnet Mask:	255.255.255.0	
Wireless		
Operation Mode:	Access Point	
Wireless Network Name:	TP-LINK_AP_86A417	
Channel:	Auto (Current channel 9)	
Mode:	11 bgn mixed	
Channel Width:	Automatic	
Max Tx Rate:	300Mbps	
MAC Address:	E0-05-C5-86-A4-17	
Traffic Statistics		
	Received	Sent
Bytes:	0	67,548
Packets:	0	174
System Up Time:	0 days 00:05:40	
	<input type="button" value="Refresh"/>	

Figure 4-3 Device Status

- **Firmware Version** - This field displays the current firmware version of the AP.
- **Hardware Version** - This field displays the current hardware version of the AP
- **Wired** - This field displays the current settings or information for the Network, including the **MAC address**, **IP address** and **Subnet Mask**.
- **Wireless** - This field displays basic information or status for wireless function, including **Operating Mode**, **Wireless Network Name**, **Channel**, **Mode**, **Channel Width**, **Max Tx Rate** and **MAC Address**.
- **Traffic Statistics** - This field displays the AP's traffic statistics.
- **System Up Time** - This field displays the run time of the AP since it's powered on or reset.

 **Note:**

If you select Client mode in Figure 4-12, the wireless status in Figure 4-3 will change, similar to the figure below:

Wireless	
Operation Mode:	Client
Wireless Name of Root AP:	MikroTik
Channel:	1
Mode:	11bgn mixed
Channel Width:	40MHz
Max Tx Rate:	300Mbps
MAC Address:	E0-05-C5-86-A4-17

Figure 4-4 Device Status - Client

4.3 Quick Setup

Please refer to Section [3.1 Quick Setup](#) for more details.

4.4 WPS

WPS (Wi-Fi Protected Setup) can help you to quickly and securely connect to a network. This section will guide you to add a new wireless device to an existing network quickly by function. The WPS function is only available when the Operation Mode is set to Access Point and Multi-SSID. Here we take the Access Point mode for example. Select menu “WPS”, you will see the next screen shown in Figure 4-5.

WPS (Wi-Fi Protected Setup)	
Operation Mode:	Access Point
WPS Status:	Enabled <input type="button" value="Disable WPS"/>
Current PIN:	12345670 <input type="button" value="Restore PIN"/> <input type="button" value="Gen New PIN"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/> Disable PIN of this device
Add a new device:	<input type="button" value="Add Device"/>

Figure 4-5 WPS

- **WPS Status** - To enable or disable the WPS function here.
- **Current PIN** - The current value of the device's PIN is displayed here. The default PIN of the device can be found in the label or User Guide.
- **Restore PIN** - Restore the PIN of the device to its default.
- **Gen New PIN** - Click this button, and then you can get a new random value for the device's PIN. You can ensure the network security by generating a new PIN.

- **Disable PIN of this device** - WPS external register of entering the device's PIN can be disabled or enabled manually. If the device receives multiple failed attempts to authenticate an external Register, this function will be disabled automatically.
- **Add Device** - You can add a new device to the existing network manually by clicking this button.

To add a new device:

If the wireless adapter supports Wi-Fi Protected Setup (WPS), you can establish a wireless connection between wireless adapter and device using either Push Button Configuration (PBC) method or PIN method.

Note:

To build a successful connection by WPS, you should also do the corresponding configuration of the new device for WPS function meanwhile.

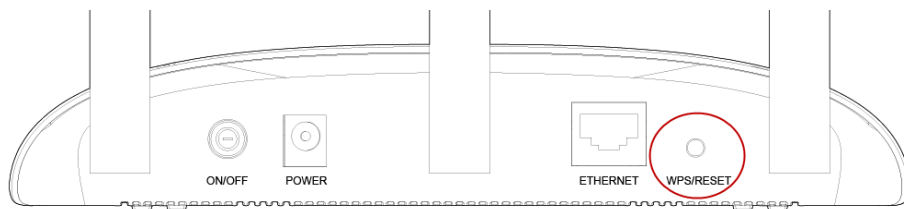
For the configuration of the new device, here takes the Wireless Adapter of our company for example.

I. By PBC

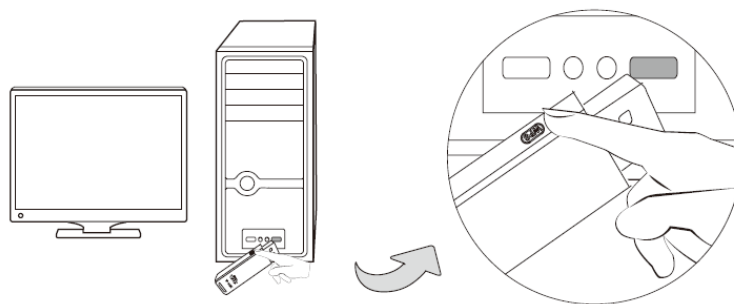
If the wireless adapter supports Wi-Fi Protected Setup and the Push Button Configuration (PBC) method, you can add it to the network by PBC with the following two methods.

Method One:

Step 1: Press the WPS/RESET button on the rear panel of the device.



Step 2: Press and hold the WPS button of the adapter directly for 2 or 3 seconds.



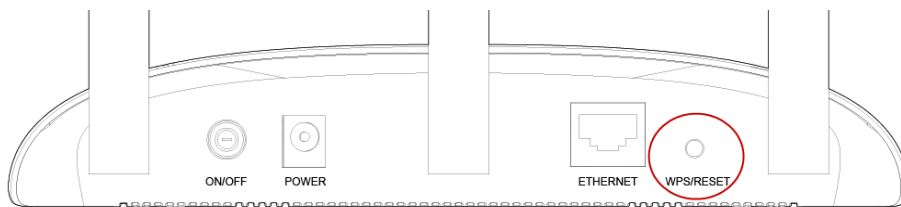
Step 3: Wait for a while until the next screen appears. Click **OK** to complete the WPS configuration.



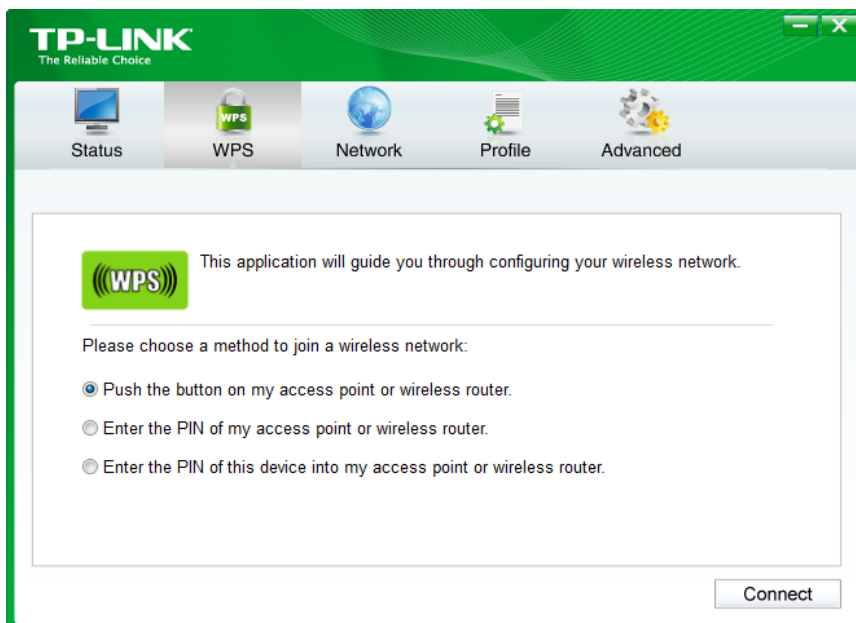
The WPS Configuration Screen of Wireless Adapter

Method Two:

Step 1: Press the WPS/RESET button on the rear panel of the device.



Step 2: For the configuration of the wireless adapter, please choose **“Push the button on my access point or wireless router.”** in the configuration utility of the WPS as below, and click **Next**.



The WPS Configuration Screen of Wireless Adapter

Step 3: Wait for a while until the next screen appears. Click **OK** to complete the WPS configuration.



The WPS Configuration Screen of Wireless Adapter

Method Three:

Step 1: Keep the default WPS Status as **Enabled** and click the **Add device** button in Figure 4-5, then the following screen will appear.

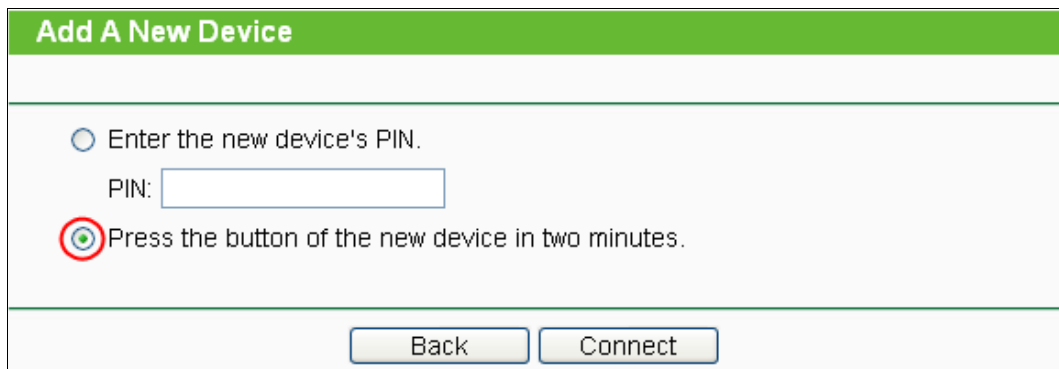
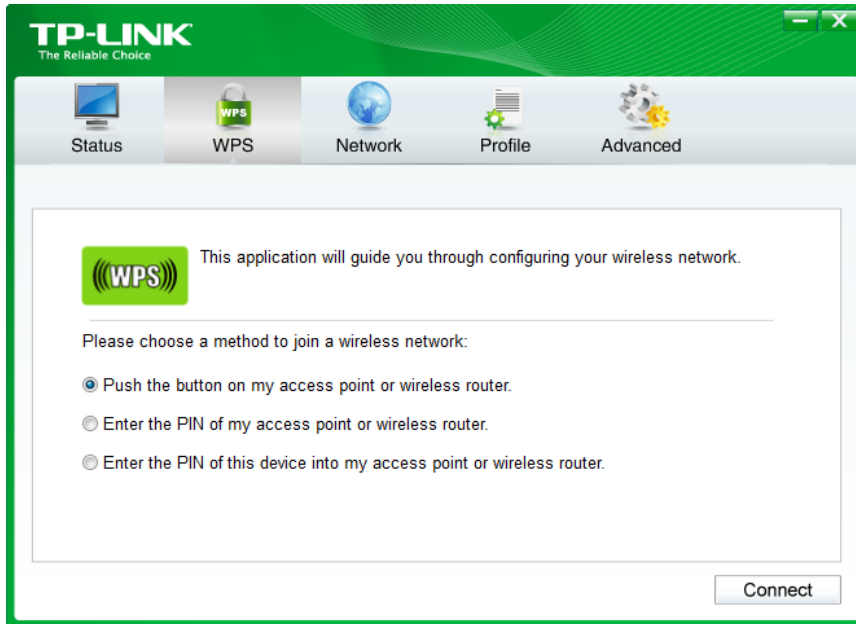


Figure 4-6 Add A New Device

Step 2: Choose "**Press the button of the new device in two minutes**" and click **Connect**.

Step 3: For the configuration of the wireless adapter, please choose "**Push the button on my access point or wireless router**" in the configuration utility of the WPS as below, and click **Next**.



The WPS Configuration Screen of Wireless Adapter

Step 4: Wait for a while until the next screen appears. Click **OK** to complete the WPS configuration.



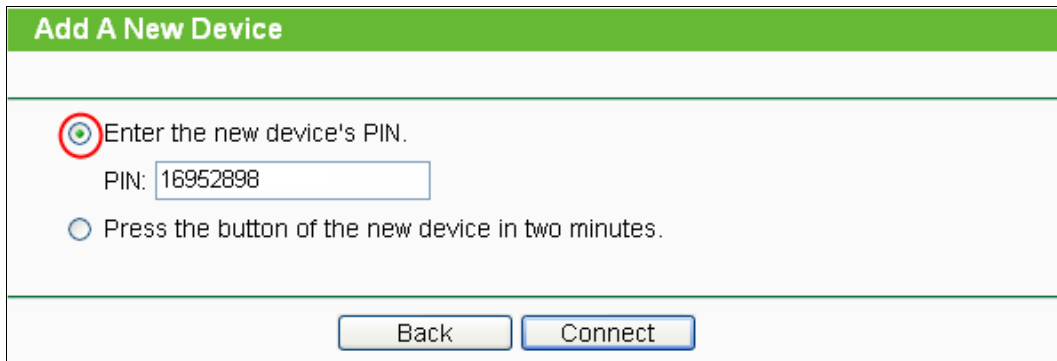
The WPS Configuration Screen of Wireless Adapter

II. By PIN

If the new device supports Wi-Fi Protected Setup and the PIN method, you can add it to the network by PIN with the following two methods.

Method One: Enter the PIN into my AP

Step 1: Keep the default WPS Status as **Enabled** and click the **Add device** button in Figure 4-5, then the following screen will appear.



Add A New Device

Enter the new device's PIN.
PIN:

Press the button of the new device in two minutes.

Figure 4-7 Enter the PIN

Step 2: Choose “**Enter the new device's PIN**” and enter the PIN code (take 16952898 for example) of the wireless adapter in the field after **PIN** as shown in the figure above. Then click **Connect**.

 **Note:**

The PIN code of the adapter is always displayed on the WPS configuration screen as shown in the following figure.

Step 3: For the configuration of the wireless adapter, please choose “**Enter the PIN of this device into my access point or wireless router.**” in the configuration utility of the WPS as below, and click **Next**.



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Status WPS Network Profile Advanced

WPS This application will guide you through configuring your wireless network.

Please choose a method to join a wireless network:

Push the button on my access point or wireless router.

Enter the PIN of my access point or wireless router.

Enter the PIN of this device into my access point or wireless router.

PIN:

The WPS Configuration Screen of Wireless Adapter

 **Note:**

In this example, the default PIN code of this adapter is 16952898 as the above figure shown.

Method Two: Enter the PIN from my AP

Step 1: Get the Current PIN code of the AP in Figure 4-5 (each AP has its unique PIN code. Here takes the PIN code 12345670 of this AP for example).

Step 2: For the configuration of the wireless adapter, please choose “**Enter the PIN of my access point or wireless router.**” in the configuration utility of the WPS as below, and

enter the PIN code of the AP into the field after “**Access Point PIN**”. Then click **Next**.

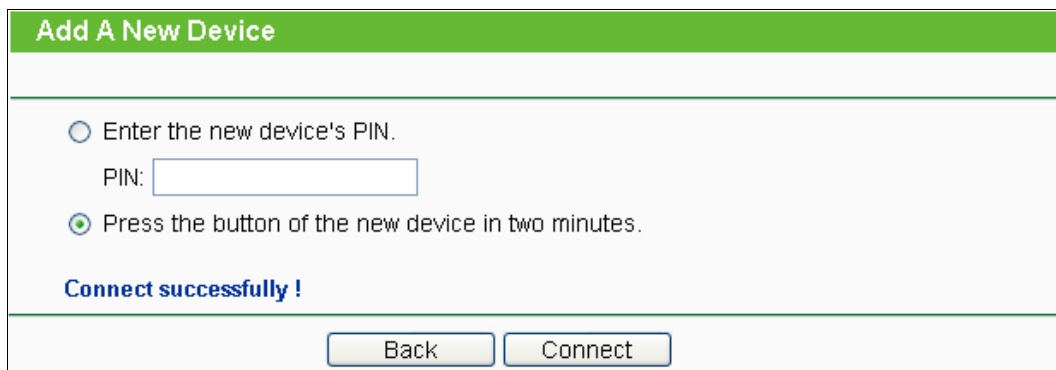


The WPS Configuration Screen of Wireless Adapter

Note:

The default PIN code of the AP can be found in its label or the WPS configuration screen as Figure 4-5 .

You will see the following screen when the new device has successfully connected to the network.



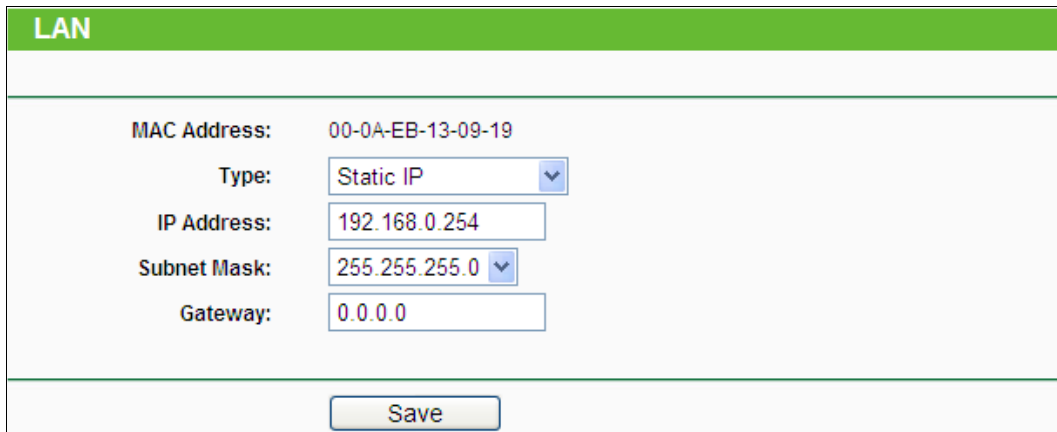
Note:

1. The WPS LED on the AP will light green for five minutes if the device has been successfully added to the network.
2. The WPS function cannot be configured if the Wireless function of the AP is disabled. Please make sure the Wireless function is enabled before configuring the WPS.

4.5 Network

The **Network** option allows you to customize your local network manually by changing the default settings of the AP.

Selecting **Network** will enable you to configure the IP parameters of Network on this page.



The screenshot shows a web interface for LAN configuration. At the top, there is a green header with the text "LAN". Below the header, the configuration fields are as follows:

MAC Address:	00-0A-EB-13-09-19
Type:	Static IP
IP Address:	192.168.0.254
Subnet Mask:	255.255.255.0
Gateway:	0.0.0.0

At the bottom of the form, there is a "Save" button.

Figure 4-8 Network

- **MAC Address** - The physical address of the AP. The value can't be changed.
- **Type** - Select **Dynamic IP(DHCP)** to get IP address from DHCP server or select **Static IP** to configure IP address manually from the drop-down list.
- **IP Address** - Enter the IP address of your AP in dotted-decimal notation (factory default setting is 192.168.0.254).
- **Subnet Mask** - An address code that determines the size of the network. Normally use 255.255.255.0 as the subnet mask.
- **Gateway** - The gateway should be in the same subnet as your IP address.

 **Note:**

1. If you change the IP Address, you must use the new IP Address to log in the AP.
2. If the new LAN IP Address you set is not in the same subnet with the IP Address pool of DHCP sever, the IP Address pool will not take effect until it is re-configured accordingly.

4.6 Wireless

The **Wireless** option, improving functionality and performance for wireless network, can help you make the AP an ideal solution for your wireless network. Here you can create a wireless local area network just through a few settings. Wireless Settings is used for the configuration of some basic parameters of the AP. Wireless Security provides three different security types to secure your data and thus provide greater security for your wireless network. MAC filtering allows you to control the access of wireless stations to the AP. Wireless Advanced allows you to configure some advanced parameters for the AP. Throughput Monitor helps to watch wireless throughput information. Wireless statistics enables you to get detailed information about the current connected wireless stations.

There are six submenus under the Wireless menu (shown in Figure 4-9): **Wireless Settings**, **Wireless Security**, **Wireless MAC Filtering**, **Wireless Advanced**, **Wireless Statistics** and **Throughput Monitor**. Click any of them, and you will be able to configure the corresponding function. The detailed explanations for each submenu are provided below.

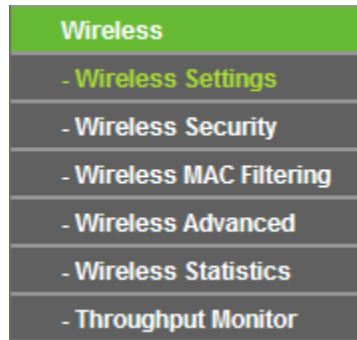


Figure 4-9 Wireless menu

4.6.1 Wireless Settings

Selecting **Wireless > Wireless Settings** will enable you to configure the basic settings for your wireless network on the screen below (Figure 4-10). This page allows you to configure the wireless mode for your device. Six operation modes are supported here, including **Access Point**, **Multi-SSID**, **Client**, **WDS Repeater**, **Universal Repeater** and **Bridge with AP**. The available setting options for each operation mode are different from those of the other.

1) **Access Point:** This mode allows wireless stations to access this device.

 A screenshot of the "Wireless Settings" configuration page. The title bar is green and says "Wireless Settings". Below it, the "Operation Mode" is set to "Access Point" in a dropdown menu. The "Wireless Network Name" field contains "TP-LINK_AP_86A417" with a note "(Also called the SSID)". The "Region" is set to "United States" in a dropdown menu, with a warning below it: "Warning: Ensure you select a correct country to conform local law. Incorrect settings may cause interference." The "Channel" is set to "1", "Mode" is "11bgn mixed", and "Channel Width" is "40MHz". At the bottom, there are two checked checkboxes: "Enable Wireless Radio" and "Enable SSID Broadcast". A "Save" button is located at the bottom center.

Figure 4-10 Wireless Settings in Access Point mode

- **Wireless Network Name** - Identifies your wireless network name. Create a name up to 32 characters and make sure all wireless points in the wireless network with the same SSID. The default SSID is TP-LINK_XXXXXX (XXXXXX indicates the last unique six characters of each device's MAC address). This value is case-sensitive. For example, *TEST* is NOT the same as *test*.
- **Region** - Select your region from the pull-down list. This field specifies the region where the wireless function of the device can be used. It may be illegal to use the wireless function of the device in a region other than one of those specified in this field. If your country or region is not listed, please contact your local government agency for assistance.

 **Note:**

Limited by local law regulations, version for North America does not have region selection option.

- **Channel** - Determines the operating frequency to be used. It is not necessary to change the wireless channel unless you notice interference problems with another nearby access point.
- **Mode** - Select the desired wireless mode. The options are:
 - **11b only** - Only 802.11b wireless stations can connect to the device.
 - **11g only** - Only 802.11g wireless stations can connect to the device.
 - **11n only** - Only 802.11n wireless stations can connect to the device.
 - **11bg mixed** - Both 802.11b and 802.11g wireless stations can connect to the device.
 - **11bgn mixed** - All 802.11b, 802.11g and 802.11n wireless stations can connect to the device.
- **Channel Width** - Determines the channel width to be used. It is unnecessary to change the default value unless required.
- **Enable Wireless Radio** - Select or deselect this check box to allow or deny wireless stations to access the device.
- **Enable SSID Broadcast** - Select or deselect this check box to allow or deny the device to broadcast its name (SSID) on the air. If it's allowed, when wireless clients survey the local area for wireless networks to associate with, they will detect the SSID broadcast by the device.

 **Note:**

To apply any settings you have altered on the page, please click the **Save** button, and then you will be reminded to reboot the device.

- 2) **Multi-SSID:** This mode allows the device to support up to four SSIDs.

Wireless Settings

Operation Mode: Multi-SSID

Enable VLAN

SSID1: TP-LINK_AP_86A417 VLAN ID: 1

SSID2: TP-LINK_AP_86A417_2 VLAN ID: 1

SSID3: TP-LINK_AP_86A417_3 VLAN ID: 1

SSID4: TP-LINK_AP_86A417_4 VLAN ID: 1

Region: United States

Warning: Ensure you select a correct country to conform local law. Incorrect settings may cause interference.

Channel: 1

Mode: 11bgn mixed

Channel Width: 40MHz

Enable Wireless Radio

Enable SSID Broadcast

Save

Figure 4-11 Wireless Settings in Multi-SSID mode

- **Enable VLAN** - Check this box and then you can change the **VLAN ID** of each SSID. If you want to configure the Guest and Internal networks on VLAN, the switch you are using must support VLAN. As a prerequisite step, configure a port on the switch for handling VLAN tagged packets as described in the IEEE802.1Q standard, and enable this field.
- **SSID (1-4)** - Up to four SSIDs for each BSS (Basic Service Set) can be entered in the filed SSID1 ~ SSID4. The name can be up to 32 characters. The same name (SSID) must be assigned to all wireless devices in your network. If **Enable VLAN** is checked, the wireless stations connecting to SSID of different VLANID can not communicate with each other.
- **VLANID (1-4)** - Provide a number between 1 and 4095 for VLAN. This will cause the device to send packets with VLAN tags. The switch connecting with the device must support VLAN IEEE802.1Q frames. The wireless stations connecting to the SSID of a specified VLAN ID can communicate with the PC connecting to the port with the same VLAN ID on the Switch.
- **Region** - Select your region from the pull-down list. This field specifies the region where the wireless function of the device can be used. It may be illegal to use the wireless function of the device in a region other than one of those specified in this field. If your country or region is not listed, please contact your local government agency for assistance.

Note:

Limited by local law regulations, version for North America does not have region selection option.

- **Channel** - Determines the operating frequency to be used. It is not necessary to change the wireless channel unless you notice interference problems with another nearby access point.
- **Mode** - This field determines the wireless mode which the device works on.

- **11b only** - Only 802.11b wireless stations can connect to the device.
 - **11g only** - Only 802.11g wireless stations can connect to the device.
 - **11n only** - Only 802.11n wireless stations can connect to the device.
 - **11bg mixed** - Both 802.11b and 802.11g wireless stations can connect to the device.
 - **11bgn mixed** - All 802.11b, 802.11g and 802.11n wireless stations can connect to the device.
- **Channel Width** - Determines the channel width to be used. It is unnecessary to change the default value unless required.
- **Enable Wireless Radio** - Select or deselect this check box to allow or deny wireless stations to access the device.
- **Enable SSID Broadcast** - Select or deselect this check box to allow or deny the device to broadcast its name (SSID) on the air. If it's allowed, when wireless clients survey the local area for wireless networks to associate with, they will detect the SSID broadcast by the device.

 **Note:**

To apply any settings you have altered on the page, please click the **Save** button, and then you will be reminded to reboot the device.

You are suggested to implement Multi-SSID function with a switch that supports Tag VLAN feature. Here is an example of how to configure Multi-SSID. Please take the following steps:

1. Configure the Access Point

Wireless Settings

Operation Mode: Multi-SSID

Enable VLAN

SSID1:	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value="TP-LINK_AP_86A417"/>	VLAN ID:	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value="1"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SSID2:	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value="TP-LINK_AP_86A417_2"/>	VLAN ID:	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value="2"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SSID3:	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value="TP-LINK_AP_86A417_3"/>	VLAN ID:	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value="1"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SSID4:	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value="TP-LINK_AP_86A417_4"/>	VLAN ID:	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text" value="4"/>

Region: United States

Warning: Ensure you select a correct country to conform local law. Incorrect settings may cause interference.

Channel: 1

Mode: 11bgn mixed

Channel Width: 40MHz

Enable Wireless Radio

Enable SSID Broadcast

Save

Configure the Access Point

- Select Multi-SSID as the operation mode of TL-WA901ND.

- Select the checkbox before Enable VLAN to enable VLAN function for this access point.
- Configure the SSID and its corresponding VLAN ID. The detailed parameters are shown as the above figure.
- STA1, STA2, STA3 and STA4 join to the wireless network with SSID1, SSID2, SSID3 and SSID4 respectively.
- Click **Save** to apply the current security settings for the selected SSID.

 **Note:**

1. The wireless STAs join to the network with different VLAN IDs cannot communicate with each other, for example, STA1 and STA2.
2. The wireless STAs join to the network with the same VLAN ID can communicate with each other, for example, STA1 and STA3.
3. All wireless STAs can log on to the Web management page of TL-WA901ND and manage the access point, for example, STA1, STA2, STA3 and STA4.
4. All the packets received in the wired network from the wireless STA will be added a corresponding VLAN Tag of the wireless STA, unless the VLAN ID of the wireless network is set to 1.

2. Configure the Switch.

- Enable 802.1Q Tag VLAN function on the switch.
- Make sure the Untag frames are forwarded.

The following table shows the detailed configuration for the switch

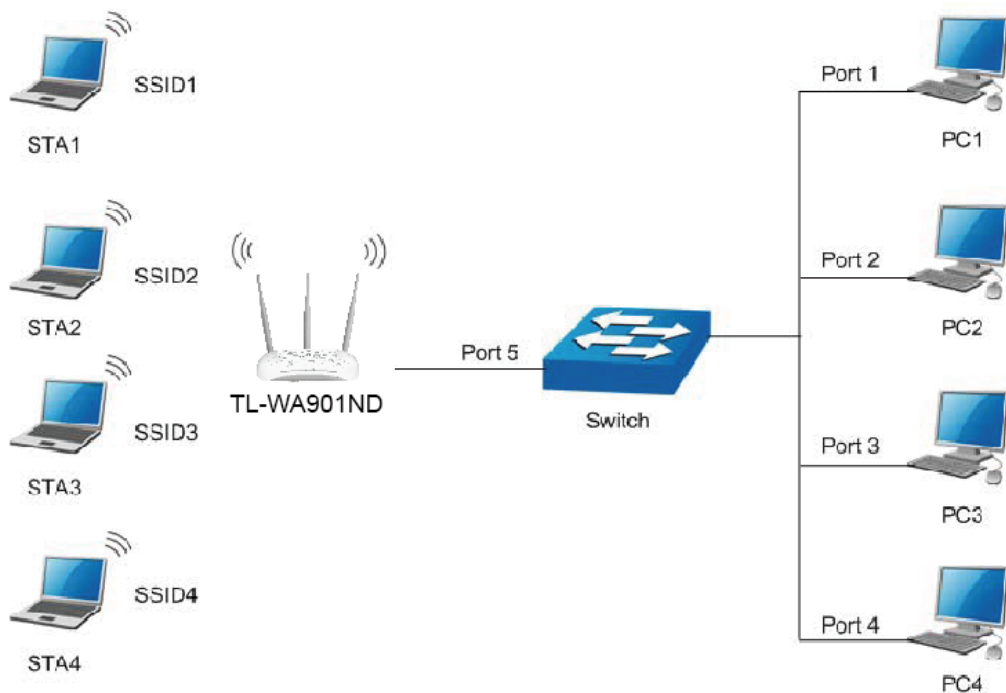
Port	VLAN ID	PVID	Egress Rule	Processing mode of Utag Frames
1	1	1	Untag	Forwarding
2	2	2	Untag	Forwarding
3	3	3	Untag	Forwarding
4	4	4	Untag	Forwarding
5	Port5 belongs to all VLANs	1	Tag	Forwarding

Table 4-1 Configure the Tag VLAN Switch

- Connect PC1, PC2, PC3 and PC4 to port1, port2, port3 and port4 of the switch respectively. The corresponding VLAN IDs of the four ports are 1, 2, 3 and 4.
- Configure port5 of the switch to be the member of VLAN1, VLAN2, VLAN3 and VLAN4 and connect it to the LAN port of TL-WA901ND.
- Configure the VLAN ID of the PC that can log on to the Web management page of TL-WA901ND via the LAN port equal to the PVID of port 5.

3. Verify the communication status after the above configuration is completed.

- If VLAN ID of the PC connected to the switch is different from the VLAN ID of the wireless STA, the two cannot communicate with each other, for example, PC1 and STA2.
- If the PC connected to the switch and the wireless STA have the same VLAN ID, the two can communicate with each other, for example PC2 and STA2.

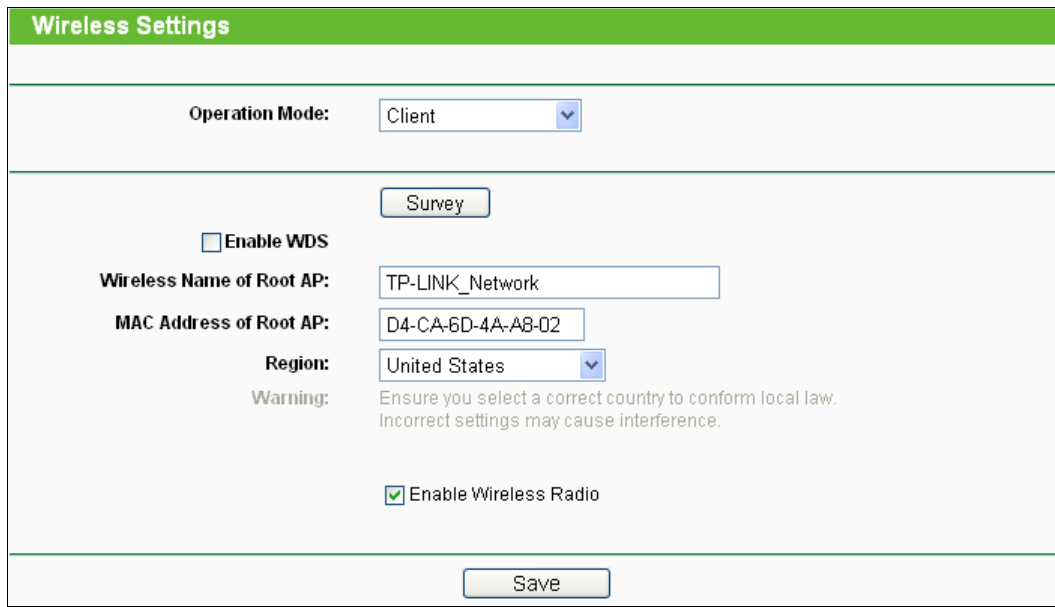


Multi-SSID+VLAN

 **Note:**

If the LAN port of TL-WA901ND is not connected to a switch but directly to a PC,

1. The PC can directly log on to the Web management page of TL-WA901ND and manage the access point.
2. Only the wireless STA with its VLAN ID set to 1 can communicate with the wired PC.
- 3) **Client:** This mode allows the device to act as a wireless station to enable wired host(s) to access an AP.



Wireless Settings

Operation Mode: Client

Survey

Enable WDS

Wireless Name of Root AP: TP-LINK_Network

MAC Address of Root AP: D4-CA-6D-4A-A8-02

Region: United States

Warning: Ensure you select a correct country to conform local law. Incorrect settings may cause interference.

Enable Wireless Radio

Save

Figure 4-12 Wireless Settings in Client mode

- **Enable WDS** - The AP client can connect to AP with WDS enabled or disabled. If WDS is enabled, all traffic from wired networks will be forwarded in the format of WDS frames consisting of four address fields. If WDS is disabled, three address frames are used. If your AP supports WDS well, please enable this option.
- **Wireless Name of Root AP** - If you select the radio button before **Wireless Name of Root AP**, the AP client will connect to the AP according to SSID. Enter the SSID of AP that you want to access.
- **MAC Address of Root AP** - If you select the radio button before **MAC Address of Root AP**, the AP client will connect to the AP according MAC address. Enter the MAC address of AP that you want to access.
- **Region** - Select your region from the pull-down list. This field specifies the region where the wireless function of the device can be used. It may be illegal to use the wireless function of the device in a region other than one of those specified in this field. If your country or region is not listed, please contact your local government agency for assistance.

 **Note:**

Limited by local law regulations, version for North America does not have region selection option.

- **Enable Wireless Radio** - Select or deselect this check box to allow or deny wireless stations to access the device.

Click the **Survey** button to detect the SSIDs in the local area.

 **Note:**

To apply any settings you have altered on the page, please click the **Save** button, and then you will be reminded to reboot the device.

- 4) **WDS Repeater:** In WDS Repeater mode, the AP with WDS enabled will relay data to an associated root AP. AP function is enabled meanwhile. The wireless repeater relays signal between its stations and the root AP for greater wireless range.

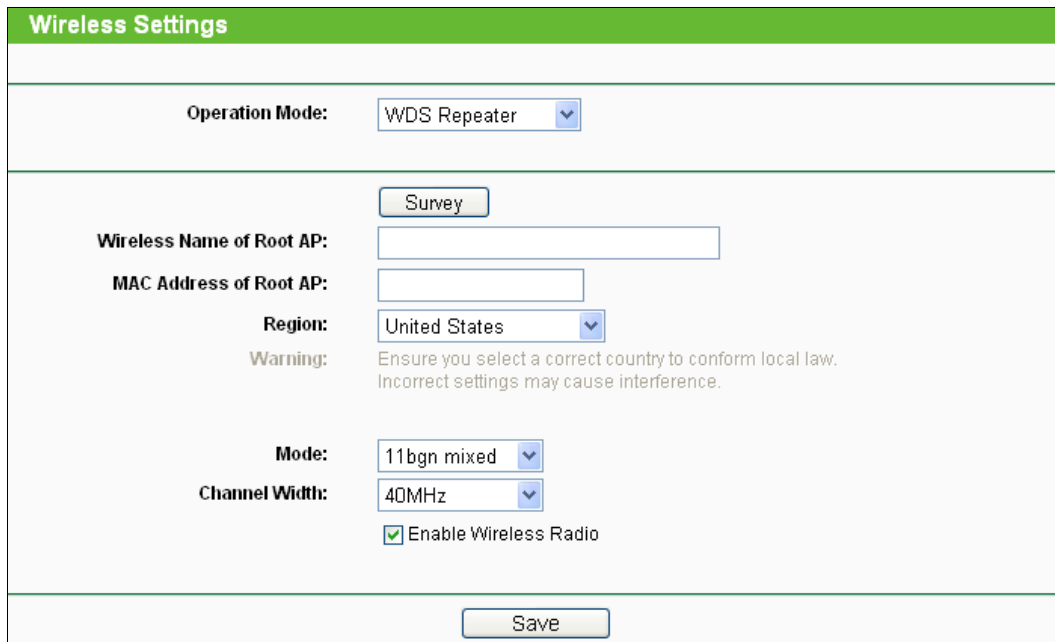


Figure 4-13 Wireless Settings in Repeater mode

- **Wireless Name of Root AP** - If you select the radio button before **Wireless Name of Root AP**, the AP client will connect to the AP according to SSID. Enter the SSID of AP that you want to access.
- **MAC Address of Root AP** - If you select the radio button before **MAC Address of Root AP**, the AP client will connect to the AP according MAC address. Enter the MAC address of AP that you want to access.
- **Region** - Select your region from the pull-down list. This field specifies the region where the wireless function of the device can be used. It may be illegal to use the wireless function of the device in a region other than one of those specified in this field. If your country or region is not listed, please contact your local government agency for assistance.

 **Note:**

Limited by local law regulations, version for North America does not have region selection option.

- **Channel** - Determines the operating frequency to be used. It is not necessary to change the wireless channel unless you notice interference problems with another nearby access point.
- **Mode** - Select the desired wireless mode. The options are:
 - **11b only** - Only 802.11b wireless stations can connect to the device.
 - **11g only** - Only 802.11g wireless stations can connect to the device.

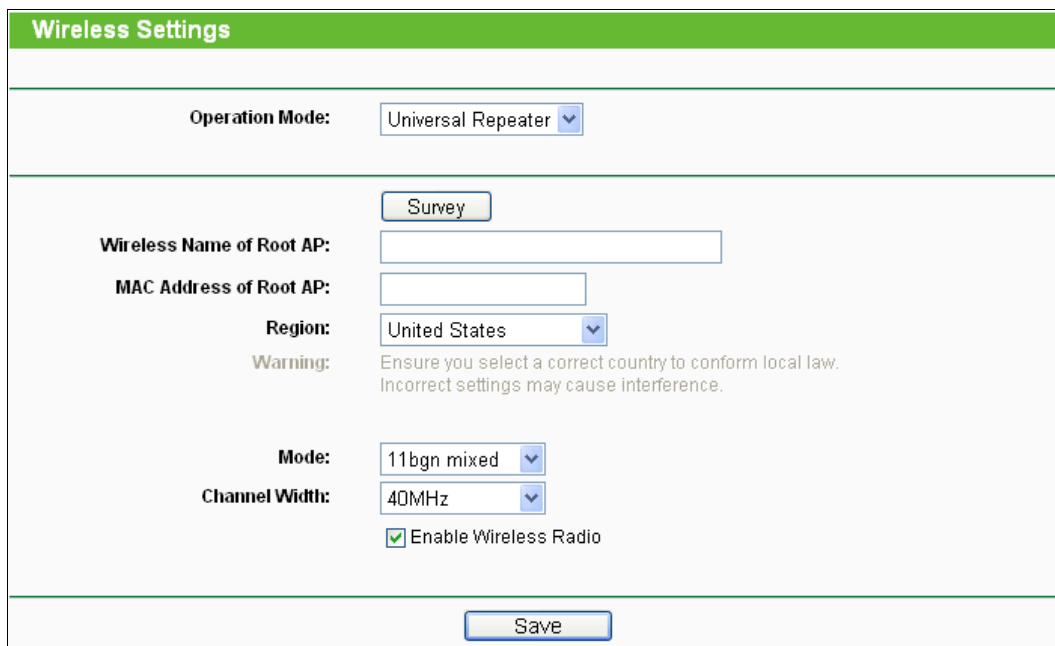
- **11n only** - Only 802.11n wireless stations can connect to the device.
 - **11bg mixed** - Both 802.11b and 802.11g wireless stations can connect to the device.
 - **11bgn mixed** - All 802.11b, 802.11g and 802.11n wireless stations can connect to the device.
- **Channel Width** - Determines the channel width to be used. It is unnecessary to change the default value unless required.
- **Enable Wireless Radio** - Select or deselect this check box to allow or deny wireless stations to access the device.

Click the **Survey** button to detect the SSIDs in the local area.

 **Note:**

To apply any settings you have altered on the page, please click the **Save** button, and then you will be reminded to reboot the device.

- 5) **Universal Repeater:** In Universal Repeater mode, the AP with WDS disabled will relay data to an associated root AP. AP function is enabled meanwhile. The wireless repeater relays signal between its stations and the root AP for greater wireless range.



Wireless Settings

Operation Mode: Universal Repeater

Survey

Wireless Name of Root AP:

MAC Address of Root AP:

Region: United States

Warning: Ensure you select a correct country to conform local law. Incorrect settings may cause interference.

Mode: 11bgn mixed

Channel Width: 40MHz

Enable Wireless Radio

Save

Figure 4-14 Wireless Settings in Repeater mode

- **Wireless Name of Root AP** - If you select the radio button before **Wireless Name of Root AP**, the AP client will connect to the AP according to SSID. Enter the SSID of AP that you want to access.
- **MAC Address of Root AP** - If you select the radio button before **MAC Address of Root AP**, the AP client will connect to the AP according to MAC address. Enter the MAC address of AP that you want to access.
- **Region** - Select your region from the pull-down list. This field specifies the region where the wireless function of the device can be used. It may be illegal to use the wireless function of the device in a region other than one of those specified in this field. If your country or region is not listed, please contact your local government agency for assistance.

 **Note:**

Limited by local law regulations, version for North America does not have region selection option.

- **Channel** - Determines the operating frequency to be used. It is not necessary to change the wireless channel unless you notice interference problems with another nearby access point.
- **Mode** - Select the desired wireless mode. The options are:
 - **11b only** - Only 802.11b wireless stations can connect to the device.
 - **11g only** - Only 802.11g wireless stations can connect to the device.
 - **11n only** - Only 802.11n wireless stations can connect to the device.
 - **11bg mixed** - Both 802.11b and 802.11g wireless stations can connect to the device.
 - **11bgn mixed** - All 802.11b, 802.11g and 802.11n wireless stations can connect to the device.
- **Channel Width** - Determines the channel width to be used. It is unnecessary to change the default value unless required.
- **Enable Wireless Radio** - Select or deselect this check box to allow or deny wireless stations to access the device.

Click the **Survey** button to detect the SSIDs in the local area.

 **Note:**

To apply any settings you have altered on the page, please click the **Save** button, and then you will be reminded to reboot the device.

- 6) **Bridge with AP:** This mode can bridge the AP and up to 4 APs also in bridge mode to connect two or more wired LANs.

Wireless Settings

Operation Mode: Bridge with AP

Wireless Bridge Setting

Survey

Wireless Name of Remote AP: TP-LINK_Network

MAC Address of Remote AP: 94-0C-6D-2F-3C-BE Example:00-1D-0F-11-22-33

Key type: WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK(Recomr)

Password: 1234567890

Local Wireless AP Setting

Local Wireless Name: TP-LINK_AP_86A417 (Also called the SSID)

Region: United States

Warning: Ensure you select a correct country to conform local law. Incorrect settings may cause interference.

Mode: 11bgn mixed

Channel Width: 40MHz

Enable Wireless Radio

Enable SSID Broadcast

Save

Figure 4-15 Wireless Settings in Bridge with AP mode

Wireless Bridge Setting

- **Wireless Name of Remote AP** - If you select the radio button before **Wireless Name of Remote AP**, the AP client will connect to the AP according to SSID. Enter the SSID of AP that you want to access.
- **MAC Address of Remote AP** - If you select the radio button before **MAC Address of Remote AP**, the AP client will connect to the AP according MAC address. Enter the MAC address of AP that you want to access.

Click the **Survey** button to detect the SSIDs in the local area.

- **Key type** - This option should be chosen according to the AP's security configuration. It is recommended that the security type is the same as your AP's security type.
- **Password** - If the Remote AP that your device is going to connect needs password, you need to fill the password in this blank.

Local Wireless AP Setting

- **Local Wireless Name** - Name for the AP.

- **Region** - Select your region from the pull-down list. This field specifies the region where the wireless function of the device can be used. It may be illegal to use the wireless function of the device in a region other than one of those specified in this field. If your country or region is not listed, please contact your local government agency for assistance.

 **Note:**

Limited by local law regulations, version for North America does not have region selection option.

- **Channel** - Determines the operating frequency to be used. It is not necessary to change the wireless channel unless you notice interference problems with another nearby access point.
- **Mode** - This field determines the wireless mode which the device works on.
 - **11b only** - Only 802.11b wireless stations can connect to the device.
 - **11g only** - Only 802.11g wireless stations can connect to the device.
 - **11n only** - Only 802.11n wireless stations can connect to the device.
 - **11bg mixed** - Both 802.11b and 802.11g wireless stations can connect to the device.
 - **11bgn mixed** - All 802.11b, 802.11g and 802.11n wireless stations can connect to the device.
- **Channel Width** - Determines the channel width to be used. It is unnecessary to change the default value unless required.
- **Enable Wireless Radio** - Select or deselect this check box to allow or deny wireless stations to access the device.
- **Enable SSID Broadcast** - Select or deselect this check box to allow or deny the device to broadcast its name (SSID) on the air. If it's allowed, when wireless clients survey the local area for wireless networks to associate with, they will detect the SSID broadcast by the device.

 **Note:**

To apply any settings you have altered on the page, please click the **Save** button, and then you will be reminded to reboot the device.

4.6.2 Wireless Security

Selecting **Wireless > Wireless Security** will enable you to configure wireless security for your wireless network to protect your data from intruders. The AP provides three security types: WEP, WPA/WPA2 and WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK. Wireless security can be set on the following screen shown as Figure 4-16. The security options are different for different operation mode.

1) Access Point

Wireless Security

Operation Mode: **Access Point**

Disable Security

WPA/WPA2 - Personal(Recommended)

Version:

Encryption:

Wireless Password:
(You can enter ASCII characters between 8 and 63 or Hexadecimal characters between 8 and 64.)

Group Key Update Period: Seconds (Keep it default if you are not sure, minimum is 30, 0 means no update)

WPA/WPA2 - Enterprise

Version:

Encryption:

Radius Server IP:

Radius Port: (1-65535, 0 stands for default port 1812)

Radius Password:

Group Key Update Period: (in second, minimum is 30, 0 means no update)

WEP

Type:

WEP Key Format:

Key Selected	WEP Key	Key Type
Key 1: <input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled <input type="text"/>
Key 2: <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled <input type="text"/>
Key 3: <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled <input type="text"/>
Key 4: <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled <input type="text"/>

Figure 4-16 Wireless Security - Access Point

- **Disable Security** - Check this box radio button to disable wireless security. If disabled, the wireless stations will be able to connect this device without encryption. It is strongly recommended that you choose one of the security types to enable security.
- **WPA/WPA2-Personal(Recommended)** - Select WPA/WPA2 based on Radius Server.
 - **Version** - You can select one of following versions.
 - 1) **Automatic(Recommended)** - Select **WPA-Personal** or **WPA2-Personal** automatically based on the wireless station's capability and request.
 - 2) **WPA-PSK** - Pre-shared key of WPA.
 - 3) **WPA2-PSK** - Pre-shared key of WPA2.
 - **Encryption** - You can select either **Automatic(Recommended)**, **TKIP** or **AES**.
 - **Wireless Password** - You can enter **ASCII** or **Hexadecimal** characters. For **Hexadecimal**, the length should be between 8 and 64 characters; for **ASCII**, the length should be between 8 and 63 characters.

- **Group Key Update Period** - Specify the group key update interval in seconds. The value can be either 0 or at least 30. Enter 0 to disable the update.
- **WPA/WPA2-Enterprise** - Select WPA/WPA2 based on Radius Server.
- **Version** - You can select one of following versions.
 - 1) **Automatic** - Select **WPA** or **WPA2** automatically based on the wireless station's capability and request.
 - 2) **WPA** - Wi-Fi Protected Access.
 - 3) **WPA2** - WPA version 2.
 - **Encryption** - You can select either **Automatic**, **TKIP** or **AES**.
 - **Radius Server IP** - Enter the IP address of the Radius Server.
 - **Radius Port** - Enter the port used by radius service.
 - **Radius Password** - Enter the password for the Radius Server.
 - **Group Key Update Period** - Specify the group key update interval in seconds. The value can be either 0 or at least 30. Enter 0 to disable the update.
- **WEP** - Select 802.11 WEP security.
- **Type** - You can select one of following types.
 - 1) **Automatic** - Select **Shared Key** or **Open System** authentication type automatically based on the wireless station's capability and request.
 - 2) **Shared Key** - Select 802.11 **Shared Key** authentication type.
 - 3) **Open System** - Select 802.11 **Open System** authentication.
 - **WEP Key Format** - You can select **ASCII** or **Hexadecimal** format. ASCII format stands for any combination of keyboard characters in the specified length. Hexadecimal format stands for any combination of hexadecimal digits (0-9, a-f, A-F) in the specified length.
 - **WEP Key** - Select which of the four keys will be used and enter the matching WEP key information for your network in the selected key radio button. These values must be identical on all wireless stations in your network.
 - **Key Type** - You can select the WEP key length (**64-bit**, or **128-bit**, or **152-bit**.) for encryption. "Disabled" means this WEP key entry is invalid.
 - 1) For **64-bit** encryption - You can enter 10 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 5 ASCII characters.
 - 2) For **128-bit** encryption - You can enter 26 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 13 ASCII characters.
 - 3) For **152-bit** encryption - You can enter 32 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 16 ASCII characters.

 **Note:**

1. If you do not set the key, the wireless security function is still disabled even if you have selected Shared Key as Authentication Type.
2. You will be reminded to reboot the device after clicking the **Save** button.

2) Multi-SSID

The screenshot shows the 'Wireless Security' configuration interface. At the top, the 'Operation Mode' is set to 'Multi-SSID' with a dropdown menu showing 'TP-LINK_130919'. There are two radio button options: 'Disable Security' (unselected) and 'WPA/WPA2 - Personal(Recommended)' (selected). Under the selected option, the following settings are visible: 'Version' is set to 'Automatic(Recommended)', 'Encryption' is set to 'Automatic(Recommended)', 'Wireless Password' is '1234567890', and 'Group Key Update Period' is '30' seconds. Below these are the settings for 'WPA/WPA2 - Enterprise', which are currently unselected: 'Version' is 'Automatic', 'Encryption' is 'Automatic', 'Radius Server IP' is empty, 'Radius Port' is '1812', 'Radius Password' is empty, and 'Group Key Update Period' is '0'. A 'Save' button is located at the bottom of the form.

Figure 4-17 Wireless Security – Multi-SSID

You can choose which SSID to configure wireless security settings for in the blank behind **Operation Mode**.

- **Disable Security** - Check this box radio button to disable wireless security. If disabled, the wireless stations will be able to connect this device without encryption. It is strongly recommended that you choose one of the security types to enable security.
- **WPA/WPA2-Personal(Recommended)** - Select WPA/WPA2 based on Radius Server.
 - **Version** - You can select one of following versions.
 - 1) **Automatic(Recommended)** - Select **WPA-Personal** or **WPA2-Personal** automatically based on the wireless station's capability and request.
 - 2) **WPA-PSK** - Pre-shared key of WPA.
 - 3) **WPA2-PSK** - Pre-shared key of WPA2.
 - **Encryption** - You can select either **Automatic(Recommended)**, **TKIP** or **AES**.
 - **Wireless Password** - You can enter **ASCII** or **Hexadecimal** characters. For **Hexadecimal**, the length should be between 8 and 64 characters; for **ASCII**, the length should be between 8 and 63 characters.
 - **Group Key Update Period** - Specify the group key update interval in seconds. The value can be either 0 or at least 30. Enter 0 to disable the update.
- **WPA/WPA2-Enterprise** - Select WPA/WPA2 based on Radius Server.
 - **Version** - You can select one of following versions.

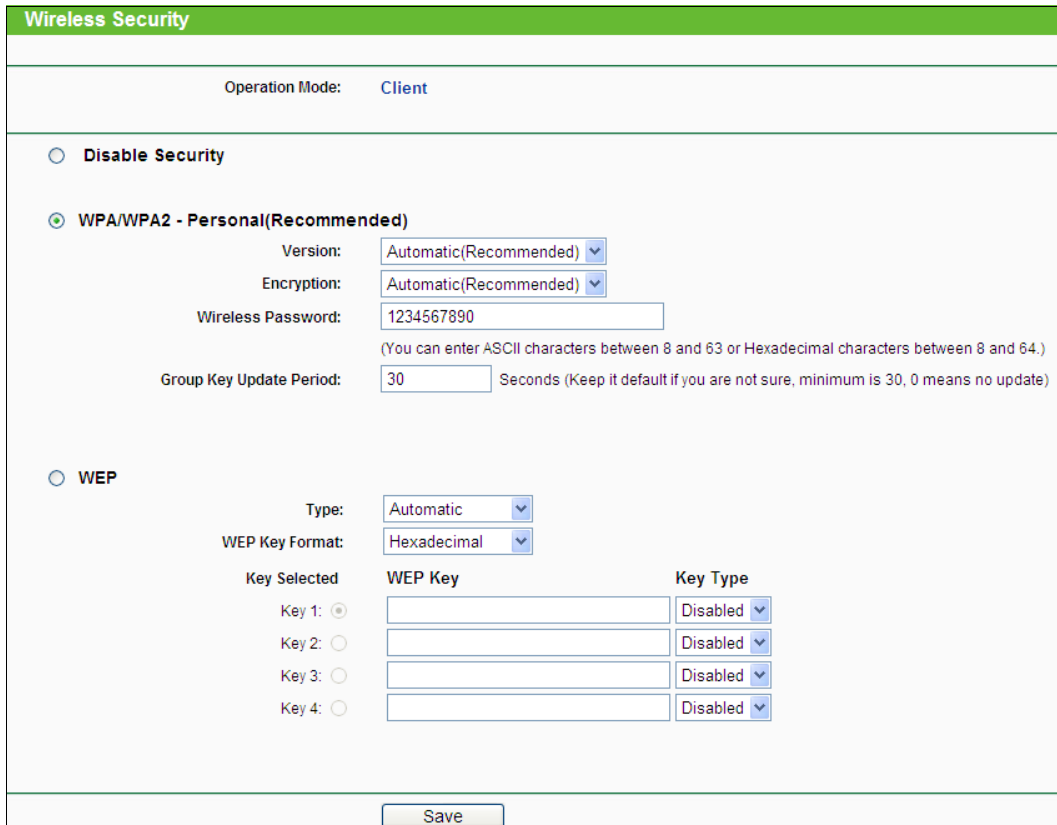
- 1) **Automatic** - Select **WPA** or **WPA2** automatically based on the wireless station's capability and request.
- 2) **WPA** - Wi-Fi Protected Access.
- 3) **WPA2** - WPA version 2.
 - **Encryption** - You can select either **Automatic**, **TKIP** or **AES**.
 - **Radius Server IP** - Enter the IP address of the Radius Server.
 - **Radius Port** - Enter the port used by radius service.
 - **Radius Password** - Enter the password for the Radius Server.

Group Key Update Period - Specify the group key update interval in seconds. The value can be either 0 or at least 30. Enter 0 to disable the update.

 **Note:**

You will be reminded to reboot the device after clicking the **Save** button.

3) Client



Wireless Security

Operation Mode: **Client**

Disable Security

WPA/WPA2 - Personal(Recommended)

Version:

Encryption:

Wireless Password:
(You can enter ASCII characters between 8 and 63 or Hexadecimal characters between 8 and 64.)

Group Key Update Period: Seconds (Keep it default if you are not sure, minimum is 30, 0 means no update)

WEP

Type:

WEP Key Format:

Key Selected	WEP Key	Key Type
Key 1: <input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled <input type="text"/>
Key 2: <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled <input type="text"/>
Key 3: <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled <input type="text"/>
Key 4: <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled <input type="text"/>

Figure 4-18 Wireless Security – Client

- **Disable Security** - Check this box radio button to disable wireless security. If disabled, the wireless stations will be able to connect this device without encryption. It is strongly recommended that you choose one of the security types to enable security.
- **WPA/WPA2-Personal(Recommended)** - Select WPA/WPA2 based on Radius Server.
 - **Version** - You can select one of following versions.

- 1) **Automatic(Recommended)** - Select **WPA-Personal** or **WPA2-Personal** automatically based on the wireless station's capability and request.
 - 2) **WPA-PSK** - Pre-shared key of WPA.
 - 3) **WPA2-PSK** - Pre-shared key of WPA2.
 - **Encryption** - You can select either **Automatic(Recommended)**, **TKIP** or **AES**.
 - **Wireless Password** - You can enter **ASCII** or **Hexadecimal** characters. For **Hexadecimal**, the length should be between 8 and 64 characters; for **ASCII**, the length should be between 8 and 63 characters.
 - **Group Key Update Period** - Specify the group key update interval in seconds. The value can be either 0 or at least 30. Enter 0 to disable the update.
- **WEP** - Select 802.11 WEP security.
- **Type** - You can select one of following types.
 - 1) **Automatic** - Select **Shared Key** or **Open System** authentication type automatically based on the wireless station's capability and request.
 - 2) **Shared Key** - Select 802.11 **Shared Key** authentication type.
 - 3) **Open System** - Select 802.11 **Open System** authentication.
 - **WEP Key Format** - You can select **ASCII** or **Hexadecimal** format. ASCII format stands for any combination of keyboard characters in the specified length. Hexadecimal format stands for any combination of hexadecimal digits (0-9, a-f, A-F) in the specified length.
 - **WEP Key** - Select which of the four keys will be used and enter the matching WEP key information for your network in the selected key radio button. These values must be identical on all wireless stations in your network.
 - **Key Type** - You can select the WEP key length (**64-bit**, or **128-bit**, or **152-bit**.) for encryption. "Disabled" means this WEP key entry is invalid.
 - 1) For **64-bit** encryption - You can enter 10 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 5 ASCII characters.
 - 2) For **128-bit** encryption - You can enter 26 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 13 ASCII characters.
 - 3) For **152-bit** encryption - You can enter 32 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 16 ASCII characters.

 **Note:**

1. If you do not set the key, the wireless security function is still disabled even if you have selected Shared Key as Authentication Type.
2. You will be reminded to reboot the device after clicking the **Save** button.

4) WDS Repeater

The screenshot shows the 'Wireless Security' configuration page for a WDS Repeater. The 'Operation Mode' is set to 'WDS Repeater'. There are two radio buttons for security: 'Disable Security' (unselected) and 'WPA/WPA2 - Personal(Recommended)' (selected). Under 'WPA/WPA2', there are dropdown menus for 'Version' (Automatic) and 'Encryption' (Automatic), a text field for 'Wireless Password' (1234567890), and a 'Group Key Update Period' field (30). A note below the password field states: '(You can enter ASCII characters between 8 and 63 or Hexadecimal characters between 8 and 64.)'. Under 'WEP', there is a 'Type' dropdown (Automatic), a 'WEP Key Format' dropdown (Hexadecimal), and a table for WEP keys. The table has columns for 'Key Selected', 'WEP Key', and 'Key Type'. All four keys are currently disabled.

Key Selected	WEP Key	Key Type
Key 1: <input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled
Key 2: <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled
Key 3: <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled
Key 4: <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled

Figure 4-19 Wireless Security – Repeater

- **Disable Security** - Check this box radio button to disable wireless security. If disabled, the wireless stations will be able to connect this device without encryption. It is strongly recommended that you choose one of the security types to enable security.
- **WPA/WPA2-Personal(Recommended)** - Select WPA/WPA2 based on Radius Server.
 - **Version** - You can select one of following versions.
 - 1) **Automatic(Recommended)** - Select **WPA-Personal** or **WPA2-Personal** automatically based on the wireless station's capability and request.
 - 2) **WPA-PSK** - Pre-shared key of WPA.
 - 3) **WPA2-PSK** - Pre-shared key of WPA2.
 - **Encryption** - You can select either **Automatic(Recommended)**, **TKIP** or **AES**.
 - **Wireless Password** - You can enter **ASCII** or **Hexadecimal** characters. For **Hexadecimal**, the length should be between 8 and 64 characters; for **ASCII**, the length should be between 8 and 63 characters.
 - **Group Key Update Period** - Specify the group key update interval in seconds. The value can be either 0 or at least 30. Enter 0 to disable the update.
- **WEP** - Select 802.11 WEP security.
 - **Type** - You can select one of following types.
 - 1) **Automatic** - Select **Shared Key** or **Open System** authentication type automatically based on the wireless station's capability and request.

- 2) **Shared Key** - Select 802.11 **Shared Key** authentication type.
- 3) **Open System** - Select 802.11 **Open System** authentication.
 - **WEP Key Format** - You can select **ASCII** or **Hexadecimal** format. ASCII format stands for any combination of keyboard characters in the specified length. Hexadecimal format stands for any combination of hexadecimal digits (0-9, a-f, A-F) in the specified length.
 - **WEP Key** - Select which of the four keys will be used and enter the matching WEP key information for your network in the selected key radio button. These values must be identical on all wireless stations in your network.
 - **Key Type** - You can select the WEP key length (**64-bit**, or **128-bit**, or **152-bit**.) for encryption. "Disabled" means this WEP key entry is invalid.
- 1) For **64-bit** encryption - You can enter 10 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 5 ASCII characters.
- 2) For **128-bit** encryption - You can enter 26 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 13 ASCII characters.
- 3) For **152-bit** encryption - You can enter 32 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 16 ASCII characters.

 **Note:**

1. If you do not set the key, the wireless security function is still disabled even if you have selected Shared Key as Authentication Type.
2. You will be reminded to reboot the device after clicking the **Save** button.

5) Universal Repeater

Wireless Security		
Operation Mode: Universal Repeater		
<input type="radio"/> Disable Security		
<input checked="" type="radio"/> WPA/WPA2 - Personal(Recommended)		
Version:	Automatic(Recommended) ▼	
Encryption:	Automatic(Recommended) ▼	
Wireless Password:	1234567890	
<small>(You can enter ASCII characters between 8 and 63 or Hexadecimal characters between 8 and 64.)</small>		
Group Key Update Period:	30	Seconds (Keep it default if you are not sure, minimum is 30, 0 means no update)
<input type="radio"/> WEP		
Type:	Automatic ▼	
WEP Key Format:	Hexadecimal ▼	
Key Selected	WEP Key	Key Type
Key 1: <input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled ▼
Key 2: <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled ▼
Key 3: <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled ▼
Key 4: <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled ▼
<input type="button" value="Save"/>		

Figure 4-20 Wireless Security – Repeater

- **Disable Security** - Check this box radio button to disable wireless security. If disabled, the wireless stations will be able to connect this device without encryption. It is strongly recommended that you choose one of the security types to enable security.
- **WPA/WPA2-Personal(Recommended)** - Select WPA/WPA2 based on Radius Server.
 - **Version** - You can select one of following versions.
 - 1) **Automatic(Recommended)** - Select **WPA-Personal** or **WPA2-Personal** automatically based on the wireless station's capability and request.
 - 2) **WPA-PSK** - Pre-shared key of WPA.
 - 3) **WPA2-PSK** - Pre-shared key of WPA2.
 - **Encryption** - You can select either **Automatic(Recommended)**, **TKIP** or **AES**.
 - **Wireless Password** - You can enter **ASCII** or **Hexadecimal** characters. For **Hexadecimal**, the length should be between 8 and 64 characters; for **ASCII**, the length should be between 8 and 63 characters.
 - **Group Key Update Period** - Specify the group key update interval in seconds. The value can be either 0 or at least 30. Enter 0 to disable the update.
- **WEP** - Select 802.11 WEP security.
 - **Type** - You can select one of following types.
 - 1) **Automatic** - Select **Shared Key** or **Open System** authentication type automatically based on the wireless station's capability and request.
 - 2) **Shared Key** - Select 802.11 **Shared Key** authentication type.
 - 3) **Open System** - Select 802.11 **Open System** authentication.
 - **WEP Key Format** - You can select **ASCII** or **Hexadecimal** format. ASCII format stands for any combination of keyboard characters in the specified length. Hexadecimal format stands for any combination of hexadecimal digits (0-9, a-f, A-F) in the specified length.
 - **WEP Key** - Select which of the four keys will be used and enter the matching WEP key information for your network in the selected key radio button. These values must be identical on all wireless stations in your network.
 - **Key Type** - You can select the WEP key length (**64-bit**, or **128-bit**, or **152-bit**.) for encryption. "Disabled" means this WEP key entry is invalid.
 - 1) For **64-bit** encryption - You can enter 10 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 5 ASCII characters.
 - 2) For **128-bit** encryption - You can enter 26 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 13 ASCII characters.
 - 3) For **152-bit** encryption - You can enter 32 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 16 ASCII characters.

 **Note:**

1. If you do not set the key, the wireless security function is still disabled even if you have selected Shared Key as Authentication Type.
2. You will be reminded to reboot the device after clicking the **Save** button.

6) Bridge with AP

Wireless Security

Operation Mode: **Bridge with AP**

Disable Security

WPA/WPA2 - Personal(Recommended)

Version: Automatic(Recommended) ▼

Encryption: Automatic(Recommended) ▼

Wireless Password: 1234567890
(You can enter ASCII characters between 8 and 63 or Hexadecimal characters between 8 and 64.)

Group Key Update Period: 30 Seconds (Keep it default if you are not sure, minimum is 30, 0 means no update)

WPA/WPA2 - Enterprise

Version: Automatic ▼

Encryption: Automatic ▼

Radius Server IP:

Radius Port: 1812 (1-65535, 0 stands for default port 1812)

Radius Password:

Group Key Update Period: 0 (in second, minimum is 30, 0 means no update)

WEP

Type: Automatic ▼

WEP Key Format: Hexadecimal ▼

Key Selected	WEP Key	Key Type
Key 1: <input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled ▼
Key 2: <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled ▼
Key 3: <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled ▼
Key 4: <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/>	Disabled ▼

Save

Figure 4-21 Wireless Security – Bridge with AP

- **Disable Security** - Check this box radio button to disable wireless security. If disabled, the wireless stations will be able to connect this device without encryption. It is strongly recommended that you choose one of the security types to enable security.
- **WPA/WPA2-Personal(Recommended)** - Select WPA/WPA2 based on Radius Server.
 - **Version** - You can select one of following versions.
 - 1) **Automatic(Recommended)** - Select **WPA-Personal** or **WPA2-Personal** automatically based on the wireless station's capability and request.
 - 2) **WPA-PSK** - Pre-shared key of WPA.
 - 3) **WPA2-PSK** - Pre-shared key of WPA2.
 - **Encryption** - You can select either **Automatic(Recommended)**, **TKIP** or **AES**.
 - **Wireless Password** - You can enter **ASCII** or **Hexadecimal** characters. For **Hexadecimal**, the length should be between 8 and 64 characters; for **ASCII**, the length should be between 8 and 63 characters.

- **Group Key Update Period** - Specify the group key update interval in seconds. The value can be either 0 or at least 30. Enter 0 to disable the update.
- **WPA/WPA2-Enterprise** - Select WPA/WPA2 based on Radius Server.
- **Version** - You can select one of following versions.
 - 1) **Automatic** - Select **WPA** or **WPA2** automatically based on the wireless station's capability and request.
 - 2) **WPA** - Wi-Fi Protected Access.
 - 3) **WPA2** - WPA version 2.
 - **Encryption** - You can select either **Automatic**, **TKIP** or **AES**.
 - **Radius Server IP** - Enter the IP address of the Radius Server.
 - **Radius Port** - Enter the port used by radius service.
 - **Radius Password** - Enter the password for the Radius Server.
 - **Group Key Update Period** - Specify the group key update interval in seconds. The value can be either 0 or at least 30. Enter 0 to disable the update.
- **WEP** - Select 802.11 WEP security.
- **Type** - You can select one of following types.
 - 1) **Automatic** - Select **Shared Key** or **Open System** authentication type automatically based on the wireless station's capability and request.
 - 2) **Shared Key** - Select 802.11 **Shared Key** authentication type.
 - 3) **Open System** - Select 802.11 **Open System** authentication.
 - **WEP Key Format** - You can select **ASCII** or **Hexadecimal** format. ASCII format stands for any combination of keyboard characters in the specified length. Hexadecimal format stands for any combination of hexadecimal digits (0-9, a-f, A-F) in the specified length.
 - **WEP Key** - Select which of the four keys will be used and enter the matching WEP key information for your network in the selected key radio button. These values must be identical on all wireless stations in your network.
 - **Key Type** - You can select the WEP key length (**64-bit**, or **128-bit**, or **152-bit**.) for encryption. "Disabled" means this WEP key entry is invalid.
 - 1) For **64-bit** encryption - You can enter 10 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 5 ASCII characters.
 - 2) For **128-bit** encryption - You can enter 26 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 13 ASCII characters.
 - 3) For **152-bit** encryption - You can enter 32 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 16 ASCII characters.

 **Note:**

1. If you do not set the key, the wireless security function is still disabled even if you have selected Shared Key as Authentication Type.
2. You will be reminded to reboot the device after clicking the **Save** button.

4.6.3 Wireless MAC Filtering

Selecting **Wireless > Wireless MAC Filtering** will allow you to set up some filtering rules to control wireless stations accessing the device, which depend on the station's MAC address on the following screen as shown Figure 4-22. This function is not available when the operation is set to Client. As the configuration is the same in each operation mode, here we just take the Access Point for example.

Wireless MAC Filtering

Operation Mode: **Access Point**

Wireless MAC Filtering: **Disabled**

Filtering Rules

Deny the stations specified by any enabled entries in the list to access.

Allow the stations specified by any enabled entries in the list to access.

ID	MAC Address	Status	Description	Modify
<input type="button" value="Add New..."/> <input type="button" value="Enable All"/> <input type="button" value="Disable All"/> <input type="button" value="Delete All"/>				
<input type="button" value="Previous"/> <input type="button" value="Next"/>				

Figure 4-22 Wireless MAC address Filtering

The Wireless MAC Address Filtering feature allows you to control wireless stations accessing the device, which depend on the station's MAC addresses.

- **Wireless MAC Filtering** - Click the **Enable** button to enable the Wireless MAC Address Filtering. The default setting is disabled.

To Add a Wireless MAC Address filtering entry, click the **Add New...** button. The "Add or Modify Wireless MAC Address Filtering entry" page will appear, shown in Figure 4-23

Add or Modify Wireless MAC Address Filtering entry

MAC Address:

Description:

Status: **Enabled**

Figure 4-23 Add or Modify Wireless MAC Address Filtering entry

- **MAC Address** - Enter the wireless station's MAC address that you want to control.
- **Description** - Give a simple description of the wireless station.

- **Status** - Select a status for this entry, either **Enabled** or **Disabled**.

To set up an entry, follow these instructions:

First, you must decide whether the unspecified wireless stations can access the device or not. If you desire that the unspecified wireless stations can access the device, please select the radio button **Deny the stations specified by any enabled entries in the list to access**, otherwise, select the radio button **Allow the stations specified by any enabled entries in the list to access**.

To add a MAC Address Filtering entry, follow these instructions:

1. Enter the appropriate MAC Address into the **MAC Address** field. The format of the MAC Address is XX-XX-XX-XX-XX-XX (X is any hexadecimal digit). For example: 00-0A-EB-B0-00-0B.
2. Enter a simple description of the wireless station in the **Description** field. For example: Wireless station A.
3. Select **Enabled** or **Disabled** for this entry on the **Status** pull-down list.
4. Click the **Save** button to save this entry.

To add additional entries, repeat steps 1-4.

To modify or delete an existing entry:

1. Click the **Modify** in the entry you want to modify. If you want to delete the entry, click the **Delete**.
2. Modify the information.
3. Click the **Save** button.

Click the **Enable All** button to make all entries enabled

Click the **Disabled All** button to make all entries disabled.

Click the **Delete All** button to delete all entries

Click the **Next** button to go to the next page and click the **Previous** button to return to the previous page.

For example: If you desire that the wireless station A with MAC address 00-0A-EB-00-07-BE is able to access the device, while all other wireless stations cannot access the device, you should configure the **Wireless MAC Address Filtering** list by following these steps:

1. Click the **Enable** button to enable this function.
2. Select the radio button: **Allow the stations specified by any enabled entries in the list to access** for **Filtering Rules**.
3. Delete all or disable all entries if there are any entries already.
4. Click the **Add New...** button and enter the MAC address 00-0A-EB-00-07-BE in the **MAC Address** field, enter Wireless Station A in the **Description** field and select **Enabled** in the **Status** pull-down list. Click the **Save** button.

The filtering rules that configured should be similar to the following list:

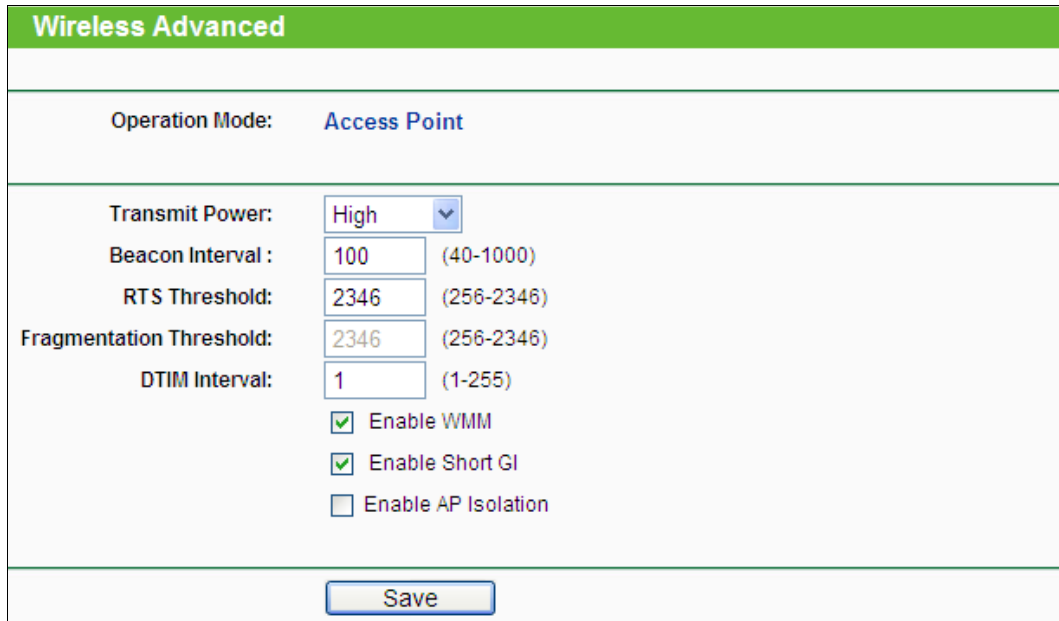
ID	MAC Address	Status	Description	Modify
1	00-0A-EB-00-07-BE	Enabled	wireless station A	Modify Delete

 **Note:**

If you enable the function and select the “**Allow the stations specified by any enabled entries in the list to access**” for **Filtering Rules**, and there are not any enabled entries in the list, thus, no wireless stations can access the device.

4.6.4 Wireless Advanced

Selecting **Wireless > Wireless Advanced** will allow you to do some advanced settings for the device in the following screen shown in Figure 4-24. As the configuration for each operation mode is almost the same, we take Access Point mode for example here.



Wireless Advanced	
Operation Mode:	Access Point
Transmit Power:	High
Beacon Interval :	100 (40-1000)
RTS Threshold:	2346 (256-2346)
Fragmentation Threshold:	2346 (256-2346)
DTIM Interval:	1 (1-255)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enable WMM
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Enable Short GI
	<input type="checkbox"/> Enable AP Isolation
Save	

Figure 4-24 Wireless Advanced

- **Beacon Interval** - Specifies a value between 20-1000 milliseconds. The beacons are the packets sent by the device to synchronize a wireless network. Beacon Interval value determines the time interval of the beacons. The default value is 100.
- **RTS Threshold** - Specifies the RTS (Request to Send) Threshold. If the packet is larger than the specified RTS Threshold size, the device will send RTS frames to a particular receiving station and negotiate the sending of a data frame. The default value is 2346.
- **Fragmentation Threshold** - This value is the maximum size determining whether packets will be fragmented. Setting the Fragmentation Threshold too low may result in poor network performance since excessive packets. 2346 is the default setting and is recommended.
- **DTIM Interval** - Determines the interval of the Delivery Traffic Indication Message (DTIM). You can specify the value between 1-255 Beacon Intervals. The default value is 1, which indicates the DTIM Interval is the same as Beacon Interval.
- **Enable WMM** - WMM function can guarantee the packets with high- priority messages being transmitted preferentially. It is strongly recommended enabled.
- **Enable Short GI** - This function is recommended for it will increase the data capacity by reducing the guard interval time.

- **Enable AP Isolation** - Isolates all connected wireless stations so that wireless stations cannot access each other through WLAN. This function will be disabled if WDS/Bridge is enabled.

4.6.5 Wireless Statistics

Selecting **Wireless > Wireless Statistics** will allow you to see the wireless transmission information in the following screen shown in Figure 4-25.

Wireless Statistics				
Current Connected Wireless Stations numbers: 2 <input type="button" value="Refresh"/>				
ID	MAC Address	Current Status	Received Packets	Sent Packets
1	88-C6-63-39-2E-38	WPA2-Personal	137	66
2	00-90-A2-5B-6F-96	WPA2-Personal	7	2
<input type="button" value="Previous"/> <input type="button" value="Next"/>				

Figure 4-25 Statistics of the device attached wireless stations

- **MAC Address** - Shows the connected wireless station's MAC address
- **Current Status** - The connected wireless station's running status, one of STA-AUTH / STA-ASSOC / STA-JOINED / WPA / WPA-PSK / WPA2 / WPA2-PSK / AP-UP / AP-DOWN / Disconnected
- **Received Packets** - packets received by the station
- **Sent Packets** - packets sent by the station

You cannot change any of the values on this page. To update this page and to show the current connected wireless stations, click the **Refresh** button.

If the numbers of connected wireless stations go beyond one page, click the **Next** button to go to the next page and click the **Previous** button to return the previous page.

Note:

This page will be refreshed automatically every 5 seconds.

4.6.6 Throughput Monitor

Selecting **Wireless > Throughput Monitor** will help to watch wireless throughput information in the following screen shown in Figure 4-26.

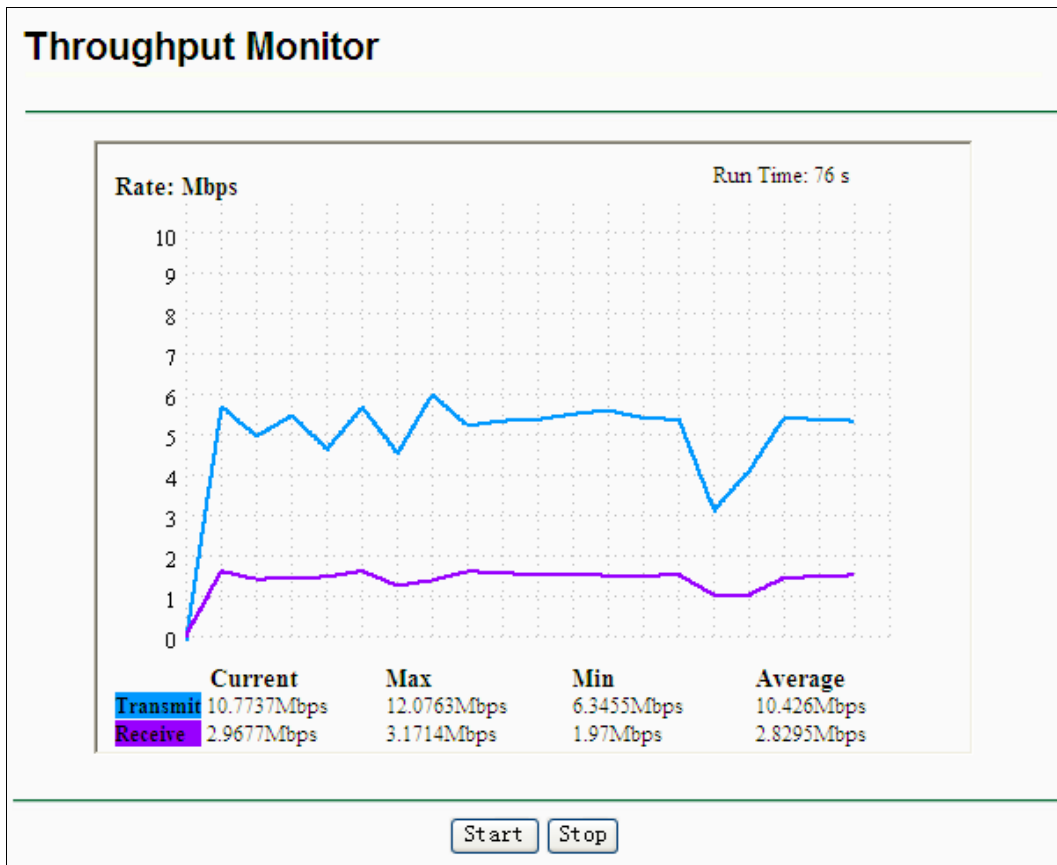


Figure 4-26 Throughput Monitor

- **Rate** - The Throughput unit.
- **Run Time** - How long this function is running.
- **Transmit** - Wireless transmit rate information.
- **Receive** - Wireless receive rate information.

Click the **Start** button to start wireless throughput monitor.

Click the **Stop** button to stop wireless throughput monitor.

4.7 DHCP

DHCP stands for Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol. The DHCP Server will automatically assign dynamic IP addresses to the computers on the network. This protocol simplifies network management and allows new wireless devices to receive IP addresses automatically without the need to manually assign new IP addresses.

There are three submenus under the DHCP menu (shown as Figure 4-27): **DHCP Settings**, **DHCP Clients List** and **Address Reservation**. Clicking any of them will enable you to configure the corresponding function. The detailed explanations for each submenu are provided below.

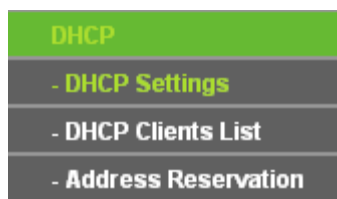


Figure 4-27 The DHCP menu

4.7.1 DHCP Settings

Selecting **DHCP > DHCP Settings** will enable you to set up the AP as a DHCP (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol) server, which provides the TCP/IP configuration for all the PCs that are connected to the system on the LAN. The DHCP Server can be configured on the page (shown as Figure 4-28):

DHCP Settings	
DHCP Server:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Disable <input type="radio"/> Enable
Start IP Address:	<input type="text" value="192.168.0.100"/>
End IP Address:	<input type="text" value="192.168.0.199"/>
Address Lease Time:	<input type="text" value="120"/> minutes (1~2880 minutes, the default value is 120)
Default Gateway:	<input type="text" value="192.168.0.254"/> (Optional)
Default Domain:	<input type="text"/> (Optional)
Primary DNS:	<input type="text" value="0.0.0.0"/> (Optional)
Secondary DNS:	<input type="text" value="0.0.0.0"/> (Optional)

Figure 4-28 DHCP Settings

- **DHCP Server** - Selecting the radio button before **Disable/Enable** will disable/enable the DHCP server on your AP. The default setting is **Enable**. If you disable the Server, you must have another DHCP server within your network or else you must manually configure the computer.
- **Start IP Address** - This field specifies the first address in the IP Address pool. 192.168.0.100 is the default start IP address.
- **End IP Address** - This field specifies the last address in the IP Address pool. 192.168.0.199 is the default end IP address.
- **Address Lease Time** - Enter the amount of time for the PC to connect to the AP with its current assigned dynamic IP address. The time is measured in minutes. After the time is up, the PC will be automatically assigned a new dynamic IP address. The range of the time is 1 ~ 2880 minutes. The default value is 120 minutes.
- **Default Gateway (optional)** - Enter the IP address of the gateway for your LAN. The factory default setting is 0.0.0.0.
- **Default Domain (optional)** - Enter the domain name of the your DHCP server. You can leave the field blank.
- **Primary DNS (optional)** - Enter the DNS IP address provided by your ISP. Consult your ISP if you don't know the DNS value. The factory default setting is 0.0.0.0.
- **Secondary DNS (optional)** - Enter the IP address of another DNS server if your ISP provides two DNS servers. The factory default setting is 0.0.0.0.

Click **Save** to save the changes.

 **Note:**

1. When the device is working on Dynamic IP mode, the DHCP Server function will be disabled.
2. To use the DHCP server function of the device, you should configure all computers in the LAN as "Obtain an IP Address automatically" mode. This function will not take effect until the device reboots.

4.7.2 DHCP Clients List

Selecting **DHCP > DHCP Clients List** will enable you to view the Client Name, MAC Address, Assigned IP and Lease Time for each DHCP Client attached to the device (Figure 4-29).

DHCP Clients List				
ID	Client Name	MAC Address	Assigned IP	Lease Time
1	peipei	18-E7-F4-02-C9-73	192.168.0.101	01:58:27
2	android_80c03463cfc55608	00-90-A2-5B-6F-96	192.168.0.102	01:59:02

Figure 4-29 DHCP Clients List

- **ID** - Here displays the index of the DHCP client.
- **Client Name** - Here displays the name of the DHCP client.
- **MAC Address** - Here displays the MAC address of the DHCP client.
- **Assigned IP** - Here displays the IP address that the AP has allocated to the DHCP client.
- **Lease Time** - Here displays the time of the DHCP client leased. Before the time is up, DHCP client will request to renew the lease automatically.

You cannot change any of the values on this page. To update this page and to show the current attached devices, click on the **Refresh** button.

4.7.3 Address Reservation

Selecting **DHCP > Address Reservation** will enable you to specify a reserved IP address for a PC on the LAN, so the PC will always obtain the same IP address each time when it accesses the AP. Reserved IP addresses should be assigned to servers that require permanent IP settings. The screen below is used for address reservation (shown in Figure 4-30).

Address Reservation				
ID	MAC Address	Reserved IP Address	Status	Modify
1	00-0A-EB-00-07-5F	192.168.0.101	Enabled	Modify Delete

Figure 4-30 Address Reservation

- **MAC Address** - Here displays the MAC address of the PC for which you want to reserve an IP address.
- **Reserved IP Address** - Here displays the IP address that the AP is reserved.
- **Status** - Here shows whether the entry is enabled or not
- **Modify** - To modify or delete an existing entry.

To Reserve IP addresses:

1. Click the **Add New...** button to add a new Address Reservation entry.
2. Enter the MAC address in XX-XX-XX-XX-XX-XX format and IP address in dotted-decimal notation of the computer you wish to add.
3. Click **Save** when finished.

To modify A Reserved IP address:

1. Select the reserved address entry to your needs and click **Modify**. If you wish to delete the entry, click **Delete**.
2. Click **Save** to keep your changes.

To delete all Reserved IP addresses:

1. Click **Clear All**.
2. Click **Next** to go to the next page and Click **Previous** to return the previous page.

Note:

The changes won't take effect until the device reboots.

4.8 System Tools

System Tools option helps you to optimize the configuration of your device. SNMP can help you to manage the device locally or remotely with specified software. The diagnostic tools (Ping and Traceroute) allow you to check the connections of your network components. You can upgrade the AP to the latest version of firmware as well as backup or restore the AP's configuration files. Ping Watch Dog can help to continuously monitor a particular connection to a remote host. It's suggested that you change the default password to a more secure one because it controls access to the device's web-based management page. Besides, you can find out what happened to the system in System Log.

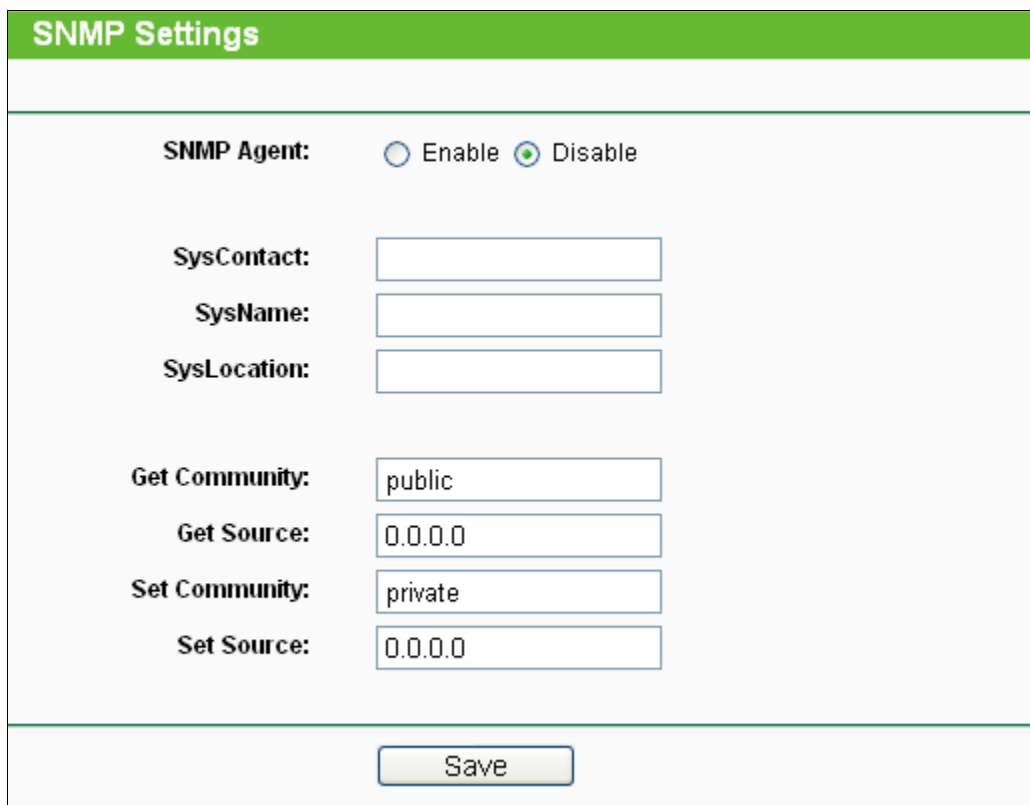
There are nine submenus under the **System Tools** menu (shown as Figure 4-31): **Time Settings**, **Diagnostic**, **Ping Watch Dog**, **Firmware Upgrade**, **Factory Defaults**, **Backup & Restore**, **Reboot**, **Password**, **System Log** and **Statistics**. Clicking any of them will enable you to configure the corresponding function. The detailed explanations for each submenu are provided below.



Figure 4-31 The System Tools menu

4.8.1 SNMP

Selecting **System Tools** > **SNMP** to enable this function will allow the network management station to retrieve statistics and status from the SNMP agent in this device. Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) is a popular network monitoring and management protocol, used to refer to a collection of specifications for network management that include the protocol itself. To use this function, select Enable and enter the following parameters in Figure 4-32.

The image shows a web-based configuration page titled "SNMP Settings" with a green header. The page contains several configuration options:

- SNMP Agent:** Two radio buttons, "Enable" and "Disable". The "Disable" button is selected.
- SysContact:** An empty text input field.
- SysName:** An empty text input field.
- SysLocation:** An empty text input field.
- Get Community:** A text input field containing "public".
- Get Source:** A text input field containing "0.0.0.0".
- Set Community:** A text input field containing "private".
- Set Source:** A text input field containing "0.0.0.0".

At the bottom of the page is a "Save" button.

Figure 4-32 SNMP Settings

- **SNMP Agent** - Select the radio button before **Enable** will enable this function if you want to have remote control through SNMPv1/v2 agent with MIB-II. Select the radio button before **Disable** will disable this function. The default setting is **Disable**.
- **SysContact** - The textual identification of the contact person for this managed node.
- **SysName** - An administratively-assigned name for this managed node.
- **SysLocation** - The physical location of this node.

 **Note:**

Specifying one of these values via the Device's Web-Based Utility makes the corresponding object read-only. If there isn't such a config setting, then the write request will succeed (assuming suitable access control settings), but the new value would be forgotten the next time the agent was restarted.

- **Get Community** - Enter the community name that allows Read-Only access to the Device's SNMP information. The community name can be considered a group password. The default setting is "**public**".
- **Get Source** - Get source defines the IP address or subnet for management systems that can read information from this 'get' community device.
- **Set Community** - Enter the community name that allows Read/Write access to the Device's SNMP information. The community name can be considered a group password. The default setting is "**private**".
- **Set Source** - Set source defines the IP address or subnet for management systems that can control this 'set' community device.

 **Note:**

A restricted source can be a specific IP address (e.g. 10.10.10.1), or a subnet - represented as IP/BITS (e.g. 10.10.10.0/24). If an IP Address of 0.0.0.0 is specified, the agent will accept all requests under the corresponding community name.

Click the **Save** button to save your settings.

4.8.2 Diagnostic

Selecting **System Tools > Diagnostic** allow you to check the connections of your network components on the screen shown in Figure 4-33.

The screenshot shows a web interface titled "Diagnostic Tools" with a green header. Below the header is a section titled "Diagnostic Parameters" containing several input fields and radio buttons. The "Diagnostic Tool" section has two radio buttons: "Ping" (selected) and "Traceroute". Below this are five rows of input fields: "IP Address/ Domain Name:" (empty), "Ping Count:" (4, range 1-50), "Ping Packet Size:" (64, range 4-1472 Bytes), "Ping Timeout:" (800, range 100-2000 Milliseconds), and "Traceroute Max TTL:" (20, range 1-30). Below the parameters is a section titled "Diagnostic Results" with a dashed border containing the text "This device is ready.". At the bottom of the interface is a "Start" button.

Figure 4-33 Diagnostic

Diagnostic Tools - Click the radio button to select one diagnostic tool

- **Ping** - This diagnostic tool troubleshoots connectivity, reachability, and name resolution to a given host or gateway by using the Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) protocol's mandatory Echo Request datagram to elicit an ICMP Echo Response from a host or gateway. You can use ping to test both numeric IP address or domain name. If pinging the IP address is successful, but pinging the domain name is not, you might have a name resolution problem. In this case, ensure that the domain name you are specifying can be resolved by using Domain Name System (DNS) queries.
- **Traceroute** - This diagnostic tool determines the path taken to a given host by sending Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) Echo Request messages with varying Time to Live (TTL) values to the destination. Each gateway along the path is required to decrement the TTL in an IP packet by at least 1 before forwarding it. Effectively, the TTL is a maximum link counter. When the TTL on a packet reaches 0, the gateway is expected to return an ICMP Time Exceeded response to your device. Traceroute determines the path by sending the first Echo Request message with a TTL of 1 and incrementing the TTL by 1 on each subsequent transmission until the target responds or the maximum number of hops is reached. The maximum number of hops is 20 by default and can be specified in the field "Traceroute Max TTL". The path is determined by examining the ICMP Time Exceeded messages returned by intermediate gateways and the Echo Reply message returned by the destination. However, some gateways do not return Time Exceeded messages for packets with expired TTL values and are invisible to the traceroute tool. In this case, a row of asterisks (*) is displayed for that hop.

IP Address - Enter the IP Address (such as 202.108.22.5) of the PC whose connection you wish to diagnose.

Ping Count - Specifies the number of Echo Request messages sent. The default is 4.

Ping Packet Size - Specifies the number of data bytes to be sent. The default is 64.

Ping Timeout - Specifies the time to wait for a response in milliseconds. The default is 800.

Traceroute Max TTL - Set the maximum number of hops (max TTL to be reached) in the path to Survey for the target (destination). The default is 20.

Click the **Start** button to start the diagnostic procedure.

The **Diagnostic Results** page displays the result of diagnosis.

If the result is similar to the following screen, the connectivity of the Internet is fine.

```

Diagnostic Results
-----
Pinging 202.108.22.5 with 64 bytes of data:

Reply from 202.108.22.5: bytes=64 time=1 TTL=127 seq=1
Reply from 202.108.22.5: bytes=64 time=1 TTL=127 seq=2
Reply from 202.108.22.5: bytes=64 time=1 TTL=127 seq=3
Reply from 202.108.22.5: bytes=64 time=1 TTL=127 seq=4

Ping statistics for 202.108.22.5
Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss),
Approximate round trip times in milliseconds:
Minimum = 1, Maximum = 1, Average = 1
-----
  
```

Figure 4-34 Diagnostic Results

Note:

1. Only one user can use this tool at one time.
2. Options “Number of Pings”, “Ping Size” and “Ping Timeout” are only available for Ping function. Option “Tracert Hops” is available only for Tracert function.

4.8.3 Ping Watch Dog

Selecting **System Tools > Ping Watch Dog** allows you to continuously monitor the particular connection between the device to a remote host. It makes this device continuously ping a user defined IP address (it can be the internet gateway for example). If it is unable to ping under the user defined constraints, this device will automatically reboot.

Ping Watch Dog Utility

Enable Ping Watch Dog

IP Address:

Interval: (10-300) seconds

Delay: (60-300) seconds

Fail Count: (1-65535)

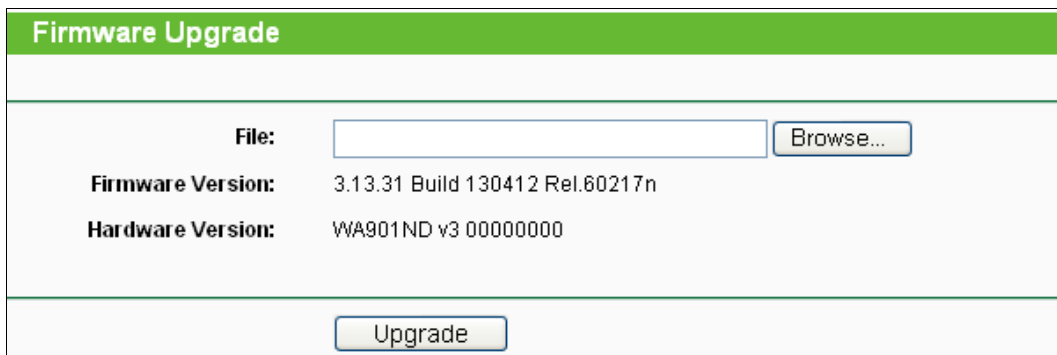
Figure 4-35 Ping Watch Dog Utility

- **Enable** - Turn on/off Ping Watch Dog.
- **IP Address** - The IP address of the target host where the Ping Watch Dog Utility is sending ping packets.
- **Interval** - Time interval between two ping packets which are sent out continuously.
- **Delay** - Time delay before first ping packet is sent out when the device is restarted.
- **Fail Count** - Upper limit of the ping packet the device can drop continuously. If this value is overrun, the device will restart automatically.

Be sure to click the **Submit** button to make your settings in operation.

4.8.4 Firmware Upgrade

Selecting **System Tools > Firmware Upgrade** allows you to upgrade the latest version of firmware for the device on the screen shown in Figure 4-36.



Firmware Upgrade	
File:	<input type="text"/> <input type="button" value="Browse..."/>
Firmware Version:	3.13.31 Build 130412 Rel.60217n
Hardware Version:	WA901ND v3 00000000
<input type="button" value="Upgrade"/>	

Figure 4-36 Firmware Upgrade

New firmware versions are posted at <http://www.tp-link.com> and can be downloaded for free.

- **Firmware Version** - Here displays the current firmware version.
- **Hardware Version** - Here displays the current hardware version. The hardware version of the upgrade file must accord with the current hardware version.

Note:

1. There is no need to upgrade the firmware unless the new firmware has a new feature you want to use. However, when experiencing problems caused by the device itself, you can try to upgrade the firmware.
2. Before upgrading the device's firmware, you should write down some of your customized settings to avoid losing important configuration settings of device.

To upgrade the device's firmware, follow these instructions:

1. Download a more recent firmware upgrade file from the TP-LINK website (<http://www.tp-link.com>).
2. Enter the path name or click **Browse...** to select the downloaded file on the computer into the **File** blank.
3. Click **Upgrade**.

Note:

Do not turn off the device or press the **Reset** button while the firmware is being upgraded. The device will reboot after the Upgrading has been finished.

4.8.5 Factory Defaults

Selecting **System Tools > Factory Defaults** allows you to restore the factory default settings for the device on the screen shown in Figure 4-37.

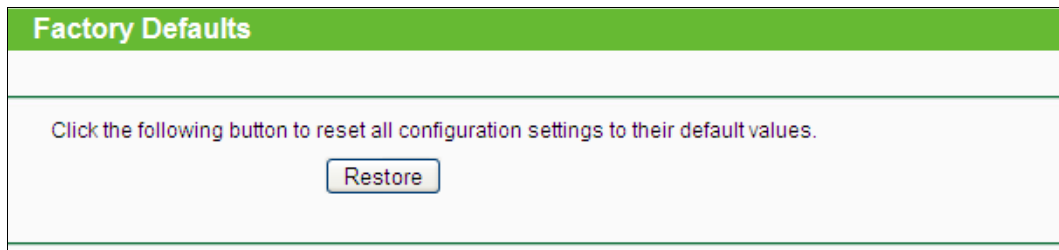


Figure 4-37 Restore Factory Defaults

Click **Restore** to reset all configuration settings to their default values.

- Default **User Name**: admin
- Default **Password**: admin
- Default **IP Address**: 192.168.0.254
- Default **Subnet Mask**: 255.255.255.0

 **Note:**

Any settings you have saved will be lost when the default settings are restored.

4.8.6 Backup & Restore

Selecting **System Tools > Backup & Restore** allows you to save all configuration settings to your local computer as a file or restore the device's configuration on the screen shown in Figure 4-38.

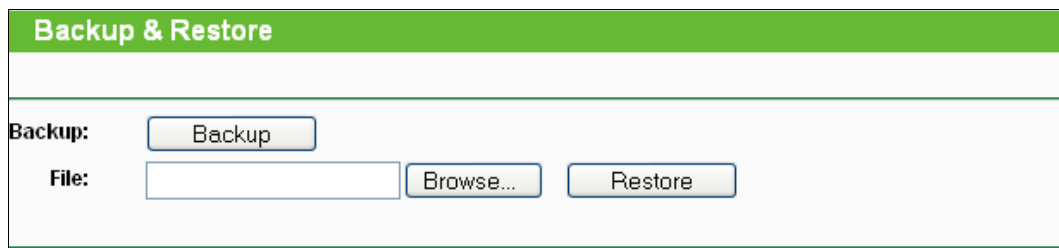


Figure 4-38 Save or Restore the Configuration

Click **Backup** to save all configuration settings to your local computer as a file.

To restore the device's configuration, follow these instructions:

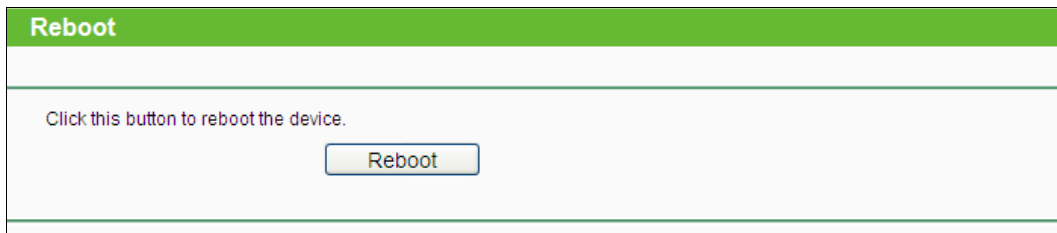
- Click **Browse...** to find the configuration file which you want to restore.
- Click **Restore** to update the configuration with the file whose path is the one you have input or selected in the blank.

 **Note:**

1. The current configuration will be covered with the uploading configuration file.
2. Wrong process will lead the device unmanaged.
3. The restoring process lasts for 20 seconds and restart automatically. Do not power off the device during the process to avoid any damage.

4.8.7 Reboot

Selecting **System Tools > Reboot** allows you to reboot the device on the screen shown in Figure 4-39.



Reboot

Click this button to reboot the device.

Reboot

Figure 4-39 Reboot the device

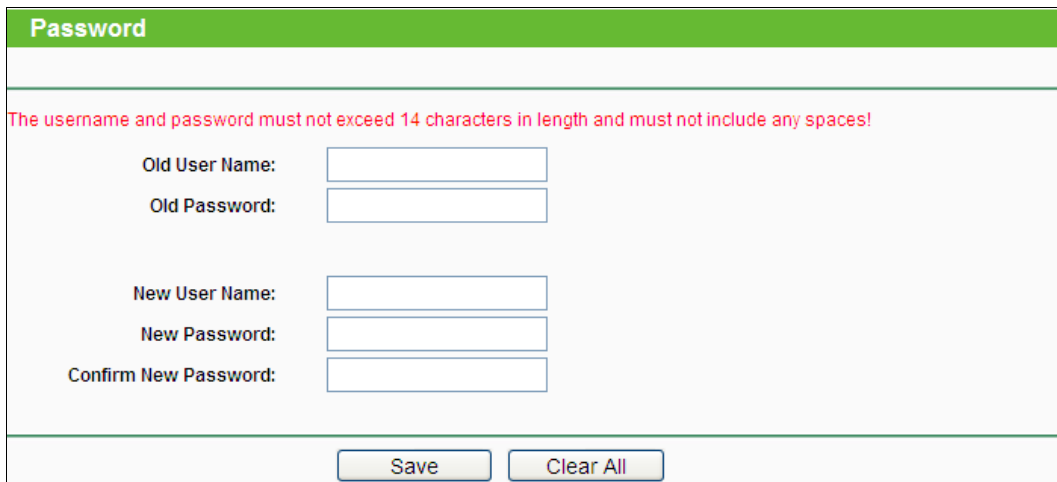
Click the **Reboot** button to reboot the device.

Some settings of the device will take effect only after rebooting, which include:

- Change LAN IP Address (System will reboot automatically).
- Change the Wireless configurations.
- Change the Web Management Port.
- Upgrade the firmware of the device (system will reboot automatically).
- Restore the device's settings to factory defaults (system will reboot automatically).
- Update the configuration with a file (system will reboot automatically).

4.8.8 Password

Selecting **System Tools > Password** allows you to change the factory default user name and password of the device on the screen shown in Figure 4-40.



Password

The username and password must not exceed 14 characters in length and must not include any spaces!

Old User Name:

Old Password:

New User Name:

New Password:

Confirm New Password:

Save Clear All

Figure 4-40 Password

It is strongly recommended that you change the factory default user name and password of the device. All users who try to access the device's web-based management page or Quick Setup will be prompted for the device's user name and password.

 **Note:**

The new user name and password must not exceed 14 characters in length and must not include any spaces. Enter the new Password twice to confirm it.

Click **Save** when finished.

Click **Clear All** to clear all.

4.8.9 System Log

Selecting **System Tools > System Log** allows you to query the Logs of the device on the screen shown in Figure 4-41.

The screenshot shows the 'System Log' interface. At the top, there is a green header with the text 'System Log'. Below the header, there are several controls: 'Auto Mail Feature: Disabled' with a 'Mail Settings' button, 'Log Type: ALL' with a dropdown arrow, and 'Log Level: ALL' with a dropdown arrow. A table displays log entries with columns for Index, Time, Type, Level, and Log Content. The first entry is '1', '1st day 00:00:05', 'OTHER', 'INFO', and 'System started'. Below the table, there is a 'Time = 2013-01-01 0:03:52 233s' and system information: 'H-Ver = WA901ND v3 00000000 : S-Ver = 3.13.31 Build 130412 Rel.60217n', 'L = 192.168.0.254 : M = 255.255.255.0', and 'W1 = DHCP : W = 0.0.0.0 : M = 0.0.0.0 : G = 0.0.0.0'. At the bottom, there are four buttons: 'Refresh', 'Save Log', 'Mail Log', and 'Clear Log'. Below these buttons, there are 'Previous' and 'Next' buttons, a 'Current No.' dropdown set to '1', and a 'Page' label.

Index	Time	Type	Level	Log Content
1	1st day 00:00:05	OTHER	INFO	System started

Figure 4-41 System Log

The device can keep logs of all traffic. You can query the logs to find what happened to the device.

- **Log Type** - By selecting the log type, only logs of this type will be shown.
- **Log Level** - By selecting the log level, only logs of this level will be shown.

Click the **Refresh** button to show the latest log list..

Click the **Save Log** button to save all the logs in a txt file.

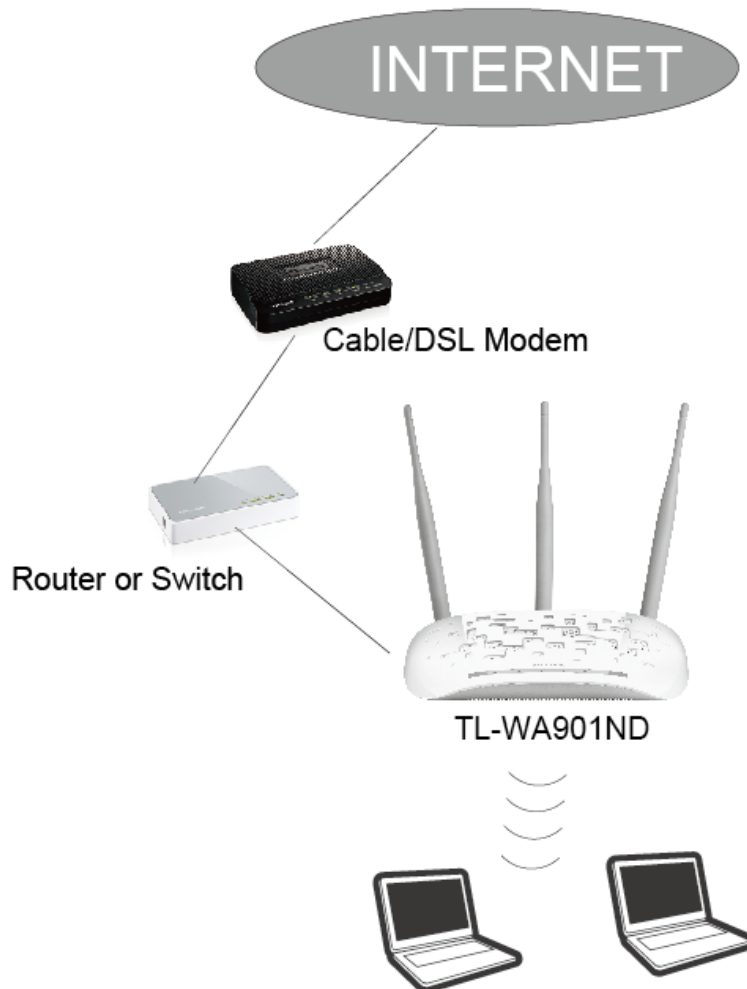
Click the **Clear Log** button to delete all the logs from the system permanently, not just from the page.

Click the **Next** button to go to the next page, or click the **Previous** button return to the previous page.

Appendix A: Application Example

The TL-WA901ND allows you to connect a wireless device to the wired network. Providing that you want to connect your computer equipped with wireless adapter to a wired network wirelessly, you can take the following instructions.

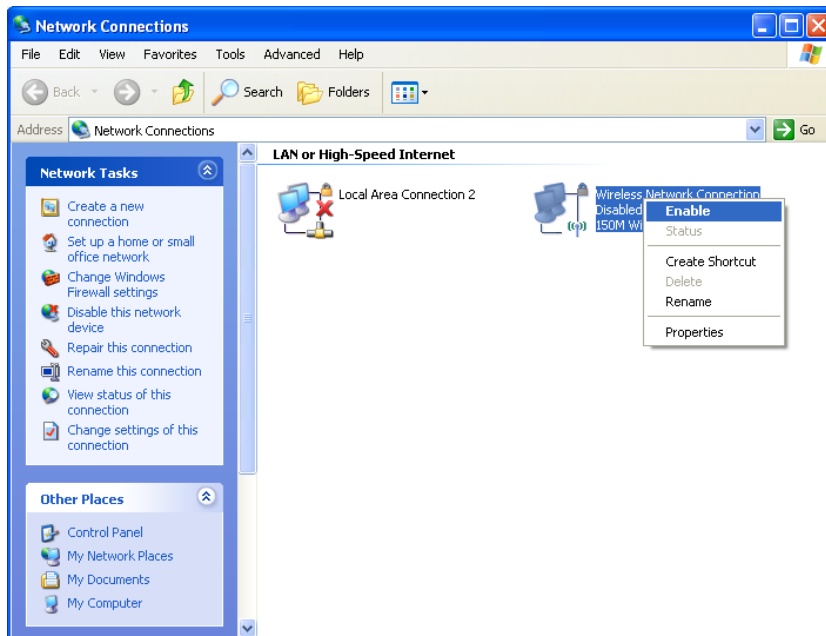
1. Configure the AP via a wired connection.
 - 1) Connect your AP to your PC with an Ethernet cable.
 - 2) Log on to the web-based management page. Configure your AP in the **Access Point** mode and check the **Enable SSID Broadcast** box referring to [4.6.1 Wireless Settings](#).
 - 3) View the **Wireless > Wireless Settings** page and keep the SSID of the AP in mind. (Here we choose TP-LINK as the SSID for example.) You are suggested to change the SSID and secure your wireless network referring to [4.6.1 Wireless Settings](#) and [4.6.2 Wireless Security](#).
 - 4) Remove the Ethernet cable between the AP and your PC.
2. Connect your AP to the LAN port on the Router with an Ethernet cable.



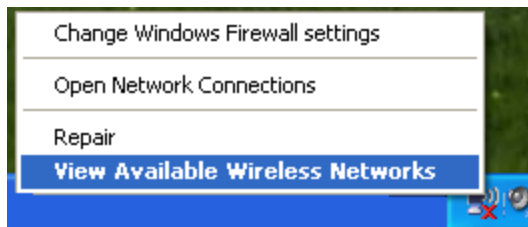
3. Configure your PC to connect to the network wirelessly.
 - 1) Click **start** (in the lower left corner of the PC's screen), right-click **My Network Connections** and choose **Properties**.



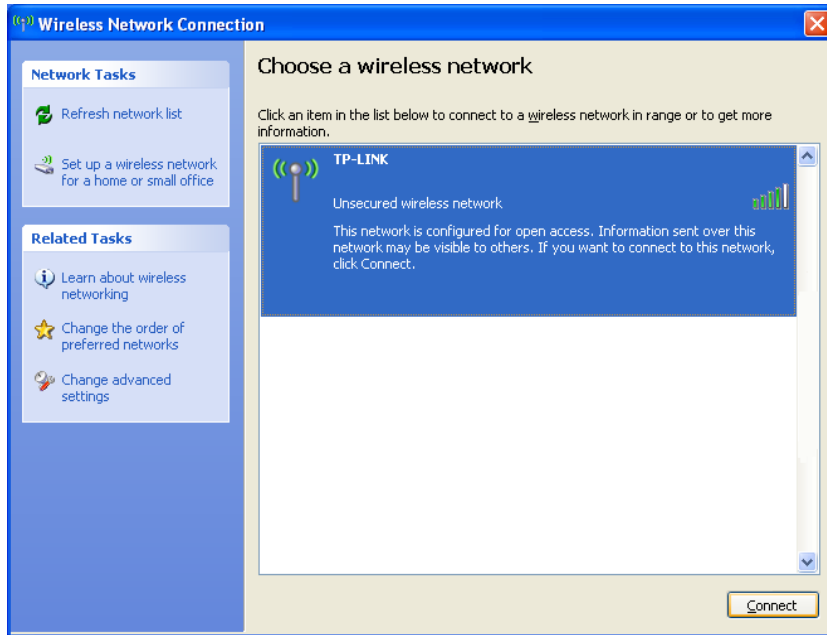
- 2) On the **My Network Connections** window, right-click **Wireless Network** and choose **Enable** to enable wireless network function.



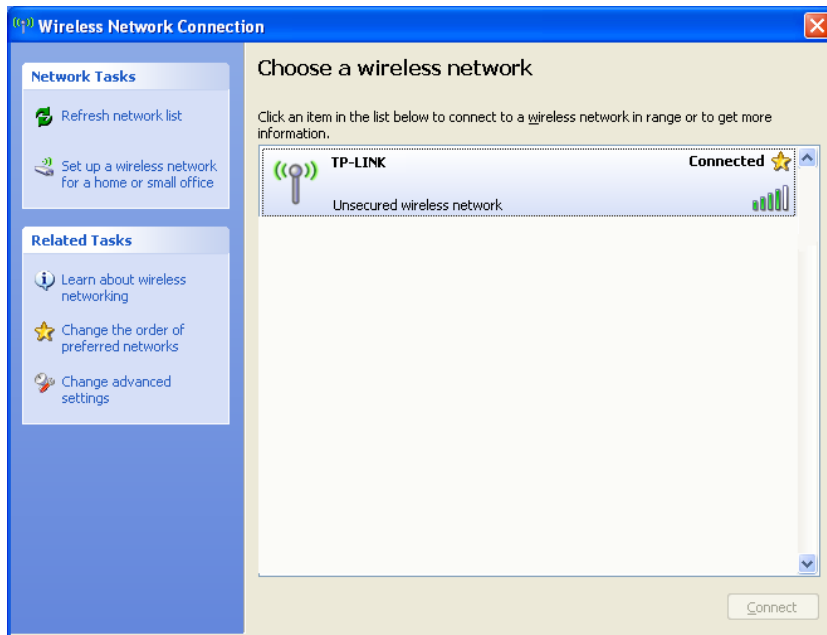
- 3) Right-click the wireless connection icon “” on the screen of the PC and then select **View Available Wireless Networks**.



- 4) Highlight the SSID of the AP (Here is TP-LINK) and click **Connect** to add to the network.



- 5) Then the following page will display, which indicates you have been successfully added to the network wirelessly.



Appendix B: Factory Defaults

Item	Default Value
Common Default Settings	
Login Username	admin
Login Password	admin
IP Address	192.168.0.254
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
Wireless	
SSID	TP-LINK_AP_XXXXXX
Wireless Security	Disable
Wireless MAC Address Filtering	Disable
DHCP	
DHCP Server	Enable
Start IP Address	192.168.0.100
End IP Address	192.168.0.199
Domain Name	http://tplinkap.net
Default Gateway (optional)	0.0.0.0
Primary DNS (optional)	0.0.0.0
Secondary DNS (optional)	0.0.0.0

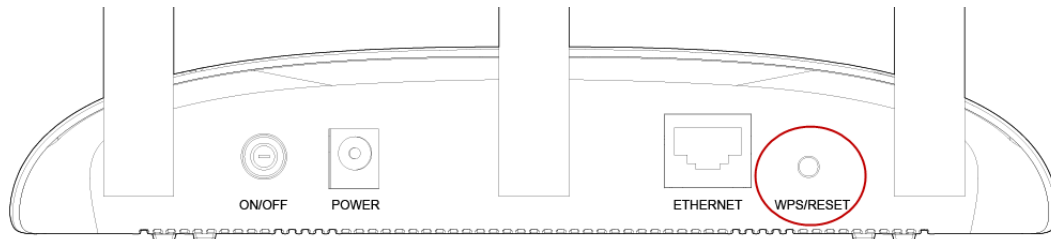
 **Note:**

The default SSID is TP-LINK_AP_XXXXXX (XXXXXX indicates the last unique six characters of each device's MAC address). This value is case-sensitive.

Appendix C: Troubleshooting

T1. How do I restore my Access Point's configuration to its factory default settings?

With the Access Point powered on, use a pin to press and hold the **WPS/RESET** button on the rear panel for more than 8 seconds before releasing it.



Note:

Once the Access Point is reset, the current configuration settings will be lost and you will need to reconfigure the Access Point.

T2. What can I do if I forget my password?

- 1) Try to use the default user name and password: **admin, admin**;
- 2) Referring to the file that you have saved in step 6 of [3.1 Quick Setup](#) last time you configured the device, the file will show you the user name and password that you have configured.
- 3) If the password is still not the correct one, then you can try to restore the Access Point's configuration to its factory default settings referring to previous section **T1** and try to reconfigure your AP by following the instructions in [3.1 Quick Setup](#).

T3. What can I do if I cannot access the web-based configuration page?

- 1) Please check to see if you have input the correct address ***http://tplinkap.net*** in the address bar of your browser.
- 2) Please make sure your hardware connection is OK. You can confirm this by the LAN LED on the front panel of TL-WA901ND. If the LED of the LAN port, which your Ethernet cable is connected to, is lighting green, your hardware connection is OK; otherwise, please check your hardware connection carefully.
- 3) Make sure your wired device's IP address is set as "Obtain an IP address automatically".
- 4) If the problem still persists, please feel free to contact our technical support.

Appendix D: Specifications

General	
Standards and Protocols	IEEE 802.3, 802.3u, 802.11n, 802.11b and 802.11g, TCP/IP, DHCP
Safety & Emission	FCC、CE
Ports	One 10/100M Auto-Negotiation RJ45 port, supporting passive PoE
Cabling Type	10BASE-T: UTP category 3, 4, 5 cable (maximum 100m) EIA/TIA-568 100Ω STP (maximum 100m) 100BASE-TX: UTP category 5, 5e cable (maximum 100m) EIA/TIA-568 100Ω STP (maximum 100m)
Wireless	
Frequency Band	2.4~2.4835GHz
Radio Data Rate	11n: up to 300Mbps (Automatic) 11g: 54/48/36/24/18/12/9/6M (Automatic) 11b: 11/5.5/2/1M (Automatic)
Frequency Expansion	DSSS(Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum)
Modulation	DBPSK, DQPSK, CCK, OFDM, 16-QAM, 64-QAM
Security	WEP,WPA / WPA2,WPA-PSK/ WPA2-PSK
Sensitivity @PER	270M: -68dBm@10% PER 108M: -68dBm@10% PER; 54M: -68dBm@10% PER 11M: -85dBm@8% PER; 6M: -88dBm@10% PER 1M: -90dBm@8% PER
Antenna Gain	5dBi
Physical and Environment	
Working Temperature	0°C~40°C (32°F~104°F)
Working Humidity	10% ~ 90% RH, Non-condensing
Storage Temperature	-40°C~70°C (-40°F~158°F)
Storage Humidity	5% ~ 90% RH, Non-condensing

Appendix E: Glossary

802.11n - 802.11n builds upon previous 802.11 standards by adding MIMO (multiple-input multiple-output). MIMO uses multiple transmitter and receiver antennas to allow for increased data throughput via spatial multiplexing and increased range by exploiting the spatial diversity, perhaps through coding schemes like Alamouti coding. The Enhanced Wireless Consortium (EWC) [3] was formed to help accelerate the IEEE 802.11n development process and promote a technology specification for interoperability of next-generation wireless local area networking (WLAN) products.

802.11b - The 802.11b standard specifies a wireless networking at 11 Mbps using direct-sequence spread-spectrum (DSSS) technology and operating in the unlicensed radio spectrum at 2.4GHz, and WEP encryption for security. 802.11b networks are also referred to as Wi-Fi networks.

802.11g - specification for wireless networking at 54 Mbps using direct-sequence spread-spectrum (DSSS) technology, using OFDM modulation and operating in the unlicensed radio spectrum at 2.4GHz, and backward compatibility with IEEE 802.11b devices, and WEP encryption for security.

Access Point (AP) - A wireless LAN transceiver or "base station" that can connect a wired LAN to one or many wireless devices. Access points can also bridge to each other.

DNS (Domain Name System) – An Internet Service that translates the names of websites into IP addresses.

Domain Name - A descriptive name for an address or group of addresses on the Internet.

DoS (Denial of Service) - A hacker attack designed to prevent your computer or network from operating or communicating.

DSL (Digital Subscriber Line) - A technology that allows data to be sent or received over existing traditional phone lines.

ISP (Internet Service Provider) - A company that provides access to the Internet.

MTU (Maximum Transmission Unit) - The size in bytes of the largest packet that can be transmitted.

SSID - A **S**ervice **S**et **I**dentification is a thirty-two character (maximum) alphanumeric key identifying a wireless local area network. For the wireless devices in a network to communicate with each other, all devices must be configured with the same SSID. This is typically the configuration parameter for a wireless PC card. It corresponds to the ESSID in the wireless Access Point and to the wireless network name.

WEP (Wired Equivalent Privacy) - A data privacy mechanism based on a 64-bit or 128-bit or 152-bit shared key algorithm, as described in the IEEE 802.11 standard.

Wi-Fi - A trade name for the 802.11b wireless networking standard, given by the Wireless Ethernet Compatibility Alliance (WECA, see <http://www.wi-fi.net>), an industry standards group promoting interoperability among 802.11b devices.

WLAN (Wireless Local Area Network) - A group of computers and associated devices communicate with each other wirelessly, which network serving users are limited in a local area.

WPA (Wi-Fi Protected Access) - WPA is a security technology for wireless networks that improves on the authentication and encryption features of WEP (Wired Equivalent Privacy). In fact, WPA was developed by the networking industry in response to the shortcomings of WEP. One of the

key technologies behind WPA is the Temporal Key Integrity Protocol (TKIP). TKIP addresses the encryption weaknesses of WEP. Another key component of WPA is built-in authentication that WEP does not offer. With this feature, WPA provides roughly comparable security to VPN tunneling with WEP, with the benefit of easier administration and use. This is similar to 802.1x support and requires a RADIUS server in order to implement. The Wi-Fi Alliance will call this, WPA-Enterprise. One variation of WPA is called WPA Pre Shared Key or WPA-PSK for short - this provides an authentication alternative to an expensive RADIUS server. WPA-PSK is a simplified but still powerful form of WPA most suitable for home Wi-Fi networking. To use WPA-PSK, a person sets a static key or "passphrase" as with WEP. But, using TKIP, WPA-PSK automatically changes the keys at a preset time interval, making it much more difficult for hackers to find and exploit them. The Wi-Fi Alliance will call this, WPA-Personal.