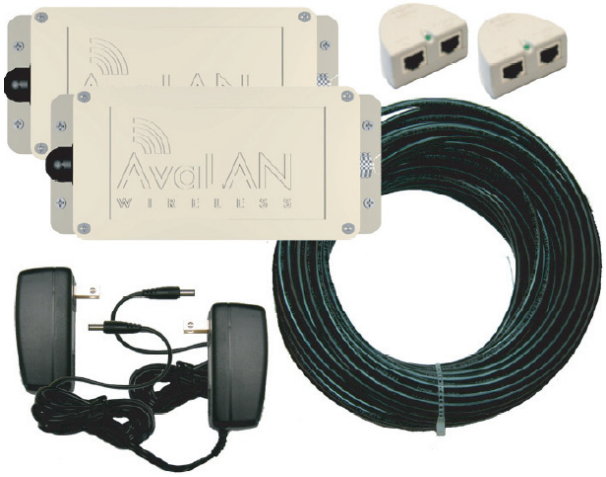
AW900x
User's Manual



Thank you for your purchase of the AW900x Wireless Ethernet Bridge.

If you have any questions when configuring your AvaLAN Bridge, please send us an email: support@avalanwireless.com

For advanced installation information see www.avalanwirelss.com

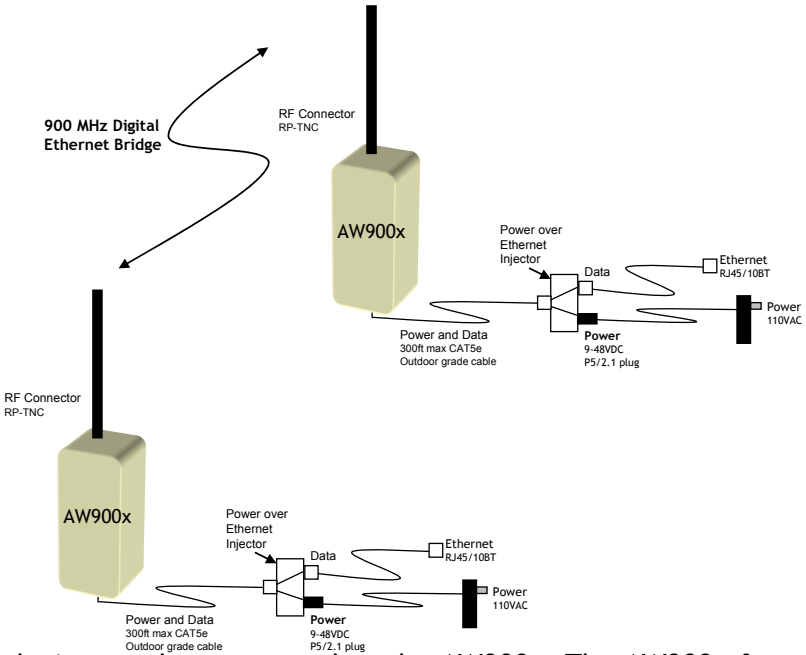
The AW900x Kit Contains:

(2) AW900x Radio Units
(2) 80-240VAC to 9VDC Power Adapters
(2) Power over Ethernet Injectors
(2) 30 ft CAT5e Outdoor Cables

Quick Setup:

1. Plug in the AW900x using the supplied injector and power supply.
2. Connect an Ethernet cable from each AW900x to a network device.
3. Send Ethernet traffic. For troubleshooting see page 2.

Each AW900x radio automatically selects the best radio channel, encrypts the Ethernet traffic and transports the data wirelessly to its mate.



Any Ethernet device can be connected to the AW900x. The AW900x functions in place of an Ethernet cable and provides a transparent wireless point to point Ethernet cable replacement. **Cross-over cables are not necessary** as the AW900x automatically senses the device (client or switch).

LED display:

The AW900x has a 16 LED display to display the status of the device.

Name	Function	Color
Power	Unit has power and has successfully booted.	**Red**
RF Link	The radio has successfully synchronized with it partner.	**Green**
RF TX	Radio transmission is occurring.	**Green**
RF RX	Radio reception is occurring.	**Green**
Eth Link	The Ethernet Port has a valid Ethernet connection	**Green**
Activity	The AW900m is processing data	**Green**
1 (channel)	By adding the numbers that are lit the user can determine the current radio channel. 1 903.12500 MHz 7 915.62500 MHz 2 905.20833 MHz 8 917.70833 MHz 3 907.29167 MHz 9 919.79167 MHz 4 909.37500 MHz 10 921.87500 MHz 5 911.45833 MHz 11 923.95833 MHz 6 913.54167 MHz 12 926.04167 MHz	**Green**
2 (channel)		
4 (channel)		
8 (channel)		
Link Quality Meter ***The more LEDs that are lit the higher the link quality.***	Excellent link quality - No retransmissions	**Green**
	Very good link quality - Few retransmissions	**Green**
	Good link quality - Occasional retransmissions	**Amber**
	Fair link quality - Some retransmissions	**Amber**
	Poor link quality - Many retransmissions	**Red**
	No link quality No link available	**Red**

Troubleshooting:

See the online installation tutorial and FAQ at www.avalanwireless.com

No Power LED:

Check the power connections.

No Radio Link LED:

The radio is looking for its matched partner. If both units are powered up and the Power LEDs are active they may be too far away to create the radio connection. Try other locations that may have a less obstructed path or try to reorient the antennas.

Yagi type antennas get their best range when they are oriented to point directly at each other with the antenna elements oriented in the same plane (eg. vertically or horizontally)

Radio LINK LED on but Link Quality Indicator is low:

The units may be too far away to create a good radio connection. Try other locations that may have a less obstructed path or try to reorient the antennas.

No Ethernet LINK LED:

Check your network connections.

Installing Multiple systems in close proximity:

See the online installation tutorial and FAQ at www.avalanwireless.com

Still not working?

Temporarily use an Ethernet cable to see if the network is working over a wired connection. If an Ethernet cable does not work then the problem is with the network.

Support Email: support@avalanwireless.com **Support helpline:** (650) 384-0000

Advanced Settings:

Automatic frequency selection mode (DIP switches – all OFF for automatic mode)

The AW900x is designed to automatically select and continuously optimize the performance of its radio channel. The radio channel is monitored to ensure it is providing low error rates necessary for successful radio transmission. In the event that the error rate rises, the AW900x will autonomously change to a new channel. There are 12 non-overlapping channels.

Manual frequency selection mode

To restrict the operation of the AW900x to a subset of the 902-928 band, the user may activate a manual selection mode that allows the radio to automatically choose the best channel **within a grouped subset** of the 12 available channels. This is enabled by the 8 position DIP switch on the master unit. These settings allow the AW900x to operate on the optimal channel in one of three subsets, LOW 4, MID 4 or HIGH 4. The DIP switch setting are:

Channels	DIP Setting	Frequency
LOW 4 - 1,2,3 or 4	2 On / 3 Off	902-910 MHz
MID 4 - 5,6,7 or 8	2 Off / 3 On	910-918 MHz
HIGH 4 - 9,10,11 or 12	2 On / 3 On	918-927 MHz

Or - the user may wish to select **a specific channel.** This can be done by setting DIP switches 5-8 as shown in the table below. [Turn DIP 2 Off / 3 Off]

Channel	DIP Setting	Center Frequency
1	5 On / 6 Off / 7 Off / 8 Off	903.12500 MHz
2	5 Off / 6 On / 7 Off / 8 Off	905.20833 MHz
3	5 On / 6 On / 7 Off / 8 Off	907.29167 MHz
4	5 Off / 6 Off / 7 On / 8 Off	909.37500 MHz
5	5 On / 6 Off / 7 On / 8 Off	911.45833 MHz
6	5 Off / 6 On / 7 On / 8 Off	913.54167 MHz
7	5 On / 6 On / 7 On / 8 Off	915.62500 MHz
8	5 Off / 6 Off / 7 Off / 8 On	917.70833 MHz
9	5 On / 6 Off / 7 Off / 8 On	919.79167 MHz
10	5 Off / 6 On / 7 Off / 8 On	921.87500 MHz
11	5 On / 6 On / 7 Off / 8 On	923.95833 MHz
12	5 Off / 6 Off / 7 On / 8 On	926.04167 MHz

Site survey mode (DIP switch 4 - default is OFF for normal operation)

In this mode the AW900x can perform a site survey. With this mode activated the radios send and receive at 100% capacity by transceiving self-generated simulated data. The installer can monitor the Link Quality display to assess channel quality while optimizing antennae orientation. The installer can manually select each channel to evaluate performance and identify the best channels for operation. By identifying channels with poor performance it is possible to identify possible interferers and use "manual frequency selection mode" to avoid portions of the band or select a fixed operating frequency. **Note:** Ethernet traffic does not get transported while the radios are in this mode.

Power save mode (DIP switch 1 - default is OFF for normal LED display)

In this mode the display LEDs can be turned off for low power applications (solar).

Technical Specifications: (typical)

Characteristic	Specification - description
RF transmission rate:	1.5 Mb/s
Throughput:	935 Kb/s
Output power:	+21dBm – (4 Watts EIRP with 15dBi antennae)
Receive sensitivity:	-97dBm at 10e-4 BER (-112dBm with 15dBi antennae)
Latency:	< 2ms – assuming a dedicated wireless link to client device.
Jitter:	±0.5ms – depending upon packet size, interference and SNR.
Voltage Range:	6-48VDC
Power Consumption:	TX <1.5Watts RX <0.6Watts over 6-48VDC input voltage.
Radio channels:	12 Non-overlapping
Automatic frequency select:	Yes – radio channel automatically selected and adaptively optimized
Manual frequency mode:	Yes
Status LEDs:	Power, RF Link, Ethernet Link, Traffic, RF RX, RF TX, 4/Channel an 6/Link Quality
Error correction technique:	Sub-block error detection and retransmission
Adjacent-band rejection:	SAW receiver filter attenuates cellular and pager interference.
Temperature range	-40˚C to 70˚C
Power over Ethernet:	Use with 6VDC to 48VDC POE systems with lines 4/5 positive, 7/8 ground.

Product limited warranty:
This product is warranted to the original purchaser for normal use for a period of 180 days from the date of purchase. If a defect covered under this warranty occurs Avalan will repair or replace the defective part, at its option, at no cost. This warranty does not cover defects resulting from misuse or modification of the product.

Compliance Statement (Part 15.19)
This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules.
Operation is subject to the following two conditions:
1. This device may not cause harmful interference, and
2. This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Warning (Part 15.21)
Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

RF Exposure (OET Bulletin 65)
To comply with FCC RF exposure requirements for mobile transmitting devices, this transmitter should only be used or installed at locations where there is at least 20cm separation distance between the antenna and all persons.

Information to the User - Part 15.105 (b)
Note: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:
--Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
--Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
--Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
--Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.