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EW-7438RPn

User Manual

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Chapter I: Product Information

1-1 Introduction and safety information

Thank you for purchasing this mini 802.11b/g/n wireless repeater!
The ultra-compact design with power built-in allows you to install this
repeater everywhere, and still providing excellent network performance
to extend the Wi-Fi signal and wireless coverage.

Other features of this wireless repeater including:

- Extend the wireless signal inside your home or office.

- Ultra-compact design while maintaining excellent network
  performance.

- LED signal indicator to easily realize the best location placement
  to extend WiFi signal and secure better wireless performance.

- The device can support Repeater mode, AP mode and AP client
  mode

- Hardware switch button for user to change operation mode
  quickly without logging into web firmware.

- WPS (Wi-Fi Protected Setup) hardware button for easy
  installation and secure wireless security.

1-2 Safety Information

In order to keep the safety of users and your properties, please follow the following safety instructions:

1. This wireless repeater is designed for indoor use only. DO NOT expose this device to direct sun light, rain, or snow.

2. DO NOT put this at or near hot or humid places, like kitchen or bathroom. Also, do not left this Wireless repeater in the car in summer.

3. Do not allow kids to put any small parts of this wireless repeater in their mouth, and it could cause serious injury or could be fatal. If they throw this wireless repeater, it will be damaged. PLEASE KEEP THIS WIRELESS REPEATER OUT THE REACH OF CHILDREN!

4. This Wireless repeater will become hot when being used for long time (This is normal and is not a malfunction). DO NOT put the Wireless repeater on a paper, cloth, or other flammable objects after the Wireless repeater has been used for a long time.

5. There's no user-serviceable part inside the Wireless repeater. If you found that the Wireless repeater is not working properly, please contact your dealer of purchase and ask for help. DO NOT disassemble the Wireless repeater by yourself, warranty will be void.

6. If the Wireless repeater falls into water, DO NOT USE IT AGAIN BEFORE YOU SEND THE CARD TO THE DEALER OF PURCHASE FOR INSPECTION.

1-3 Package Contents

Before you start to use this wireless repeater, please check if there's anything missing in the package, and contact your dealer of purchase to claim for missing items:

- 1 x Wi-Fi extender
- 1 x Ethernet cable
- 1 x Access key card
- 1 x Quick installation guide
- 1 x CD with user manual and multi-language QIG

1-4 Familiar with your new wireless repeater

Interface Descriptions
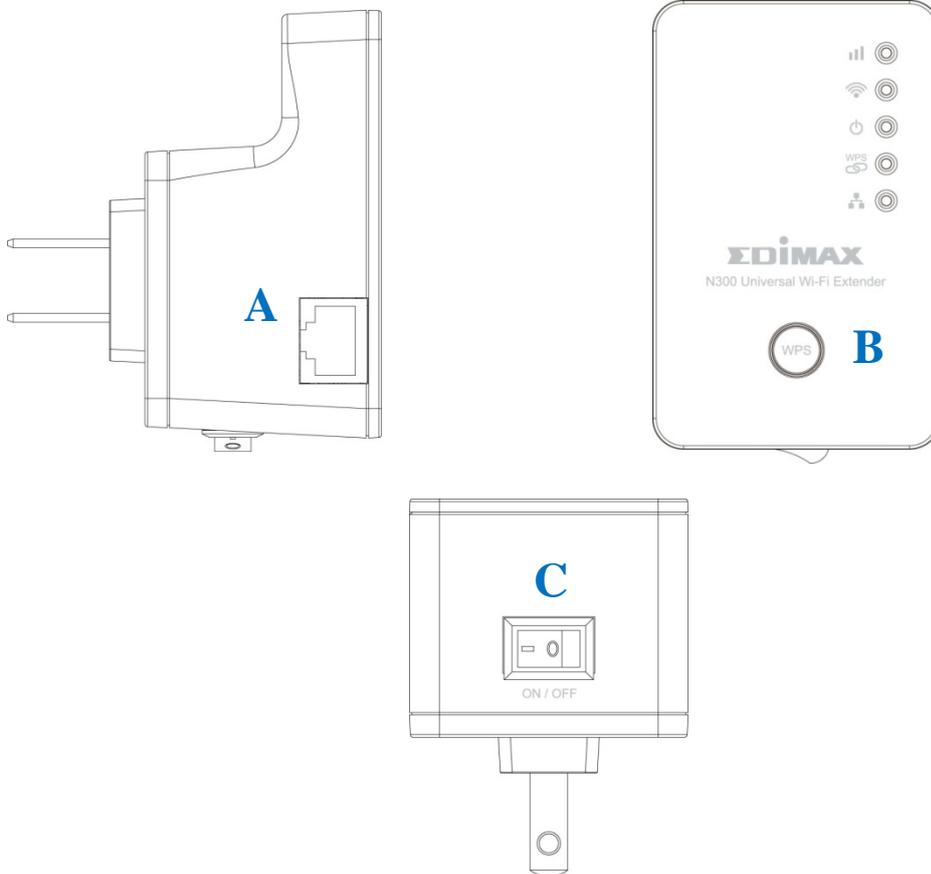
Item	Item Name	Description
A	LAN	10/100M Ethernet LAN Port with Auto-MDI/MDI-X. Connecting to computer, switch or hub for local network sharing.
B	Reset / WPS	Reset the repeater to factory default settings (clear all settings) or start WPS function. Press this button and hold for 10 seconds to restore all settings to factory defaults, and press this button for less than 5 seconds to start WPS function.
C	ON/OFF	This is power on/off slide switch. If you want to switch off the repeater, switch it to Off mode.

LED Definitions

LED Name		LED Status	Description
☰	Signal Strength	On	Excellent signal reception (Signal strength 50 – 100%)
		Flashing	Good signal reception (Signal strength 25 – 50%)
		Flashing Rapidly	Poor signal reception (Signal strength < 25%)
		Off	No signal detected, disconnected, or in LED off mode
📶	Wi-Fi	Flashing	Connected to existing Wi-Fi network (transferring data)
		Off	Wi-Fi not activated or in LED off mode
⏻	Power	On	Device switched on and correctly powered
		Flashing	Resetting to factory defaults
		Off	Device not powered, not correctly powered, or in LED off mode

		On	WPS connection established
WPS	WPS	Flashing	WPS in progress (waiting for another WPS device's connection)
		Flashing Rapidly	WPS error
		Off	No WPS connection established or in LED off mode
	LAN	On	LAN port connected
		Flashing	LAN activity (transferring data)
		Off	LAN port not connected

Chapter II: Repeater mode

Repeater mode is your Wi-Fi range extender!
It can extend your wireless signal and coverage and help you to solve wireless dead zone problem.
This chapter will show you how to quickly install this device by using quick setup and show you the each detailed setting on web UI page of repeater mode.

2-1 Repeater mode Quick Installation Guide

For the first time setup and easy installation, you can move this device close to the Wireless Broadband Router or Access point you wish to connect, after installation done and wireless connection is built, you can move this repeater device to the place you wish to use.

Insert this device into power outlet on the wall, and switch wireless repeater's power switch to '**ON**' (1). You should see '***Power***' LED light up in few seconds (2). If not, please check if the power outlet you're using is working.
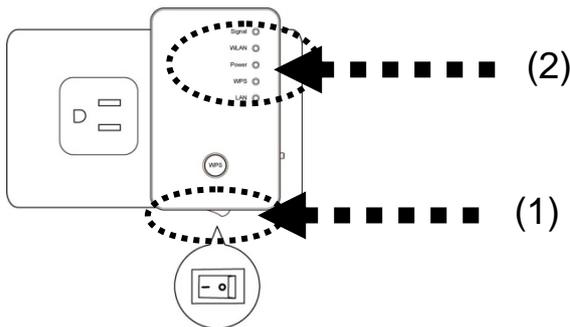
You can build wireless connection via 'Hardware WPS button' or 'Software web browser'.
If your broadband router or access point also supports 'WPS button', we recommend you to use WPS button to establish connection, it is the fast and secure way without computer.

> **Using WPS button**   **- please go to section 2-1-1**
> **Using Web browser**   **- please go to section 2-1-2**

2-1-1 Hardware WPS button setup

(1) Press and hold *WPS button* on repeater for 2 seconds, '*WPS*' LED will start flashing.

WPS button

WPS LED
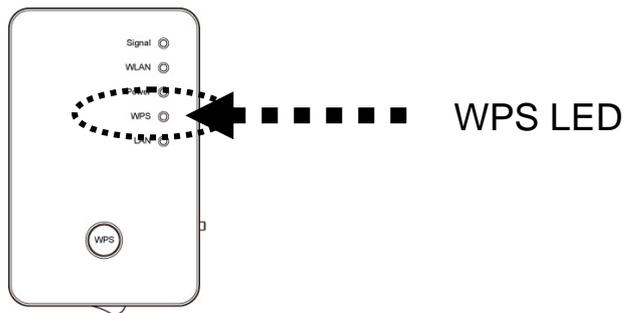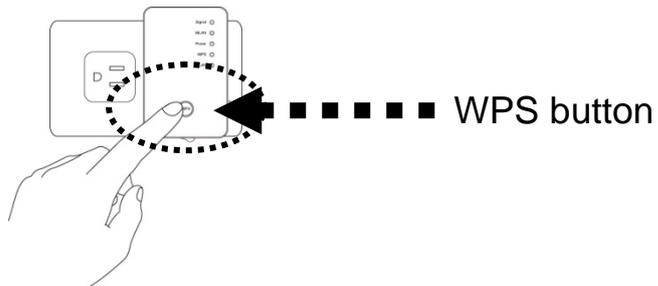
(2) Press **WPS button** on the wireless broadband router or access point you wish to connect within 2 minutes.
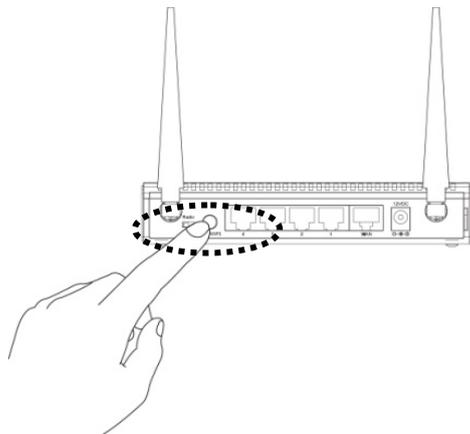
NOTE: this WPS button position on access point is for example, different device may have different WPS button position.

TIP: If the access point you wish to connect does not have hardware WPS button, you can also use its web configuration menu's WPS function to establish connection. Or you can login this repeater web UI to have quick setup (detailed setup refers to '2-1-2 Web browser quick setup' manual)
  manual)

(3) If WPS connection is successfully established, '**WPS**' LED will light for 5 minutes; if '**WPS**' LED flashes fast, there's something error, please wait for 2 minutes until '**WPS**' LED off, and try from step(1) again.

WPS LED
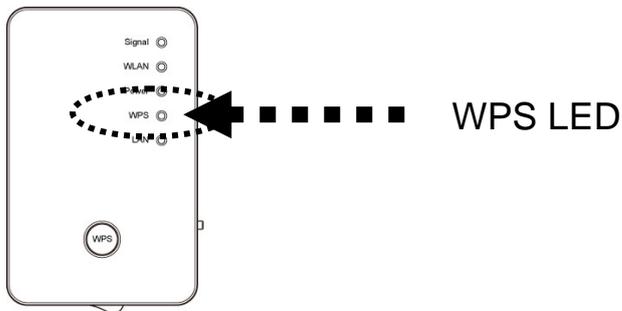
When quick installation is successfully done, '**Signal**" LED will turn on.
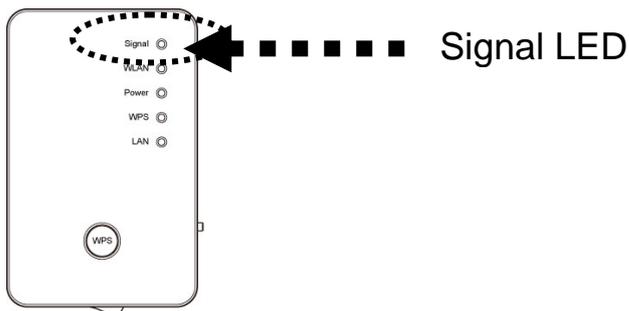
Signal LED

(4) Please move repeater to the place you wish to use (a better place will be the center of your house) and insert this repeater into power outlet on the wall, the wireless connection will be established automatically.
You can check '**Signal**' LED status to understand signal reception level.
Steady light: Excellent, Flash: Good, Fast flash: poor.

NOTE: If the Signal LED is off, it means this place is out of wireless signal of your wireless broadband router or access point, please move this repeater closer to broadband router until repeater device can receive signal from broadband router and extend its signal.

The quick installation setup is completely done, you can refer to '2-2 Repeater mode Advanced Settings' to login in web UI for other advanced settings.

2-1-2 Web browser quick setup

Before you can connect to the repeater and start configuration procedures, your computer must be able to get an IP address automatically (use dynamic IP address). If it's set to use static IP address, or you're unsure, please refer to '*Chapter X: Appendix, 5-1 Configuring TCP/IP on PC*' to set your computer to use dynamic IP address.

1. Use Ethernet cable to connect your computer's Ethernet port and wireless repeater's Ethernet port.
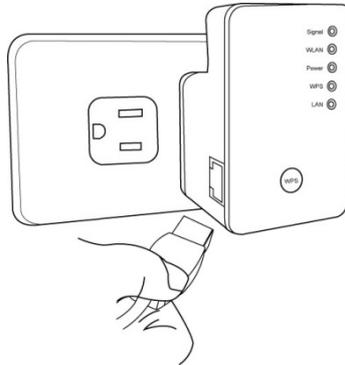
Or connect your computer to the extender through a wireless connection (search for the available Wi-Fi networks in the area and connect to "Edimax_Extender").

Important notice:
If you are using Windows 7 and the following appears, please click "Connect the network without setting it up". Please do not click "OK".

If you have accidentally clicked "OK", you will see the following. Please click "Cancel".

2. Now you should have connected to the Wi-Fi extender. Open your web browser and input the access key in address bar to log in the extender's web configuration interface.

Note: The access key can be found on the access key card in the box and on the Wi-Fi extender.

http://extenderxxxxx

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Access Key

Enter the following access key in your browser to enter the Wi-Fi extender's configuration interface:

http://extenderxxxxx

Note: Please keep this card for future use.
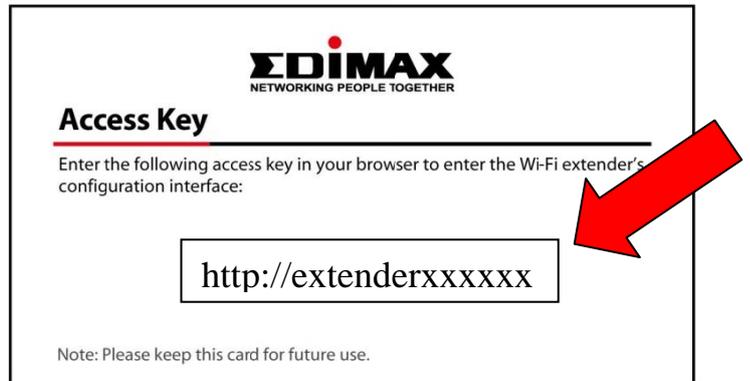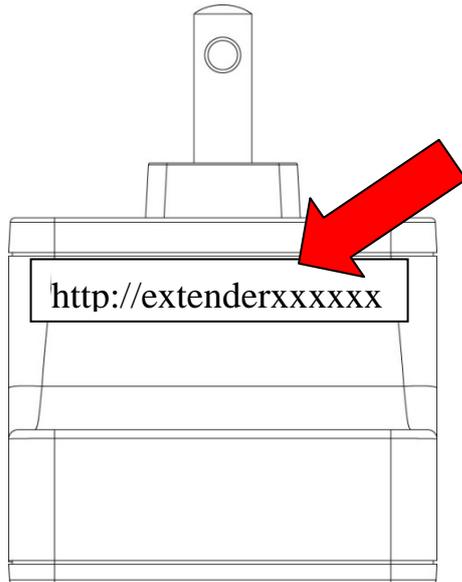
3. You will then be prompted to log in. The default username is "admin" and the default password is "1234". Click "OK" to continue.

Windows Security

The server 192.168.2.2 at Default: admin/1234 requires a username and password.

Warning: This server is requesting that your username and password be sent in an insecure manner (basic authentication without a secure connection).

User name

Password

Remember my credentials

OK   Cancel
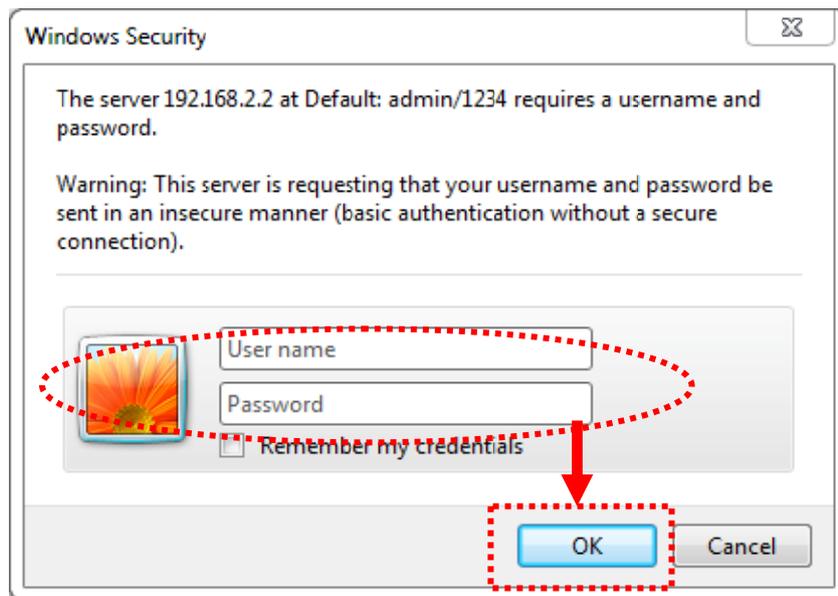
4. iQ Setup will start detecting available Wi-Fi networks automatically. All the detected Wi-Fi networks will be displayed in the list. Select the one to which you wish to connect and click "Next" to continue. If the Wi-Fi network to which you wish to connect does not appear, click "Refresh" to detect again or try to move the extender closer to the root wireless access point.

iQ Setup

Please connect this device to one of the following Wi-Fi networks.

Select	SSID	Channel	Encryption	Signal
⦿	Edimax	11	WPA-PSK	78
○	BR-6225HPn	8	no	44

Note: If you have set the SSID on your root AP to be hidden, please type in the information manually.

☐ Setup extender manually

SSID :

5. You will be prompted to input access point's wireless security key. Input the same password as the existing Wi-Fi network in the "KEY" field and click "Next" to continue.

Security

Please enter the Wi-Fi network's password.

KEY :	••••••••••

BACK   NEXT

Note: The extender must have the same Wi-Fi password as the root wireless access point.

6. After you click "NEXT" the Wi-Fi Extender will start to verify the wireless key with your associated access point and show you result within 2 minutes. Please follow the instruction to continue setup.

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Key is verifying, please wait for result within 2 minute

close
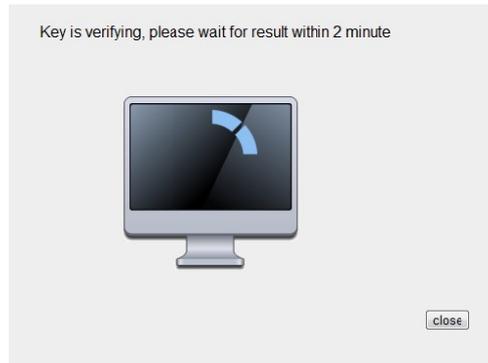
7. When key is correct, wireless repeater will display the connection information for you. If everything's correct, please click 'APPLY' button to get connected.

8. By default, the extender's SSID is the same as the root access point's SSID. You can change the extender's SSID if you want. Click "APPLY" to complete the setup.

Settings saved successfully!

Please click APPLY to restart the system and make the changes take effect.

Connected Access Point SSID : **Edimax**

Device SSID : Edimax

Security : **WPA-shared key**

Back   APPLY
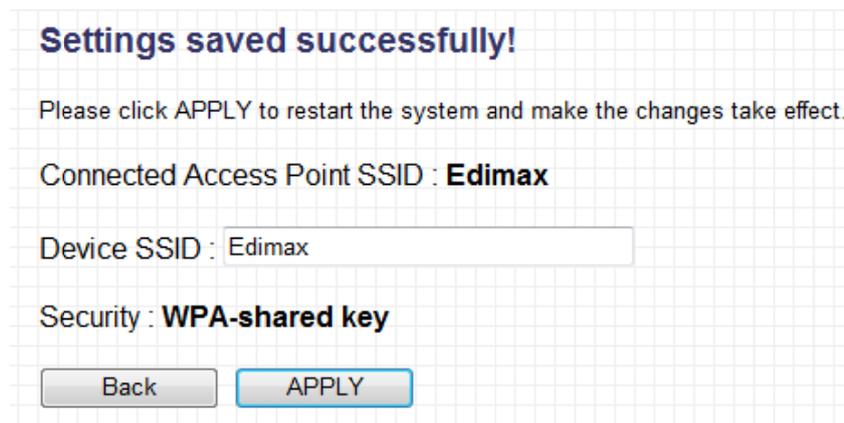
9. Please wait for few seconds for wireless repeater to reboot.

System restarting. Please wait for a moment.

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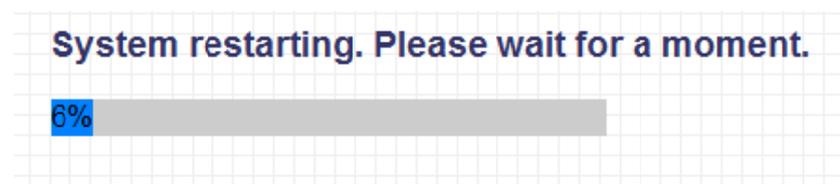
10. After reboot complete, web browser will login repeater's home page of Web UI. You can close browser and use your computer to connect to wireless access point by the SSID you set in last step and start using network.

NOTE: After wireless connection of this repeater and wireless broadband router is built, repeater is DHCP client and will get IP address from broadband router automatically. If you want to login Web UI of repeater, please refer to '2-2 Repeater mode Advanced Settings' for more functions or learn how to login web UI again.

2-2 Repeater mode Advanced Settings

2-2-1 Connect to web configuration menu

Please open web browser (IE, firefox, chrome etc.) and input http://extenderXXXXXX in address bar then press ENTER key:
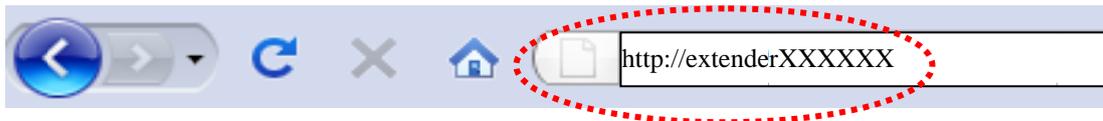
Wireless repeater will prompt you to input username and password. Default username is '**admin**' and password is '**1234**'. Click 'OK' button to continue.

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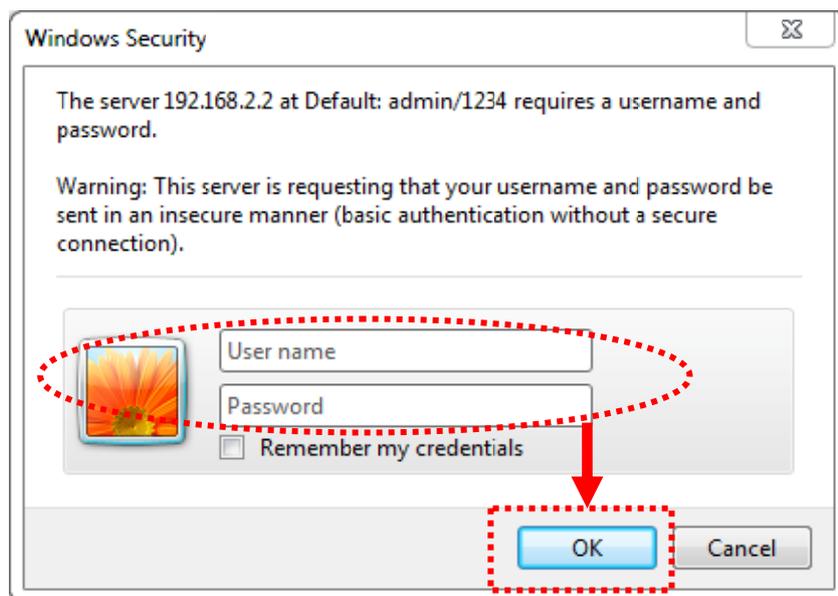
You should be able to see the configuration manual of Wireless repeater in very short time:

Detailed operation instructions will be given to following manual.

2-2-2 Home

The status and information of this wireless repeater will be displayed here.

To access 'Home' menu, click 'Home' on the left.
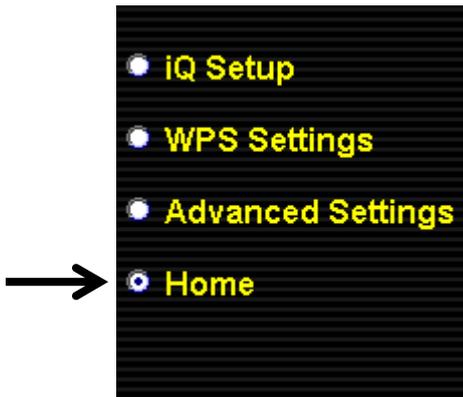
You should see the screen looks like this (the contents will vary depending on your actual setting):

System	
Uptime	0day:0h:29m:40s
Hardware Version	Wireless Settings
Runtime Code Version	1.00c
Wireless Settings	
Mode	Universal Repeater
ESSID	OBM_MKT
Channel Number	11
Security	WPA-Shared Key
BSSID (MAC)	00:1f:1f:b1:0e:30
Associated Clients	0 Show Active Clients
State	showText(information_21)
LAN Settings	
IP Address	192.168.2.2
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
Default Gateway	0.0.0.0
MAC Address	00:1f:1f:b1:0e:30

You can click 'Show Active Clients' button to show all connected wireless clients.

Please note: By clicking 'Show Active Clients' button, a new browser window will appear. If your browser prevents pop-up window from appearing, please disable this function or you will not be able to use 'Show Client' function.

2-2-3 WPS Setting

You can configure WPS (Wi-Fi Protected Setup) here. By using WPS, you can establish secure connection between this wireless repeater with other wireless devices which also support WPS in a fast and secure manner.

To access 'WPS Setting' menu, click 'WPS Settings' on the left.

The following setup page will appear:

The description of every setup item is listed as follow:

Item	Description
Enable WPS	You can enable or disable WPS function. Disabling WPS function is included hardware WPS button function. Default is 'enable WPS'.
WPS Status	Shows the security setting status of WPS. You must setup the security setting of this wireless repeater manually and the WPS status will become 'Configured'. Currently only WPA encryption is supported, if you select other encryption method, WPS status will remain 'Unconfigured'.
Self PinCode	Here displays an 8-digit number for WPS PIN-style configuration. When other WPS-compatible device wish to connect to this wireless repeater and supports Self-PIN type WPS, input this number to the wireless device to establish connection.
SSID	Shows the SSID of this wireless repeater.

Authentication Mode	Shows the authentication mode of this wireless repeater.
Passphrase Key	Here shows asterisks (*) to indicate wireless security is properly set.
Config Mode	There are 'Registrar' and 'Enrollee' modes for the WPS connection. When 'Registrar' is enabled, the wireless clients will follow the repeater's wireless settings for WPS connection. When 'Enrollee' mode is enabled, the repeater will follow the wireless settings of wireless router for WPS connection.
Start PBC	Click 'Start PBC' to start Push-Button style WPS setup procedure. This wireless repeater will wait for WPS requests from another wireless device for 2 minutes. The 'WPS' LED on the wireless repeater will be blinking for 2 minutes when this wireless repeater is waiting for incoming WPS request.
Start PIN	Please input the PIN code of the wireless client you wish to connect, and click 'Start PIN' button. The 'WPS' LED on the wireless repeater will be blinking when this wireless repeater is waiting for incoming WPS request.

NOTE: For WPS2.0 compliance specification, WEP and WPA-PSK can't support WPS connection, some of wireless devices may follow this latest WPS2.0 specification, so we recommend you not to use WEP and WPA-PSK to avoid WPS interoperability problem.

2-2-4 Advanced Settings

You can configure advanced wireless settings in this page. Please note that these settings are not safe to be configured by novice users. Configure these settings only when you understand what you're doing.

To access 'Advanced Setting' menu, click 'Advanced Setting' on the left.
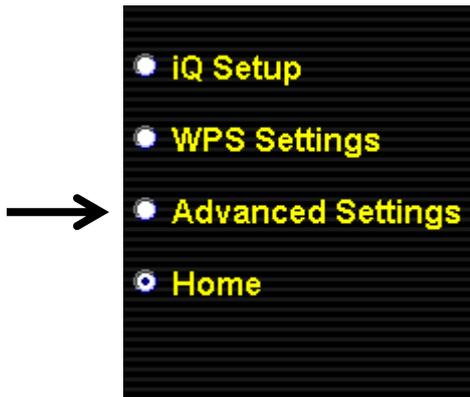
The following setup page will appear:

Fragment Threshold:	2346	(256-2346)
RTS Threshold:	2347	(0-2347)
Beacon Interval:	100	(20- 1024 ms)
DTIM Period:	3	(1-10)
Data Rate:	Auto	
N Data Rate:	Auto	
Channel Width:	◉ Auto 20/40MHz ○ 20MHz	
Preamble Type:	◉ Short Preamble ○ Long Preamble	
Broadcast ESSID:	◉ Enabled ○ Disabled	
WMM:	○ Enabled ◉ Disabled	
CTS Protect:	◉ Auto; ○ Always ○ None	
Tx Power:	100 %	

☐ **Enable LED Off Mode**
   ○ Turn off all LED indicators
   ○ Turn off all LED indictors except the power LED

APPLY   CANCEL

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The description of every setup item is listed as follow:

Item	Description
Fragment Threshold	Set the Fragment threshold of wireless radio. Threshold. Do not modify default value if you don't know what it is, default value is 2346.
RTS Threshold	Set the RTS threshold of wireless radio. Do not modify default value if you don't know what it is, default value is 2347.
Beacon Interval	Set the beacon interval of wireless radio. Do not modify default value if you don't know what it is, default value is 100.
DTIM Period	Configures DTIM (Delivery Traffic Indication Message) send period. Default value is 3.
Data Rate	Select wireless data transfer speed. When you select a value here, this repeater will refuse to establish connection with wireless clients by other speed. It's recommended to select 'Auto' and this wireless repeater will adjust the speed automatically.
N Data Rate	Select wireless data transfer speed by MCS0 to MCS7. MCS stands for Modulation and Coding Scheme, which represents different speed when bandwidth is 20MHz or 40MHz. It's recommended to select 'Auto' and this wireless repeater will adjust the speed automatically.
Channel Width	Select the wireless channel width, 20MHz or 40MHz. 40MHz provides better network speed for 802.11n wireless clients. However, if there're 802.11b / g clients connecting to this wireless repeater, it will switch to 20MHz mode automatically.
Preamble Type	Set the type of preamble of wireless radio, Do not modify default value if you don't know what it is,

	default setting is 'Short Preamble'.
Broadcast ESSID	When set to 'enabled', every wireless devices can scan and found this wireless repeater; when set to 'disabled', only wireless clients who know exact SSID can get connected with this wireless repeater. Set to disabled will help to improve security.
WMM	Enable or disable Wireless Multi-Media. When enabled, wireless repeater will give priority to multimedia related network applications so they will have better performance.
CTS Protect	This function provides CTS (Clear to Send) protection when transferring data. It's recommended to select 'Auto' for this option.
TX Power	Select wireless transmitting power level, from 10% to 100%. When wireless clients are not too far from this wireless repeater, you don't have to select a higher power level, since this may cause some people to try to break into your wireless network when you have a bad password or no password.
Enable LED off mode	You can enable or disable LED lights Check '**Enable LED OFF**' mode to setup LED behavior: Turn off all LED: disabled all LED lights Turn off all LED except POWER LED: all LED lights will be disabled, except 'POWER' LED

When you finish settings in this page, click 'Apply' button. You'll see the following message:

Settings saved successfully!

Click CONTINUE to continue configuring other settings, or click APPLY to restart the system and make the changes take effect.

[CONTINUE]   [APPLY]

If you still need to configure this wireless repeater, click 'CONTINUE'

button; if you want to save changes and make it work now, click 'APPLY' button.

System restarting. Please wait for a moment.

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You'll be prompted to wait for 30 seconds before you can reconnect to this wireless repeater.

2-2-5 MAC Address Filtering

Besides using wireless security to only allow permitted wireless users to use this wireless repeater, you can also use MAC address filter to allow wireless users with certain MAC address to use this wireless repeater.

This will enhance security because you can make a 'white list' to allow users on the list to use this wireless repeater only in advance. For those clients who don't list on this white list can't get connected, even he or she know the password.

To access 'MAC Filtering' menu, click 'MAC Filtering' on the left.
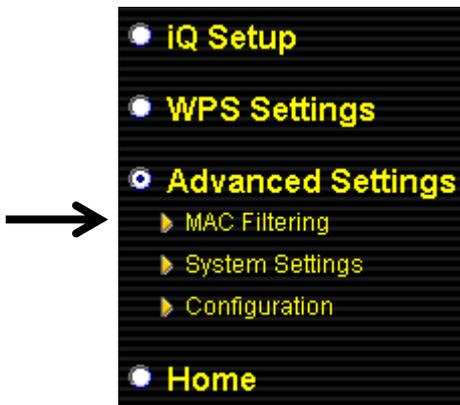
The following setup page will appear:

The description of every setup item is listed as follow:

Item	Description
Enable Wireless Access Control	Check this box to enable MAC filtering. If you didn't check this box, anyone who knows the wireless password can get connected to this wireless repeater.
MAC Address	Input the MAC address of the clients you wish to deny or accept to access the repeater into the MAC address list. Please input 12 HEX characters here, and you don't have to add : (colon) or - (dash) characters every 2 characters. *If you don't know how to get the MAC address of a network client, see tips below.*
Comment	Input any descriptive text about this rule, so you can remember the purpose of this rule. You can input up to 20 alphanumerical characters in this field.
Add	Add this MAC address to the list.
Clear	Clear 'MAC Address' and 'Comment' field.
Delete Selected	Delete MAC address(es) you selected which 'Select' box is checked.
Delete All	Delete all MAC addresses in the list. You'll be prompted to confirm deletion first.
Reset	Uncheck all checked boxes.
Select	All existing MAC addresses will be listed here. To delete a MAC address from the list, check the box of the MAC address you wish to delete first. You can select more than one MAC addresses here.

When you finish settings in this page, click 'Apply' button. You'll see the following message:

Settings saved successfully!

Click CONTINUE to continue configuring other settings, or click APPLY to restart the system and make the changes take effect.

[CONTINUE]   [APPLY]

If you still need to configure this wireless repeater, click 'CONTINUE' button; if you want to save changes and make it work now, click 'APPLY' button. You'll be prompted to wait for 30 seconds before you can reconnect to this wireless repeater.

TIPS: If you don't know the MAC address of your computer or wireless device, you can follow the following procedure:

For wireless devices and computers which are connected to this wireless repeater already, you can click 'Show Active Clients' button in 'Home' setting page.

Wireless Settings	
Mode	Universal Repeater
ESSID	OBM_MKT
Channel Number	11
Security	WPA-Shared Key
BSSID (MAC)	00:1f:1f:b1:0e:30
Associated Clients	0 Show Active Clients
State	showText(information_21)

Their MAC address will be displayed at 'MAC Address' field.

If you still can't identify the MAC address of computer, you can follow the following procedure:

Click the network icon located at the lower-right corner, then click 'Open Network and Sharing Center'.
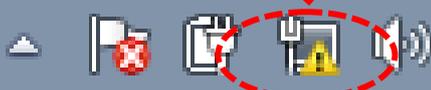
Click the connection that you'll be used to connect the wireless repeater (in this example, 'Local Area Connection'):

Click 'Details…' button.

The MAC address of selected network connection will be displayed here as 'Physical Address'.

Network Connection Details

Network Connection Details:

Property	Value
Connection-specific DN...	VXHOME_WIMAX
Description	Intel(R) PRO/1000 MT Desktop Adapter
Physical Address	08-00-27-BB-4D-3F
DHCP Enabled	Yes
IPv4 Address	10.0.2.15
IPv4 Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
Lease Obtained	Sunday, June 19, 2011 11:06:40 AM
Lease Expires	Tuesday, June 21, 2011 2:58:14 AM
IPv4 Default Gateway	10.0.2.2
IPv4 DHCP Server	10.0.2.2
IPv4 DNS Server	192.168.1.1
IPv4 WINS Server	
NetBIOS over Tcpip En...	Yes
Link-local IPv6 Address	fe80::a83e:603:1e74:c003%11
IPv6 Default Gateway	
IPv6 DNS Server	

Close

2-2-6 System Utility

You can change the settings of several system-level parameters in this page, including administrator's password, and IP address.

To access 'System Utility' menu, click 'System Utility' on the left.

The following setup page will appear:

The description of every setup item is listed as follow:

Password Settings

Default password of this repeater is 1234, and it's displayed on the login prompt when accessed from web browser. There's a security risk if you don't change the default password, since everyone can see it. This is very important when you have wireless function enabled.

Here are descriptions of every setup items:

Item	Description
Current Password	To change password, you have to input current password first.
New Password	Input new password here. You can use the combination of alphabets, number, and symbols for up to 20 characters.
Re-Enter Password	Input new password again for conformation.

Management IP

To set up the IP address of this wireless repeater, please see the following description.

Item	Description
IP Address	Input the IP address of LAN / Wi-Fi port of this wireless repeater. *NOTE: Please remember this IP address. If you forget this IP address and you didn't use DHCP server function to assign IP address to clients, you'll not be able to connect to this wireless repeater and you'll need to clear all settings and password to reset the IP address back to default value '192.168.2.254'.(Press WPS button and hold for 10 seconds to restore all settings to factory defaults)*
Subnet Mask	Input the subnet mask of the IP address you're using.
Gateway Address	Input the gateway's IP address of your network. Generally you can use '0.0.0.0' (default value) since this wireless repeater will access Internet via WAN port.

When you finish settings in this page, click 'Apply' button. You'll see the following message:

Settings saved successfully!

Click CONTINUE to continue configuring other settings, or click APPLY to restart the system and make the changes take effect.

[CONTINUE] [APPLY]

If you still need to configure this wireless repeater, click 'CONTINUE' button; if you want to save changes and make it work now, click 'APPLY' button. You'll be prompted to wait for 30 seconds before you can reconnect to this wireless repeater.

2-2-7 Configuration

You can backup and restore the configuration of this wireless repeater, so you can recall all settings back in very short time, without doing configuration again.

This function is especially useful when you need to use this mini Wi-Fi repeater in different places, like home and hotel.

To access 'Configuration' menu, click 'Configuration' on the left.
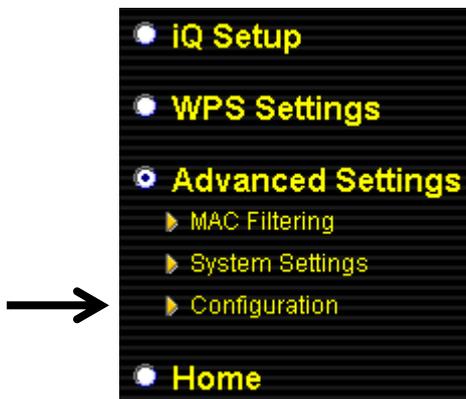
Configuration Tool

The following setup page will appear:

The description of every setup item is listed as follow:

Item	Description
Backup Settings	Click 'Save' button to save the current settings to a file on your computer.

Restore Settings	If you want to upload a saved configuration file to wireless repeater, please click 'Browse' button to select a saved configuration file on your computer. Then click 'Upload' button to restore the current settings to new one.
Reset to Factory Default	To reset all settings of this wireless repeater to factory defaults, including password. You'll be prompted to confirm the settings reset: Click 'OK' if you really want to restore all settings, or click 'Cancel' to abort.

WEB Upgrade

The software running in this wireless repeater (i.e. 'Firmwre') can be upgraded to improve the functionality of this wireless repeater.

You can access our website to look for latest firmware file. Then download the latest firmware file and save on your computer and upload to this wireless repeater.

The description of every setup item is listed as follow:

Item	Description
Browse	Select a firmware file saved on your computer.

When you are ready, click 'Apply' button to start firmware upgrade procedure.

Reset

When you think this wireless repeater is not working properly, resetting it may help.
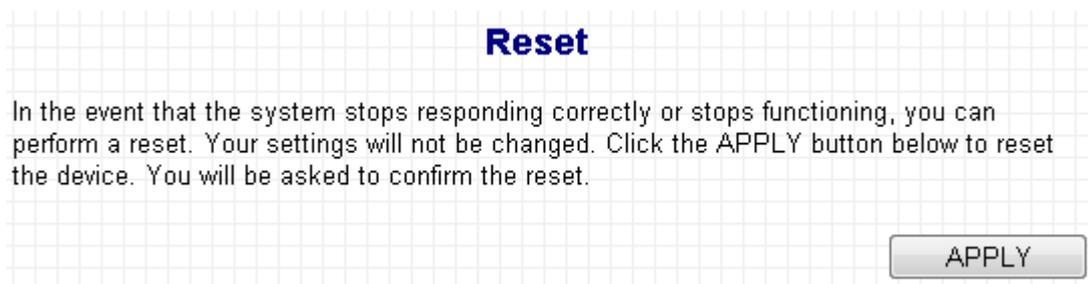
To reset this wireless repeater, click 'Apply' button. You'll be prompted to confirm reset:
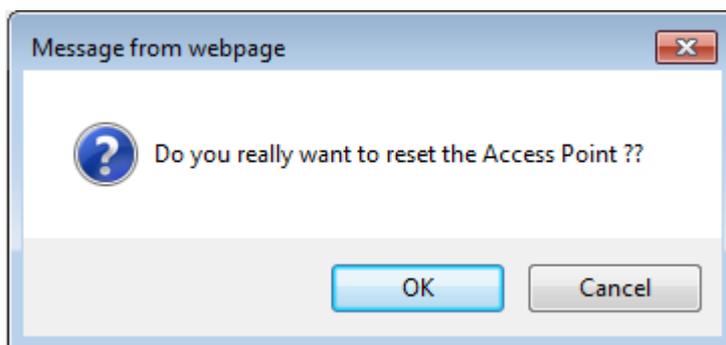
Click 'OK' button to reset wireless repeater, or click 'Cancel' to abort.

Chapter III: Appendix

3-1 Configuring TCP/IP on PC

3-1-1 Windows XP IP address setup:

1. Click 'Start' button (it should be located at lower-left corner of your computer), then click control panel. Double-click *Network and Internet Connections* icon, click *Network Connections,* then double-click *Local Area Connection, Local Area Connection Status* window will appear, and then click 'Properties'
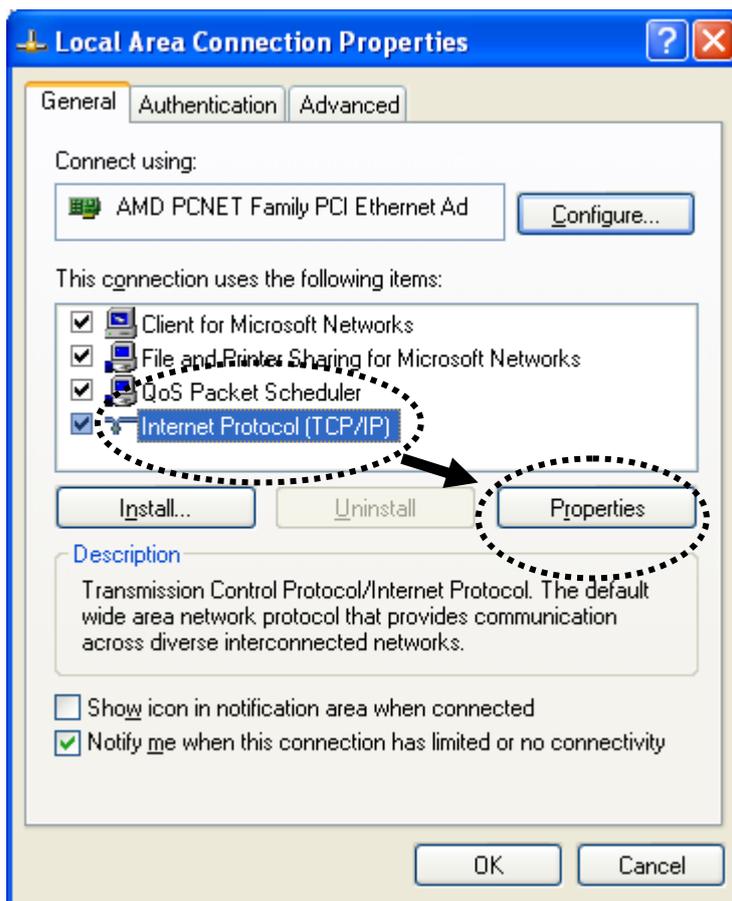
2. Select 'Obtain an IP address automatically' and 'Obtain DNS server address automatically', then click 'OK'.
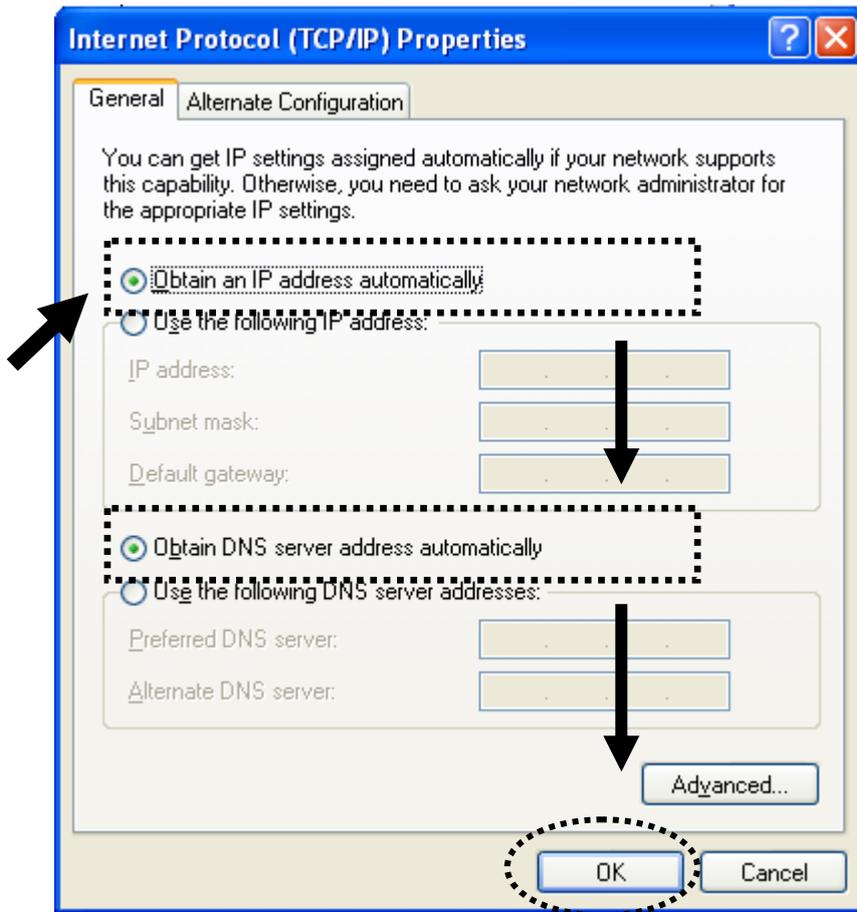
3-1-2 Windows Vista/Windows 7 IP address setup:

1. Click 'Start' button (it should be located at lower-left corner of your computer), then click control panel. Click *View Network Status and Tasks*, and then click *Manage Network Connections.* Right-click *Local Area Network, then select 'Properties'. Local Area Connection Properties* window will appear, select 'Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP / IPv4), and then click 'Properties'
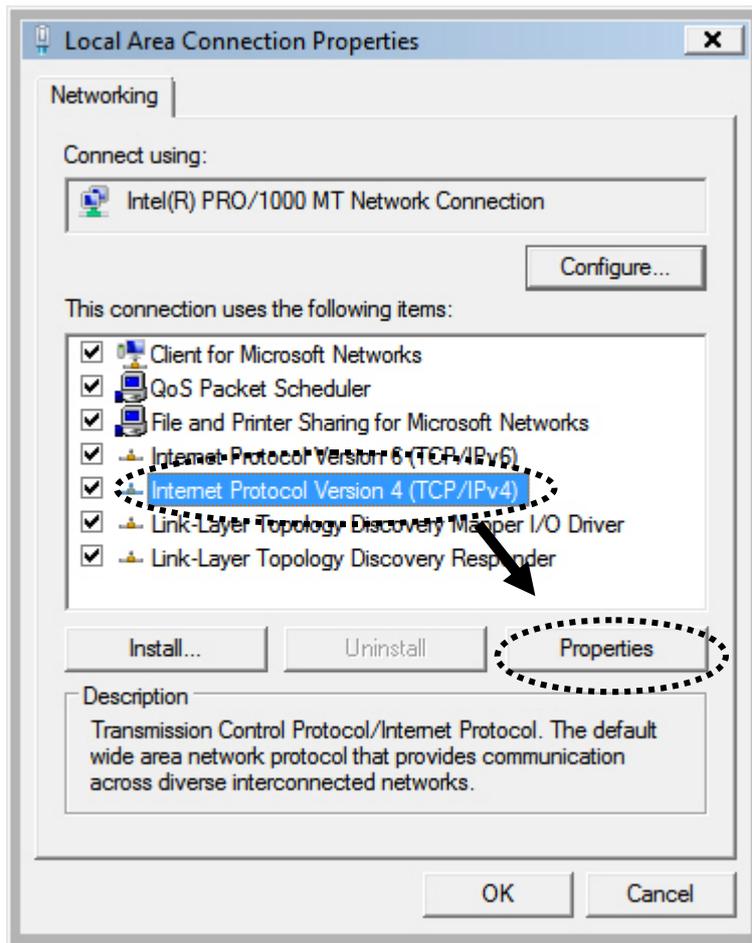
2. Select 'Obtain an IP address automatically' and 'Obtain DNS server address automatically', then click 'OK'.
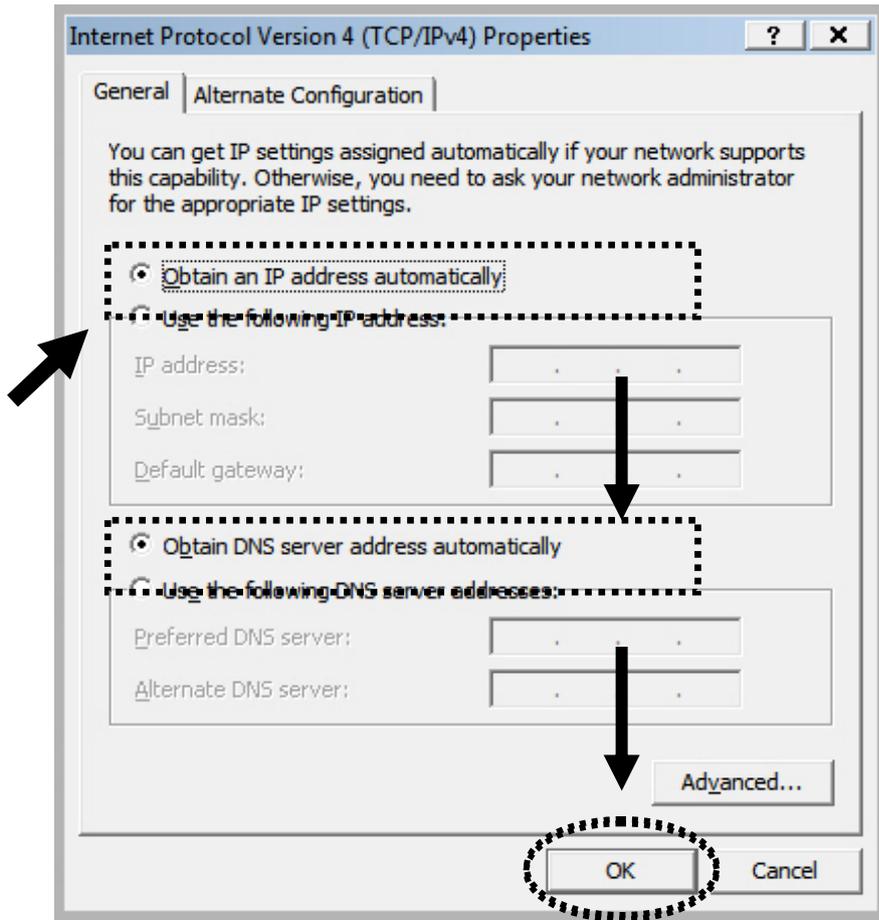
3-2 Specifications

SoC + RF: Realtek RTL8196CS+ RTL8192CE

Flash: 2MB

SDRAM: 16MB

LAN Port: 10/100M UTP Port x 1

Power: 5VDC, 1A Switching Power Module Inside

Dimension: 46.5(W) x 73(H) x 41(D) mm excluding power plug

Transmit Power: 11n: 13dBm±1.5dBm, 11g: 14dBm±1.5dBm, 11b: 17dBm±1.5dBm

Temperature: 32~104°F (0 ~ 40°C)

Humidity: 10-90% (NonCondensing)

Certification: FCC, CE

3-3 Glossary

1. What is the IEEE 802.11g standard?

802.11g is the new IEEE standard for high-speed wireless LAN communications that provides for up to 54 Mbps data rate in the 2.4 GHz band. 802.11g is quickly becoming the next mainstream wireless LAN technology for the home, office and public networks. 802.11g defines the use of the same OFDM modulation technique specified in IEEE 802.11a for the 5 GHz frequency band and applies it in the same 2.4 GHz frequency band as IEEE 802.11b. The 802.11g standard requires backward compatibility with 802.11b.

The standard specifically calls for:
A. A new physical layer for the 802.11 Medium Access Control (MAC) in the 2.4 GHz frequency band, known as the extended rate PHY (ERP). The ERP adds OFDM as a mandatory new coding scheme for 6, 12 and 24 Mbps (mandatory speeds), and 18, 36, 48 and 54 Mbps (optional speeds). The ERP includes the modulation schemes found in 802.11b including CCK for 11 and 5.5 Mbps and Barker code modulation for 2 and 1 Mbps.
B. A protection mechanism called RTS/CTS that governs how 802.11g devices and 802.11b devices interoperate.

2. What is the IEEE 802.11b standard?

The IEEE 802.11b Wireless LAN standard subcommittee, which formulates the standard for the industry. The objective is to enable wireless LAN hardware from different manufactures to communicate.

3. What does IEEE 802.11 feature support?

The product supports the following IEEE 802.11 functions:

- CSMA/CA plus Acknowledge Protocol
- Multi-Channel Roaming
- Automatic Rate Selection
- RTS/CTS Feature
- Fragmentation
- Power Management

4. What is Ad-hoc?

An Ad-hoc integrated wireless LAN is a group of computers, each has a Wireless LAN card, Connected as an independent wireless LAN. Ad hoc wireless LAN is applicable at a departmental scale for

a branch or SOHO operation.

5. What is Infrastructure?
   An integrated wireless and wireless and wired LAN is called an
   Infrastructure configuration. Infrastructure is applicable to enterprise
   scale for wireless access to central database, or wireless application
   for mobile workers.

6. What is BSS ID?
   A specific Ad hoc LAN is called a Basic Service Set (BSS).
   Computers in a BSS must be configured with the same BSS ID.

7. What is WEP?
   WEP is Wired Equivalent Privacy, a data privacy mechanism based
   on a 40 bit shared key algorithm, as described in the IEEE 802 .11
   standard.

8. What is TKIP?
   TKIP is a quick-fix method to quickly overcome the inherent
   weaknesses in WEP security, especially the reuse of encryption keys.
   TKIP is involved in the IEEE 802.11i WLAN security standard, and
   the specification might be officially released by early 2003.

9. What is AES?
   AES (Advanced Encryption Standard), a chip-based security, has
   been developed to ensure the highest degree of security and
   authenticity for digital information, wherever and however
   communicated or stored, while making more efficient use of
   hardware and/or software than previous encryption standards. It is
   also included in IEEE 802.11i standard. Compare with AES, TKIP is
   a temporary protocol for replacing WEP security until manufacturers
   implement AES at the hardware level.

10. Can Wireless products support printer sharing?
   Wireless products perform the same function as LAN products.
   Therefore, Wireless products can work with Netware, Windows
   2000, or other LAN operating systems to support printer or file
   sharing.

11. Would the information be intercepted while transmitting on air?
   WLAN features two-fold protection in security. On the hardware
   side, as with Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum technology, it has
   the inherent security feature of scrambling. On the software side,
   WLAN series offer the encryption function (WEP) to enhance
   security and Access Control. Users can set it up depending upon

their needs.

12. What is DSSS? What is FHSS? And what are their differences?
Frequency-hopping spread-spectrum (FHSS) uses a narrowband carrier that changes frequency in a pattern that is known to both transmitter and receiver. Properly synchronized, the net effect is to maintain a single logical channel. To an unintended receiver, FHSS appears to be short-duration impulse noise. Direct-sequence spread-spectrum (DSSS) generates a redundant bit pattern for each bit to be transmitted. This bit pattern is called a chip (or chipping code). The longer the chip is, the greater the probability that the original data can be recovered. Even if one or more bits in the chip are damaged during transmission, statistical techniques embedded in the radio can recover the original data without-the need for retransmission. To an unintended receiver, DSSS appears as low power wideband noise and is rejected (ignored) by most narrowband receivers.

13. What is Spread Spectrum?
Spread Spectrum technology is a wideband radio frequency technique developed by the military for use in reliable, secure, mission-critical communication systems. It is designed to trade off bandwidth efficiency for reliability, integrity, and security. In other words, more bandwidth is consumed than in the case of narrowband transmission, but the trade off produces a signal that is, in effect, louder and thus easier to detect, provided that the receiver knows the parameters of the spread-spectrum signal being broadcast. If a receiver is not tuned to the right frequency, a spread –spectrum signal looks like background noise. There are two main alternatives, Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum (DSSS) and Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum (FHSS).

14. What is WPS?
WPS stands for Wi-Fi Protected Setup. It provides a simple way to establish unencrypted or encrypted connections between wireless clients and access point automatically. User can press a software or hardware button to activate WPS function, and WPS-compatible wireless clients and access point will establish connection by themselves. There are two types of WPS: PBC (Push-Button Configuration) and PIN code.

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