User Guide

Linksys E2100L | Advanced Wireless-N Router

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Chapter 1: Product Overview

Thank you for choosing the Linksys E2100L Advanced Wireless-N Router. The Router lets you access the Internet via a wireless connection or through one of its four switched ports. You can also use the Router to share resources such as computers, printers and files. The Router's USB port connects to a USB storage device, so you can access your portable files. (A USB hard drive may require an external power supply.)

A variety of security features help to protect your data and your privacy while you are online. Security features include Wi-Fi Protected Access 2 (WPA2) security, which encrypts data on your wireless network; a Stateful Packet Inspection (SPI) firewall to help block unauthorized access to your Router; and Network Address Translation (NAT) technology, which enhances network protection by allowing your computers to share Internet access through a single, public Internet (IP) address. (IP stands for Internet Protocol.)

Setup and use of the Router is easy using Cisco Connect, the software that is installed when you run the included CD. Advanced configuration of the Router is available through the provided browser-based utility.

Top

1, 2, 3, 4 (Blue) These numbered LEDs, corresponding with the numbered ports on the Router's back panel, serve two purposes. The LED is continuously lit when the Router is connected to a device through that port. It flashes to indicate network activity over that port.

Wi-Fi Protected Setup Button If you have client devices, such as wireless adapters, that support Wi-Fi Protected Setup, then you can use the Wi-Fi Protected Setup button to automatically configure wireless security for your wireless network.

To use Wi-Fi Protected Setup, refer to **Wi-Fi Protected Setup**, **page 18**.

Wireless (Blue) The Wireless LED lights up when the wireless feature is enabled. It flashes when the Router sends or receives data over the wireless network.

Internet (Blue) The Internet LED lights up when there is a connection made through the Internet port. It flashes to indicate network activity over the Internet port.

Power (Blue) The Power LED lights up when the Router is powered on. When the Router goes through its self-diagnostic mode during every boot-up, the LED flashes. When the diagnostic is complete, the LED is continuously lit.

Back
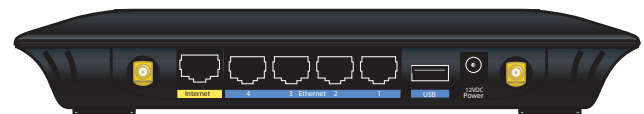
Antenna Ports The female R-SMA antenna ports connect to the male R-SMA connectors of the included antennas.

Internet Using an Ethernet cable (also called a network or Internet cable), the Internet port connects the Router to your Internet connection, which is typically a cable or Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) modem.

4, 3, 2, 1 Using Ethernet cables, these Ethernet ports (4, 3, 2, 1) connect the Router to computers and other Ethernet network devices on your wired network.

USB Port The USB port connects to a USB storage device. If the storage device does not fit (for example, it may block port 1), then use the included USB extension cable.

Power The Power port connects to the included power adapter.

Bottom

🔴 **Reset** The Reset button is located on the right side of the product label. There are two ways to reset the Router to its factory defaults. Either press and hold the Reset Button for approximately five seconds, or restore the defaults from the *Administration > Factory Defaults* screen in the Router's browser-based utility (refer to **Administration > Factory Defaults**, **page 39**).

Horizontal Placement

The Router has four rubber feet on its bottom panel. Place the Router on a level surface near an electrical outlet.

Wall-Mounting Placement

The Router has two wall-mount slots on its bottom panel. The distance between the slots is 152 mm.

Two screws are needed to mount the Router.

Suggested Mounting Hardware	
⊕ 4-5 mm	🔩 2.5-3.0 mm / 1-1.5 mm

✔ **NOTE:** Cisco is not responsible for damages incurred by unsecured wall-mounting hardware.

Follow these instructions:

1. Determine where you want to mount the Router. Make sure that the wall you use is smooth, flat, dry, and sturdy. Also make sure the location is within reach of an electrical outlet.

2. Drill two holes into the wall. Make sure the holes are 152 mm apart.

3. Insert a screw into each hole and leave 3 mm of its head exposed.

4. Position the Router so the wall-mount slots line up with the two screws.

5. Place the wall-mount slots over the screws and slide the Router down until the screws fit snugly into the wall-mount slots.

152 mm
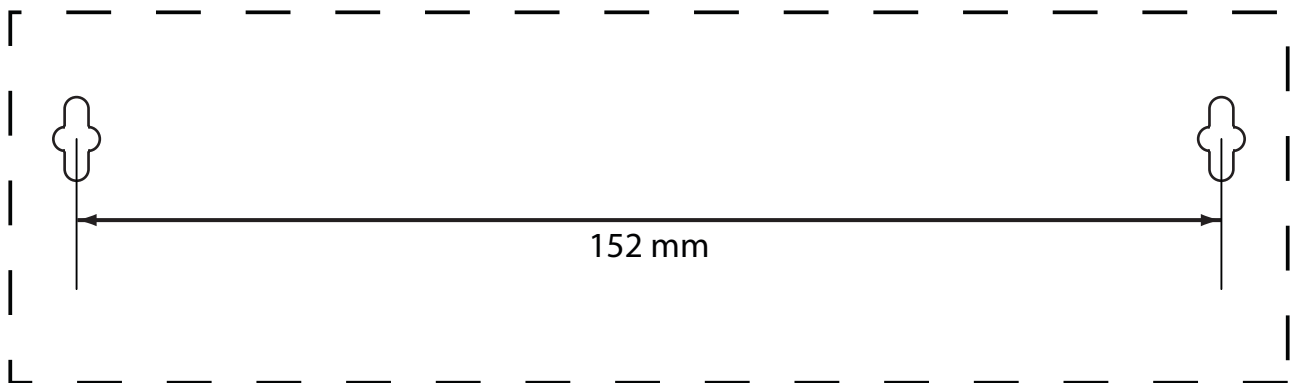
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Cut along the dotted line, and place on the wall to drill precise spacing.

Wall-Mounting Template

Chapter 2: Cisco Connect

During installation, the setup software installs Cisco Connect on your computer. Cisco Connect offers options to connect additional computers or devices to the Router and allows you to change the Router's settings.

Installation

To install the Router:

1. Attach the antennas to the Router.

Attach Antennas

2. Insert the CD into your CD-ROM drive.

Insert CD

3. Click **Set up your Linksys Router**.
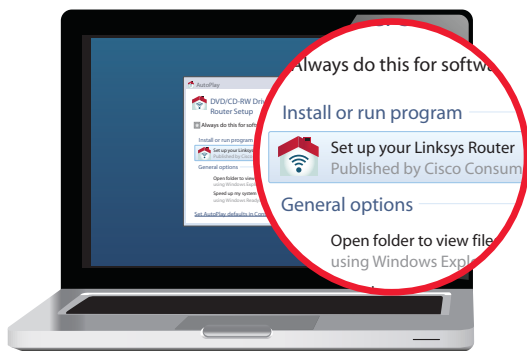
Set Up Your Linksys Router

If you do not see this, access setup on the CD directly. To do so, perform the following steps for your specific operating system:

Windows 7

a. Go to **Start > Computer**.

b. Double-click your CD-ROM drive.

Windows Vista

a. Go to **Start > Computer**.

b. Double-click your CD-ROM drive.

Windows XP

a. Go to **Start > My Computer** and select your CD-ROM drive.

b. Double-click **Setup.exe**.

Mac OS X

a. Double-click the CD on your desktop.

b. Double-click **Setup**.

4. Read the Software End User License Agreement. To accept the agreement and continue with the installation, click **Next**.
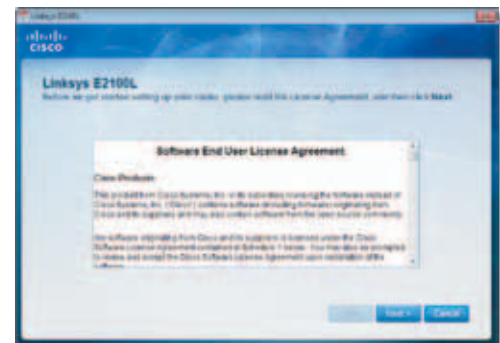
License Agreement

5. The connection steps are displayed.

Connection Overview

a. Plug the power cord into the Power port on the back of the Router.

Connect to Power Port

b. Plug the power adapter into an electrical outlet.
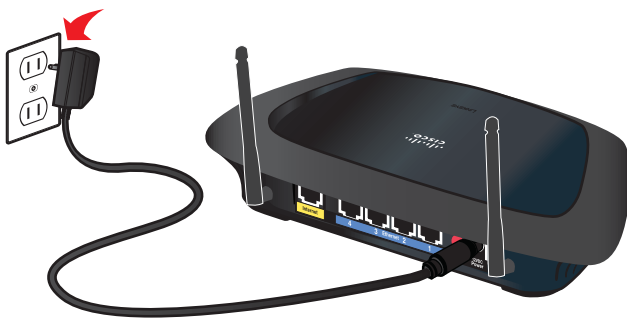
Connect to Electrical Outlet

c. Unplug the existing Ethernet cable from your computer and plug it into the yellow port labeled **Internet** on the back of the Router. Click **Next**.
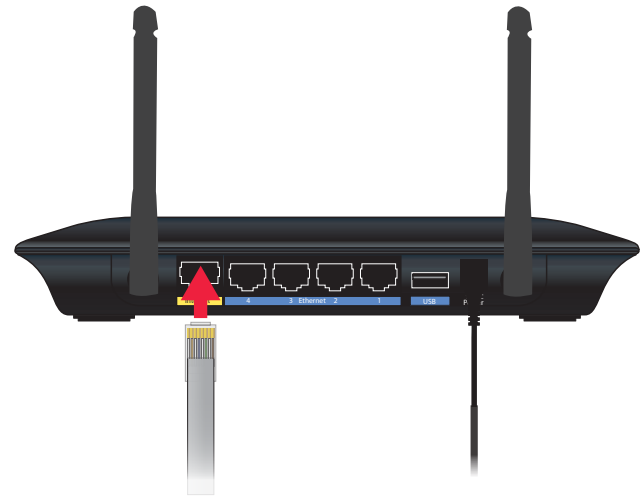
Connect Ethernet Cable

✔ **NOTE:** You can view detailed connection steps by clicking `Show me how` in the setup software.

✔ **NOTE:** If the setup software detects multiple routers, then select the serial number of your Router. The serial number is located on the left side of the product label, which is on the bottom of the Router.

6. Please wait while the setup software is setting up the Router.
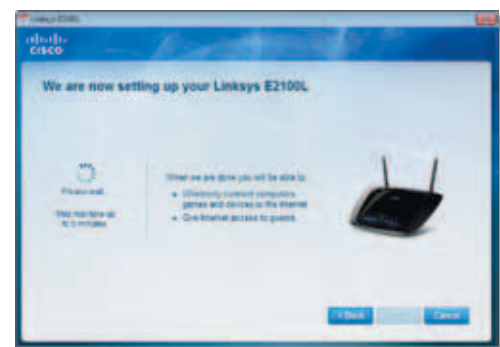
Please Wait

7. The installation is complete. Click **OK**.

Installation is Complete

NOTE: If you have any trouble during the installation process, refer to the Frequently Asked Questions in the setup software, or use a computer with an active Internet connection to visit **www.linksys.com/support**.

Main Menu

When Cisco Connect starts up, the main menu appears:
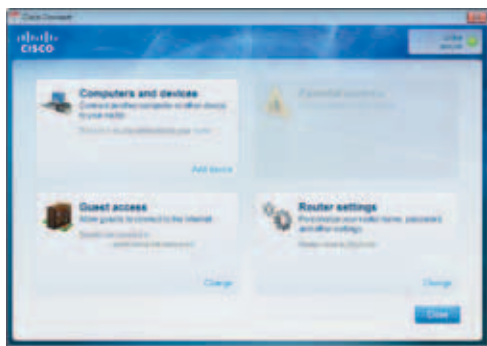
Main Menu

Status information is displayed in the upper right corner:

*   online secure
    Your local network is secure, and your Internet connection is available.

*   offline secure
    Your local network is secure; however, your Internet connection is not available. To repair your Internet connection, follow the on-screen instructions.

NOTE: A group of computers or other devices connected to a router is a local network. The router allows the networked devices to communicate with each other.

The main menu offers three options: Computers and devices, Guest access, and Router settings.

NOTE: To view the FAQs for more information, click **Need help?**

Local Access versus Guest Access

Cisco Connect offers two types of access: local access (*Computers and devices* option) and guest access (*Guest access* option).

With local access, computers and devices will have access to the Internet and to other devices on your local network, including shared computers and printers, which are connected to the Router. Local access can be given to a wireless or wired device. Refer to **Computers and Other Devices**, **page 6** for more information.

Guest access allows you to provide Internet access to guests visiting your home. Your guests will not have access to computers and devices on your local network, so they will not have access to your personal data. Guest computers must connect to your network using a wireless network connection. Provide your guest with the guest network name and password. Refer to **Main Menu – Guest Access**, **page 6** and **Guest Access**, **page 8** for more information.

The following diagram shows a typical example of how local access and guest access are used in the same home.

Guest Access versus Local Access Diagram

Guest Access (Internet Access Only)
Local Access
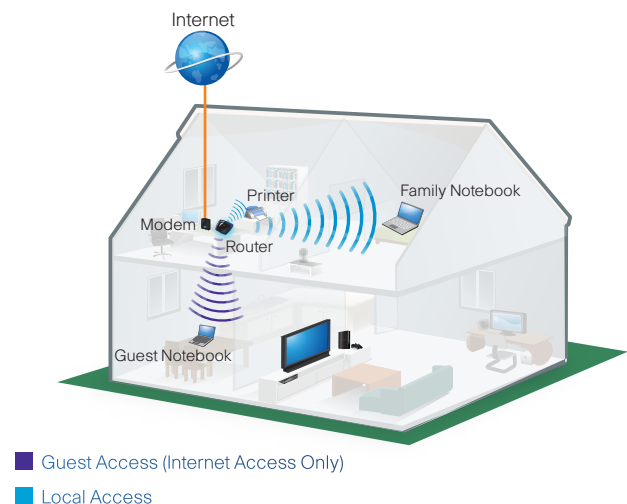
Main Menu – Computers and Devices

Use this option to connect another computer or device to the Router.

There is x device(s) connected to your router The number of devices connected to the Router is displayed.

Add device To connect another computer or device to the Router, click **Add device** and go to **Computers and Other Devices**, **page 6**.

Main Menu – Guest Access

Guest access provides Internet access only; it does not provide access to the local network and its resources. For example, the guest computer cannot print to a printer on the local network or copy files to a computer on the local network.

Guest access helps minimize exposure of your local network. To grant Internet access to friends or family, provide the guest network name and password displayed on this screen.

Guests can connect to x-guest using the password xyz When a guest wants Internet access in your home, have the guest do the following:

1. Connect to the wireless guest network, which is the name of your wireless network followed by **-guest**.

2. Open a web browser.

3. On the login screen, enter the password of your guest network. Then click **Login**.

Change To disable guest access or change settings, click **Change** and go to **Guest Access**, **page 8**.

Main Menu – Router Settings

Use this option to personalize the Router's settings.

Router name is x The name of the Router is displayed.

Change To change settings, click **Change** and go to **Router Settings**, **page 9**.

Computers and Other Devices

The *Computers and other devices* screen appears.

Computers and Other Devices

Computer Click this option to connect another computer in your home. Go to **Computer**, **page 6**.

Wireless Printer Click this option to connect a wireless printer. Go to **Wireless Printer**, **page 8**.

Device Click this option to connect a device that is not a computer, such as a smartphone or game console. Go to **Connect Manually**, **page 7**.

Computer

You can use a USB flash drive to create an Easy Setup Key, which holds the wireless settings for the Router. Then you can use the Easy Setup Key to connect additional computers to the Router. Select the appropriate option:

Yes, I have an Easy Setup Key If you already have an Easy Setup Key, select this option. Click **Next** and go to **Connect with the Easy Setup Key**, **page 6**.

No, I don't have an Easy Setup Key — create a new one now If you want to create or update an Easy Setup Key, select this option. Click **Next** and go to **Create or Update the Easy Setup Key**, **page 7**.

I want to connect manually using my wireless settings If you want to connect manually (without an Easy Setup Key), select this option. Click **Next** and go to **Connect Manually**, **page 7**.
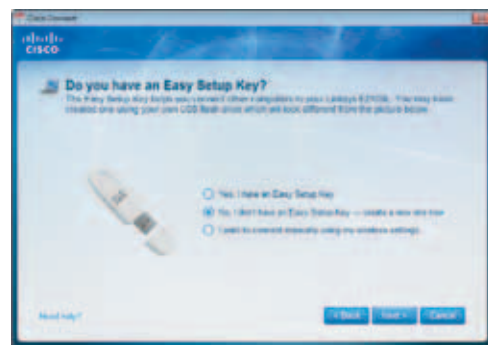
Do You Have an Easy Setup Key?

Connect with the Easy Setup Key

1. Insert the Easy Setup Key into an available USB port on the computer that you want to connect to the Router.

Connecting Another Computer

2. On that computer, click **Connect to your Linksys Router**. (If you do not see this, access the Easy Setup Key through Windows Explorer or the Finder, and double-click **Connect**.)

   Follow the on-screen instructions to connect that computer to the Router.

3. Come back to this computer. On the *Connecting another computer* screen, click **Next**.

4. Enter a name that will be used to identify the newly added computer. Then click **Finish**.

Name Your Device

Create or Update the Easy Setup Key

If you do not have an Easy Setup Key, then you can create one using a USB flash drive. If you already have an Easy Setup Key, then you can update it with the Router's current settings.

1. Insert the Easy Setup Key or a USB flash drive into an available USB port on your computer.
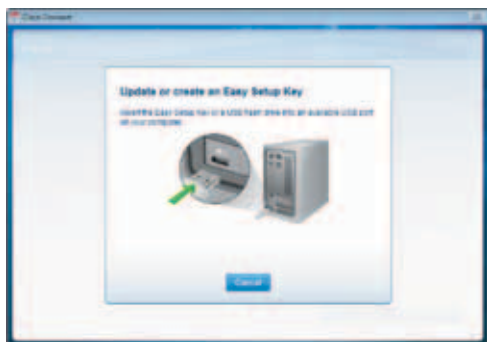
Update or Create an Easy Setup Key

2. Please wait while settings are copied to the Easy Setup Key.

Copying Files to the Easy Setup Key

3. Remove the Easy Setup Key. You can now use it to connect other computers to the Router (for more information, refer to **Connect with the Easy Setup Key**, **page 6**). Click **Close**.
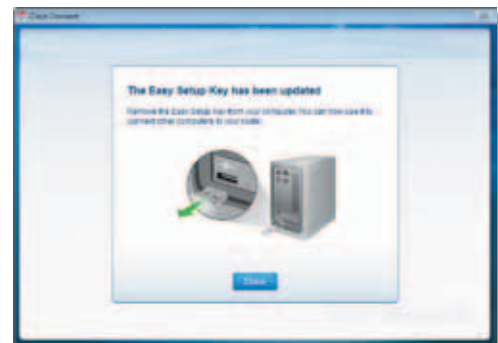
Easy Setup Key Has Been Updated

Connect Manually

1. Enter the *Network name (SSID)*, *Security Key*, and *Security Type* settings on your wireless device (SSID stands for Service Set Identifier). To print this information, click **Print these settings**.

Connecting a Device

2. After your device connects, click **Next**.

3. Enter a name that will be used to identify this device. Then click **Finish**.

Name Your Device

Wireless Printer

1. Refer to your printer's documentation to learn how to connect it to a wireless printer.

2. Enter the *Network name (SSID)*, *Security Key*, and *Security Type* settings on your wireless printer. To print this information, click **Print these settings**.

Connecting a Wireless Printer

3. Wait until your printer connects. On the *Connecting a wireless printer* screen, click **Next**.

4. Enter a name that will be used to identify this printer. Then click **Finish**.

Name Your Printer

Guest Access

The *Guest access settings* screen appears.
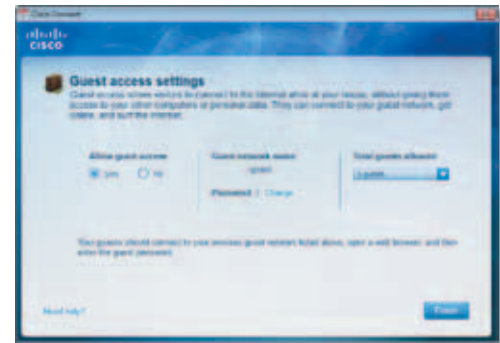
Guest Access Settings

Allow guest access By default, guest access is enabled. To disable guest access, select **no**.

Guest network name By default, the setup software sets up the name of the guest network.

Password By default, the setup software sets up the password for the guest network. To change the password, click **Change**.

If you clicked **Change**, the *Change guest password* screen appears.
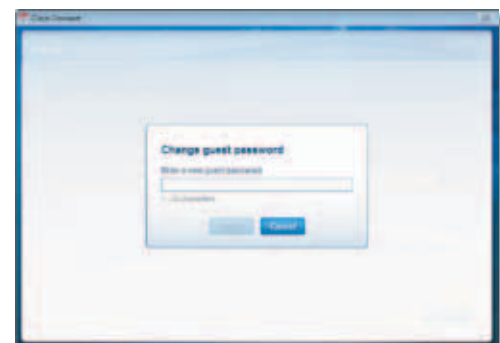
Change Guest Password

- **Enter a new guest password** Enter a password of 4-32 characters.

- Click **Change** to save your setting.

Total guests allowed By default, **5** guests are allowed Internet access through the guest network. Select the appropriate number of guests allowed on your guest network; you can select up to 10 guests.

Click **Finish** to save your settings.

Router Settings

The *Router settings* screen appears.

Router Settings

Personalize

Router name The name of the Router is displayed (this is also the name of your wireless network). To change the name, click **Change** and go to **Change Router Name or Password**, **page 9**.

Password The password that protects access to the Router's settings is displayed (this also protects wireless access to your local network). To change the password, click **Change** and go to **Change Router Name or Password**, **page 9**.

Easy Setup Key

Update or create key The Easy Setup Key is a USB flash drive that holds the wireless settings for the Router. If you want to create or update an Easy Setup Key, click this option and go to **Create or Update the Easy Setup Key**, **page 7**.

Other Options

Register now to receive special offers and updates To sign up to receive special offers and updates, click this option.

Router details To view more information about the Router, click this option and go to **Router Details**, **page 10**.

Advanced settings To access settings for advanced users, click this option and go to **Advanced Settings**, **page 10**.

Click **Finish** to save your settings.

Change Router Name or Password

> ✔ **NOTE:** If you change the Router name or password, you also change the name or password of your wireless network. The wireless computers or other devices connected to the Router will need to be reconnected using the new name or password (for more information, refer to **Computers and Other Devices**, **page 6**).

If you clicked **Change**, the *Changing router name or password* screen appears.

1. To change the Router name or password, click **Yes**. Otherwise, click **No**.
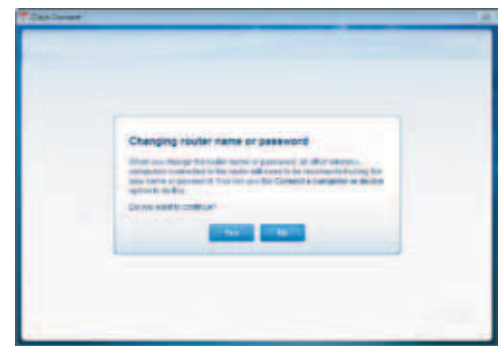
Changing Router Name or Password

2. Complete the following:
* **Router name** Enter a name of 1-32 characters.
* **Password** Enter a password of 8-63 characters.
* Click **Change** to save your settings.
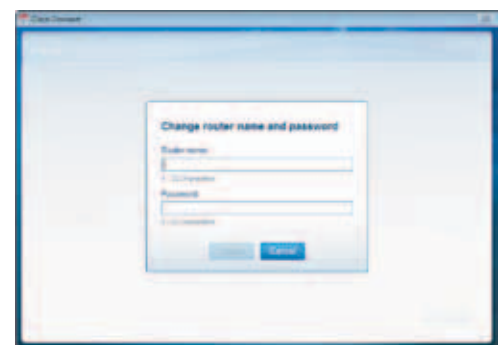
Change Router Name and Password

Router Details

The *Router details* screen appears, displaying the Model name, Model number, Serial number, Firmware version, Operating system, Software version, Connection type (WAN), IP address (LAN), IP address (WAN), and Computer IP address. (WAN stands for Wide Area Network, such as the Internet. IP stands for Internet Protocol. LAN stands for Local Area Network.)

Copy To copy the details to a text file, click **Copy** and follow these instructions:

1.   Open a text editor, such as Microsoft Word or Notepad.

2.   Go to **Edit > Paste**.

3.   Go to **File > Save**.
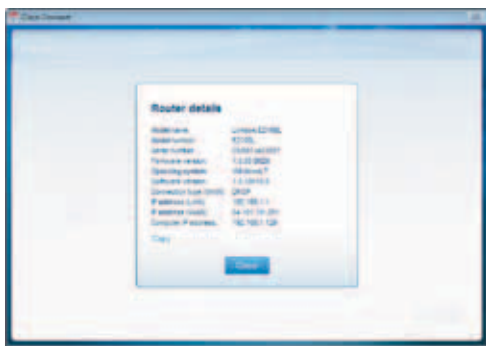
Router Details

Click **Close** to return to the *Router settings* screen.

Advanced Settings

If you are an advanced user familiar with router administration, you can access the browser-based utility to use the advanced configuration settings of the Router.

Username Enter this username to access the browser-based utility.

Password Enter this password to access the browser-based utility.

Copy password To copy the password to the Clipboard, click this option.
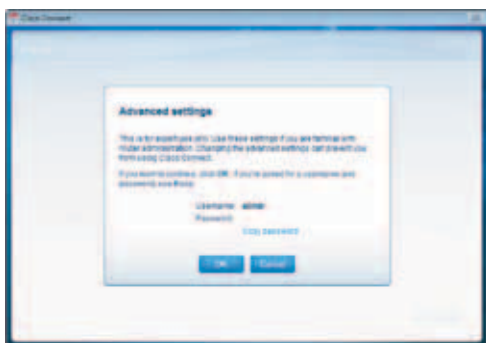
Advanced Settings

Click **OK** to open the web browser and access the browser-based utility. For more information, refer to **How to Access the Browser-Based Utility**, **page 11**.

How to Exit Cisco Connect

To exit Cisco Connect, click **Close** on the main menu.

Main Menu

How to Access Cisco Connect

Windows

To access Cisco Connect, go to **Start > All Programs > Cisco Connect**.

Mac

To access Cisco Connect, go to **Go > Applications > Cisco Connect**.

Chapter 3: Advanced Configuration

After setting up the Router with the setup software (located on the CD-ROM), the Router will be ready for use. If you would like to change its advanced settings, use the Router's browser-based utility. This chapter describes each web page of the utility and each page's key functions. You can access the utility via a web browser on a computer connected to the Router.

The browser-based utility has these main tabs: *Setup*, *Wireless*, *Security*, *Storage*, *Access Restrictions*, *Applications & Gaming*, *Administration*, and *Status*. Additional tabs will be available after you click one of the main tabs.

How to Access the Browser-Based Utility

To access the browser-based utility, launch the web browser on your computer, and enter the Router's default Internet Protocol (IP) address, **192.168.1.1**, in the *Address* field. Then press **Enter**.

A login screen will appear. (Non-Windows 7 users will see a similar screen.) In the *User name* field, enter **admin**. Then enter the password created during the setup software. (If you did not run the setup software, then use the default password, **admin**. You can set a new password on the *Administration > Management* screen. Refer to **Administration > Management**, **page 36**.) Click **OK** to continue.

Login Screen

NOTE: You can also access the browser-based utility through Cisco Connect. For more information, refer to **Router Settings**, **page 9**.

Setup > Basic Setup

The first screen that appears is the *Basic Setup* screen. This allows you to change the Router's general settings.

Setup > Basic Setup

Language

Language To use a different language, select one from the drop-down menu. The language of the browser-based utility will change five seconds after you select another language.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

Internet Setup

The *Internet Setup* section configures the Router to your Internet connection. Most of this information can be obtained through your Internet Service Provider (ISP).

Internet Connection Type

Select the type of Internet connection your ISP provides from the drop-down menu. The available types are:

- Automatic Configuration - DHCP
- Static IP
- PPPoE
- PPTP
- L2TP
- Telstra Cable

Automatic Configuration - DHCP

The default Internet Connection Type is set to **Automatic Configuration - DHCP** (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol). Keep the default only if your ISP supports DHCP or if you connect using a dynamic IP Address. (This option usually applies to cable connections.)

Internet Connection Type > Automatic Configuration - DHCP

Static IP

If you are required to use a permanent IP address to connect to the Internet, select **Static IP**.

Internet Connection Type > Static IP

Internet IP Address This is the Router's IP address, when seen from the Internet. Your ISP will provide you with the IP address you need to enter here.

Subnet Mask This is the Router's Subnet Mask, as seen by users on the Internet (including your ISP). Your ISP will provide you with the Subnet Mask.

Default Gateway Your ISP will provide you with the Gateway address, which is the ISP server's IP address.

DNS 1-3 Your ISP will provide you with at least one DNS (Domain Name System) server IP address.

PPPoE

Some DSL-based ISPs use Point-to-Point Protocol over Ethernet (PPPoE) to establish Internet connections. If you are connected to the Internet through a DSL line, check with your ISP to see if they use PPPoE. If they do, you will have to enable **PPPoE**.
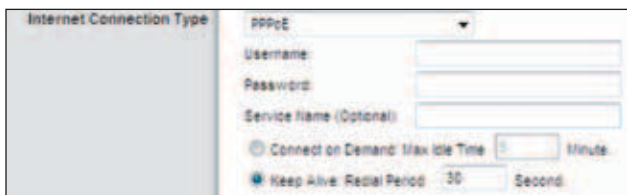
Internet Connection Type > PPPoE

Username and Password Enter the Username and Password provided by your ISP.

Service Name (optional) If provided by your ISP, enter the Service Name.

Connect on Demand: Max Idle Time You can configure the Router to cut the Internet connection after it has been inactive for a specified period of time (Max Idle Time). If your Internet connection has been terminated due to inactivity, Connect on Demand enables the Router to automatically re-establish your connection as soon as you attempt to access the Internet again. To use this option, select **Connect on Demand**. In the *Max Idle Time* field, enter the number of minutes you want to elapse before your Internet connection terminates. The default is **5** minutes.

Keep Alive: Redial Period If you select this option, the Router will periodically check your Internet connection. If you are disconnected, then the Router will automatically re-establish your connection. To use this option, select **Keep Alive**. In the *Redial Period* field, specify how often the Router should check the Internet connection. The default is **30** seconds.

PPTP

Point-to-Point Tunneling Protocol (PPTP) is a service that applies to connections in Europe only.
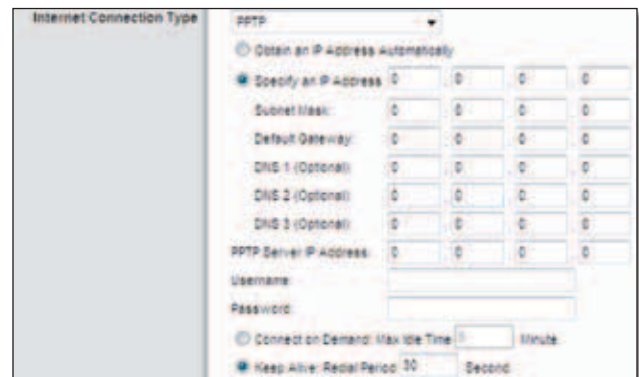
Internet Connection Type > PPTP

If your ISP supports DHCP or you are connecting through a dynamic IP address, then select **Obtain an IP Address Automatically**. If you are required to use a permanent IP address to connect to the Internet, then select **Specify an IP Address**. Then configure the following:

Specify an IP Address This is the Router's IP address, as seen from the Internet. Your ISP will provide you with the IP Address you need to specify here.

Subnet Mask This is the Router's Subnet Mask, as seen by users on the Internet (including your ISP). Your ISP will provide you with the Subnet Mask.

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PPTP Server IP Address Your ISP will provide you with the IP address of the PPTP server.

Username and Password Enter the Username and Password provided by your ISP.

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L2TP

Layer 2 Tunneling Protocol (L2TP) is a service that applies to connections in Israel only.

Internet Connection Type > L2TP

Server IP Address This is the IP address of the L2TP Server. Your ISP will provide you with the IP Address you need to specify here.

Username and Password Enter the Username and Password provided by your ISP.

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Telstra Cable

Telstra Cable is a service that applies to connections in Australia only.
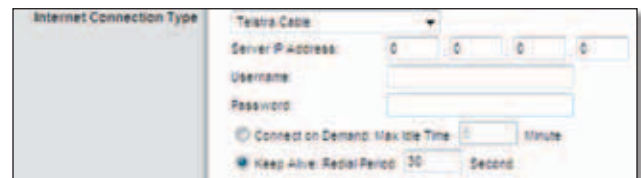
Internet Connection Type > Telstra Cable

Server IP Address This is the IP address of the Telstra Cable. Your ISP will provide you with the IP Address you need to specify here.

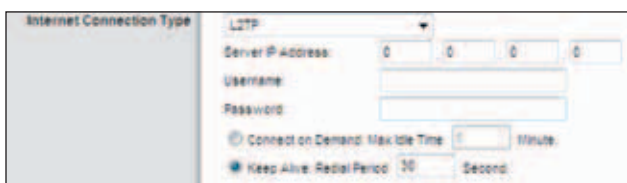**Username and Password** Enter the Username and Password provided by your ISP.

Connect on Demand: Max Idle Time You can configure the Router to cut the Internet connection after it has been inactive for a specified period of time (Max Idle Time). If your Internet connection has been terminated due to inactivity, Connect on Demand enables the Router to automatically re-establish your connection as soon as you attempt to access the Internet again. To use this option, select **Connect on Demand**. In the *Max Idle Time* field, enter the number of minutes you want to elapse before your Internet connection terminates. The default is **5** minutes.

Keep Alive: Redial Period If you select this option, the Router will periodically check your Internet connection. If you are disconnected, then the Router will automatically re-establish your connection. To use this option, select **Keep Alive**. In the *Redial Period* field, specify how often the Router should check the Internet connection. The default is **30** seconds.

Optional Settings

Some of these settings may be required by your ISP. Verify with your ISP before making any changes.
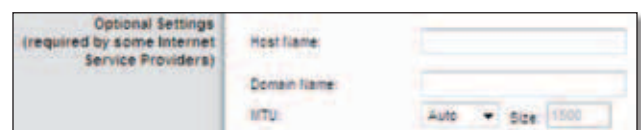
Optional Settings

Host Name and Domain Name These fields allow you to supply a host and domain name for the Router. Some ISPs, usually cable ISPs, require these names as identification. You may have to check with your ISP to see if your broadband Internet service has been configured with a host and domain name. In most cases, leaving these fields blank will work.

MTU MTU is the Maximum Transmission Unit. It specifies the largest packet size permitted for Internet transmission.

Select **Manual** if you want to manually enter the largest packet size that is transmitted. To have the Router select the best MTU for your Internet connection, keep the default setting, **Auto**.

Size When Manual is selected in the *MTU* field, this option is enabled. Leave this value in the 1200 to 1500 range. The default size depends on the Internet Connection Type:

- DHCP, Static IP, or Telstra: **1500**
- PPPoE: **1492**
- PPTP or L2TP: **1460**

Network Setup

The *Network Setup* section configures the IP settings for your local network.

Router IP

IP Address The Router's IP address, as seen by your network, is displayed. The default Router IP address is **192.168.1.1**.

Subnet Mask The Router's Subnet Mask, as seen by your network, is displayed.

Router IP

DHCP Server Settings

The settings allow you to configure the Router's DHCP server function. The Router can be used as a DHCP server for your network. A DHCP server automatically assigns an IP address to each computer or device on your network. If you choose to enable the Router's DHCP server option, make sure there is no other DHCP server on your network.
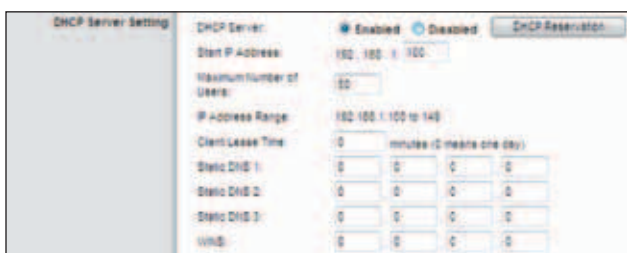
DHCP Server Setting

DHCP Server DHCP is enabled by factory default. If you already have a DHCP server on your network, or you do not want a DHCP server, then select **Disabled** (no other DHCP features will be available).

DHCP Reservation Click **DHCP Reservation** if you want to assign a fixed local IP address to a MAC address.

DHCP Reservation

You will see a list of DHCP clients with the following information: Client Name, Interface, IP Address, and MAC Address.
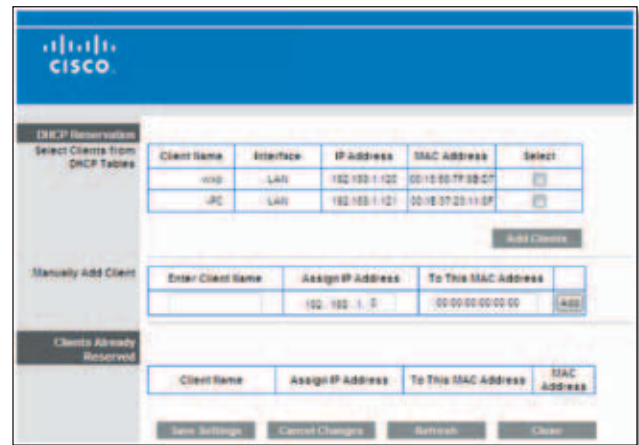
DHCP Reservation

- **Select Clients from DHCP Table** Click the **Select** check box to reserve a client's IP address. Then click **Add Clients**.
- **Manually Adding Client** To manually assign an IP address, enter the client's name in the *Enter Client Name* field. Enter the IP address you want it to have in the *Assign IP Address* field. Enter its MAC address in the *To This MAC Address* field. Then click **Add**.

Clients Already Reserved

A list of DHCP clients and their fixed local IP addresses will be displayed at the bottom of the screen. If you want to remove a client from this list, click **Remove**.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes. To update the on-screen information, click **Refresh**. To exit this screen, click **Close**.

Start IP Address The Start IP Address specifies the starting IP address for the range of addresses assigned by your Router when it functions as a DHCP server. (The first IP address assigned by the Router will be randomly selected within the range you specify.)

Because the Router's default IP address is 192.168.1.1, the Start IP Address must be 192.168.1.2 or greater, but smaller than 192.168.1.254. The default Start IP Address is **192.168.1.100**.

Maximum Number of Users Enter the maximum number of computers that you want the DHCP server to assign IP addresses to. This number cannot be greater than 253. The default is **50**.

IP Address Range The range of available IP addresses is displayed.

Client Lease Time The Client Lease Time is the amount of time a network user will be allowed connection to the Router with their current dynamic IP address. Enter the amount of time, in minutes, that the user will be "leased" this dynamic IP address. After the time is up, the user will be automatically assigned a new dynamic IP address, or the lease will be renewed. The default is **0** minutes, which means one day.

Static DNS 1-3 The Domain Name System (DNS) is how the Internet translates domain or website names into Internet addresses or Uniform Resource Locators (URLs). Your ISP will provide you with at least one DNS Server IP Address. If you wish to use another, enter that IP Address in one of these fields. You can enter up to three DNS Server IP Addresses here. The Router will use these for quicker access to functioning DNS servers.

WINS The Windows Internet Naming Service (WINS) manages each computer's interaction with the Internet. If you use a WINS server, enter that server's IP address here. Otherwise, leave this blank.

Time Settings

Time Setting

Time Zone Select the time zone in which your network functions from this drop-down menu.

Automatically adjust clock for daylight saving changes Select this option to have the Router automatically adjust for daylight saving time.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

Setup > DDNS

The Router offers a Dynamic Domain Name System (DDNS) feature. DDNS lets you assign a fixed host and domain name to a dynamic Internet IP address. It is useful when you are hosting your own website, File Transfer Protocol (FTP) server, or other server behind the Router.

Before you can use this option, you need to sign up for DDNS service with a DDNS service provider, **www.dyndns.org** or **www.tzo.com**. If you do not want to use this option, keep the default, **Disabled**.

DDNS

DDNS Service

If your DDNS service is provided by DynDNS.org, then select **DynDNS.org** from the drop-down menu. If your DDNS service is provided by TZO, then select **TZO.com**. The features available on the *DDNS* screen will vary, depending on which DDNS service provider you use.

DynDNS.org

Setup > DDNS > DynDNS

Username Enter the Username for your DDNS account.

Password Enter the Password for your DDNS account.

Host Name The DDNS URL assigned by the DDNS service is displayed.

System Select the DynDNS service you use: **Dynamic**, **Static**, or **Custom**. The default selection is **Dynamic**.

Mail Exchange (Optional) Enter the address of your mail exchange server, so emails to your DynDNS address go to your mail server.

Backup MX This option allows the Mail eXchange (MX) server to be a backup. To disable this option, keep the default, **Disabled**. To enable the option, select **Enabled**. If you are not sure which setting to select, keep the default, **Disabled**.

Wildcard This setting enables or disables wildcards for your host. For example, if your DDNS address is *myplace.dyndns.org* and you enable wildcards, then *x.myplace.dyndns.org* will work as well (x is the wildcard). To disable wildcards, keep the default, **Disabled**. To enable wildcards, select **Enabled**. If you are not sure which setting to select, keep the default, **Disabled**.

Internet IP Address The Router's Internet IP address is displayed here. Because it is dynamic, it will change.

Status The status of the DDNS service connection is displayed.

Update To manually trigger an update, click **Update**.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

TZO.com
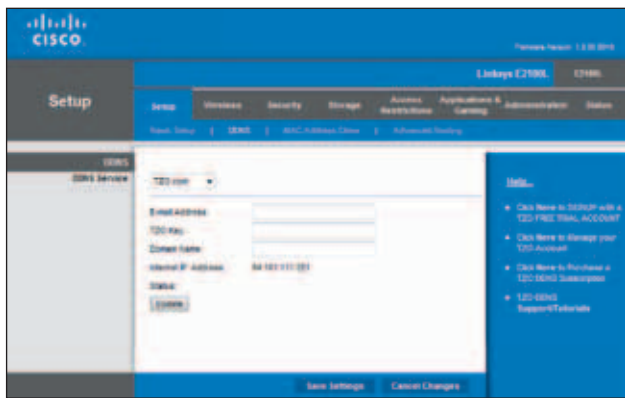
Setup > DDNS > TZO

E-mail Address, TZO Key, and Domain Name Enter the settings of the account you set up with TZO.

Internet IP Address The Router's Internet IP address is displayed here. Because it is dynamic, it will change.

Status The status of the DDNS service connection is displayed.

Update To manually trigger an update, click **Update**.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

Setup > MAC Address Clone

A Media Access Control (MAC) address is a 12-digit code assigned to a unique piece of hardware for identification. Some ISPs require you to register a MAC address in order to access the Internet. If you have your computer's MAC address registered with your ISP and you do not wish to re-register the MAC address, then you may assign the registered MAC address to the Router with the MAC Address Clone feature.
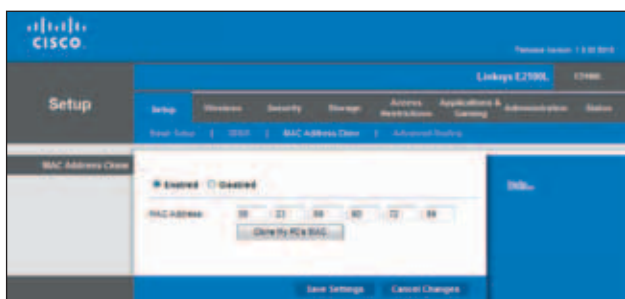
Setup > MAC Address Clone

MAC Address Clone

Enabled/Disabled To have the MAC address cloned, select **Enabled**.

MAC Address Enter the MAC address registered with your ISP here.

Clone My PC's MAC Click this option to clone the MAC address of the computer you are using.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

Setup > Advanced Routing

This screen is used to set up the Router's advanced functions. Operating Mode allows you to select the type(s) of advanced functions you use. Dynamic Routing automatically adjusts how packets travel on your network. Static Routing sets up a fixed route to another network destination.

Setup > Advanced Routing

Advanced Routing

NAT

Enabled/Disabled If this Router is hosting your network's connection to the Internet, keep the default, **Enabled**. If another router exists on your network, select **Disabled**. When the NAT setting is disabled, dynamic routing will be enabled.

Dynamic Routing (RIP)

Dynamic routing uses the Routing Information Protocol (RIP). This option enables the Router to automatically adjust to physical changes in the network's layout and exchange routing tables with the other router(s). The Router determines the network packets' route based on the fewest number of hops between the source and the destination.

Enabled/Disabled When the NAT setting is enabled, the Dynamic Routing option is automatically disabled. When the NAT setting is disabled, this option is available. Select **Enabled** to use the Dynamic Routing option.

Static Routing

A static route is a pre-determined pathway that network information must travel to reach a specific host or

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network. Enter the information described below to set up a new static route.

Route Entries To set up a static route between the Router and another network, select a number from the drop-down list. Click **Delete This Entry** to delete a static route.

Enter Route Name Enter a name for the Route here, using a maximum of 25 alphanumeric characters.

Destination LAN IP The Destination LAN (Local Area Network) IP is the address of the remote network or host to which you want to assign a static route.

Subnet Mask The Subnet Mask determines which portion of a Destination LAN IP address is the network portion, and which portion is the host portion.

Gateway This is the IP address of the gateway device that allows for contact between the Router and the remote network or host.

Interface This interface tells you whether the Destination IP Address is on the **LAN & Wireless** (Ethernet and wireless networks) or the **Internet (WAN)**. (WAN stands for Wide Area Network.)

Click **Show Routing Table** to view the static routes you have already set up.
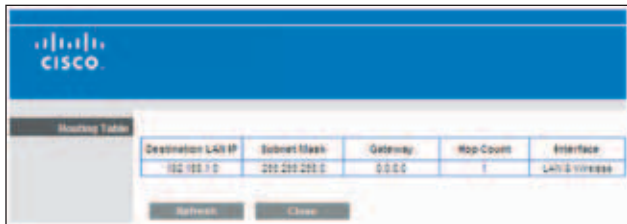
Advanced Routing > Routing Table

Routing Table

For each route, the Destination LAN IP address, Subnet Mask, Gateway, Hop Count, and Interface are displayed. Click **Refresh** to update the information. Click **Close** to exit this screen.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

Wireless > Basic Wireless Settings

The basic settings for wireless networking are set on this screen.

There are two ways to configure the Router's wireless network(s), manual and Wi-Fi Protected Setup.

Wi-Fi Protected Setup is a feature that makes it easy to set up your wireless network. If you have client devices, such as wireless adapters, that support Wi-Fi Protected Setup, then you can use Wi-Fi Protected Setup.

Wireless Configuration To manually configure your wireless networks, select **Manual**. Proceed to the *Manual*

Setup section. To use Wi-Fi Protected Setup, select **Wi-Fi Protected Setup**. Proceed to **Wi-Fi Protected Setup**, **page 18**.

Manual Setup

If you set the *Wireless Configuration* to **Manual**, the *Basic Wireless Settings* screen displays the following fields.
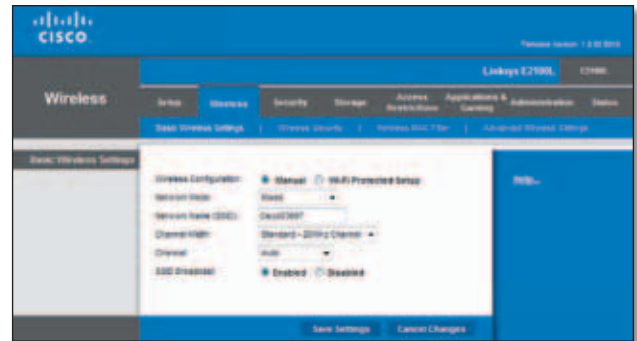
Wireless > Basic Wireless Settings (Manual Setup)

Network Mode From this drop-down menu, you can select the wireless standards running on your network.

- **Mixed** If you have Wireless-N, Wireless-G, and Wireless-B devices in your network, keep the default, **Mixed**.

- **BG-Mixed** If you have only Wireless-G and Wireless-B devices in your network, select **BG-Mixed**.

- **Wireless-N Only** If you have only Wireless-N devices, select **Wireless-N Only**.

- **Wireless-G Only** If you have only Wireless-G devices, select **Wireless-G Only**.

- **Wireless-B Only** If you have only Wireless-B devices, select **Wireless-B Only**.

- **Disabled** If you do not have any wireless devices in your network, select **Disabled**.

> **NOTE:** If you are not sure which mode to use, keep the default, **Mixed**.

Network Name (SSID) The SSID (Service Set Identifier) is the network name shared by all devices in a wireless network. It is case-sensitive and must not exceed 32 keyboard characters. The default is **Ciscoxxxxx** (xxxxx are the last five digits of the Router's serial number). The serial number is located on the left side of the product label, which is on the bottom panel.

Channel Width The default is **Standard - 20 MHz Channel**. For best performance, select **Auto** to have the Router automatically select the Channel Width (20 MHz or 40 MHz).

Channel Select the appropriate channel for your wireless network. If you are not sure which channel to select, then keep the default, **Auto**.

SSID Broadcast When wireless clients survey the local area for wireless networks to associate with, they will detect the SSID broadcast by the Router. To broadcast the Router's SSID, keep the default, **Enabled**. If you do not want to broadcast the Router's SSID, then select **Disabled**.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

Wi-Fi Protected Setup

There are three methods available. Use the method that applies to the client device you are configuring.

Wireless > Basic Wireless Settings (Wi-Fi Protected Setup)

> **NOTE:** Wi-Fi Protected Setup configures one client device at a time. Repeat the instructions for each client device that supports Wi-Fi Protected Setup.

- **Wi-Fi Protected Setup Button** Use this method if your client device has a Wi-Fi Protected Setup button.

 a. Click or press the **Wi-Fi Protected Setup** button on the client device.

 b. Click the **Wi-Fi Protected Setup** button on the Router's *Wi-Fi Protected Setup* screen.

 The Wi-Fi Protected Setup LED flashes blue for two minutes during the Wi-Fi Protected Setup process and lights up blue when the Wi-Fi Protected Setup process is successful.

 The LED lights up amber if there is an error during the Wi-Fi Protected Setup process. Make sure the client device supports Wi-Fi Protected Setup. Wait until the LED is off, and then try again.

 The LED flashes when a Wi-Fi Protected Setup session is active. The Router supports one session

at a time. Wait until the LED is continuously lit, or off before starting the next Wi-Fi Protected Setup session.

 c. After the client device has been configured, click **OK** on the Router's *Wi-Fi Protected Setup* screen. Then refer back to your client device or its documentation for further instructions.

- **Enter Client Device PIN on Router** Use this method if your client device has a Wi-Fi Protected Setup PIN (Personal Identification Number).

 a. Enter the PIN from the client device in the field on the Router's *Wi-Fi Protected Setup* screen.

 b. Click the **Register** button on the Router's *Wi-Fi Protected Setup* screen.

 c. After the client device has been configured, click **OK** on the Router's *Wi-Fi Protected Setup* screen. Then refer back to your client device or its documentation for further instructions.

- **Enter Router PIN on Client Device** Use this method if your client device asks for the Router's PIN.

 a. On the client device, enter the PIN listed on the Router's *Wi-Fi Protected Setup* screen. (It is also listed on the label on the bottom of the Router.)

 b. After the client device has been configured, click **OK** on the Router's *Wi-Fi Protected Setup* screen. Then refer back to your client device or its documentation for further instructions.

The Network Name (SSID), Security, and Passphrase are displayed at the bottom of the screen.

> **NOTE:** If you have client devices that do not support Wi-Fi Protected Setup, note the wireless settings, and then manually configure those client devices.

Wireless > Wireless Security

The wireless security settings configure the security of your wireless network(s). The Router supports the following wireless security options: WPA/WPA2 Mixed Mode (default), WPA2 Personal, WPA Personal, WEP, and RADIUS. (WPA stands for Wi-Fi Protected Access. WEP stands for Wireless Equivalent Privacy. RADIUS stands for Remote Authentication Dial-In User Service.)

The default option is **WPA/WPA2 Mixed Mode**, which allows your devices to connect using the strongest security option they support, WPA2 or WPA.

Personal Options

Security Option	Strength
WPA2 Personal	Strongest
WPA/WPA2 Mixed Mode (default)	WPA2: Strongest WPA: Strong
WPA Personal	Strong
WEP	Basic

Office Option

RADIUS is the security option offered for networks that use a RADIUS server for authentication.

Security Mode

Select the security method for your wireless network. If you do not want to use wireless security, keep the default, **Disabled**.

WPA/WPA2 Mixed Mode

NOTE: If you are using WPA/WPA2 Mixed Mode, each device in your wireless network MUST use the same WPA shared key, or else the network will not function properly.
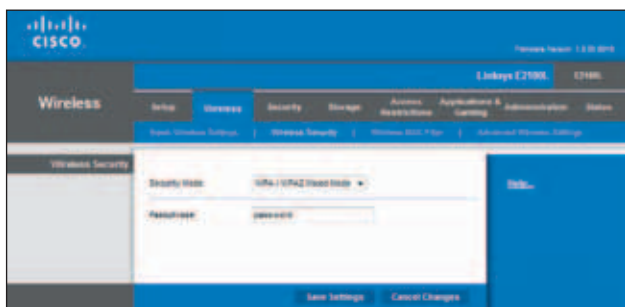
Wireless Security > WPA/WPA2 Mixed Mode

Passphrase Enter a passphrase of 8-63 characters. The default is **password**.

WPA2 Personal

NOTE: If you are using WPA2 or WPA, each device in your wireless network MUST use the same WPA method and shared key, or else the network will not function properly.
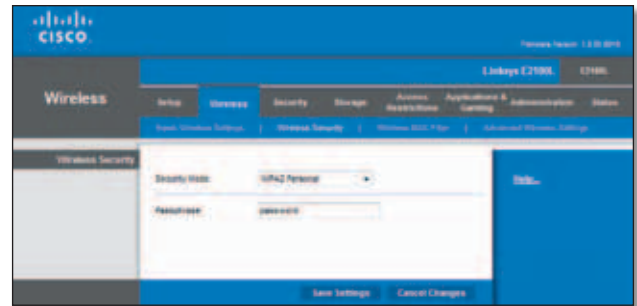
Wireless Security > WPA2 Personal

Passphrase Enter a passphrase of 8-63 characters. The default is **password**.

WPA Personal

NOTE: If you are using WPA2 or WPA, each device in your wireless network MUST use the same WPA method and shared key, or else the network will not function properly.
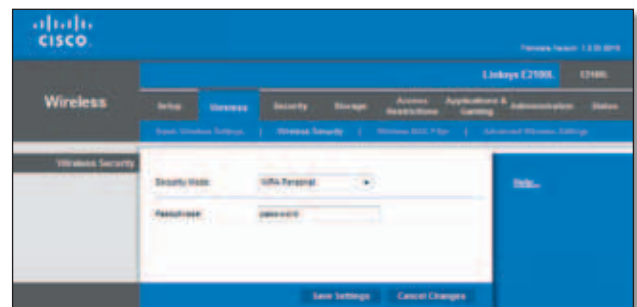
Wireless Security > WPA Personal

Passphrase Enter a passphrase of 8-63 characters. The default is **password**.

WEP

WEP is a basic encryption method, which is not as secure as WPA.

NOTE: If you are using WEP encryption, each device in your wireless network MUST use the same WEP encryption method and encryption key, or else your wireless network will not function properly.
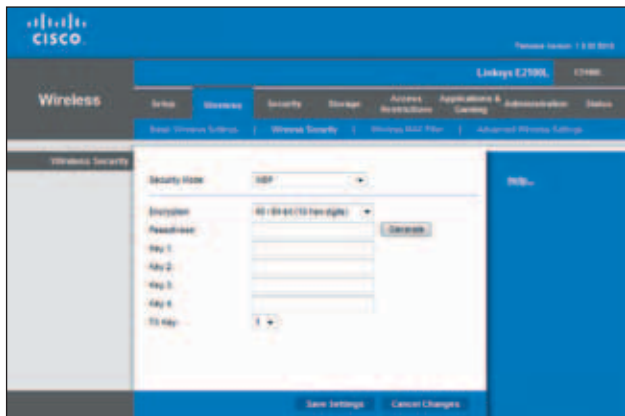
Wireless Security > WEP

Encryption Select a level of WEP encryption, **40/64 bits (10 hex digits)** or **128 bits (26 hex digits)**. The default is **40/64 bits (10 hex digits)**.

Passphrase Enter a Passphrase to automatically generate WEP keys. Then click **Generate**.

Key 1-4 If you did not enter a Passphrase, enter the WEP key(s) manually.

TX Key Select a default TX (Transmit) Key (choose which Key to use). The default is **1**.

RADIUS

This option features WEP used in coordination with a RADIUS server. (This should only be used when a RADIUS server is connected to the Router.)

NOTE: If you are using WEP encryption, each device in your wireless network MUST use the same WEP encryption method and encryption key, or else your wireless network will not function properly.
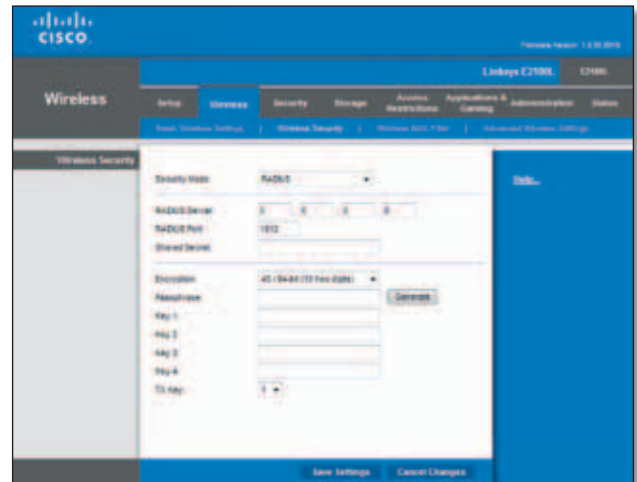
RADIUS

RADIUS Server Enter the IP address of the RADIUS server.

RADIUS Port Enter the port number of the RADIUS server. The default is **1812**.

Shared Secret Enter the key shared between the Router and the server.

Encryption Select a level of WEP encryption, **64 bits 10 hex digits** or **128 bits 26 hex digits**. The default is **64 bits 10 hex digits**.

Passphrase Enter a Passphrase to automatically generate WEP keys. Then click **Generate**.

Key 1-4 If you did not enter a Passphrase, enter the WEP key(s) manually.

TX Key Select a default TX (Transmit) Key (choose which Key to use). The default is **1**.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

Wireless > Wireless MAC Filter

Wireless access can be filtered (restricted) by specifying the MAC addresses of the devices in your wireless network.

Wireless > Wireless MAC Filter

Wireless MAC Filter

Enabled/Disabled To filter wireless users by the MAC addresses of their computers or devices, select **Enabled**. Otherwise, keep the default, **Disabled**.

Access Restriction

Prevent PCs listed below from accessing the wireless network Select this option to block wireless access by MAC address. This option is enabled by default.

Permit PCs listed below access to the wireless network Select this option to allow wireless access by MAC address. This option is disabled by default.

MAC Address Filter List

Wireless Client List Click this option to open the *Wireless Client List* screen.

Wireless Client List

Wireless Client List

This screen shows computers and other devices on the wireless network. The list can be sorted by Client Name, Interface, IP Address, MAC Address, and Status.

Select **Save to MAC Address Filter List** for any device you want to add to the MAC Address Filter List. Then click **Add**.

To update the on-screen information, click **Refresh**. To exit this screen and return to the *Wireless MAC Filter* screen, click **Close**.

MAC 01-50 Enter the MAC addresses of the devices whose wireless access you want to control.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

Wireless > Advanced Wireless Settings

The *Advanced Wireless Settings* screen is used to set up the Router's advanced wireless functions. These settings should only be adjusted by an advanced user because incorrect settings can reduce wireless performance. In most cases, keep the default settings.

Wireless > Advanced Wireless Settings

Advanced Wireless

AP Isolation The AP (Access Point) Isolation feature isolates all wireless clients and wireless devices on your network from each other. Wireless devices will be able to

communicate with the Router but not with each other. To use this option, select **Enabled**. AP Isolation is disabled by default.

Authentication Type The Authentication Type setting is available if the Security Mode is RADIUS or WEP. The default is set to **Auto**, which allows either Open System or Shared Key authentication to be used. With Open System authentication, the sender and the recipient do NOT use a WEP key for authentication. With Shared Key authentication, the sender and recipient use a WEP key for authentication. Select **Shared Key** to only use Shared Key authentication.

Basic Rate The Basic Rate setting is not actually one rate of transmission but a series of rates at which the Router can transmit. (The Basic Rate is not the actual rate of data transmission. If you want to specify the Router's rate of data transmission, configure the Transmission Rate setting.) The Router will advertise its Basic Rate to the other wireless devices in your network, so they know which rates will be used. The Router will also advertise that it will automatically select the best rate for transmission. The default setting is **Default**, when the Router can transmit at all standard wireless rates (1-2 Mbps, 5.5 Mbps, 11 Mbps, 18 Mbps, and 24 Mbps). Select **1-2 Mbps** for use with older wireless technology. Select **All**, when the Router can transmit at all wireless rates.

Transmission Rate The Transmission setting is available if the Network Mode is BG-Mixed, Wireless-G Only, or Wireless-B Only. The rate of data transmission should be set depending on the speed of your wireless network. Select from a range of transmission speeds, or keep the default, **Auto**, to have the Router automatically use the fastest possible data rate and enable the Auto-Fallback feature. Auto-Fallback will negotiate the best possible connection speed between the Router and a wireless client.

N Transmission Rate The N Transmission setting is available if the Network Mode is Mixed or Wireless-N Only. The rate of data transmission should be set depending on the speed of your Wireless-N networking. Select from a range of transmission speeds, or keep the default, **Auto**, to have the Router automatically use the fastest possible data rate and enable the Auto-Fallback feature. Auto-Fallback will negotiate the best possible connection speed between the Router and a wireless client.

CTS Protection Mode The Router automatically uses CTS (Clear-To-Send) Protection Mode when your Wireless-N and Wireless-G devices are experiencing severe problems and are not able to transmit to the Router in an environment with heavy 802.11b traffic. This option boosts the Router's ability to catch all Wireless-N and Wireless-G transmissions but severely decreases performance. To use this option, keep the default, **Auto**. To disable this option, select **Disabled**.

Beacon Interval A beacon is a packet broadcast by the Router to synchronize the wireless network. The Beacon Interval value indicates the frequency interval of the beacon. Enter a value between 20 and 1000 milliseconds. The default value is **100**.

DTIM Interval This value, between 1 and 255, indicates the interval of the Delivery Traffic Indication Message (DTIM). A DTIM field is a countdown field informing clients of the next window for listening to broadcast and multicast messages. When the Router has buffered broadcast or multicast messages for associated clients, it sends the next DTIM with a DTIM Interval value. Its clients hear the beacons and awaken to receive the broadcast and multicast messages. The default value is **1**.

Fragmentation Threshold This value specifies the maximum size for a packet before data is fragmented into multiple packets. If you experience a high packet error rate, you may slightly increase the Fragmentation Threshold. Setting the Fragmentation Threshold too low may result in poor network performance. Only minor reduction of the default value is recommended. In most cases, it should remain at its default value of **2346**.

RTS Threshold Should you encounter inconsistent data flow, only minor reduction of the default value, **2347**, is recommended. If a network packet is smaller than the preset Request to Send (RTS) threshold size, the RTS/CTS (Clear to Send) mechanism will not be enabled. The Router sends RTS frames to a particular receiving station and negotiates the sending of a data frame. After receiving an RTS, the wireless station responds with a CTS frame to acknowledge the right to begin transmission. The RTS Threshold value should remain at its default value of **2347**.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

Security > Firewall

The *Firewall* screen is used to configure a firewall that can filter out various types of unwanted traffic on the Router's local network.
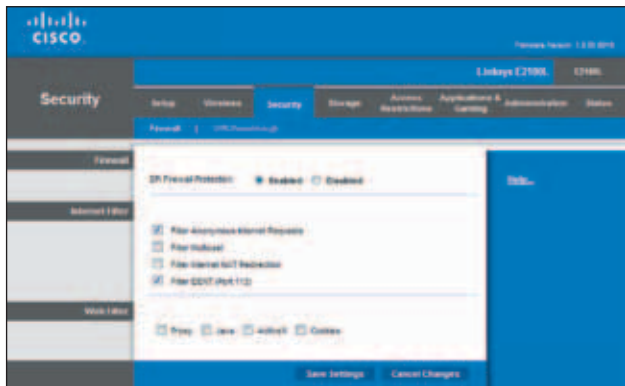
Security > Firewall

Firewall

SPI Firewall Protection To use firewall protection, keep the default selection, **Enabled**. To turn off firewall protection, select **Disabled**.

Internet Filters

Filter Anonymous Internet Requests This option makes it more difficult for outside users to work their way into your network. This option is enabled by default. Disable it to allow anonymous Internet requests.

Filter Multicast The multicasting feature allows for multiple transmissions to specific recipients at the same time. If multicasting is permitted, then the Router will allow IP multicast packets to be forwarded to the appropriate computers. Select this option to enable the filter. This option is disabled by default.

Filter Internet NAT Redirection This option is used to prevent a local computer from using a URL or Internet address to access the local server. Select this option to enable the filter. This option is disabled by default.

Filter IDENT (Port 113) The Filter IDENT (Identification) option keeps port 113 from being scanned by devices outside of your local network. This option is enabled by default. Disable it to allow port 113 to be scanned.

Web Filters

Proxy Use of WAN proxy servers may compromise the Gateway's security. Denying Proxy will disable access to any WAN proxy servers. Select this option to enable proxy filtering. Deselect the option to allow proxy access.

Java Java is a programming language for websites. If you deny Java, you run the risk of not having access to Internet sites created using this programming language. Select

this option to enable Java filtering. Deselect the option to allow Java usage.

ActiveX ActiveX is a programming language for websites. If you deny ActiveX, you run the risk of not having access to Internet sites created using this programming language. Select this option to enable ActiveX filtering. Deselect the option to allow ActiveX usage.

Cookies A cookie is data stored on your computer and used by Internet sites when you interact with them. Select this option to filter cookies. Deselect the option to allow cookie usage.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

Security > VPN Passthrough

The *VPN Passthrough* screen allows you to enable Virtual Private Network (VPN) tunnels using IPSec, PPTP, or L2TP protocols to pass through the Router's firewall.
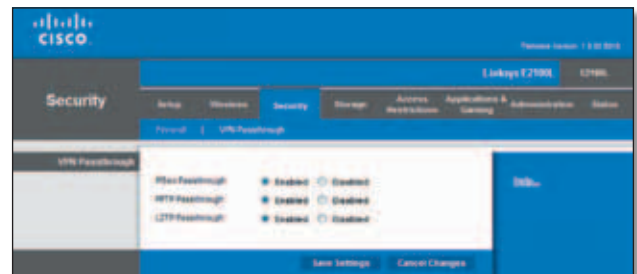
Security > VPN Passthrough

VPN Passthrough

IPSec Passthrough Internet Protocol Security (IPSec) is a suite of protocols used to implement secure exchange of packets at the IP layer. To allow IPSec tunnels to pass through the Router, keep the default, **Enabled**.

PPTP Passthrough Point-to-Point Tunneling Protocol (PPTP) allows the Point-to-Point Protocol (PPP) to be tunneled through an IP network. To allow PPTP tunnels to pass through the Router, keep the default, **Enabled**.

L2TP Passthrough Layer 2 Tunneling Protocol is the method used to enable Point-to-Point sessions via the Internet on the Layer 2 level. To allow L2TP tunnels to pass through the Router, keep the default, **Enabled**.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

Storage > Disk

The storage options are available when a USB storage device is connected to the USB port of the Router. If the storage device does not fit (for example, it may block port 1), then use the included USB extension cable.

The *Disk* screen describes the disk currently attached to the Router. Use this screen to create shared folders, safely remove a disk, or format a disk (any data on the disk will be deleted during formatting).

Each shared folder created on the *Disk* screen has a unique name (Display Name), is mapped to a folder on the disk, and specifies access rights to that folder.

Access rights are managed by group and user accounts that you create on the *Storage > Administration* screen (refer to **Storage > Administration**, **page 29**). Each user has his or her own login and belongs to a group. Each group has either read-and-write or read-only access rights. By default the Router creates two user groups, **admin** (read-and-write access) and **guest** (read-only access).

By default the Router creates a shared folder called **Public**, which can be accessed by the admin and guest groups. Any sub-folders you create in the Public folder will have the same access rights.

The Router does not automatically share any pre-existing folders on the USB storage device, so you will have to create shared folders if you want network access to these pre-existing folders. You have two choices:

- Create a shared folder that shares the entire partition
- Create multiple shared folders, which share specific folders with specific user groups

Proceed to **Create a Shared Folder**, **page 25**.

Storage > Disk

Disk Management

If a formatted disk is connected to the Router, then its name is displayed. For each partition of the disk, the Partition,

File System, Capacity, and Free Space information are displayed.

Safely Remove Disk Before physically disconnecting a disk from the Router, click **Safely Remove Disk** first. This prevents the possible loss of data, which may occur if you remove the disk while it is transferring data.

Create Share To create a shared folder, click this option for the appropriate partition. Proceed to **Create a Shared Folder**, **page 25**.

Shared Folder

Shared Disk IP Address The IP address of the disk is displayed.

Summary To view a list of shared folders, click this option. Proceed to **Shared Folders Summary**, **page 24**.

For each shared folder, the Display Name, Partition, and Shared Folder location are displayed.

Edit To change the settings of a shared folder, click this option. Proceed to **Edit a Shared Folder**, **page 26**.

Delete To delete a shared folder, click this option.

Shared Folders Summary

The *Shared Folders Summary* screen displays the following information: Display Name, Partition, Shared Folder, and Groups with Access.

Shared Folders Summary

To exit the *Shared Folders Summary* screen and return to the *Disk* screen, click **Close**.

Format Disk

Disk To format a disk and create a new partition, select the disk you want to format, and then click **Format Disk**. (If your disk was formatted with multiple partitions, then the formatting will delete them and create a single partition.) The *Claim Disk* screen appears.

Claim Disk

Enter a partition's name Create a name for the partition.

To format the disk as FAT32, click **Format** and follow the on-screen instructions. To update the on-screen information, click **Refresh**.

Claim Disk

On the *Disk* screen, click **Refresh** to update the on-screen information.

Create a Shared Folder

1. After you clicked **Create Share,** the *Shared Folder* screen appears.
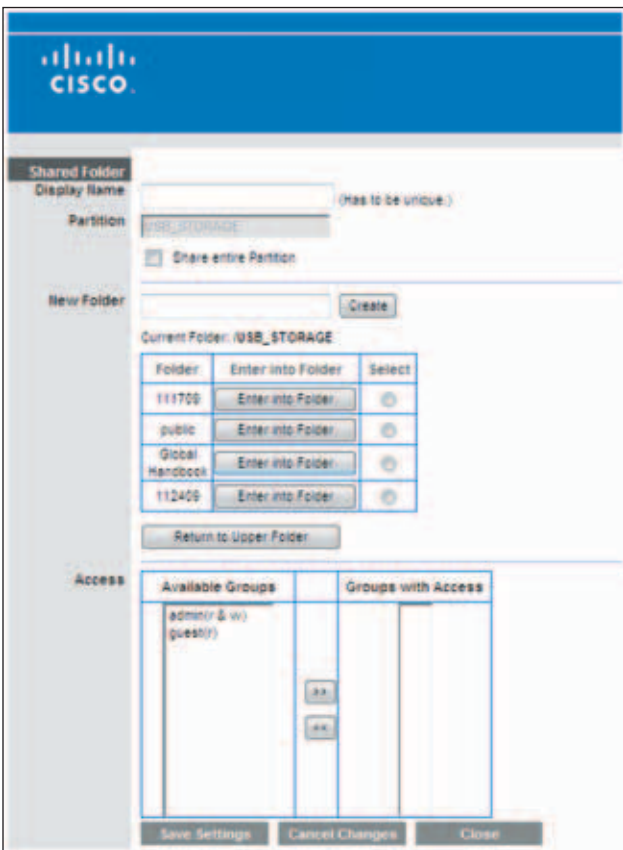
Shared Folder

2. In the *Display Name* field, enter a name for the shared folder. This will appear in the Shared Folder table on the *Disk* screen.

3. The Partition name is displayed. If the shared folder should include the entire partition, select **Share entire Partition** and proceed to step 5.

   If you do not want to share the entire partition, then proceed to step 4 and specify the folder you want to share.

   NOTE: If you select **Share entire Partition**, then all of the Groups with Access (see step 5) can access any folder in the partition.

4. The *Current Folder* setting displays the selected folder. To specify a different folder, click **Select**. To display sub-folders, click **Enter into Folder**. To return to the previous folder, click **Return to Upper Folder**.

   If you want to create a new folder, enter its name in the *New Folder* field. Then click **Create**.

5. To allow a group access to the shared folder, select it from the *Available Groups* column, and then click the **>>** button.

   NOTE: Specify which user groups have read-and-write or read-only access to the shared folder.

6. To block a group from accessing the shared folder, select it from the *Groups with Access* column, and then click the **<<** button.

7. Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes. Click **Close** to exit the screen and return to the *Disk* screen.

Edit a Shared Folder

After you clicked **Edit,** the *Shared Folder* screen appears.

Shared Folder

Make the appropriate changes to the following options:

Display Name The current Display Name is shown. If you want to change the name, enter a new name.

Partition The name of the partition is displayed.

Share entire Partition If the shared folder should include the entire partition, select this option. If you do not want to share the entire partition, then select the folder you do want to share.

New Folder If you want to create a new folder, enter its name and then click **Create**.

Current Folder The selected folder is displayed.

Folder The available folders are listed by Folder name.

- **Enter into Folder** To display sub-folders, click this option.

- **Select** To specify a folder, click **Select**.

- **Return to Upper Folder** To return to the previous folder, click this option.

Access Specify which user groups have read-and-write or read-only access to the shared folders. (To create user groups, refer to **Create or Edit a Group Account**, **page 30**.)

- **Available Groups** To allow a group access to the shared folder, select it, and then click the **>>** button.

- **Groups with Access** To block a group from accessing the shared folder, select it, and then click the **<<** button.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes. Click **Close** to exit the screen and return to the *Disk* screen.

Storage > Media Server

The storage options are available when a USB storage device is connected to the USB port of the Router. If the storage device does not fit (for example, it may block port 1), then use the included USB extension cable.

The Media Server feature allows you to share stored content with other computers and devices on your home network and on the Internet.

If you have UPnP AV (Audio and Video)-enabled or Digital Living Network Alliance (DLNA)-certified devices in your home, then you can use the Router as a media server. Examples of UPnP AV-enabled devices include a digital media adapter, a gaming console with a built-in media player, or a digital picture frame.

For example, if you have a digital media adapter that sends content to your entertainment system, then the digital media adapter can locate the Router using the UPnP AV standard. The folders you specify can then be accessed and played by the digital media adapter.

Storage > Media Server

UPnP Media Server

Setup

Server Name The default server name of the Router is **Ciscoxxxxx** (xxxxx are the last five digits of the Router's serial number). You can change this name on the *Storage > Administration* screen; refer to **Storage > Administration**, **page 29**.

NOTE: If you used the setup software for installation, then the name of your wireless network (up to 15 characters) is the server name of the Router.

UPnP Media Server To use the Router's media server function, select **Enabled**. Otherwise, select **Disabled**.

Database Setup

This section lets you select content to add to the database of the Router's media server.

Specify Folder to Scan To add a media folder to the database of the Router's media server, click this option. Proceed to Add a Media Folder, page 27.

Auto-scan every __ To automatically scan the media folders, select this option. Then select the appropriate interval: **2 Hours** (default), **6 Hours**, **12 Hours**, **24 Hours**, or **48 Hours**.

Scan All To scan all media files, click this option.

For each media folder, the Name, Partition, and Folder location are displayed.

Scan To scan a folder, click **Scan**.

Delete To delete a folder, click **Delete**.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

Add a Media Folder

1. After you clicked **Specify Folder to Scan,** the *Media Folder* screen appears.
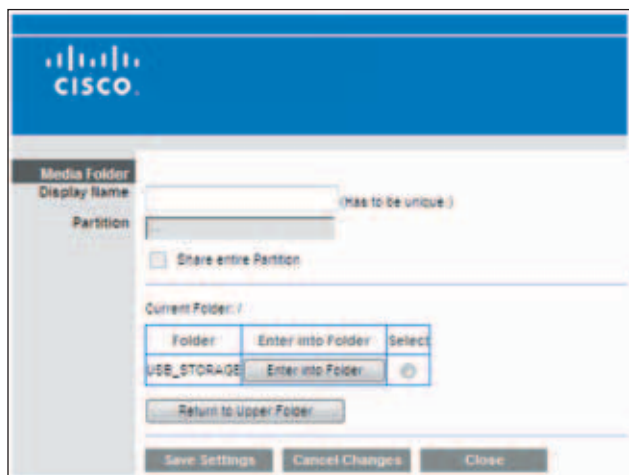
Media Folder

2. In the *Display Name* field, enter a name for the media folder. This will appear in the Database table on the *Media Server* screen.

3. The Partition name is displayed. If the media folder should include the entire partition, select **Share entire Partition** and proceed to step 5.

If you do not want to share the entire partition, then proceed to step 4 and specify the folder you want to share.

4. The *Current Folder* setting displays the selected folder. To specify a different folder, click **Select**. To display sub-folders, click **Enter into Folder**. To return to the previous folder, click **Return to Upper Folder**.

If you want to create a new folder, enter its name in the *New Folder* field. Then click **Create**.

5. To allow a group access to the media folder, select it from the *Available Groups* column, and then click the **>>** button.

NOTE: Specify which user groups have read-and-write or read-only access to the media folder.

6. To block a group from accessing the media folder, select it from the *Groups with Access* column, and then click the **<<** button.

7. Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes. Click **Close** to exit the screen and return to the *Media Server* screen.
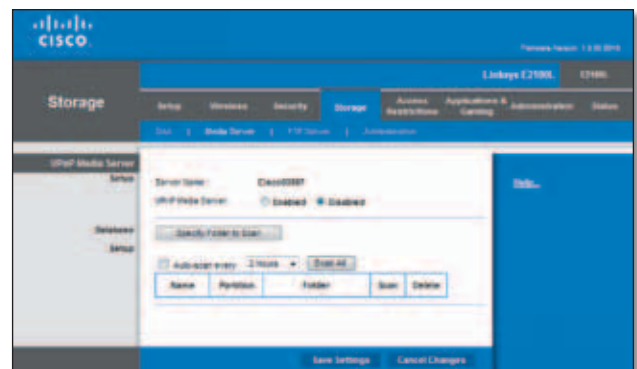
Storage > FTP Server

The storage options are available when a USB storage device is connected to the USB port of the Router. If the storage device does not fit (for example, it may block port 1), then use the included USB extension cable.

Use the *FTP Server* screen to create an FTP server that can be accessed from the Internet or your local network. You can also create FTP folders, which are folders you create to manage FTP client access to the folders on the disk.
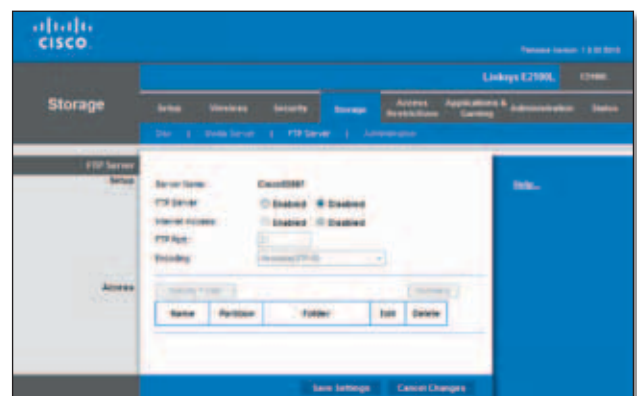
Storage> FTP Server

FTP Server

Setup

Server Name The default server name of the Router is **CiscoXXXXX** (xxxxx are the last five digits of the Router's serial number). You can change this name on the *Storage >*

Administration screen; refer to **Storage > Administration**, **page 29**.

> **NOTE:** If you used the setup software for installation, then the name of your wireless network (up to 15 characters) is the server name of the Router.

FTP Server Select **Enabled** to use the Router as an FTP server. Otherwise, select **Disabled**. An external USB hard drive or USB disk must be connected to the USB port to use this service.

Internet Access Select **Enabled** to allow access of the FTP server from the Internet. Otherwise, select **Disabled** to only allow local network access.

FTP Port Enter the FTP Port number to use. The default is **21**.

Encoding The Router supports different character sets for the transfer of files in different languages. Select the appropriate character encoding set: **Unicode(UTF-8)**, **Chinese Simplified(GB18030)**, **Vietnamese(CP1258)**, or **ISO8859_1**. The default is **Unicode(UTF-8)**.

Access

Specify Folder To create an FTP folder, click this option. Proceed to **Create an FTP Folder**, **page 28**.

Summary To view a list of FTP folders, click this option. Proceed to **FTP Summary**, **page 28**.

For each FTP folder, the Name, Partition, and Folder location are displayed.

Edit To change the settings of an FTP folder, click this option. Proceed to **Edit an FTP Folder**, **page 29**.

Delete To delete an FTP folder, click this option.

FTP Summary

The *FTP Summary* screen displays the following information: Display Name, Partition, Shared Folder, and Groups with Access.
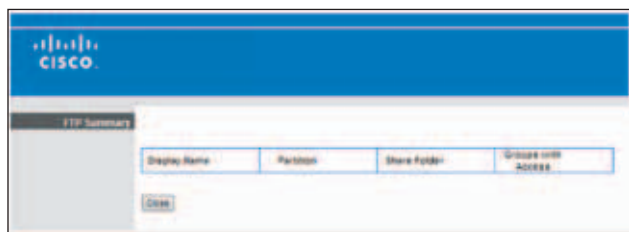
FTP Summary

To exit the *FTP Summary* screen and return to the *FTP Server* screen, click **Close**.

Create an FTP Folder

1. After you clicked **Specify Folder,** the *FTP Folder* screen appears.

FTP Folder

2. In the *Display Name* field, enter a name for the FTP folder. This will appear in the Access table on the *FTP Server* screen.

3. The Partition name is displayed. If the FTP folder should include the entire partition, select **Share entire Partition** and proceed to step 5.

    If you do not want to share the entire partition, then proceed to step 4 and specify the folder you want to share.

4. The *Current Folder* setting displays the selected folder. To specify a different folder, click **Select**. To display sub-folders, click **Enter into Folder**. To return to the previous folder, click **Return to Upper Folder**.

    If you want to create a new folder, enter its name in the *New Folder* field. Then click **Create**.

5. To allow a group access to the FTP folder, select it from the *Available Groups* column, and then click the **>>** button.

> **NOTE:** Specify which user groups have read-and-write or read-only access to the FTP folder.

6. To block a group from accessing the FTP folder, select it from the *Groups with Access* column, and then click the **<<** button.

7. Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes. Click **Close** to exit the screen and return to the *FTP Server* screen.

Edit an FTP Folder

After you clicked **Edit,** the *FTP Folder* screen appears.

FTP Folder

Make the appropriate changes to the following options:

Display Name The current Display Name is shown. If you want to change the name, enter a new name.

Partition The name of the partition is displayed.

Share entire Partition If the FTP folder should include the entire partition, select this option. If you do not want to share the entire partition, then select the folder you do want to share.

New Folder If you want to create a new folder, enter its name and then click **Create**.

Current Folder The selected folder is displayed.

Folder The available folders are listed by Folder name.

- **Enter into Folder** To display sub-folders, click this option.
- **Select** To specify a folder, click **Select**.
- **Return to Upper Folder** To return to the previous folder, click this option.

Access Specify which user groups have read-and-write or read-only access to the FTP folders. (To create user groups, refer to **Create or Edit a Group Account**, **page 30**.)

- **Available Groups** To allow a group access to the FTP folder, select it, and then click the **>>** button.
- **Groups with Access** To block a group from accessing the FTP folder, select it, and then click the **<<** button.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes. Click **Close** to exit the screen and return to the *FTP Server* screen.

Storage > Administration

The *Administration* screen allows you to manage the user groups and individual users who can access the shared folders.

Storage > Administration

Information

Server Name Enter the server name for the Router; it will be used for the disk and media server features. Use only alphanumeric characters (letters A to Z and numbers 0 to 9) in the server name. The default server name of the Router is **Ciscoxxxxx** (xxxxx are the last five digits of the Router's serial number).

> **NOTE:** If you used the setup software for installation, then the name of your wireless network (up to 15 characters) is the server name of the Router.

Workgroup Name Enter the workgroup name for the Router; it should match the workgroup name of the computers on your local network. The Router's default is **workgroup**.

Server LAN IP Address The local IP address of the Router is displayed.

Server Internet IP Address The Internet IP address of the Router is displayed.

Group Management

By default the Router creates two user groups, **admin** and **guest**.

The groups are listed by Group Name and Access level. There are two levels of access, r & w (read-and-write) and r (read-only).

Create New Group To create a new group of users, click this option. The *Group Account* screen appears. Proceed to **Create or Edit a Group Account**, **page 30**.

Edit To change the description or access rights of a group, click **Modify**, and the *Group Account* screen appears. Proceed to **Create or Edit a Group Account**, **page 30**.

Delete To delete a group, click this option.

User Management

By default the Router creates two users, **admin** and **guest**.

The users are listed by User Name and Group.

Create New User To create a new user, click this option. The *User Account* screen appears. Proceed to **Create or Edit a User Account**, **page 30**.

Edit To change the settings of a user account, click **Modify**, and the *User Account* screen appears. Proceed to **Create or Edit a User Account**, **page 30**.

Delete To delete a user, click this option.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

Create or Edit a Group Account
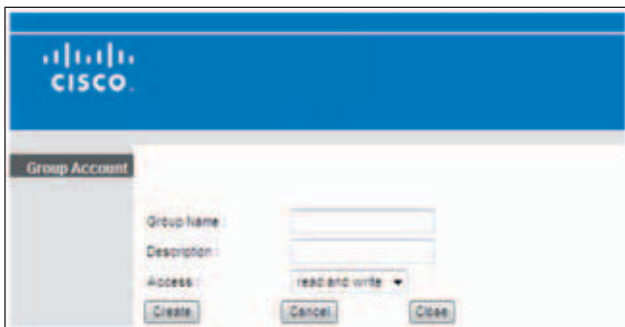
Group Account

Group Account

To create a group account, complete the options. To edit a group account, make the appropriate changes.

Group Name Enter a name for the group.

Description Enter keywords to describe the group.

Access Select the appropriate level of access, **read and write** or **read only**.

Click **Create** or **Modify** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel** to clear your changes. Click **Close** to exit the screen and return to the *Administration* screen.

Create or Edit a User Account
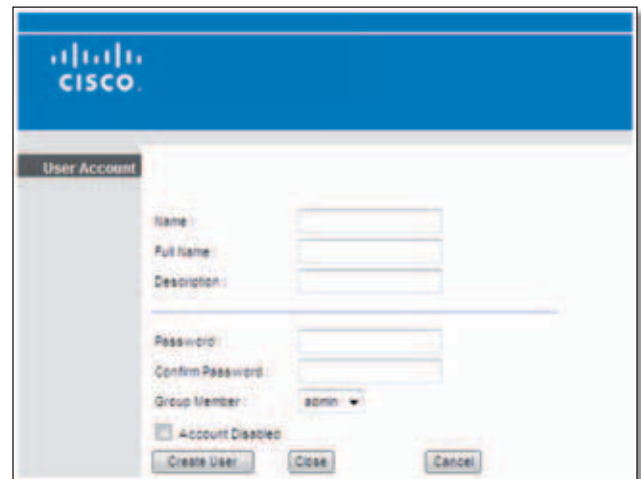
User Account

User Account

To create a user account, complete the options. To edit a user account, make the appropriate changes:

Name Enter a name for the user.

Full Name Enter the actual name of the user.

Description Enter keywords to describe the user.

Password Enter the password that the user will use for login.

Confirm Password Enter the password again to confirm.

Group Member Select the appropriate user group.

Account Disabled To temporarily disable an account, select this option.

Click **Create User** or **Modify User** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel** to clear your changes. Click **Close** to exit the screen and return to the *Administration* screen.

Access Restrictions > Internet Access

The *Internet Access* screen allows you to deny or allow specific kinds of Internet usage and traffic, such as Internet access, designated services, and websites during specific days and times.

Access Restrictions > Internet Access

Internet Access Policy

Access Policy Access can be managed by a policy. Use the settings on this screen to establish an access policy (after **Save Settings** is clicked). Selecting a policy from the drop-down menu will display that policy's settings. To delete a policy, select that policy's number and click **Delete This Policy**. To view all the policies, click **Summary**.

Summary

The policies are listed with the following information: No., Policy Name, Access, Days, Time, and status (Enabled). To enable a policy, select **Enabled**. To delete a policy, click **Delete**. Click **Save Settings** to save your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes. To return to the *Internet Access Policy* screen, click **Close**.
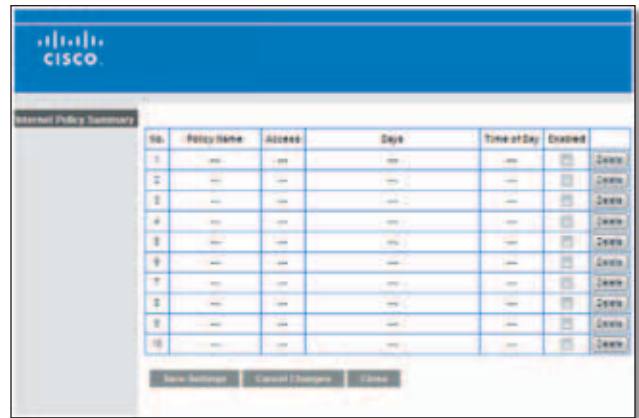
Summary

Status Policies are disabled by default. To enable a policy, select the policy number from the drop-down menu, and select **Enabled**.

To create a policy, follow steps 1-11. Repeat these steps to create additional policies, one at a time.

1. Select a number from the *Access Policy* drop-down menu.

2. Enter a Policy Name in the field provided.

3. To enable this policy, select **Enabled**.

4. Click **Edit List** to select which computers will be affected by the policy. The *List of PCs* screen appears. You can select a computer by MAC address or IP address. You can also enter a range of IP addresses if you want this policy to affect a group of computers. After making your changes, click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes. Then click **Close**.
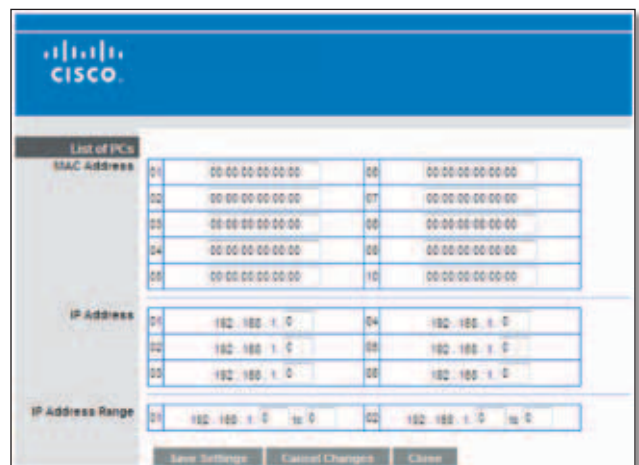
List of PCs

5. Select the appropriate option, **Deny** or **Allow**, depending on whether you want to block or allow Internet access for the computers you listed on the *List of PCs* screen.

6. Decide which days and what times you want this policy to be enforced. Select the individual days during which the policy will be in effect, or select **Everyday**. Then enter a range of hours and minutes during which the policy will be in effect, or select **24 Hours**.

7. You can block websites with specific URL addresses. Enter each URL in a separate *Website Blocking by URL Address* field.

8. You can also block websites using specific keywords. Enter each keyword in a separate *Website Blocking by Keyword* field.

9. You can filter access to various services accessed over the Internet, such as FTP or telnet. (You can block up to three applications per policy.)

   From the Applications list, select the application you want to block. Then click the **>>** button to move it to the Blocked List. To remove an application from the Blocked List, select it and click the **<<** button.

10. If the application you want to block is not listed or you want to edit a service's settings, enter the application's name in the *Application Name* field. Enter its range in the *Port Range* fields. Select its protocol from the *Protocol* drop-down menu. Then click **Add**.

    To modify a service, select it from the Applications list. Change its Application Name, Port Range, and/or Protocol setting. Then click **Modify**.

    To delete a service, select it from the Applications list. Then click **Delete**.

11. Click **Save Settings** to save the policy's settings, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear the changes.

Applications and Gaming > Single Port Forwarding

The *Single Port Forwarding* screen allows you to customize port services for various applications.

When users send these types of requests to your network via the Internet, the Router will forward those requests to the appropriate computers (also called servers). Before using forwarding, you should assign static IP addresses to the designated computers (use the DHCP Reservation option on the *Basic Setup* screen; refer to **DHCP Reservation**, **page 14**).
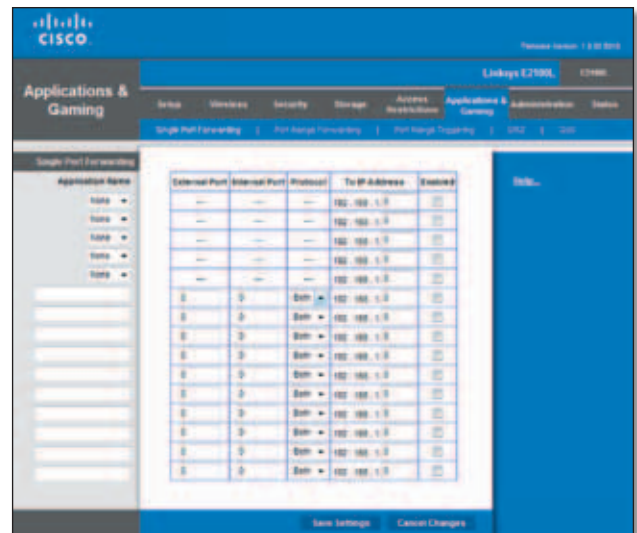
Applications and Gaming > Single Port Forwarding

Single Port Forwarding

Preset applications are available for the first five entries. For each entry, complete the following:

Application Name Select the appropriate application.

To IP Address Enter the IP address of the computer that should receive the requests. If you assigned a static IP address to the computer, then you can look up its static IP address; refer to **DHCP Reservation**, **page 14**.

Enabled Select **Enabled** to enable port forwarding.

You can customize entries for additional applications. For each entry, complete the following:

Application Name Enter the name you wish to give the application. Each name can be up to 12 characters.

External Port Enter the external port number used by the computer or Internet application. Check with the Internet application documentation for more information.

Internal Port Enter the internal port number used by the computer or Internet application. Check with the Internet application documentation for more information.

Protocol Select the protocol(s) used for this application, **TCP** (Transmission Control Protocol), **UDP** (User Datagram Protocol),or **Both**.

To IP Address Enter the IP address of the computer that should receive the requests. If you assigned a static IP address to the computer, then you can look up its static IP address; refer to **DHCP Reservation**, **page 14**.

Enabled Select **Enabled** to enable port forwarding.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

Applications and Gaming > Port Range Forwarding

The *Port Range Forwarding* screen allows you to set up public services on your network, such as web servers, FTP servers, e-mail servers, or other specialized Internet applications. (Specialized Internet applications are any applications that use Internet access to perform functions such as videoconferencing or online gaming. Some Internet applications may not require any forwarding.)

When users send these types of requests to your network via the Internet, the Router will forward those requests to the appropriate computers (also called servers). Before using forwarding, you should assign static IP addresses to the designated computers (use the DHCP Reservation option on the *Basic Setup* screen; refer to **DHCP Reservation**, **page 14**).

If you need to forward all ports to one computer, click the **DMZ** tab.

Applications and Gaming > Port Range Forwarding

Port Range Forwarding

For each entry, complete the following:

Application Name Enter the name you wish to give the application. Each name can be up to 12 characters.

Start~End Port Enter the number or range of port(s) used by the computer or Internet applications. Check with the Internet application documentation for more information.

Protocol Select the protocol(s) used for this application, **TCP**, **UDP**, or **Both**.

To IP Address Enter the IP address of the computer running the specific application. If you assigned a static IP address to the computer, then you can look up its static IP address; refer to **DHCP Reservation**, **page 14**.

Enabled Select **Enabled** to enable port forwarding.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

Applications & Gaming > Port Range Triggering

The *Port Range Triggering* screen allows the Router to watch outgoing data for specific port numbers. The IP address of the computer that sends the matching data is remembered by the Router, so that when the requested data returns through the Router, the data is pulled back to the proper computer by way of IP address and port mapping rules.

Applications and Gaming > Port Range Triggering

Port Range Triggering

For each entry, complete the following:

Application Name Enter the application name of the trigger.

Triggered Range Enter the starting and ending port numbers of the triggered port number range. Check with the Internet application documentation for the port number(s) needed.

Forwarded Range Enter the starting and ending port numbers of the forwarded port number range. Check with the Internet application documentation for the port number(s) needed.

Enabled Select **Enabled** to enable port triggering.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

Applications and Gaming > DMZ

The DMZ (Demilitarized Zone) feature allows one network computer to be exposed to the Internet for use of a special-purpose service such as Internet gaming or videoconferencing. DMZ hosting forwards all the ports at the same time to one computer. The Port Range Forwarding feature is more secure because it only opens the ports you want to have opened, while DMZ hosting opens all the ports of one computer, exposing the computer to the Internet.
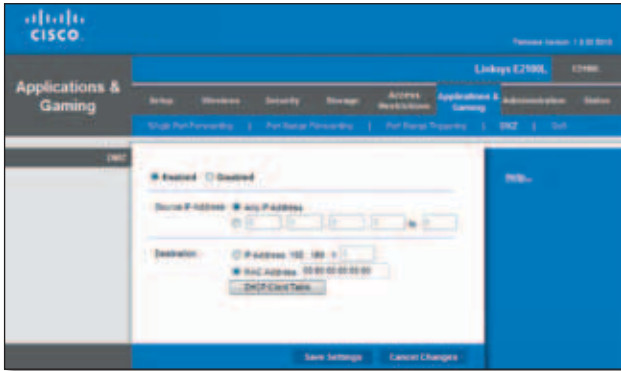
Applications and Gaming > DMZ

DMZ

Any computer whose port is being forwarded should have its DHCP client function disabled and have a new static IP address assigned to it because its IP address may change when using the DHCP function.

Enabled/Disabled To disable DMZ hosting, select **Disabled**. To expose one computer, select **Enabled**. Then configure the following settings:

Source IP Address If you want any IP address to be the source, select **Any IP Address**. If you want to specify an IP address or range of IP addresses as the designated source, select and complete the IP address range fields.

Destination If you want to specify the DMZ host by IP address, select **IP Address** and enter the IP address in the field provided. If you want to specify the DMZ host by MAC address, select **MAC Address** and enter the MAC address in the field provided. To retrieve this information, click **DHCP Client Table**.
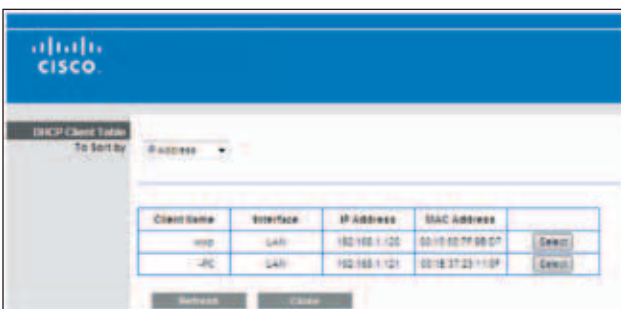
DMZ > DHCP Client Table

DHCP Client Table

The DHCP Client Table lists computers and other devices that have been assigned IP addresses by the Router. The list can be sorted by Client Name, Interface, IP Address, and MAC Address. To select a DHCP client, click **Select**. To update the on-screen information, click **Refresh**. To exit this screen and return to the *DMZ* screen, click **Close**.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

Applications and Gaming > QoS

Quality of Service (QoS) is a method that assigns priority to specific types of network traffic, which often are demanding, real-time applications, such as gaming, videoconferencing, video streaming, and Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) telephony. QoS helps to ensure optimal performance for these types of uses.
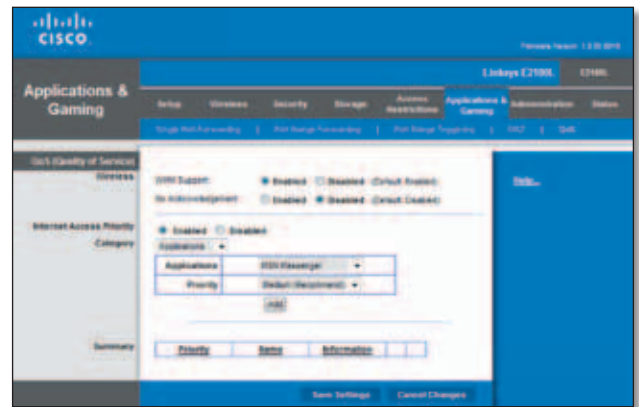
Applications and Gaming > QoS

QoS (Quality of Service)

Wireless

WMM Support Wi-Fi Multimedia (WMM) is a wireless Quality of Service feature that improves quality for audio, video, and voice applications by prioritizing wireless traffic. To use this feature, the wireless client devices in your network must support Wireless WMM. To disable this option, select **Disabled**. Otherwise, keep the default, **Enabled**.

No Acknowledgement If you want to disable the Router's Acknowledgement option, so the Router will not re-send data if an error occurs, then select **Enabled**. Otherwise, keep the default, **Disabled**.

Internet Access Priority

In this section, you can set the bandwidth priority for a variety of applications and devices. There are four levels of priority: High, Medium, Normal, or Low. When you set priority, do not set all applications to High, because

this will defeat the purpose of allocating the available bandwidth. If you want to select below normal bandwidth, select **Low**. Depending on the application, a few attempts may be needed to set the appropriate bandwidth priority.

Enabled/Disabled To use the QoS policies you set, select **Enabled**. Otherwise, keep the default, **Disabled**.

Category

You can define the Internet access priority level for as many categories as you want. The *Summary* section will display all of the priority selections that you enter. Select from the following categories:

- **Applications** Allows you to assign a priority level for a pre-defined application or one that you add.
- **Online Games** Allows you to assign a priority level for a pre-defined game or one that you add.
- **MAC Address** This option lets you prioritize network traffic based on the device that is accessing the network. For example, if you want your gaming console to have higher priority accessing the Internet than your computer, you can assign their priority levels using their respective MAC addresses.
- **Voice Device** Voice devices require a higher priority level. You can assign a higher priority level to voice devices using their respective MAC addresses.

Summary

This lists the QoS entries you have created for your applications and devices. Refer to **Summary**, **page 36** for more information.

Applications

Applications Select the appropriate application. If you select Add a New Application, follow the instructions in the *Add a New Application* section.

Priority Select the appropriate priority: **High**, **Medium (Recommend)**, **Normal**, or **Low**.

Click **Add** to save your changes. Your new entry will appear in the Summary list.

Add a New Application
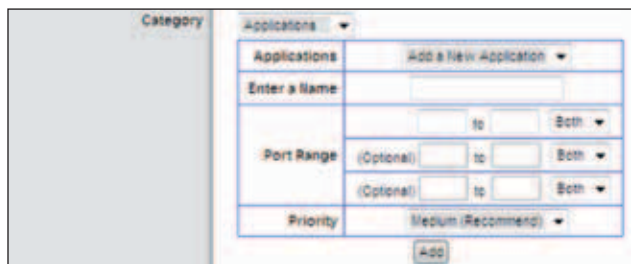
QoS > Add a New Application

Enter a Name Enter a name for this application.

Port Range Enter the port range that the application will be using. For example, if you want to allocate bandwidth for FTP, you can enter 21-21. If you need services for an application that uses from 1000 to 1250, you enter 1000-1250 as your settings. You can have up to three ranges to define for this bandwidth allocation. Port numbers can range from 1 to 65535. Check your application's documentation for details on the service ports used.

Select the protocol **TCP** or **UDP,** or select **Both**.

Priority Select the appropriate priority: **High**, **Medium (Recommend)**, **Normal**, or **Low**.

Click **Add** to save your changes. Your new entry will appear in the Summary list.

Online Games
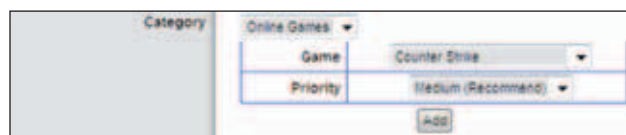
QoS > Online Games

Game Select the appropriate game. If you select Add a New Game, follow the instructions in the *Add a New Game* section.

Priority Select the appropriate priority: **High**, **Medium (Recommended)**, **Normal**, or **Low**.

Click **Add** to save your changes. Your new entry will appear in the Summary list.

Add a New Game

QoS > Add a New Game

Enter a Name Enter any name to indicate the name of the entry.

Port Range Enter the port range that the game will be using. You can have up to three ranges to define for this bandwidth allocation. Port numbers can range from 1 to 65535. Check your application's documentation for details on the service ports used.

Select the protocol **TCP** or **UDP,** or select **Both**.

Priority Select the appropriate priority: **High**, **Medium (Recommended)**, **Normal**, or **Low**.

Click **Add** to save your changes. Your new entry will appear in the Summary list.

MAC Address

QoS > MAC Address

The MAC address of the computer you are using is displayed.

Enter a Name Enter a name for your device.

MAC Address Enter the MAC address of your device.

Priority Select the appropriate priority: **High**, **Medium (Recommended)**, **Normal**, or **Low**.

Click **Add** to save your changes. Your new entry will appear in the Summary list.

Voice Device

QoS > Voice Device

Enter a Name Enter a name for your voice device.

MAC Address Enter the MAC address of your voice device.

Priority Select the appropriate priority: **High (Recommended)**, **Medium**, **Normal**, or **Low**.

Click **Add** to save your changes. Your new entry will appear in the Summary list.

Summary

This lists the QoS entries you have created for your applications and devices.

Priority This column displays the bandwidth priority of High, Medium, Normal, or Low.

Name This column displays the application, game, device, or port name.

Information This column displays the port range or MAC address entered for your entry. If a pre-configured application or game was selected, there will be no valid entry shown in this section.

Remove Click this option to remove an entry.

Edit Click this option to make changes.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

Administration > Management

The *Management* screen allows the network's administrator to manage specific Router functions for access and security.

Administration > Management

Management

Router Access

To ensure the Router's security, you will be asked for your password when you access the Router's browser-based utility. The default is **admin**.

Router Password Enter a new password for the Router.

Re-enter to confirm Enter the password again to confirm.

Local Management Access

Access via HTTP (HyperText Transport Protocol) is the communications protocol used to connect to servers on the World Wide Web. HTTPS uses SSL (Secure Socket Layer) to encrypt data transmitted for higher security. Select **HTTP** or **HTTPS**. The default is **HTTP**.

Access via Wireless If you are using the Router in a public domain where you are giving wireless access to your guests, you can disable wireless access to the Router's browser-based utility. You will only be able to access the utility via a wired connection if you disable the setting. Keep the default, **Enabled**, to allow wireless access to the utility, or select **Disabled** to block wireless access to the utility.

Remote Access

Remote Management To permit remote access of the Router from the Internet (outside the local network), select **Enabled**. Otherwise, keep the default, **Disabled**.

Access via HTTP (HyperText Transport Protocol) is the communications protocol used to connect to servers on the World Wide Web. HTTPS uses SSL (Secure Socket Layer) to encrypt data transmitted for higher security. Select **HTTP** or **HTTPS**. **HTTP** is the default.

Remote Upgrade If you want to be able to upgrade the Router from the Internet (outside the local network), select **Enabled**. (You must have the Remote Management option enabled as well.) Otherwise, keep the default, **Disabled**.

Allowed Remote IP Address If you want to be able to access the Router from any external IP address, select **Any IP Address**. If you want to specify an external IP address or range of IP addresses, then select the second option and complete the fields provided.

Remote Management Port Enter the port number that will be open to outside access. (When you remotely access the Router, you will need to enter the Router's password.)

> ✔ **NOTE:** When you are in a remote location and wish to manage the Router, enter **http://xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx:yyyy** or **https://xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx:yyyy**, depending on whether you use HTTP or HTTPS. Enter the Router's specific Internet IP address in place of xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx, and enter the Remote Management Port number in place of yyyy.

UPnP

Universal Plug and Play (UPnP) allows the appropriate Windows operating system to automatically configure the Router for various Internet applications, such as gaming and videoconferencing.

UPnP If you want to use UPnP, keep the default, **Enabled**. Otherwise, select **Disabled**.

Allow Users to Configure Keep the default, **Enabled**, if you want to be able to make manual changes to the Router while using the UPnP feature. Otherwise, select **Disabled**.

Allow Users to Disable Internet Access Select **Enabled**, if you want to be able to prohibit any and all Internet connections. Otherwise, keep the default, **Disabled**.

Backup and Restore

Backup Configurations To back up the Router's configuration settings, click this option and follow the on-screen instructions.

Restore Configurations To restore the Router's configuration settings, click this option and follow the on-screen instructions. (You must have previously backed up the Router's configuration settings.)

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

Administration > Log

The Router can keep logs of all traffic for your Internet connection.
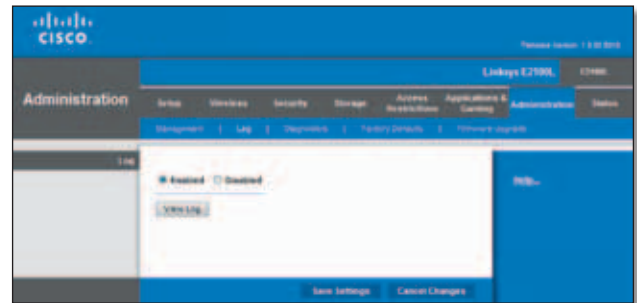
Administration > Log

Log

Log To disable the Log function, select **Disabled**. To monitor traffic between the network and the Internet, keep the default, **Enabled**. With logging enabled, you can choose to view temporary logs.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes.

When you wish to view the logs, click **View Log**.
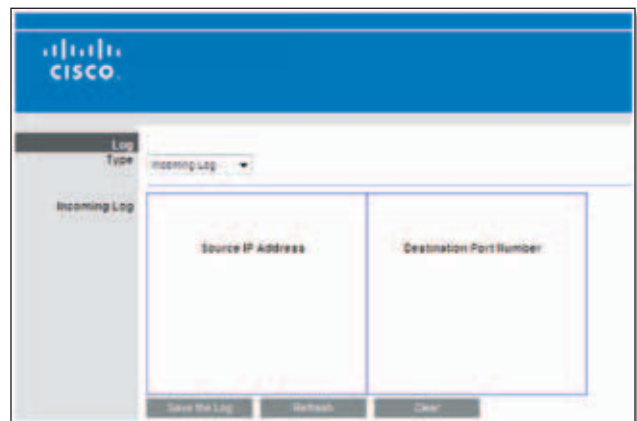
Log > View Log

Log

- **Type** Select **Incoming Log**, **Outgoing Log**, **Security Log**, or **DHCP Client Log**.

- **<Type> Log** The Incoming Log displays a temporary log of the source IP addresses and destination port numbers for the incoming Internet traffic. The Outgoing Log displays a temporary log of the local IP addresses, destination URLs/IP addresses, and service/port numbers for the outgoing Internet traffic. The Security log displays the login information for the browser-based utility. The DHCP Client Log displays the LAN DHCP server status information.

  Click **Save the Log** to save this information to a file on your computer's hard drive. Click **Refresh** to update the log. Click **Clear** to clear all the information that is displayed.

Administration > Diagnostics

The diagnostic tests (Ping and Traceroute) allow you to check the connections of your network devices, including connection to the Internet.

Administration > Diagnostics

Diagnostics

Ping Test

Ping checks the status of a connection.

IP or URL Address Enter the address of the computer, device, or website whose connection you wish to test.

Packet Size Enter the packet size you want to use. The default is **32** bytes.

Number to Ping Enter the number of times you wish to test the connection. The default is **5**.

Start Test To run the test, click this option. The *Ping* screen shows if the test is successful. Click **Close** to return to the *Diagnostics* screen. Click **Stop** to stop the test.

Diagnostics > Ping

Traceroute Test

Traceroute checks the performance of a connection.

IP or URL Address Enter the address of the computer, device, or website whose connection you wish to test.

Start Test To run the test, click this option. The *Traceroute* screen shows if the test is successful. Click **Close** to return to the *Diagnostics* screen. Click **Stop** to stop the test.

Diagnostics > Traceroute

Administration > Factory Defaults

The *Factory Defaults* screen allows you to restore the Router's configuration to its factory default settings.

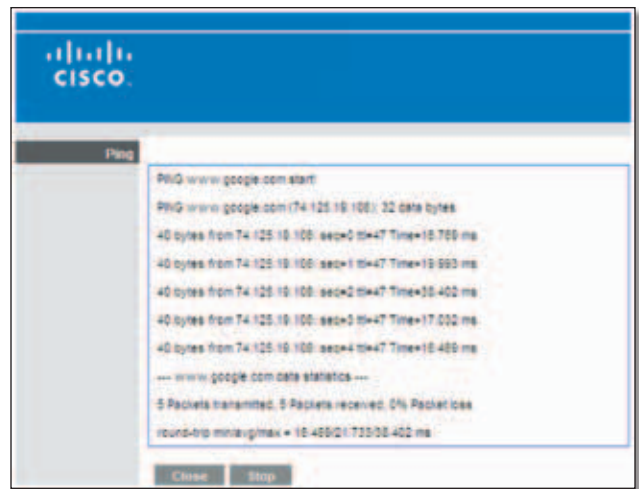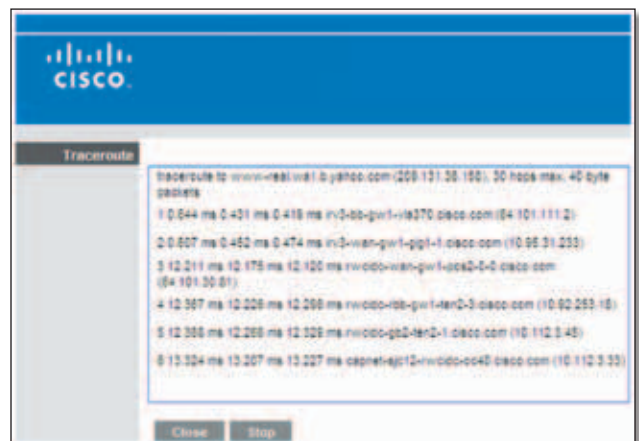✓ **NOTE:** Do not restore the factory defaults unless you are having difficulties with the Router and have exhausted all other troubleshooting measures. Once the Router is reset, you will have to re-enter all of your configuration settings.
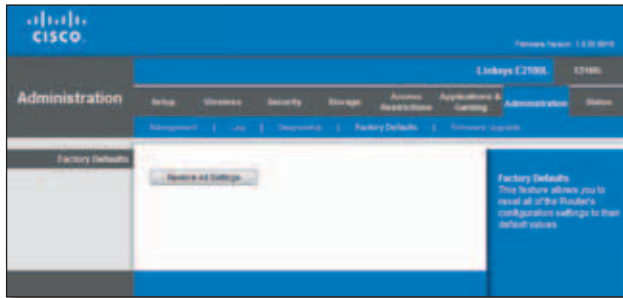
Administration > Factory Defaults

Factory Defaults

Restore All Settings To reset the Router's settings to the defaults, click this option and then follow the on-screen instructions. Any settings you have saved will be lost when the default settings are restored.

Administration > Firmware Upgrade

The *Firmware Upgrade* screen allows you to upgrade the Router's firmware. Do not upgrade the firmware unless you are experiencing problems with the Router or the new firmware has a feature you want to use.

Administration > Firmware Upgrade

✓ **NOTE:** The Router may lose the settings you have customized. Before you upgrade its firmware, write down all of your custom settings. After you upgrade its firmware, you will have to re-enter all of your configuration settings.

Firmware Upgrade

Before upgrading the firmware, download the Router's firmware upgrade file from the website, **www.linksys.com/support**.

Please select a file to upgrade the firmware Click **Browse** and select the firmware upgrade file.

Start to Upgrade After you have selected the appropriate file, click this option, and follow the on-screen instructions.

⚠ **WARNING:** Do not interrupt the upgrade process. You should not turn off the power or press the Reset button during the upgrade process. Doing so may disable the Router.

Status > Router

The *Router* screen displays information about the Router and its current settings.

Status > Router

Router Information

Firmware Version The version number of the Router's current firmware is displayed.

Firmware Verification The unique identifier of the firmware is displayed.

Current Time The time set on the Router is displayed.

Internet MAC Address The Router's MAC Address, as seen by your ISP, is displayed.

Host Name The Host Name of the Router is displayed (if it was entered on the *Setup > Basic Setup* screen).

Domain Name The Domain Name of the Router is displayed (if it was entered on the *Setup > Basic Setup* screen).

Internet Connection

This section shows the current network information stored in the Router. The information varies depending on the Internet connection type selected on the *Setup > Basic Setup* screen.

For a DHCP connection, select **Release IP Address** or **Renew IP Address** as appropriate to release or renew a DHCP lease. For a PPPoE or similar connection, select **Connect** or **Disconnect** as appropriate to connect to or disconnect from the Internet.

Click **Refresh** to update the on-screen information.

Status > Local Network

The *Local Network* screen displays information about the local network.
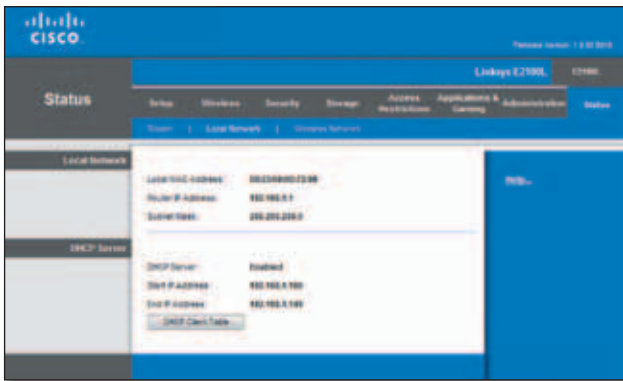
Status > Local Network

Local Network

Local MAC Address The MAC address of the Router's local, wired interface is displayed.

Router IP Address The Router's IP address, as it appears on your local network, is displayed.

Subnet Mask The Subnet Mask of the Router is displayed.

DHCP Server

DHCP Server The status of the Router's DHCP server function is displayed.

Start IP Address For the range of IP addresses that can be used by devices on your local network, the starting IP address is displayed.

End IP Address For the range of IP addresses that can be used by devices on your local network, the ending IP address is displayed.

DHCP Client Table Click this option to view a list of computers or other devices that are using the Router as a DHCP server.
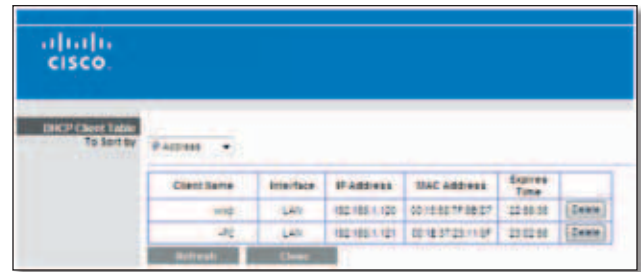
DHCP Client Table

DHCP Client Table

The DHCP Client Table lists computers and other devices that have been assigned IP addresses by the Router. The list can be sorted by IP Address, MAC Address, Interface, and Client Name. To remove a DHCP client, click **Delete**. To update the on-screen information, click **Refresh**. To exit this screen and return to the *Local Network* screen, click **Close**.

Status > Wireless Network

The *Wireless Network* screen displays information about your wireless network.

Status > Wireless Network

Wireless Network

MAC Address The MAC address of the Router's local, wireless interface is displayed.

Mode The wireless mode used by the network is displayed.

Network Name (SSID) The name of the wireless network, which is also called the SSID, is displayed.

Channel Width The Channel Width setting (selected on the *Wireless > Basic Wireless Settings* screen) is displayed.

Channel The Channel setting selected on the *Basic Wireless Settings* screen is displayed.

Security The wireless security method used by the Router is displayed.

SSID Broadcast The status of the SSID Broadcast option is displayed.

Appendix A: Troubleshooting

Your computer cannot connect to the Internet.

Follow these instructions until your computer can connect to the Internet:

- Make sure that the Router is powered on. The Power LED should be lit and not flashing.
- If the Power LED is flashing, then power off all of your network devices, including the modem, Router, and computers. Then power on each device in the following order:
  1. Cable or DSL modem
  2. Router
  3. Computer
- Check the cable connections. The computer should be connected to one of the ports numbered 1-4 on the Router, and the modem must be connected to the Internet port on the Router.

The modem does not have an Ethernet port.

The modem is a dial-up modem for traditional dial-up service. To use the Router, you need a cable/DSL modem and high-speed Internet connection.

You cannot use the DSL service to connect manually to the Internet.

After you have installed the Router, it will automatically connect to your Internet Service Provider (ISP), so you no longer need to connect manually.

The DSL telephone line does not fit into the Router's Internet port.

The Router does not replace your modem. You still need your DSL modem in order to use the Router. Connect the telephone line to the DSL modem, and then insert the setup CD into your computer. Click **Set up your Linksys Router** and follow the on-screen instructions.

When you double-click the web browser, you are prompted for a username and password. If you want to get rid of the prompt, follow these instructions.

Launch the web browser and perform the following steps (these steps are specific to Internet Explorer but are similar for other browsers):

1. Select **Tools** > **Internet Options**.
2. Click the **Connections** tab.
3. Select **Never dial a connection**.
4. Click **OK**.

The Router does not have a coaxial port for the cable connection.

The Router does not replace your modem. You still need your cable modem in order to use the Router. Connect your cable connection to the cable modem, and then insert the setup CD into your computer. Click **Set up your Linksys Router** and follow the on-screen instructions.

The computer cannot connect wirelessly to the network.

Make sure the wireless network name or SSID is the same on both the computer and the Router. If you have enabled wireless security, then make sure the same security method and key are used by both the computer and the Router.

You need to modify the settings on the Router.

Router settings can be modified using the Cisco Connect software; refer to **How to Access Cisco Connect**, **page 10**. To modify the advanced settings, go to *Advanced settings*. Refer to **Advanced Settings**, **page 10**.

You want to access the browser-based utility from Cisco Connect.

To enter the browser-based utility from Cisco Connect, follow these steps:

1. Open Cisco Connect.
2. On the main menu, click **Router settings**.
3. Click **Advanced settings**.
4. Write down the username and password that are displayed. (To help protect your password, you can copy it to the Clipboard by clicking **Copy password**.)
5. Click **OK**.
6. Your web browser automatically opens. Enter the username and password, and then click **OK**. (If you copied the password to the Clipboard in step 4, press **Ctrl-V** to paste it into the *Password* field.)

When you try to log into the browser-based utility, your password does not work.

Your wireless security password also serves as the browser-based utility's login password. To see this password:

1. Open Cisco Connect.
2. On the main menu, click **Router settings**.
3. The *Password* is displayed on the left side of the screen.

The Router does not recognize your USB storage device.

Make sure the USB storage device uses the NTFS or FAT format. To check its format, follow these instructions:

1. Connect the USB storage device directly to your computer.

2. On your desktop, double-click **Computer** or **My Computer** icon.

3. Right-click the USB storage device, and click **Properties**.

4. The format is listed in the File system description. If the format is not NTFS or FAT, then back up the data on the USB storage device.

   After you have backed up the data on the USB storage drive, you can format it. Right-click the USB storage device, and click **Format**. Follow the on-screen instructions. For more information, refer to Windows Help.

If the Router still does not recognize the USB storage device, then remove the power adapter from the Router's Power port. Wait five seconds, and then re-connect the power adapter to the Router's Power port.

In Windows Vista, you do not see the USB storage device in the Network ***screen.***

Make sure the Router and your computer use the same workgroup name. (The default workgroup name of the Router is **workgroup**. In Windows Vista, right-click the **Computer** icon and select **Properties**. Click **Advanced system settings**. Click the **Computer Name** tab. The workgroup name is displayed.) If they differ, then change the workgroup name of the Router. Follow these instructions:

1. Access the web-based utility of the Router. (Refer to **How to Access the Browser-Based Utility**, **page 11**.)

2. Click the **Storage** tab.

3. Click the **Administration** tab.

4. In the *Workgroup Name* field, enter the workgroup name of your computer.

5. Click **Save Settings**.

In Windows XP, you do not see the Router in the My Network Places ***screen.***

In the *Network Tasks* section, click **Show icons for networked UPnP devices**. If the Router does not appear, follow these instructions:

1. Go to **Start > Control Panel > Firewall**.

2. Click the **Exceptions** tab.

3. Select **UPnP Framework**.

4. Click **OK**.

In Windows XP, you do not see your USB storage device in the View workgroup computers ***screen.***

Make sure the Router and your computer use the same workgroup name. (The default workgroup name of the Router is **workgroup**. In Windows XP, go to **Start > Control Panel > System**. Click the **Computer Name** tab. The workgroup name is displayed.) If they differ, then

change the workgroup name of the Router. Follow these instructions:

1. Access the web-based utility of the Router. (Refer to **How to Access the Browser-Based Utility**, **page 11**.)

2. Click the **Storage** tab.

3. Click the **Administration** tab.

4. In the *Workgroup Name* field, enter the workgroup name of your computer.

5. Click **Save Settings**.

WEB: If your questions are not addressed here, refer to our E2100L section on the web, **www.linksys.com/support/E2100L**

Appendix B: How to Install and Access USB Storage

Overview

The Router's USB port lets you connect USB storage that can be accessed over your network. This appendix covers the main functions of the shared storage feature, including the following:

* Connect and access a USB storage device

* Map a shortcut to a USB storage device

* Create a shared folder on a USB storage device (advanced users)

* Manage access to shared folders using group and user accounts (advanced users)

Follow the instructions for your operating system: Windows 7, Windows Vista, Windows XP, or Mac OS X.

Windows 7

Install the USB Storage Device

1. Make sure your computer has a wired or wireless connection to the Router.

2. Connect an external USB hard disk drive or USB flash drive to the USB port of the Router.

Access the USB Storage Device

1. On your desktop, click the **Windows Explorer** icon.

Windows Explorer Icon

> **NOTE:** If the Windows Explorer icon is not displayed, then go to **Start > All Programs > Accessories > Windows Explorer**.

2. In the *Address* field, enter the local IP address of the Router:

   \\xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx

   The default is **192.168.1.1**. You can change this IP address on the *Setup > Basic Setup* screen; refer to **Setup > Basic Setup**, **page 11**.

Enter Local IP Address of Router

> **NOTE:** Another option is to use the server name of the Router. In the *Address* field, enter: **\\Ciscoxxxxx**
>
> (xxxxx are the last five digits of the Router's serial number.) You can change the server name on the *Storage > Administration* screen; refer to **Storage > Administration**, **page 29**.
>
> If you used the setup software for installation, then enter the name of your wireless network (up to 15 characters) in the *Address* field.

3. Double-click the **Public** folder. (By default the Router creates a shared folder called **Public**.)

> **NOTE:** If the USB storage device has pre-existing folders, then you will have to create shared folders so there is network access to these pre-existing folders. Proceed to **Create a Shared Folder**, **page 53**.

Double-Click Public Folder

> **NOTE:** If the Public folder is not displayed, right-click **Network**. Click **Properties**. Click **Change advanced sharing settings**. Select **Turn on network discovery**. Select **Turn on file and printer sharing**. Click **Save changes**.

4. Enter your account user name and password. (For the admin account, **admin** is both the default user name and password.) Click **OK**.

Enter Account User Name and Password

User accounts are set up on the *Storage > Administration* screen; for more information, refer to **Storage > Administration**, **page 29**.

Map a Drive

1. On your desktop, click the **Windows Explorer** icon.
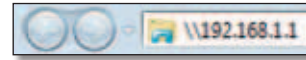

Windows Explorer Icon

> ✔ **NOTE:** If the Windows Explorer icon is not displayed, then go to **Start > All Programs > Accessories > Windows Explorer**.

2. In the *Address* field, enter the local IP address of the Router:

   \\xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx

   The default is **192.168.1.1**. You can change this IP address on the *Setup > Basic Setup* screen; refer to **Setup > Basic Setup**, **page 11**.

Enter Local IP Address of Router

> ✔ **NOTE:** Another option is to use the server name of the Router. In the *Address* field, enter: **\\Ciscoxxxxx**
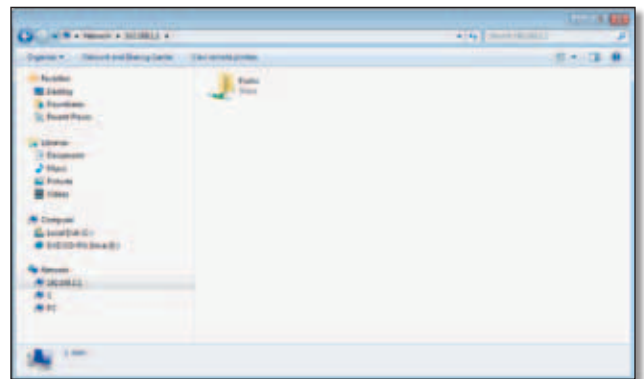>
> (xxxxx are the last five digits of the Router's serial number.) You can change the server name on the *Storage > Administration* screen; refer to **Storage > Administration**, **page 29**.
>
> If you used the setup software for installation, then enter the name of your wireless network (up to 15 characters) in the *Address* field.

3. Right-click the folder you want to map, and click **Map network drive**.

Map Network Drive

4. From the *Drive* drop-down menu, select an available drive letter.

Select Drive Letter

5. If the login screen appears, enter your account user name and password. (For the admin account, **admin** is both the default user name and password.) Click **OK**.

Enter Account User Name and Password

User accounts are set up on the *Storage > Administration* screen; for more information, refer to **Storage > Administration**, **page 29**.

6. Click **Finish**.

Click Finish

Access the Mapped Drive

1. On your desktop, click the **Windows Explorer** icon.

Windows Explorer Icon

NOTE: If the Computer icon is not displayed, then go to **Start > All Programs > Accessories > Windows Explorer**.

2. Double-click the mapped drive to access it.

Double-Click Mapped Drive

Windows Vista

Install the USB Storage Device

1. Make sure your computer has a wired or wireless connection to the Router.

2. Connect an external USB hard disk drive or USB flash drive to the USB port of the Router.

Access the USB Storage Device

1. On your desktop, double-click the **Computer** icon.

Computer Icon

NOTE: If the Computer icon is not displayed, then go to **Start > All Programs > Accessories > Windows Explorer**.

2. In the *Address* field, enter the local IP address of the Router:

\\xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx

The default is **192.168.1.1**. You can change this IP address on the *Setup > Basic Setup* screen; refer to <u>**Setup > Basic Setup**</u>, **page 11**.
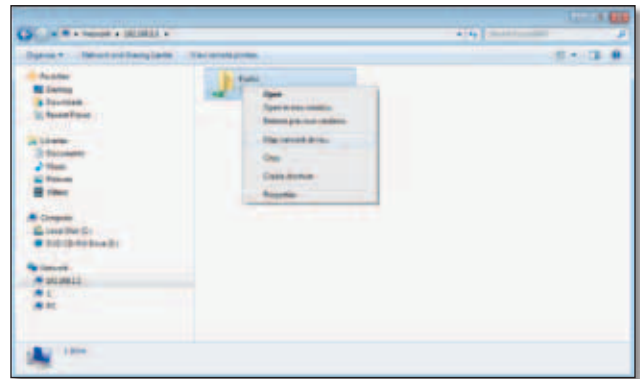

Enter Local IP Address of Router

NOTE: Another option is to use the server name of the Router. In the *Address* field, enter: **\\Ciscoxxxxx**

(xxxxx are the last five digits of the Router's serial number.) You can change the server name on the *Storage > Administration* screen; refer to **Storage > Administration**, **page 29**.

If you used the setup software for installation, then enter the name of your wireless network (up to 15 characters) in the *Address* field.

3. Double-click the **Public** folder. (By default the Router creates a shared folder called **Public**.)

Double-Click Public Folder

NOTE: If the USB storage device has pre-existing folders, then you will have to create shared folders so there is network access to these pre-existing folders. Proceed to **Create a Shared Folder**, **page 53**.

4. Enter your account user name and password. (For the admin account, **admin** is both the default user name and password.) Click **OK**.
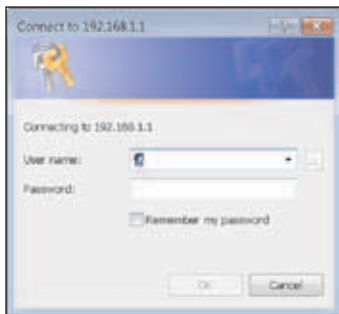
Enter Account User Name and Password

User accounts are set up on the *Storage > Administration* screen; for more information, refer to **Storage > Administration**, **page 29**.

Map a Drive

1. On your desktop, double-click the **Network** icon.

Network Icon

NOTE: If the My Computer icon is not displayed, then go to **Start > All Programs > Accessories > Windows Explorer**.

2. In the *Address* field, enter the local IP address of the Router:

\\xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx

The default is **192.168.1.1**. You can change this IP address on the *Setup > Basic Setup* screen; refer to **Setup > Basic Setup**, **page 11**.

Enter Local IP Address of Router

NOTE: Another option is to use the server name of the Router. In the *Address* field, enter: **\\Ciscoxxxxx**

(xxxxx are the last five digits of the Router's serial number.) You can change the server name on the *Storage > Administration* screen; refer to **Storage > Administration**, **page 29**.
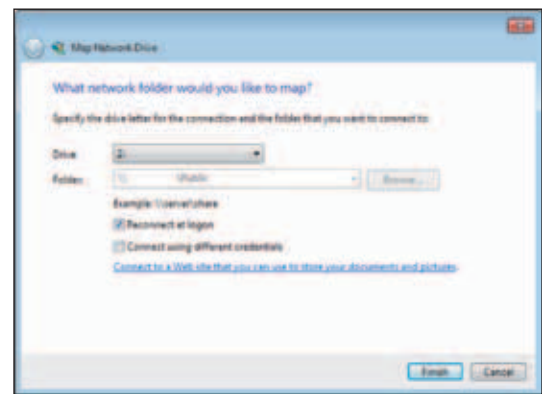
If you used the setup software for installation, then enter the name of your wireless network (up to 15 characters) in the *Address* field.

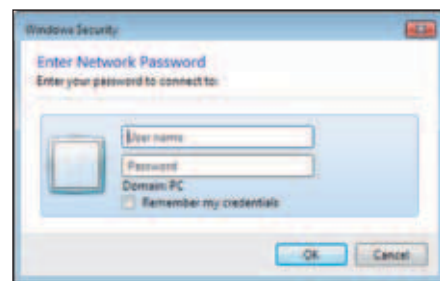3. Right-click the folder you want to map, and click **Map Network Drive**.

Map Network Drive

4. From the *Drive* drop-down menu, select an available drive letter.
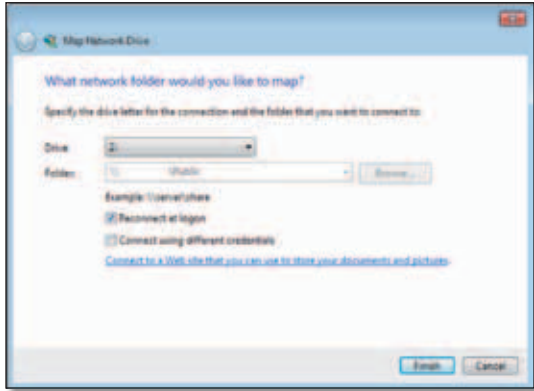

Select Drive Letter

5. If the login screen appears, enter your account user name and password. (For the admin account, **admin** is both the default user name and password.) Click **OK**.

Enter Account User Name and Password

User accounts are set up on the *Storage > Administration* screen; for more information, refer to **Storage > Administration**, **page 29**.

6. Click **Finish**.

Click Finish

Access the Mapped Drive
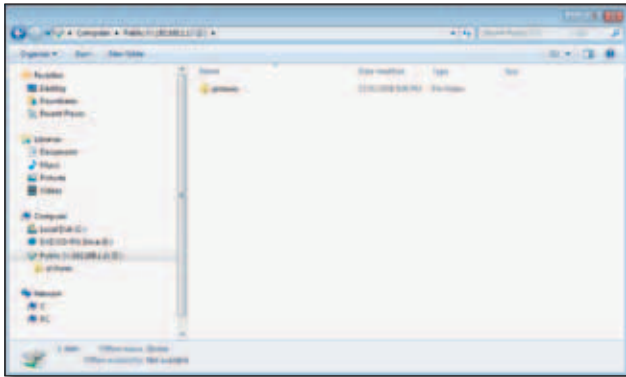
1. On your desktop, double-click the **Computer** icon.

Computer Icon

NOTE: If the Computer icon is not displayed, then go to **Start > All Programs > Accessories > Windows Explorer**.

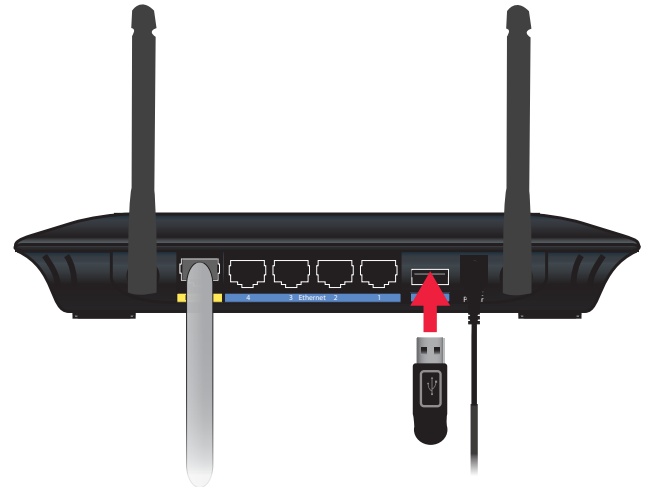2. Double-click the mapped drive to access it.

Double-Click Mapped Drive

Windows XP

Install the USB Storage Device

1. Make sure your computer has a wired or wireless connection to the Router.

2. Connect an external USB hard disk drive or USB flash drive to the USB port of the Router.

Access the USB Storage Device

1. On your desktop, double-click the **My Computer** icon.

My Computer Icon

> **NOTE:** If the My Computer icon is not displayed, then go to **Start > All Programs > Accessories > Windows Explorer**.

2. In the *Address* field, enter the local IP address of the Router:

   \\xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx

   The default is **192.168.1.1**. You can change this IP address on the *Setup > Basic Setup* screen; refer to **Setup > Basic Setup**, **page 11**.
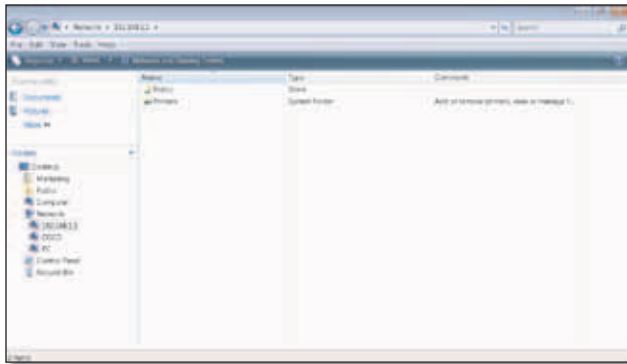
Enter Local IP Address of Router

> **NOTE:** Another option is to use the server name of the Router. In the *Address* field, enter: **\\Ciscoxxxxx**
>
> (xxxxx are the last five digits of the Router's serial number.) You can change the server name on the *Storage > Administration* screen; refer to **Storage > Administration**, **page 29**.
>
> If you used the setup software for installation, then enter the name of your wireless network (up to 15 characters) in the *Address* field.

3. Double-click the **Public** folder. (By default the Router creates a shared folder called **Public**.)

> **NOTE:** If the USB storage device has pre-existing folders, then you will have to create shared folders so there is network access to these pre-existing folders. Proceed to **Create a Shared Folder**, **page 53**.

Double-Click Public Folder

4. Enter your account user name and password. (For the admin account, **admin** is both the default user name and password.) Click **OK**.

Enter Account User Name and Password

User accounts are set up on the *Storage > Administration* screen; for more information, refer to **Storage > Administration**, **page 29**.

Map a Drive

1. On your desktop, double-click the **My Computer** icon.

My Computer Icon

> **NOTE:** If the My Computer icon is not displayed, then go to **Start > All Programs > Accessories > Windows Explorer**.

2. In the *Address* field, enter the local IP address of the Router:

    \\xxx.xxx.xxx.xxx

    The default is **192.168.1.1**. You can change this IP address on the *Setup > Basic Setup* screen; refer to **Setup > Basic Setup**, **page 11**.

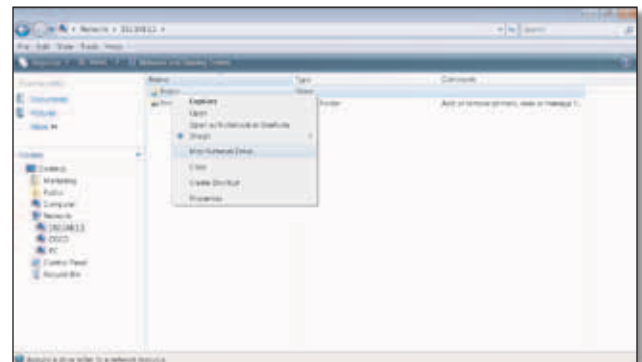
Enter Local IP Address of Router

> **NOTE:** Another option is to use the server name of the Router. In the *Address* field, enter: **\\Ciscoxxxxx**
>
> (xxxxx are the last five digits of the Router's serial number.) You can change the server name on the *Storage > Administration* screen; refer to **Storage > Administration**, **page 29**.
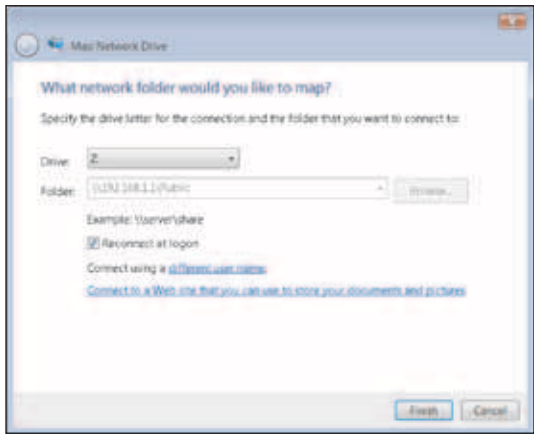>
> If you used the setup software for installation, then enter the name of your wireless network (up to 15 characters) in the *Address* field.

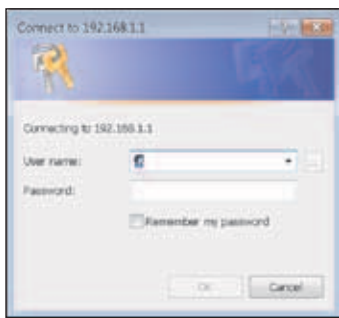3. Right-click the folder you want to map, and click **Map Network Drive**.

Map Network Drive

4. From the *Drive* drop-down menu, select an available drive letter.
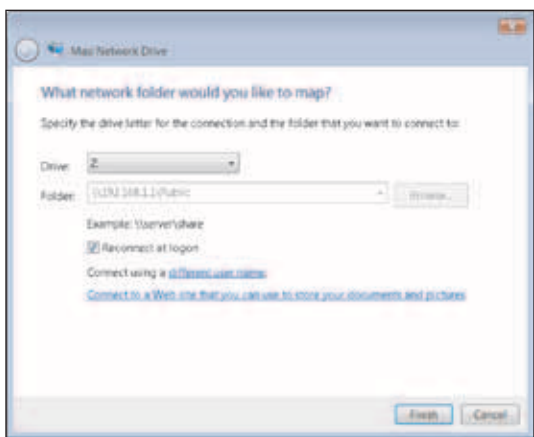

Select Drive Letter

5. If the login screen appears, enter your account user name and password. (For the admin account, **admin** is both the default user name and password.) Click **OK**.

Enter Account User Name and Password

User accounts are set up on the *Storage > Administration* screen; for more information, refer to **Storage > Administration**, **page 29**.

6. Click **Finish**.

Click Finish

Access the Mapped Drive

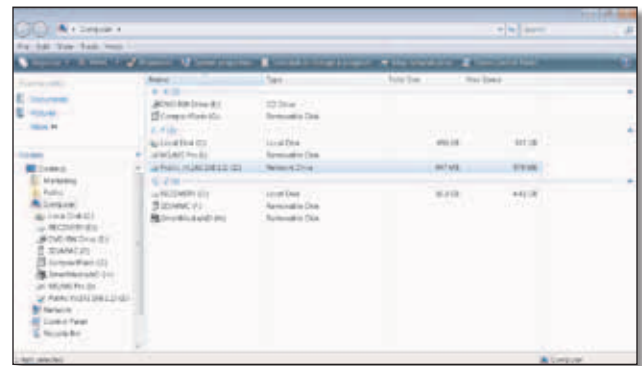1. On your desktop, double-click the **My Computer** icon.

My Computer Icon

> ✓ **NOTE:** If the My Computer icon is not displayed, then go to **Start > All Programs > Accessories > Windows Explorer**.
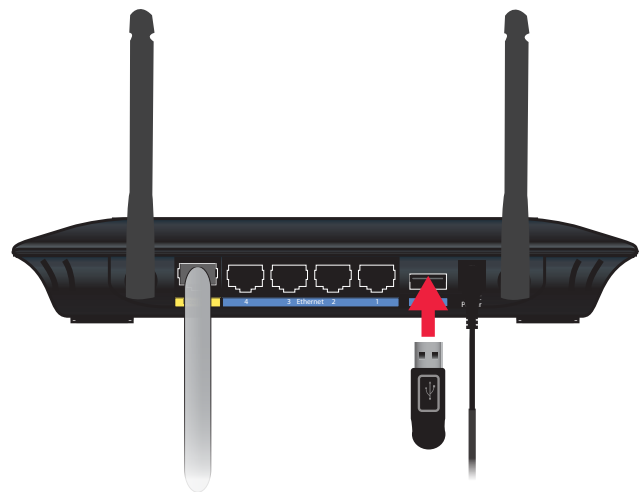
2. Double-click the mapped drive to access it.

Double-Click Mapped Drive

Mac OS X

Install the USB Storage Device

1. Make sure your computer has a wired or wireless connection to the Router.

2. Connect an external USB hard disk drive or USB flash drive to the USB port of the Router.
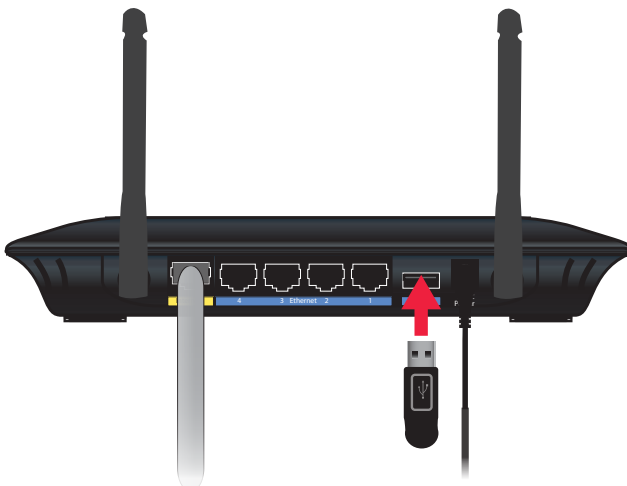
Access the USB Storage Device

1. From your desktop, select **Go > Network**.
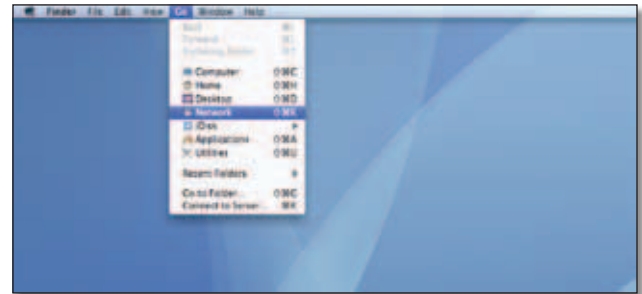
Select Go > Network

2. Double-click the server name.

> ✓ **NOTE:** If you used the setup software to install your Router, then the name of your wireless network will be the server name (up to 15 characters). If not, the name will appear as **Ciscoxxxxx** (xxxxx represents the last five digits of the Router's serial number.)
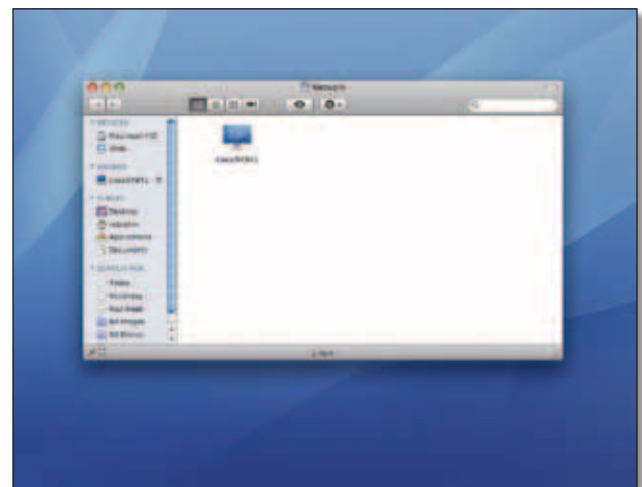
Double-Click Ciscoxxxxx

> ✓ **NOTE:** It may take a few moments before the Router is detected. Please wait.

3. Click **Connect As**.

Connect As button
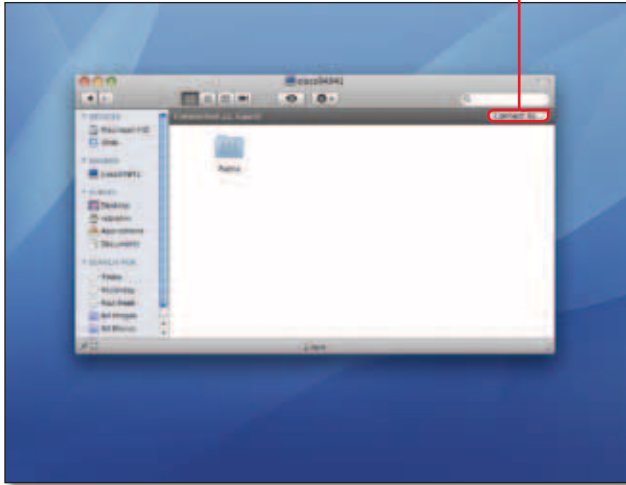
Click Connect As

4. Enter your name and password. (For the admin account, **admin** is both the default user name and password.) Click **OK**.
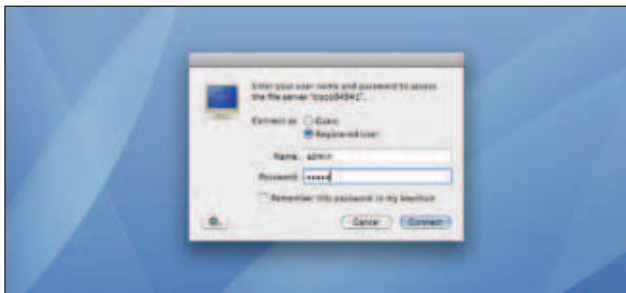
Enter Name and Password

User accounts are set up on the *Storage* > *Administration* screen; for more information, refer to **Storage > Administration**, **page 29**.

5. The window should display Connected as: admin (or whatever name you've connected with). The folders that you have permission to view will be displayed. Double-click a folder such as Public to open it.
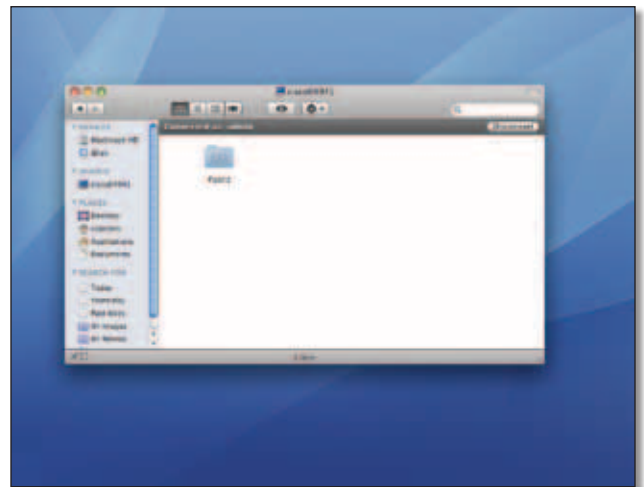
Double-Click to Open

6. The selected folder will open. If the user name that you logged in with is in the admin group, then you can read/write to the folder. If the user name is a member of the guest group, then you will only have read access.
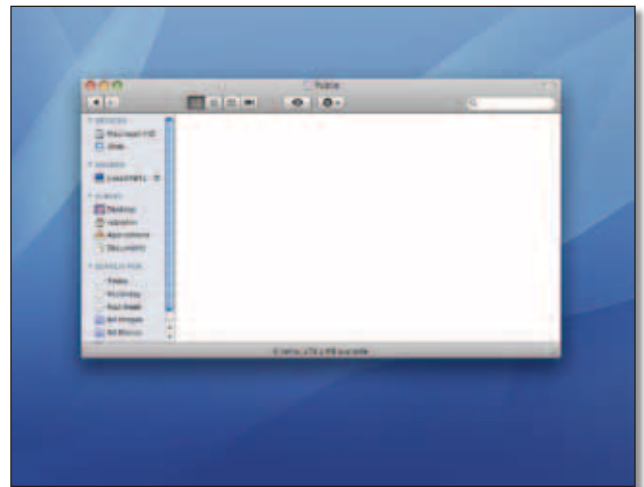
Access Folder

User accounts are set up on the *Storage* > *Administration* screen; for more information, refer to **Storage > Administration**, **page 29**.

Display the Shared Folder on the Desktop

1. Go to **Finder** > **Preferences**.

Go to Finder > Preferences

2. Check **Connected Servers**.

Connected Servers
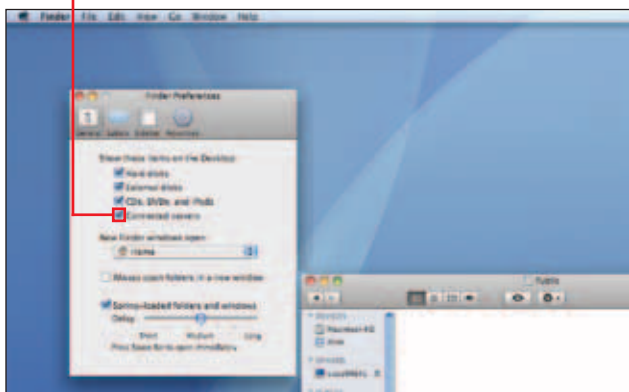
Check Connected Servers

3. The shared folder will be displayed on the desktop and you can access it by double-clicking on the icon.

Icon of Shared Folder
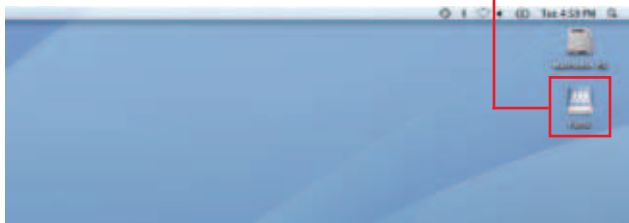
Double-Click Shared Folder Icon

Add to Startup Login Items

1. Go to the **Apple** menu and select **System Preferences**.
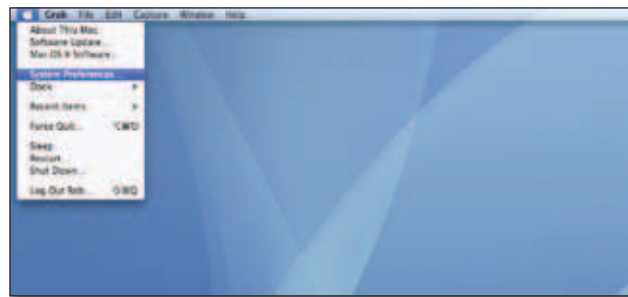
Go to Apple > System Preferences

2. Click **Accounts**.
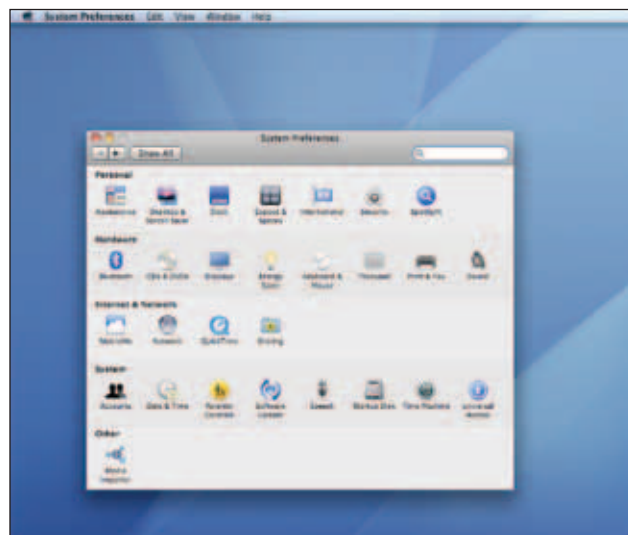
Click Accounts

3. Select **Login Items**.
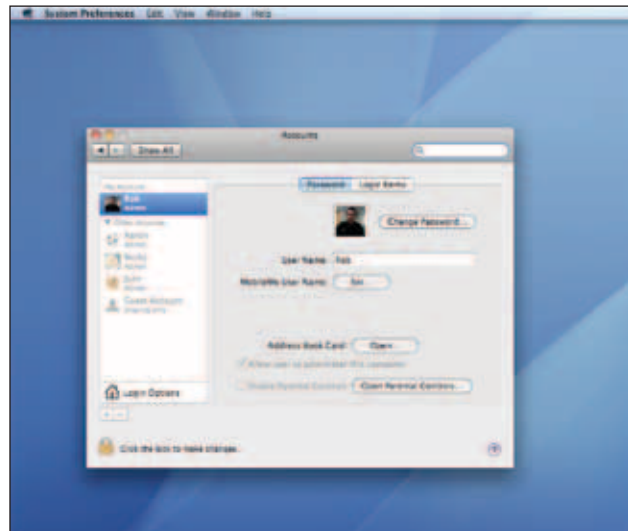
Select Login Items

4. Drag the shared folder to the Login Items window.
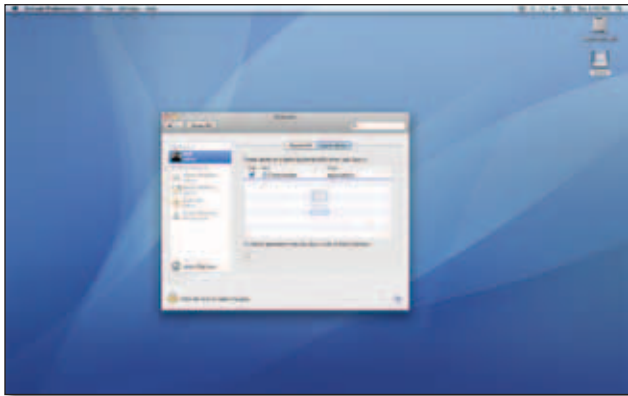
Drag Shared Folder

5. The folder will appear in the list of Login Items. Click the red x to close the window.

Close Window

Advanced Configuration (Advanced Users Only)

To manage access to the USB storage device, you can create shared folders, user groups, and user accounts.

Access the Browser-Based Utility

To access the browser-based utility, launch the web browser on your computer, and enter the Router's default IP address, **192.168.1.1**, in the *Address* field. Then press **Enter**.

A login screen will appear. (Non-Windows 7 users will see a similar screen.) In the *User name* field, enter **admin**. Then enter the password created during the setup software. (If you did not run the setup software, then use the default password, **admin**. You can set a new password on the *Administration > Management* screen. Refer to **Administration > Management**, **page 36**.) Click **OK** to continue.

Login Screen

 NOTE: You can also access the browser-based utility through Cisco Connect. For more information, refer to **Router Settings**, **page 9**.

Create a Shared Folder

1. Click the **Storage** tab.
2. Click the **Disk** tab.

Storage > Disk

3. Click **Create Share** for the appropriate partition. The *Shared Folder* screen appears.

Shared Folder

4. In the *Display Name* field, enter a name for the shared folder. This will appear in the Shared Folder table on the *Disk* screen.

5. The Partition name is displayed. If the shared folder should include the entire partition, select **Share entire Partition** and proceed to step 7.

   If you do not want to share the entire partition, then proceed to step 6 and specify the folder you want to share.

   > **NOTE:** If you select **Share entire Partition**, then all of the Groups with Access (see step 7) can access any folder in the partition.

6. The *Current Folder* setting displays the folder that is now selected. To specify a different folder, click **Select**. To display sub-folders, click **Enter into Folder**. To return to the previous folder, click **Return to Upper Folder**.

   If you want to create a new folder, enter its name in the *New Folder* field. Then click **Create**.

7. To allow a group access to the shared folder, select it from the *Available Groups* column, and then click the **>>** button.

   > **NOTE:** Specify which user groups have read-and-write or read-only access to the shared folder.

8. To block a group from accessing the shared folder, select it from the *Groups with Access* column, and then click the **<<** button.

9. Click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to clear your changes. Click **Close** to exit the screen and return to the *Disk* screen.

Create a User Group Account

1. Click the **Storage** tab.

2. Click the **Administration** tab.

Storage > Administration

3. In the *Group Management* section, click **Create New Group**. The *Group Account* screen appears.
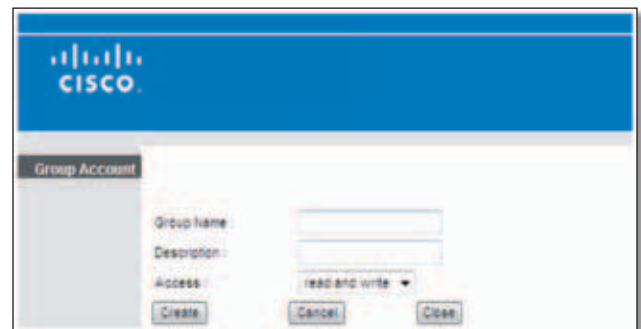
Group Account

4. In the *Group Name* field, enter a name for the group.

5. In the *Description* field, enter keywords to describe the group.

6. From the *Access* drop-down menu, select the appropriate level of access, **read and write** or **read only**.

7. Click **Create** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel** to clear your changes. Click **Close** to exit the screen and return to the *Administration* screen.

Create a User Account

1. Click the **Storage** tab.

2. Click the **Administration** tab.

Storage > Administration

3. In the *User Management* section, click **Create New User**. The *User Account* screen appears.
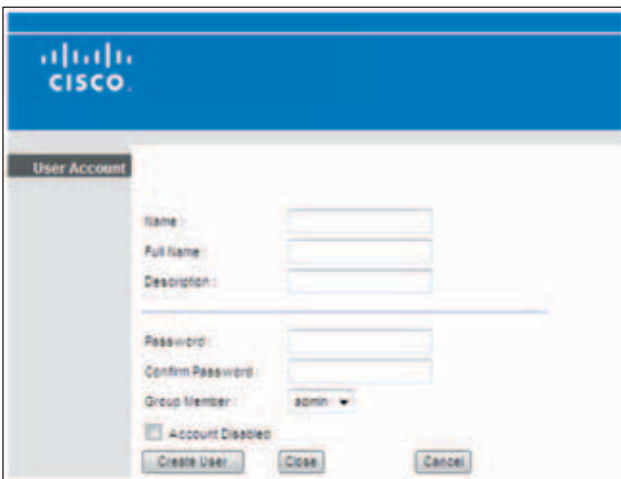
User Account

4. In the *Name* field, enter a name for the user.

5. In the *Full Name* field, enter the actual name of the user.

6. In the *Description* field, enter keywords to describe the user.

7. In the *Password* and *Confirm Password* fields, enter the password that the user will use for login.

8. From the *Group Member* drop-down menu, select the appropriate user group.

> **NOTE:** To temporarily disable an account, select **Account Disabled**.

9. Click **Create User** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel** to clear your changes. Click **Close** to exit the screen and return to the *Administration* screen.

Appendix C: Specifications

Model Name	Linksys E2100L
Description	Advanced Wireless-N Router
Model Number	E2100L
Standards	802.3, 802.3u, 802.11b, 802.11g, 802.11n
Ports	Internet, Ethernet [1-4], USB, Power
Buttons	Wi-Fi Protected Setup, Reset
LEDs	LAN [1-4], Wi-Fi Protected Setup™, Wireless, Internet, Power
Cabling Type	CAT 5e
# of Antennas	2
Connector Type	R-SMA
Detachable (y/n)	Yes
RF Pwr (EIRP) in dBm	802.11n: HT20: Typ. 17 +/-1.5 dBm @ Normal Temp Range (2 Chains) HT40: Typ.: 15 +/-1.5 dBm @ Normal Temp Range (2 Chains) 802.11g: Typ.: 15 +/- 1.5 dBm @ Normal Temp Range 802.11b: Typ.: 19 +/- 1.5 dBm @ Normal Temp Range
Receive Sensitivity	802.11n HT40/MCS15 270 Mbps: -67 dBm 10% PER 802.11n HT40/MCS0 13.5 Mbps: -75 dBm 10% PER 802.11n HT20/MCS15 130 Mbps: -69 dBm 10% PER 802.11n HT20/MCS0 6.5 Mbps: -79 dBm 10% PER 802.11g 54 Mbps: -74 dBm 10% PER 802.11g 6 Mbps: -84 dBm 10% PER 802.11b 11 Mbps: -86 dBm 10% PER 802.11b 1 Mbps: -92 dBm 10% PER
Antenna Gain in dBi	802.11g: 2.4 GHz <= 1.8 dBi 802.11n: 2.4 GHz <= 1.8 dBi
UPnP able/cert	Able
Security Features	WEP, WPA, WPA2, RADIUS, SPI Firewall
Security Key Bits	Up to 128-Bit Encryption
Supported File Systems for Storage Device	FAT16, FAT32, NTFS

Environmental

Dimensions	7.98" x 1.30" x 6.27" (202.79 x 33.14 x 159.18 mm)
Unit Weight	9.98 oz (283 g)
Power	12V / 1.5A (switching)
Certifications	FCC, UL, cUL, IC, RSS210, CE

Operating Temp.	0 to 40°C (32 to 104°F)
Storage Temp.	-20 to 60°C (-4 to 140°F)
Operating Humidity	10 to 80%, Relative Humidity, Noncondensing
Storage Humidity	5 to 90% Noncondensing

Specifications are subject to change without notice.

Appendix D: Warranty Information

LIMITED WARRANTY

(U.S.A, Canada, Asia Pacific, Australia, New Zealand)

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Appendix E: Regulatory Information

FCC Statement

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.

This product has been tested and complies with the specifications 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 according to 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 is found 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 or devices

• Connect the equipment to an outlet other than the receiver's

• Consult a dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for assistance

FCC Caution: Any changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

FCC Radiation Exposure Statement

This equipment complies with FCC radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This equipment should be installed and operated with minimum distance 20 cm between the radiator and your body.

This transmitter must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter. IEEE 802.11b or 802.11g operation of this product in the USA is firmware-limited to channels 1 through 11.

Safety Notices

WARNING: Do not use this product near water, for example, in a wet basement or near a swimming pool.

WARNING: Avoid using this product during an electrical storm. There may be a remote risk of electric shock from lightning.

WARNING: This product contains lead, known to the State of California to cause cancer, and birth defects or other reproductive harm. Wash hands after handling.

Industry Canada Statement

This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003 and RSS210.

Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

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Industry Canada Radiation Exposure Statement:

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Avis d'Industrie Canada

Cet appareil numérique de la classe B est conforme aux normes NMB-003 et RSS210 du Canada.

L'utilisation de ce dispositif est autorisée seulement aux conditions suivantes :

1. il ne doit pas produire de brouillage et

2. il doit accepter tout brouillage radioélectrique reçu, même si ce brouillage est susceptible de compromettre le fonctionnement du dispositif. Le dispositif a été conçu pour fonctionner avec une antenne ayant un gain maximum de 2 dBi. Les règlements d'Industrie Canada interdisent strictement l'utilisation d'antennes dont le gain est supérieur à cette limite. L'impédance requise de l'antenne est de 50 ohms.

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