



# Wireless-N Access Point with Power Over Ethernet

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### **Chapter 1: Introduction**

#### Welcome

Thank you for choosing the Wireless-N Access Point with Power Over Ethernet. This Access Point will allow you to network wirelessly better than ever. An access point allows for greater range and mobility within your wireless network while also allowing you to connect the wireless network to a wired environment. The Wireless-N Access Point also offers the convenience of Power over Ethernet (PoE) capability (in addition to regular 12VDC power adaptor), so it can receive data and power over a single Ethernet network cable.

This Access Point supports the latest 802.11n draft Specification by IEEE early 2006. It also support 802.11g and 802.11b clients in a mixed environment. This Access Point currently can support an 11n data rate up to 300 Mbps. Besides the higher data rate, 802.11n technology also promises longer coverage by using multiple antennas to transmit and receive data streams in different directions. Users are encouraged to update their firmware through www.linksys.com when 802.11n specification is finalized by IEEE to ensure compatibility with all the wireless-N devices.

Networks are useful tools for sharing computer resources. You can access one printer from different computers and access data located on another computer's hard drive. Networks are even used for playing multiplayer video games. So, networks are not only useful in homes and offices, they can also be fun.

PCs on a wired network create a LAN, or Local Area Network. They are connected with Ethernet cables, which is why the network is called "wired".

PCs equipped with wireless client cards or adapters can communicate without cumbersome cables. By sharing the same wireless settings within their transmission radius, they form a wireless network. This is sometimes called a WLAN, or Wireless Local Area Network. The Access Point bridges wireless networks of 802.11n, 802.11g and 802.11b standards and wired networks.

Use the instructions in this Guide to help you connect the Access Point, set it up, and configure it to bridge your different networks. These instructions should be all you need to get the most out of the Access Point.

access point: a device that allows wireless-equipped computers and other devices to communicate with each other and with devices on a wired network. Also used to expand the range of a wireless network.

**network:** a series of computers or devices connected together.

**lan** (local area network): the computers and networking devices that make up your local network.

**poe** (power over ethernet): a technology enabling an Ethernet network cable to deliver both data and power.

ethernet: network protocol defined in IEEE 802.3 standard that specifies how data is placed on and retrieved from a common transmission medium.

**adapter:** a device that adds network functionality to your PC.

**802.11n:** wireless networking draft standard that specifies a maximum data rate up to 600Mbps (300Mbps supported by this device), an operating frequency of 2.4GHz, and backward compatibility with 802.11b/g devices.

**802.11g:** a wireless networking standard that specifies a maximum data transfer rate of 54Mbps, an operating frequency of 2.4GHz, and backward compatibility with 802.11b devices.

**802.11b:** a wireless networking standard that specifies a maximum data transfer rate of 11Mbps and an operating frequency of 2.4GHz.

#### What's in this User Guide?

This user guide covers the steps for setting up and using the Wireless-N Access Point.

• Chapter 1: Introduction

This chapter describes the Wireless-N Access Point's applications and this User Guide.

Chapter 2: Planning your Wireless Network

This chapter describes the basics of wireless networking.

Chapter 3: Getting to Know the Wireless-N Access Point

This chapter describes the physical features of the Access Point.

Chapter 4: Connecting the Wireless-N Access Point

This chapter instructs you on how to connect your Access Point to your network and placement options.

Chapter 5: Setting up the Wireless-N Access Point

This chapter explains how to perform the most basic setting changes through the Web-based Utility.

Chapter 6: Configuring the Wireless-G Exterior Access Point

This chapter provides a reference for the available configuration through the Web-based Utility.

Appendix A: Troubleshooting

This appendix describes some frequently asked questions regarding installation and use of the Wireless-G Exterior Access Point.

Appendix B: Wireless Security

This appendix explains the risks of wireless networking and some solutions to reduce the risks.

Appendix C: Upgrading Firmware

This appendix instructs you on how to upgrade the Access Point's firmware.

Appendix D: Windows Help.

This appendix describes some of the ways Windows can help you with wireless networking.

Appendix E: Glossary

This appendix gives a brief glossary of terms frequently used in networking.

Appendix F: Specifications

This appendix provides the Access Point's technical specifications.

- Appendix G: Warranty Information
   This appendix supplies the Access Point's warranty information.
- Appendix H: Regulatory Information
   This appendix supplies the Access Point's regulatory information.
- Appendix I: Contact Information
   This appendix provides contact information for a variety of Linksys resources, including Technical Support.

### **Chapter 2: Planning Your Wireless Network**

#### **Network Topology**

A wireless network is a group of computers, each equipped with one or more wireless adapters. Computers in a wireless network must be configured to share the same radio channel to talk to each other. Several PCs equipped with wireless cards or adapters can communicate with each other to form an ad-hoc network without the use of an access point.

Linksys also provides products to allow wireless adaptors to access wired network through a bridge such as the wireless access point, or wireless router. An integrated wireless and wired network is called an infrastructure network. Each wireless PC in an infrastructure network can talk to any computer in a wired or wireless network via the access point or wireless router.

An infrastructure configuration extends the accessibility of a wireless PC to a wired network, and may double the effective wireless transmission range for two wireless adapter PCs. Since an Access Point is able to forward data within a network, the effective transmission range in an infrastructure network may be more than doubled since Access Point can transmit signal at higher power to the wireless space.

#### Roaming

Infrastructure mode also supports roaming capabilities for mobile users. Roaming means that you can move your wireless PC within your network and the access points will pick up the wireless PC's signal, providing that they both share the same wireless network (SSID) and wireless security settings.

This Access Point has 802.11F Inter-Access Point Protocol (IAPP) to complete the roaming process in seconds. If your wireless networks share the same IP subnet, this will not disrupt your data connection while moving around.

Before you consider roaming, choose a feasible radio channel and optimum access point position. Proper access point positioning combined with a clear radio signal will greatly enhance performance.

#### **Network Layout**

The Wireless-N Access Point has been designed for use with 802.11n, 802.11g and 802.11b products. The Access Point is compatible with 802.11n, 802.11g and 802.11b adapters, such as the notebook adapters for your laptop computers, PCI adapters for your desktop PCs, and USB adapters for all PCs when you want to enjoy

**ad-hoc**: a group of wireless devices communicating directly with each other (peer-to-peer) without the use of an access point.

infrastructure: a wireless network that is bridged to a wired network via an access point.

**roaming**: the ability to take a wireless device from one access point's range to another without losing the connection.

ssid: your wireless network's name

wireless connectivity. These wireless products can also communicate with a 802.11n, 802.11g or 802.11b wireless print server (if available).

To link your wired network with your wireless network, connect the Access Point's Ethernet network port to any switch or router with Power over Ethernet (PoE)—or a PoE injector, such as the Linksys WAPPOE or WAPPOE12. Note that the 12 VDC on the WAPPOE12 is for the splitter output. Both PoE Injectors provide 48 VDC power output.

With these, and many other, Linksys products, your networking options are limitless. Go to the Linksys website at www.linksys.com for more information about wireless products.

#### **Example of a simple wireless network**

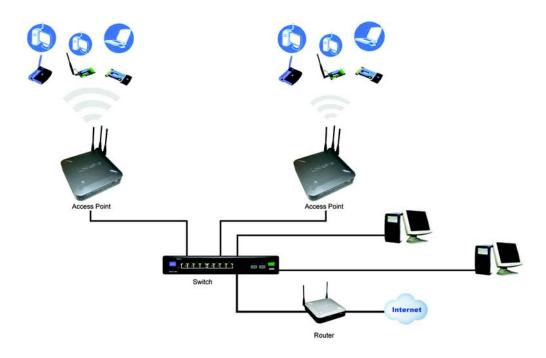


Figure 2-1: Example of a Simple Wireless Network

The above diagram shows a typical infrastructure wireless network setup. The wireless Access Points are connecting to a Linksys switch that provides power to the Access Points. Each Access Point can connect multiple wireless devices to the network. This network will provide connectivity among wireless network devices and PCs that have a wired connection to the switch.

The switch then can connect to a router that can connect to an ISP to reach global Internet.

## **Chapter 3: Getting to Know the Wireless-G Exterior Access Point**

#### **The LEDs**

The Access Point's LEDs, where information about network activity is displayed, are located on the front panel.



Figure 3-1: Front Panel

**Power** Green. The Power LED lights up when the Access Point is powered on.

**PoE** Green. The PoE LED lights up when the Access Point is powered through Ethernet cable.

WIRELESS Green. The WIRELESS LED lights up when the Access Point is successfully connected to a

wireless device. If the Wireless LED is flashing, the Access Point is actively sending to or

receiving data from a wireless device.

ETHERNET Green. The ETHERNET LED lights up when the Access Point is successfully connected to a

device through the Ethernet network port. If the ETHERNET LED is flashing, the Access Point is actively sending to or receiving data from one of the devices over the Ethernet network port.

#### **The Ports**

The Access Point's port are located on the back of the device.



Figure 3-2: Back View

**port:** the connection point on a computer or networking device used for plugging in cables or adapters **Power** The Power port connects to the supplied 12VDC power adapter.

**Ethernet** The Ethernet network port connects to Ethernet network devices, such as a switch or router

that may or may not support Power over Ethernet (PoE).

**Reset Button** There are two ways to reset the Access Point to the factory default configuration. Either press

the **Reset** button, for approximately ten seconds, or restore the defaults using the Access

Point's Web-based Utility.



IMPORTANT: Resetting the Access Point will erase all of your settings (including wireless security, IP address, and SSID) and replace them with the factory defaults. Do not reset the Access Point if you want to retain these settings.

#### **Antennas and Positions**

The Access Point's port are located on the back of the device. The Access Point can be placed in three different positions. It can be either stackable, standalone, or wall-mount.

#### Antenna

The Access Point has three non-detachable 2dBi omni-directional antennas. The three antennas have a base that can rotate 90 degrees when in the standing position. The three antennas will all be used to support 2X3 MIMO diversity in wireless-N mode.



Figure 3-3: Stackable Position and its Antenna Setup



Figure 3-4: Standalone Position and its Antenna Setup

### **Chapter 4: Connecting the Wireless-N Access Point**

#### **Overview**

This chapter explains how to place and connect the Access Point.

Depending on your application, you might want to set up the device first before mounting the device. Refer to "Chapter 5: Setting Up the Wireless-N Access Point".

#### **Connection**

- 1. Connect your Ethernet network cable to your network router or switch. Then connect the other end of the network cable to the Access Point's Ethernet port.
- 2. If you are using Power Over Ethernet (POE), proceed to the following section, "Placement Options."

If you are not using POE, then connect the included power adapter to the Access Point's Power port. Then plug the power adapter into an electrical outlet. The LEDs on the front panel will light up as soon as the Access Point powers on.

Proceed to the following section, "Placement Options."

hardware: the physical aspect of computers, telecommunications, and other information technology devices.



Figure 4-1: Connect the Ethernet Cable

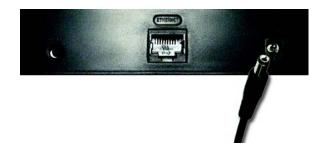


Figure 4-2: Connect the Power

#### **Placement Options**

There are three ways to place the Wireless-N Access Point. The first way is to place it horizontally on a surface, so it sits on its four rubber feet. The second way is to stand the Access Point vertically on a surface. The third way is to mount it on a wall. The stand and wall-mount options are explained in further detail below.

#### **Stand Option**

- 1. Locate the Access Point's left side panel.
- 2. The Access Point includes two stands. With the two large prongs facing outward, insert the short prongs into the little slots in the Access Point, and push the stand upward until it snaps into place.

Repeat this step with the other stand.

Now that the hardware installation is complete, proceed to "Chapter 5: Setting up the Wireless-N Access Point," for directions on how to set up the Access Point."

#### **Wall-Mount Option**

- 1. On the Access Point's back panel are two criss-cross wall-mount slots.
- 2. Determine where you want to mount the Access Point, and install two screws that are 2-15/16" apart.
- 3. Line up the Access Point so that the wall-mount slots line up with the two screws.
- 4. Place the wall-mount slots over the screws and slide the Access Point down until the screws fit snugly into the wall-mount slots.

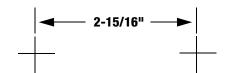
Now that the hardware installation is complete, proceed to "Chapter 5: Setting up the Wireless-N Access Point," for directions on how to set up the Access Point."



Figure 4-3: The Stand Option



Figure 4-4: Stand



**Figure 4-5: Mounting Dimensions** 

### **Chapter 5: Setting Up the Wireless-N Access Point**

#### **Overview**

The Access Point has been designed to be functional right out of the box with the default settings. However, if you'd like to change these settings, the Access Point can be configured through your web browser with the Webbased Utility. This chapter explains how to use the Utility to perform the most basic settings.

The Utility can be accessed via web browsers, such as Microsoft Internet Explorer or Mozilla Firefox through the use of a computer that is networked with the Access Point.

For a basic network setup, most users only have to use the following screens of the Utility:

- Setup
   On the Setup screen, enter your basic network settings (IP address) here.
- Management
  Click the **Administration** tab and then select the **Management** screen. The Access Point's default password is **admin**. To secure the Access Point, change the AP Password from its default.

Most users will also customize their wireless settings:

Wireless
On the Wireless screen, change default SSID under the Basic Wireless Settings Tab. Select the level of security under the Wireless Security Tab and complete the options for the selected security mode.

#### **Accessing the Utility**

There are three ways to connect to your Access Point for the first time.

- 1. If you have a 48VDC Power Injector (e.g. Linksys WAPPOE), power up your Access Point first, then connect the Injector's cable to your PC. Configure your PC to have the static IP address on the same subnet as the Access Point's default IP address (192.168.1.245).
- 2. If you have a PoE switch (e.g. Linksys SRW224P), connect your Access Point and your PC to the same network. Configure your PC to have the static IP address on the same subnet as the Access Point's default IP address (192.168.1.245). Or if there is a DHCP server connected to the switch, configure it to assign the IP address in 192.168.1.0/24 subnet. Your PC will get an IP address in the subnet through the DHCP.



**HAVE YOU:** Enabled TCP/IP on your PCs? PCs communicate over the network with this protocol. Refer to "Appendix D: Windows Help" for more information on TCP/IP.

tcp/ip: a set of protocols PCs use to communicate over a network.

**browser:** an application that provides a way to look at and interact with all the information on the World Wide Web.

Although it is not recommended, you can connect your PC wirelessly to the Access Point when the DHCP server is connected on the LAN side. It is not recommended, because you can easily lose your connection through configuration changes.

Launch your web browser, such as Internet Explorer or Mozilla Firefox and enter the Access Point's default IP address, **192.168.1.245**, in the *Address* field. Press the **Enter** key.

Enter **admin** in the *User Name* field. The first time you open the Web-based Utility, use the default password, **admin**. (You can set a new password from the Administration - Management tab.) Then click the **OK** button.

After setting up the Access Point to use DHCP or manually configure a new IP address, move your Access Point to the desired network. You will have to use the new IP address the next time you access the Web-based Utility.

#### **Navigating the Utility**

The Web-based Utility consists of the following five main tabs: Setup, Wireless, Security Monitor, Administration, and Status. Additional screens (sub tabs) will be available from most of the main tabs.

The following briefly describes the main & sub tabs of the Utility.

#### Setup

Enter the Host Name, IP Address settings, and set the time on this screen.

- Basic Setup. Configure the host name and IP address settings for this Access Point.
- . Time. Set the time on this Access Point.

#### Wireless

You will use the Wireless tabs to enter a variety of wireless settings for the Access Point.

- Basic Wireless Settings. Choose the wireless network mode (e.g. B/G/N-Mixed), SSID, and radio channel on this screen.
- Wireless Security. Use this screen to configure the Access Point's security settings.
- Wireless Connection Control. Use this screen to control the wireless connections from client devices to this
  Access Point.



Figure 5-1: Login Screen

 Advanced Wireless Settings. Use this screen to configure the Access Point's more advanced wireless settings (e.g. Tx Rate Limiting, Channel Bandwidth, etc.).

#### **Security Monitor**

Use this screen to configure the Access Point's security monitor capabilities. You will be able to monitor your wireless network through a client utility on administrator's PC. This feature works with WPC4400N and future Linksys client devices.

#### Administration

You will use the Administration tabs to manage the Access Point.

- Management. This screen allows you to customize the password and Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) settings.
- Log. Configure the Log settings for the Access Point on this screen.
- Factory Default. Use this screen to reset the Access Point to its factory default settings.
- Firmware Upgrade. Upgrade the Access Point's firmware on this screen.
- . Reboot. Use this screen to reboot the Access Point.
- Config Management. You can save the configuration file for the Access Point to your PC, as well as restore the backup configuration file to the Access Point.

#### Status

You will be able to view status information for your local network, wireless networks, and network performance.

- Local Network. This screen displays system information, including software & hardware version, MAC address, and IP address on the LAN side of the Access Point.
- Wireless. This screen displays wireless network settings including SSID, network mode, and wireless channel.
- System Performance. This screen displays the current traffic statistics of this Access Point for both Wireless and LAN ports.

**snmp:** the standard network management protocol on the Internet.

**firmware:** the software image that runs on a CPU inside a networking device.

### **Chapter 6: Configuring the Wireless-N Access Point**

This chapter is a detailed reference guide for the Web-based Utility. You do not need the Utility to start using your Access Point. The Access Point has been designed to be functional right out of the box with the default settings. Besides, you can follow the instructions in "Setting Up the Wireless-N Access Point" on page 13 to perform the most basic settings without reading through this chapter.

#### **The Setup - Basic Setup Tab**

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

#### **Basic Setup**

Enter names for the Access Point. The host name can be used to access the Web Utility through the network if DNS has been set up. The device name is for the benefit of identifying your Access Point after you log in.

**Host Name**. This is the host name assigned to the Access Point. This host name will be published to your DNS server if the Access Point is configured to acquire the IP address through DHCP. In that case, Linksys recommends to follow the company policy on the host name assignment. The default name is **Linksys**.

**Device Name**. You may assign any device name to the Access Point. This name is only used by the Access Point administrator for identification purposes. Unique, memorable names are helpful, especially if you are employing multiple access points on the same network. The default name is **WAP4400N**.

#### **Network Setup**

The selections under this heading allow you to configure the Access Point's IP address setting(s).

#### **IP Settings**

Select **Static IP Address** (default) if you want to assign a static or fixed IP address to the Access Point. Then complete the following:

• IP Address. The IP address must be unique to your network. The default IP address is 192.168.1.245.



Figure 6-1: Setup - Static IP Address

Subnet Mask. The Subnet Mask must be the same as that set on the LAN that your Access Point is connected
to. The default is 255.255.255.0.

Select **Automatic Configuration - DHCP** if you have a DHCP server enabled on the LAN that can assign an IP address to the Access Point.

Change these settings as described here and click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to cancel your changes. Help information is displayed on the right-hand side of the screen.

#### **The Setup - Time Tab**

This allows you to change the Access Point's time settings. The correct time setting can help the administrator to search the system log to identify problems.

#### Time

You can set the time either manually or automatically from a time server if the Access Point can access the public Internet.

Manually. Select this radio button to set the date and time manually. The default is to set the time manually.

**Automatically**. Select this option and time zone. The Access Point will contact the public time server to get the current time.

User Defined NTP Server. Enable this option if you have set up local NTP server. Default is Disabled.

NTP Server IP. Enter the IP address of user defined NTP Server.

Change these settings as described here and click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to cancel your changes. Help information is displayed on the right-hand side of the screen.



Figure 6-2: Setup - Automatic Configuration - DHCP



Figure 6-3: Setup - Time

#### **The Wireless - Basic Wireless Settings Tab**

Change the basic wireless network settings on this screen.

#### **Basic Settings**

Configure the Wireless Network basic attributes for this Access Point.

**SSID Name**. The SSID is the unique name shared among all devices in a wireless network. It is case-sensitive, must not exceed 32 alphanumeric characters, and may be any keyboard character. Make sure this setting is the same for all devices in your wireless network. The default SSID name is **linksys-n**.

Wireless Network Mode. Select one of the following modes. The default is B/G/N-Mixed.

**B-Only**: All the wireless client devices can be connected to the Access Point at Wireless-B data rates with maximum speed at 11Mbps.

**G-Only**: Both Wireless-N and Wireless-G client devices can be connected at Wireless-G data rates with maximum speed at 54Mbps. Wireless-B clients cannot be connected in this mode.

**N-Only**: Only Wireless-N client devices can be connected at Wireless-N data rates with maximum speed at 300Mbps.

**B/G-Mixed**: Both Wireless-B and Wireless-G client devices can be connected at their respective data rates. Wireless-N devices can be connected at Wireless-G data rates.

**G/N-Mixed**: Both Wireless-G and Wireless-N client devices can be connected at their respective data rates. Wireless-B clients cannot be connected in this mode.

**B/G/N-Mixed**: All the wireless client devices can be connected at their respective data rates in this mixed mode.

Disabled: To disable wireless connectivity completely. This might be useful during system maintenance.

Wireless Channel. Select the appropriate channel to be used among your Access Point and your client devices. The default is channel 6. You can also select **Auto** so that your Access Point will select the channel with the lowest amount of wireless interference while the system is powering up. Auto channel selection will start when you click **Save Settings** button, it will take several seconds to scan through all the channels to find the best



Figure 6-4: Wireless - Basic Wireless Settings



Figure 6-5: Pop-up message on Auto Channel Selection

channel. For the Wireless-N 40MHz channel option (see Wireless - Advanced Wireless Settings Tab), the Access Point will automatically select the adjacent 20MHz channel to combine them into a wider channel.

SSID Broadcast. This option allows the SSID to be broadcast on your network. You may want to enable this function while configuring your network, but make sure that you disable it when you are finished. With this enabled, someone could easily obtain the SSID information with site survey software or Windows XP and gain unauthorized access to your network. Click **Enabled** to broadcast the SSID to all wireless devices in range. Click **Disabled** to increase network security and prevent the SSID from being seen on networked PCs. The default is **Enabled** in order to help users configure their network before use.

Change these settings as described here and click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to cancel your changes. Help information is displayed on the right-hand side of the screen, and click **More** for additional details.

#### **The Wireless - Wireless Security Tab**

Change the Access Point's wireless security settings on this screen.

#### **Wireless Security**

Security Mode. Select the wireless security mode you want to use, WPA-Personal, WPA2-Personal, WPA2-Personal Mixed, WPA-Enterprise, WPA2-Enterprise, WPA2-Enterprise Mixed, or WEP. (WPA stands for Wi-Fi Protected Access, which is a security standard stronger than WEP encryption and forward compatible with IEEE 802.11e. WEP stands for Wired Equivalent Privacy, Enterprise refers to using RADIUS server for authentication, while RADIUS stands for Remote Authentication Dial-In User Service.) Refer to the appropriate instructions below after you select the Authentication Type and SSID Interoperability settings. For detailed instructions on configuring wireless security for the Access Point, refer to "Appendix B: Wireless Security." To disable wireless security completely, select Disabled. The default is Disabled.

Wireless Isolation (within SSID). When disabled, wireless PCs that are associated to the same network name (SSID), can see and transfer files between each other. By enabling this feature, Wireless PCs will not be able to see each other. This feature is very useful when setting up a wireless hotspot location. The default is **Disabled**.

Following section describes the detailed options for each Security Mode.

#### Disabled

There is no option to be configured for this mode.

WPA-Personal (aka WPA-PSK)

**WPA Algorithms**. WPA offers you two encryption methods, TKIP and AES for data encryption. Select the type of algorithm you want to use, **TKIP** or **AES**. The default is **TKIP**.

**WPA Shared Key**. Enter a WPA Shared Key of 8-63 characters.

**Key Renewal Timeout**. Enter a Key Renewal Timeout period, which instructs the Access Point how often it should change the encryption keys. The default is **3600** seconds.



Figure 6-6: Wireless - Wireless Security (Disabled)



Figure 6-7: Wireless - Wireless Security (WPA-Personal)

#### WPA2-Personal

WPA Algorithms. WPA2 always uses AES for data encryption.

WPA Shared Key. Enter a WPA Shared Key of 8-63 characters.

**Key Renewal Timeout**. Enter a Key Renewal Timeout period, which instructs the Access Point how often it should change the encryption keys. The default is **3600** seconds.

#### WPA2-Personal Mixed

This security mode supports the transition from WPA-Personal to WPA2-Personal. You can have client devices that use either WPA-Personal or WPA2-Personal. The Access Point will automatically choose the encryption algorithm used by each client device.

WPA Algorithms. Mixed Mode automatically chooses TKIP or AES for data encryption.

WPA Shared Key. Enter a WPA Shared Key of 8-63 characters.

**Key Renewal Timeout**. Enter a Key Renewal Timeout period, which instructs the Access Point how often it should change the encryption keys. The default is **3600** seconds.



Figure 6-8: Wireless - Wireless Security (WPA2-Personal)



Figure 6-9: Wireless - Wireless Security (WPA2-Personal Mixed)

#### **WPA-Enterprise**

This option features WPA used in coordination with a RADIUS server for client authentication. (This should only be used when a RADIUS server is connected to the Access Point.)

RADIUS Server IP Address. Enter the RADIUS server's IP address.

RADIUS Server Port. Enter the port number used by the RADIUS server. The default is 1812.

WPA Algorithms. WPA offers you two encryption methods, TKIP and AES for data encryption. Select the type of algorithm you want to use, TKIP or AES. The default is TKIP.

**Shared Secret**. Enter the Shared Secret key used by the Access Point and RADIUS server.

**Key Renewal Timeout**. Enter a Key Renewal Timeout period, which instructs the Access Point how often it should change the encryption keys. The default is **3600** seconds.

#### WPA2-Enterprise

This option features WPA2 used in coordination with a RADIUS server for client authentication. (This should only be used when a RADIUS server is connected to the Access Point.)

**RADIUS Server IP Address.** Enter the RADIUS server's IP address.

RADIUS Server Port. Enter the port number used by the RADIUS server. The default is 1812.

**WPA Algorithms**. WPA2 always uses AES for data encryption.

**Shared Secret**. Enter the Shared Secret key used by the Access Point and RADIUS server.

**Key Renewal Timeout**. Enter a Key Renewal Timeout period, which instructs the Access Point how often it should change the encryption keys. The default is **3600** seconds.



Figure 6-10: Wireless - Wireless Security (WPA-Enterprise)



Figure 6-11: Wireless - Wireless Security (WPA2-Enterprise)

#### **WPA2-Enterprise Mixed**

This security mode supports the transition from WPA-Enterprise to WPA2-Enterprise. You can have client devices that use either WPA-Enterprise or WPA2-Enterprise. The Access Point will automatically choose the encryption algorithm used by each client device.

RADIUS Server IP Address. Enter the RADIUS server's IP address.

RADIUS Server Port. Enter the port number used by the RADIUS server. The default is 1812.

WPA Algorithms. Mixed Mode automatically chooses TKIP or AES for data encryption.

**Shared Secret**. Enter the Shared Secret key used by the Access Point and RADIUS server.

**Key Renewal Timeout**. Enter a Key Renewal Timeout period, which instructs the Access Point how often it should change the encryption keys. The default is **3600** seconds.

#### **WEP**

This security mode is defined in the original IEEE 802.11. This mode is not recommended now due to its weak security protection. Users are urged to migrate to WPA or WPA2.

**Authentication Type.** Choose the 802.11 authentication type as either **Open System** or **Shared Key**. The default is **Open System**.

**Default Transmit Key.** Select the key to be used for data encryption.

WEP Encryption. Select a level of WEP encryption, 64 bits (10 hex digits) or 128 bits (26 hex digits).

**Passphrase**. If you want to generate WEP keys using a Passphrase, then enter the Passphrase in the field provided and click the **Generate** key. Those auto-generated keys are not as strong as manual WEP keys.

**Key 1-4.** If you want to manually enter WEP keys, then complete the fields provided. Each WEP key can consist of the letters "A" through "F" and the numbers "0" through "9". It should be 10 characters in length for 64-bit encryption or 26 characters in length for 128-bit encryption.

Change these settings as described here and click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to cancel your changes. Help information is displayed on the right-hand side of the screen, and click **More** for additional details.

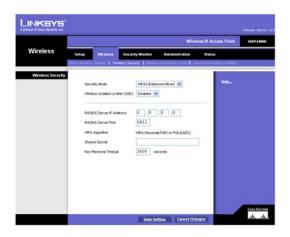


Figure 6-12: Wireless - Wireless Security (WPA2 - Enterprise Mixed)



Figure 6-13: Wireless Settings - WEP

#### **The Wireless - Wireless Connection Control Tab**

This screen allows you to configure the Connection Control List to either permit or block specific wireless client devices connecting to (associating with) the Access Point.

#### **Wireless Connection Control**

Enabled/Disabled. Enable or disable wireless connection control. The default is disabled.

#### **Connection Control**

There are two ways to control the connection (association) of wireless client devices. You can either **prevent** specific devices from connecting to the Access Point, or you can **allow** only specific client devices to connect to the Access Point. The client devices are specified by their MAC addresses. The default is to **allow** only specific client devices.

#### **Wireless Client List**

Instead of manually entering the MAC addresses of each client, the Access Point provides a convenient way to select a specific client device from the client association table. Click this button and a window appears to let you select a MAC address from the table. The selected MAC address will be entered into the Connection Control List.

#### **Connection Control List**

MAC 01-20. Enter the MAC addresses of the wireless client devices you want to control.

Change these settings as described here and click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to cancel your changes. Help information is displayed on the right-hand side of the screen.



Figure 6-14: Wireless - Wireless Connection Control



Figure 6-15: Select MAC Address from Wireless Client List

#### **The Wireless - Advanced Wireless Settings Tab**

This screen allows you to configure the advanced settings for the Access Point. The Wireless-N adopts several new parameters to adjust the channel bandwidth, and guard intervals to improve the data rate dynamically. Linksys recommends to let your Access Point automatically adjust the parameters for maximum data throughput.

#### **Advanced Wireless**

You can change the following advanced parameters (some only for Wireless-N) for this Access Point. Wireless-N data rates are classified into 16 MCS numbers (0-15). MCS stands for Modulation and Coding Scheme. For the same MCS number, the data rate changes according to the Channel Bandwidth and Guard Interval settings. You can see the change through the drop-down menu of Tx Rate Limiting (11n clients).

**Channel Bandwidth**. You can select the channel bandwidth manually for Wireless-N connections. When it is set to 20MHz, only the 20MHz channel is used. When it is set to 40MHz, Wireless-N connections will use 40MHz channel but Wireless-B and Wireless-G will still use 20MHz channel. The default is **Auto**.

**Guard Interval**. You can select the guard interval manually for Wireless-N connections. The two options are **Short (400ns)** and **Long (800ns)**. The default is **Auto**.

**Tx Rate Limiting (11b clients)**. This option provides rate limiting on Wireless-B connections. Wireless-B clients can be limited to data rate specified by IEEE 802.11b. The default is **Auto**.

**Tx Rate Limiting (11g clients)**. This option provides rate limiting on Wireless-G connections. Wireless-G clients can be limited to data rates specified by IEEE 802.11g and 802.11b. The default is **Auto**.

**Tx Rate Limiting (11n clients)**. This option provides rate limiting on Wireless-N connections. Wireless-N clients can be limited to data rates specified by draft IEEE 802.11n, IEEE 802.11g, and 802.11b. The data rate associated with each **MCS** number (0-15) changes according to your selection on Channel Bandwidth and Guard Interval. The default is **Auto**.

CTS Protection Mode. CTS (Clear-To-Send) Protection Mode function boosts the Access Point's ability to catch all wireless transmissions, but will severely decrease performance. Keep the default setting, **Auto**, so the Access Point can use this feature as needed, when the Wireless-N/G products are not able to transmit to the Access Point in an environment with heavy 802.11b traffic. Select **Disabled** if you want to permanently disable this feature.

WMM. Wi-Fi Multimedia is a QoS feature defined by WiFi Alliance before IEEE 802.11e was finalized. Now it is part of IEEE 802.11e. When it is enabled, it provides four priority queues for different types of traffic. It automatically maps the incoming packets to the appropriate queues based on QoS settings (in IP or layer 2 header). WMM provides the capability to prioritize traffic in your environment. The default in **Enabled**. Select

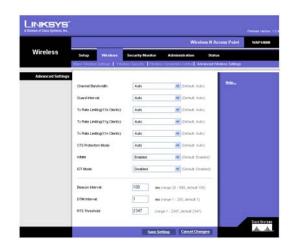


Figure 6-16: Wireless - Advanced Wireless

**High Performance (N-Only)** if you want to achieve highest throughput on 11n connections. Note that 11b and 11g clients performance will be affected by setting to this mode.

IOT Mode. Interoperability Mode. Enabling this mode will help this AP to communicate with Linksys retail client cards (e.g. WPC300N) at 11n rates. This mode is a temporary measure to cope with implementation differences on 802.11n draft specification. This option will be removed eventually when IEEE802.11n is finalized. The default is disabled.

**Beacon Interval.** This value indicates the frequency interval of the beacon. A beacon is a packet broadcast by the Access Point to keep the network synchronized. A beacon includes the wireless networks service area, the Access Point address, the Broadcast destination addresses, a time stamp, Delivery Traffic Indicator Maps, and the Traffic Indicator Message (TIM). The default is **100** ms.

**DTIM Interval**. This value indicates how often the Access Point sends out a Delivery Traffic Indication Message (DTIM). Lower settings result in more efficient networking, while preventing your PC from dropping into powersaving sleep mode. Higher settings allow your PC to enter sleep mode, thus saving power, but interferes with wireless transmissions. The default is 1 ms.

**RTS Threshold.** This setting determines how large a packet can be before the Access Point coordinates transmission and reception to ensure efficient communication. This value should remain at its default setting of **2347.** If you encounter inconsistent data flow, only minor modifications are recommended.

Change these settings as described here and click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to cancel your changes. Help information is displayed on the right-hand side of the screen, and click **More** for additional details.

#### **The Security Monitor Tab**

On this screen you can enable or disable the security monitor feature of this Wireless Access Point. It also allows you to create user accounts for system administrators to use this advanced feature.

This feature works together with WPC4400N and future Linksys Business Series wireless client adapters. A client utility will be provided with the client card, which will allow you to download information from the Access Point. The current version will support wireless Access Points and wireless clients detection and classification. Please check Linksys.com for future updates on this powerful security feature.

#### **Basic Settings**

#### **Wireless Security Monitor**

**Enabled/Disabled.** You can enable or disable the security monitor feature here. When it is enabled, the Access Point will work with selected wireless PCs to monitor your wireless network. If you don't plan to use the client utility to actively monitor your network, you can disable this feature to improve your wireless network performance. The default is **Disabled.** 

#### **Security Monitor Accounts**

The section allows the system administrator to create accounts for the purpose of wireless security monitoring. You can create one account at a time. The administrator will be able to use his WPC4400N client utility to log in and get authenticated to the system after user accounts are created.

User Name. Enter the user name of this account.

**Password.** Enter the password of this account.

**Re-enter to confirm.** Enter the password a second time to re-confirm it.

Identify. You can create either an Administrator or User account by making the selection here. You can create one Administrator account and five User accounts.

Click the Add/Save button to create an account. The accounts that are created will display in the table.

Change these settings as described here and click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to cancel your changes. Help information is displayed on the right-hand side of the screen, and click **More** for additional details.



Figure 6-17: Security Monitor

#### **The Administration - Management Tab**

On this screen you can configure the password, Web Access, and SNMP settings.

#### Management

You should change the username/password that controls access to the Access Point's Web-based Utility to prevent unauthorized access.

#### **Local AP Password**

User Name. Modify the administrator user name. The default is admin.

AP Password. Modify the administrator password for the Access Point's Web-based Utility. The default is admin.

**Re-enter to confirm.** To confirm the new password, enter it again in this field.

#### **Web Access**

To increase the security on accessing the Web-based Utility, you can enable HTTPS. Once enabled, users need to use <a href="https://when accessing">https://when accessing the Web-based Utility</a>.

Web HTTPS Access. The default is Disabled.

Wireless Web Access. Allow or deny wireless clients to access Web based Utility. The default is Enabled.

#### **SNMP**

SNMP is a popular network monitoring and management protocol. It provides network administrators with the ability to monitor the status of the Access Point and receive notification of any critical events as they occur on the Access Point.

To enable the SNMP support feature, select Enabled. Otherwise, select Disabled. The default is Disabled.



Figure 6-18: Administration - Management

This Access Point supports SNMP version 1, 2, and 3. Select **SNMP V1 & V2** if you don't need the enhanced capability on V3 or your management software does not support V3. Otherwise, select **SNMP V3**.

#### Identification

Contact. Enter the name of the contact person, such as a network administrator, for the Access Point.

**Device Name**. Enter the name you wish to give to the Access Point.

**Location**. Enter the location of the Access Point.

User Name. SNMPv3 only. Create a administrator account to access and manage the SNMP MIB objects.

Password. SNMPv3 only. Enter the authentication password for administrator account (minimum length 8).

Passphrase. SNMPv3 only. Enter the passphrase for data encryption on administrator's management traffic.

**Get Community**. Enter the password that allows read-only access to the Access Point's SNMP information. The default is **public**.

**Set Community**. Enter the password that allows read/write access to the Access Point's SNMP information. The default is **private**.

**SNMP Trap-Community**. Enter the password required by the remote host computer that will receive trap messages or notices sent by the Access Point.

**SNMP Trusted Host**. You can restrict access to the Access Point's SNMP information by IP address. Enter the IP address in the field provided. If this field is left blank, then access is permitted from any IP address.

SNMP Trap-Destination. Enter the IP address of the remote host computer that will receive the trap messages.

Change these settings as described here and click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to cancel your changes. Help information is displayed on the right-hand side of the screen, and click **More** for additional details.

#### **The Administration - Log Tab**

On this screen you can configure the log settings and alerts of particular events.

Log

You can have logs that keep track of the Access Point's activities.

**Email Alert** 

**E-Mail Alert**. If you want the Access Point to send e-mail alerts in the event of certain attacks, select **Enabled**. The default is **Disabled**.

**E-Mail Address for Logs**. Enter the e-mail address that will receive logs.

**Notification Queue Length** 

Log Queue Length. You can designate the length of the log that will be e-mailed to you. The default is 20 entries.

**Log Time Threshold.** You can designate how often the log will be emailed to you. The default is **600** seconds (10 minutes).

**Syslog Notification** 

Syslog is a standard protocol used to capture information about network activity. The Access Point supports this protocol and sends its activity logs to an external server. To enable Syslog, select **Enabled**. The default is **Disabled**.

Syslog Server IP Address. Enter the IP address of the Syslog server. In addition to the standard event log, the Access Point can send a detailed log to an external Syslog server. The Access Point's Syslog captures all log activities and includes this information about all data transmissions: every connection source and destination IP address, IP server, and number of bytes transferred.

Log

Select the events that you want the Access Point to keep a log.

**Unauthorized Login Attempt.** If you want to receive alert logs about any unauthorized login attempts, click the checkbox.

**Authorized Login**. If you want to log authorized logins, click the checkbox.

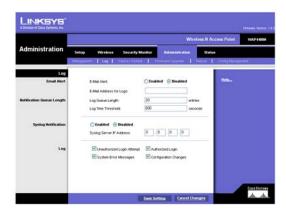


Figure 6-19: The Administration - Log

System Error Messages. If you want to log system error messages, click the checkbox.

**Configuration Changes**. If you want to log any configuration changes, click the checkbox.

Change these settings as described here and click **Save Settings** to apply your changes, or click **Cancel Changes** to cancel your changes. Help information is displayed on the right-hand side of the screen, and click **More** for additional details.

## **The Administration - Factory Default Tab**

On this screen you can restore the Access Point's factory default settings.

## **Factory Default**

Note any custom settings before you restore the factory defaults. Once the Access Point is reset, you will have to re-enter all of your configuration settings.

**Restore Factory Defaults**. To restore the Access Point's factory default settings, click the **Yes** radio button. Then, click **Save Settings**. Your Access Point will reboot and come back up with the factory default settings in a few seconds.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your change, or click **Cancel Changes** to cancel your change. Help information is displayed on the right-hand side of the screen.



Figure 6-20: Administration - Factory Default

## **The Administration - Firmware Upgrade Tab**

On this screen you can upgrade the Access Point's firmware. Do not upgrade the firmware unless you are experiencing problems with the Access Point or the new firmware has a feature you want to use.

## Firmware Upgrade

Before you upgrade the Access Point's firmware, note all of your custom settings. After you upgrade its firmware, you will have to re-enter all of your configuration settings. To upgrade the Access Point's firmware:

- 1. Download the firmware upgrade file from the Linksys website, www.linksys.com.
- 2. Extract the firmware upgrade file on your computer.
- 3. On the *Firmware Upgrade* screen, enter the location of the firmware upgrade file in the field provided, or click the **Browse** button to find the file.
- 4. Click the **Upgrade** button, and follow the on-screen instructions.

Help information is displayed on the right-hand side of the screen.



Figure 6-21: Administration - Firmware Upgrade

## **The Administration - Reboot Tab**

On this screen you can reboot the Access Point.

### Reboot

This feature is useful when you need to remotely reboot the Access Point.

**Device Reboot**. To reboot the Access Point, click the **Yes** radio button.

Click **Save Settings** to apply your change and the Access Point will reboot itself, or click **Cancel Changes** to cancel your change. Help information is displayed on the right-hand side of the screen.



Figure 6-22: Administration - Reboot

## **The Administration - Config Management Tab**

On this screen you can create a backup configuration file or save a configuration file to the Access Point.

## **Config Management**

Use this screen to upload or download configuration files for the Access Point.

**Save Configuration**. To save a backup configuration file on a computer, click the **Save Configuration to File** button and follow the on-screen instructions.

**Restore Configuration**. To upload a configuration file to the Access Point, enter the location of the configuration file in the field provided, or click the **Browse** button to find the file. Then click the **Load** button.

Help information is displayed on the right-hand side of the screen.



Figure 6-23: Administration - Config Management

## **The Status - Local Network Tab**

The Local Network screen displays the Access Point's current status information for the local network.

### Information

**Hardware Version**. This is the version of the Access Point's current hardware.

**Software Version**. This is the version of the Access Point's current software.

**Local MAC Address**. The MAC address of the Access Point's Local Area Network (LAN) interface is displayed here.

System Up Time. This is the length of time the Access Point has been running.

#### **Local Network**

IP Address. This shows the Access Point's IP Address, as it appears on your local network.

**Subnet Mask.** This shows the Access Point's Subnet Mask.

To update the status information, click the **Refresh** button. Help information is displayed on the right-hand side of the screen.



Figure 6-24: Status - Local Network

## **The Status - Wireless Tab**

The Wireless screen displays the Access Point's current status information for the wireless network(s).

### **Wireless Network**

MAC Address. The MAC Address of the Access Point's wireless interface is displayed here.

SSID. The Access Point's SSID is displayed here.

Mode. The Access Point's wireless network mode is displayed here.

**Channel**. The Access Point's Channel setting for the SSID is shown here.

To update the status information, click the **Refresh** button. Help information is displayed on the right-hand side of the screen.



Figure 6-25: Status - Wireless

## **The Status - System Performance Tab**

The *System Performance* screen displays the Access Point's status information for its current settings and data transmissions.

### **System Performance**

Wired

**Name**. This indicates that the statistics are for the wired network, the LAN.

**IP Address**. The Access Point's local IP address is displayed here.

MAC Address. This shows the MAC Address of the Access Point's wired interface.

**Connection**. This shows the status of the Access Point's connection for the wired network.

Packets Received. This shows the number of packets received.

**Packets Sent**. This shows the number of packets sent.

Bytes Received. This shows the number of bytes received.

**Bytes Sent**. This shows the number of bytes sent.

**Error Packets Received.** This shows the number of error packets received.

**Drop Received Packets.** This shows the number of packets being dropped after they were received.

Wireless

**Name**. This indicates the wireless network/SSID to which the statistics refer.

**IP Address**. The Access Point's local IP address is displayed here.

MAC Address. This shows the MAC Address of the Access Point's wireless interface.

**Connection.** This shows the status of the Access Point's wireless networks.

Packets Received. This shows the number of packets received for each wireless network.

**Packets Sent**. This shows the number of packets sent for each wireless network.



Figure 6-26: Status - System Performance

Bytes Received. This shows the number of bytes received for each wireless network.

**Bytes Sent**. This shows the number of bytes sent for each wireless network.

**Error Packets Received.** This shows the number of error packets received for each wireless network.

**Drop Received Packets**. This shows the number of packets being dropped after they were received.

To update the status information, click the **Refresh** button. Help information is displayed on the right-hand side of the screen.

# **Appendix A: Troubleshooting**

This appendix provides solutions to problems that may occur during the installation and operation of the Wireless-N Access Point with Power Over Ethernet. Read the descriptions below to help solve your problems. If you can't find an answer here, check the Linksys website at www.linksys.com.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### Can the Access Point act as my DHCP Server?

No. The Access Point is nothing more than a wireless hub, and as such cannot be configured to handle DHCP capabilities.

#### Can I run an application from a remote computer over the wireless network?

This will depend on whether or not the application is designed to be used over a network. Consult the application's documentation to determine if it supports operation over a network.

#### Can I play multiplayer games with other users of the wireless network?

Yes, as long as the game supports multiple players over a LAN (local area network). Refer to the game's documentation for more information.

#### What is the IEEE 802.11b standard?

It is one of the IEEE standards for wireless networks. The 802.11b standard allows wireless networking hardware from different manufacturers to communicate, provided that the hardware complies with the 802.11b standard. The 802.11b standard states a maximum data transfer rate of 11Mbps and an operating frequency of 2.4GHz.

### What is the IEEE 802.11g standard?

It is one of the IEEE standards for wireless networks. The 802.11g standard allows wireless networking hardware from different manufacturers to communicate, provided that the hardware complies with the 802.11g standard. The 802.11g standard states a maximum data transfer rate of 54Mbps and an operating frequency of 2.4GHz.

#### What is the IEEE 802.11n draft standard?

It is one of the IEEE standards for wireless networks that is being finalized. The 802.11n standard will allow wireless networking hardware from different manufacturers to communicate, provided that the hardware complies with the 802.11n standard. The 802.11n standard states a maximum data transfer rate of 600Mbps and an operating frequency of either 2.4GHz or 5 GHz.

### What IEEE 802.11b features are supported?

The product supports the following IEEE 802.11 functions:

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

### What IEEE 802.11g features are supported?

The product supports the following IEEE 802.11g functions:

- CSMA/CA plus Acknowledge protocol
- OFDM protocol
- Multi-Channel Roaming
- Automatic Rate Selection
- RTS/CTS feature
- Fragmentation
- Power Management

#### What is Ad-hoc?

An Ad-hoc wireless LAN is a group of computers, each with a WLAN adapter, connected as an independent wireless LAN. An Ad-hoc wireless LAN is applicable at a departmental scale for a branch or SOHO operation.

#### What is Infrastructure?

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

### What is roaming?

Roaming is the ability of a portable computer user to communicate continuously while moving freely throughout an area greater than that covered by a single Access Point. Before using the roaming function, the workstation must make sure that it is set to the same channel number as the Access Point of the dedicated coverage area.

To achieve true seamless connectivity, the wireless LAN must incorporate a number of different functions. Each node and Access Point, for example, must always acknowledge receipt of each message. Each node must maintain contact with the wireless network even when not actually transmitting data. Achieving these functions simultaneously requires a dynamic RF networking technology that links Access Points and nodes. In such a system, the user's end node undertakes a search for the best possible access to the system. First, it evaluates such factors as signal strength and quality, as well as the message load currently being carried by each Access Point and the distance of each Access Point to the wired backbone. Based on that information, the node next selects the right Access Point and registers its address. Communications between end node and host computer can then be transmitted up and down the backbone.

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As the user moves on, the end node's RF transmitter regularly checks the system to determine whether it is in touch with the original Access Point or whether it should seek a new one. When a node no longer receives acknowledgment from its original Access Point, it undertakes a new search. Upon finding a new Access Point, it then re-registers, and the communication process continues.

#### What is the ISM band?

The FCC and their counterparts outside of the U.S. have set aside bandwidth for unlicensed use in the ISM (Industrial, Scientific and Medical) band. Spectrum in the vicinity of 2.4 GHz, in particular, is being made available worldwide. This presents a truly revolutionary opportunity to place convenient high speed wireless capabilities in the hands of users around the globe.

#### What is Spread Spectrum?

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

#### What is DSSS? What is FHSS? And what are their differences?

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

#### Would the information be intercepted while transmitting on air?

WLAN features two-fold protection in security. On the hardware side, as with Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum technology, it has the inherent security feature of scrambling. On the software side, the WLAN series offers a variety of wireless security methods to enhance security and access control. Users can set it up depending upon their needs.

#### Can Linksys wireless products support file and printer sharing?

Linksys wireless products perform the same function as LAN products. Therefore, Linksys wireless products can work with NetWare, Windows NT/2000, or other LAN operating systems to support printer or file sharing.

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#### What is WEP?

WEP is Wired Equivalent Privacy, a data privacy mechanism based on a 40-bit shared-key algorithm, as described in the IEEE 802.11 standard.

#### What is a MAC Address?

The Media Access Control (MAC) address is a unique number assigned by the manufacturer to any Ethernet networking device, such as a network adapter, that allows the network to identify it at the hardware level. For all practical purposes, this number is usually permanent. Unlike IP addresses, which can change every time a computer logs on to the network, the MAC address of a device stays the same, making it a valuable identifier for the network.

#### How do I avoid interference?

Using multiple Access Points on the same channel and in close proximity to one another will generate interference. When employing multiple Access Points, make sure to operate each one on a different channel (frequency).

#### How do I reset the Access Point?

Press the Reset button on the back of the Access Point for about ten seconds. This will reset the unit to its default settings.

#### How do I resolve issues with signal loss?

There is no way to know the exact range of your wireless network without testing. Every obstacle placed between an Access Point and wireless PC will create signal loss. Leaded glass, metal, concrete floors, water, and walls will inhibit the signal and reduce range. Start with your Access Point and your wireless PC in the same room and move it away in small increments to determine the maximum range in your environment.

You may also try using different channels, as this may eliminate interference affecting only one channel. Also, open the Access Point's Web-based Utility. Click the **Wireless** tab and then the **Advanced Wireless** tab. Make sure the Output Power is set to 100%.

#### Does the Access Point function as a firewall?

No. The Access Point is only a bridge from wired Ethernet to wireless clients.

#### I have excellent signal strength, but I cannot see my network.

Wireless security, such as WEP or WPA, is probably enabled on the Access Point, but not on your wireless adapter (or vice versa). Verify that the same wireless security settings are being used on all devices in your wireless network.

#### What is the maximum number of users the Access Point can handle?

No more than 63, but this depends on the volume of data and may be fewer if many users create a large amount of network traffic.

# **Appendix B: Wireless Security**

Linksys wants to make wireless networking as safe and easy for you as possible. The current generation of Linksys products provide several network security features, but they require specific action on your part for implementation. So, keep the following in mind whenever you are setting up or using your wireless network.

## **Security Precautions**

The following is a complete list of security precautions to take (as shown in this User Guide) (at least steps 1 through 5 should be followed):

- 1. Change the default SSID.
- 2. Disable SSID Broadcast.
- 3. Change the default password for the Administrator account.
- 4. Enable MAC Address Filtering.
- 5. Change the SSID periodically.
- 6. Use the highest encryption algorithm possible. Use WPA if it is available. Please note that this may reduce your network performance.
- 7. Change the WEP encryption keys periodically.

To ensure network security, steps one through five should be followed, at least.

## **Security Threats Facing Wireless Networks**

Wireless networks are easy to find. Hackers know that in order to join a wireless network, wireless networking products first listen for "beacon messages". These messages can be easily decrypted and contain much of the network's information, such as the network's SSID (Service Set Identifier). Here are the steps you can take:

Change the administrator's password regularly. With every wireless networking device you use, keep in mind that network settings (SSID, WEP keys, etc.) are stored in its firmware. Your network administrator is the only person who can change network settings. If a hacker gets a hold of the administrator's password, he, too, can change those settings. So, make it harder for a hacker to get that information. Change the administrator's password regularly.



**Note:** Some of these security features are available only through the network router or access point. Refer to the router or access point's documentation for more information.

Appendix B: Wireless Security Security Precautions

**SSID.** There are several things to keep in mind about the SSID:

- 1. Disable Broadcast
- 2. Make it unique
- 3. Change it often

Most wireless networking devices will give you the option of broadcasting the SSID. While this option may be more convenient, it allows anyone to log into your wireless network. This includes hackers. So, don't broadcast the SSID.

Wireless networking products come with a default SSID set by the factory. (The Linksys default SSID is "linksys".) Hackers know these defaults and can check these against your network. Change your SSID to something unique and not something related to your company or the networking products you use.

Change your SSID regularly so that any hackers who have gained access to your wireless network will have to start from the beginning in trying to break in.

MAC Addresses. Enable MAC Address filtering. MAC Address filtering will allow you to provide access to only those wireless nodes with certain MAC Addresses. This makes it harder for a hacker to access your network with a random MAC Address.

**WEP Encryption.** Wired Equivalent Privacy (WEP) is often looked upon as a cure-all for wireless security concerns. This is overstating WEP's ability. Again, this can only provide enough security to make a hacker's job more difficult.

There are several ways that WEP can be maximized:

- 1. Use the highest level of encryption possible
- 2. Change your WEP key regularly

WPA. Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA) is the replacement standard for WEP in Wi-Fi security. Two modes are available: Personal, and Enterprise. Both give you a choice of two encryption methods: TKIP (Temporal Key Integrity Protocol), which utilizes a stronger encryption method and incorporates Message Integrity Code (MIC) to provide protection against hackers, and AES (Advanced Encryption System), which utilizes a symmetric 128-Bit block data encryption. Enterprise utilizes a RADIUS server for authentication and the use of dynamic TKIP, AES, or WEP.



**Important:** Always remember that each device in your wireless network MUST use the same encryption method and encryption key or your wireless network will not function properly.

**WPA Personal**. If you do not have a RADIUS server, select the type of algorithm, TKIP or AES, enter a password in the Pre-Shared key field of 8-63 characters, and enter a Group Key Renewal period time between 0 and 99,999 seconds, which instructs the AP or other device how often it should change the encryption keys.

WPA Enterprise. WPA used in coordination with a RADIUS server. (This should only be used when a RADIUS server is connected to the AP or other device.) First, select the type of WPA algorithm, **TKIP** or **AES**. Enter the RADIUS server's IP Address and port number, along with a key shared between the device and the server. Last, enter a Group Key Renewal period, which instructs the device how often it should change the encryption keys.

**WPA2.** Wi-Fi Protected Access 2 (WPA2) is the latest security standard in Wi-Fi security. Two modes are available: Personal and Enterprise. WPA2 always uses AES (Advanced Encryption System) for stronger data encryption.

**WPA2 Personal**. If you do not have a RADIUS server, enter a password in the Pre-Shared key field of 8-63 characters, and enter a Group Key Renewal period time between 0 and 99,999 seconds, which instructs the AP or other device how often it should change the encryption keys.

**WPA2** Enterprise. WPA2 used in coordination with a RADIUS server. (This should only be used when a RADIUS server is connected to the AP or other device.) First, enter the RADIUS server's IP Address and port number, along with a key shared between the device and the server. Then, enter a Group Key Renewal period, which instructs the device how often it should change the encryption keys.

WPA2 Mixed. WPA2 Mixed modes provide users an upgrade path from WPA to WPA2. You can have client devices running both WPA and WPA2 and the Access Point will automatically select the security method used by the client.

Implementing encryption may have a negative impact on your network's performance, but if you are transmitting sensitive data over your network, encryption should be used.

These security recommendations should help keep your mind at ease while you are enjoying the most flexible and convenient technology Linksys has to offer.

## **Appendix C: Upgrading Firmware**

The Access Point's firmware is upgraded through the Web-based Utility's Administration - Firmware Upgrade tab. Follow these instructions:

- 1. Download the firmware upgrade file from the Linksys website, www.linksys.com.
- 2. Extract the firmware upgrade file on your computer.
- 3. Open the Access Point's Web-based Utility.
- 4. Click the **Administration** tab.
- 5. Click the **Upgrade Firmware** tab.
- 6. On the *Firmware Upgrade* screen, enter the location of the firmware upgrade file in the field provided, or click the **Browse** button to find the file.
- 7. Click the **Upgrade** button, and follow the on-screen instructions.



Figure C-1: Firmware Upgrade

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## **Appendix D: Windows Help**

Almost all wireless products require Microsoft Windows. Windows is the most used operating system in the world and comes with many features that help make networking easier. These features can be accessed through Windows Help and are described in this appendix.

#### TCP/IP

Before a computer can communicate with the Access Point, TCP/IP must be enabled. TCP/IP is a set of instructions, or protocol, all PCs follow to communicate over a network. This is true for wireless networks as well. Your PCs will not be able to utilize wireless networking without having TCP/IP enabled. Windows Help provides complete instructions on enabling TCP/IP.

#### **Shared Resources**

If you wish to share printers, folder, or files over your network, Windows Help provides complete instructions on utilizing shared resources.

### **Network Neighborhood/My Network Places**

Other PCs on your network will appear under Network Neighborhood or My Network Places (depending upon the version of Windows you're running). Windows Help provides complete instructions on adding PCs to your network.

Appendix D: Windows Help

## **Appendix E: Glossary**

This glossary contains some basic networking terms you may come across when using this product. For more advanced terms, see the complete Linksys glossary at http://www.linksys.com/glossary.

**Access Point** - A device that allows wireless-equipped computers and other devices to communicate with a wired network. Also used to expand the range of a wireless network.

**Ad-hoc** - A group of wireless devices communicating directly with each other (peer-to-peer) without the use of an access point.

AES (Advanced Encryption Standard) - A security method that uses symmetric 128-bit block data encryption.

**Bandwidth** - The transmission capacity of a given device or network.

Bit - A binary digit.

**Boot** - To start a device and cause it to start executing instructions.

**Broadband** - An always-on, fast Internet connection.

**Browser** - An application program that provides a way to look at and interact with all the information on the World Wide Web.

Byte - A unit of data that is usually eight bits long

**Cable Modem** - A device that connects a computer to the cable television network, which in turn connects to the Internet.

**Daisy Chain** - A method used to connect devices in a series, one after the other.

**DDNS** (**D**ynamic **D**omain **N**ame **S**ystem) - Allows the hosting of a website, FTP server, or e-mail server with a fixed domain name (e.g., www.xyz.com) and a dynamic IP address.

**Default Gateway** - A device that forwards Internet traffic from your local area network.

**DHCP** (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol) - A networking protocol that allows administrators to assign temporary IP addresses to network computers by "leasing" an IP address to a user for a limited amount of time, instead of assigning permanent IP addresses.

**DMZ** (Demilitarized Zone) - Removes the Router's firewall protection from one PC, allowing it to be "seen" from the Internet.

**DNS** (**D**omain **N**ame **S**erver) - The IP address of your ISP's server, which translates the names of websites into IP addresses.

**Domain** - A specific name for a network of computers.

**Download** - To receive a file transmitted over a network.

**DSL** (Digital Subscriber Line) - An always-on broadband connection over traditional phone lines.

**Dynamic IP Address** - A temporary IP address assigned by a DHCP server.

**EAP** (Extensible Authentication Protocol) - A general authentication protocol used to control network access. Many specific authentication methods work within this framework.

**Encryption** - Encoding data transmitted in a network.

**Ethernet** - IEEE standard network protocol that specifies how data is placed on and retrieved from a common transmission medium.

**Firewall** - A set of related programs located at a network gateway server that protects the resources of a network from users from other networks.

Firmware - The programming code that runs a networking device.

FTP (File Transfer Protocol) - A protocol used to transfer files over a TCP/IP network.

Full Duplex - The ability of a networking device to receive and transmit data simultaneously.

**Gateway** - A device that interconnects networks with different, incompatible communications protocols.

**Half Duplex** - Data transmission that can occur in two directions over a single line, but only one direction at a time.

HTTP (HyperText Transport Protocol) - The communications protocol used to connect to servers on the World Wide Web.

Infrastructure - A wireless network that is bridged to a wired network via an access point.

**IP** (Internet **P**rotocol) - A protocol used to send data over a network.

**IP Address** - The address used to identify a computer or device on a network.

**IPCONFIG** - A Windows 2000 and XP utility that displays the IP address for a particular networking device.

IPSec (Internet Protocol Security) - A VPN protocol used to implement secure exchange of packets at the IP layer.

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

LAN - The computers and networking products that make up your local network.

MAC (Media Access Control) Address - The unique address that a manufacturer assigns to each networking device.

Mbps (MegaBits Per Second) - One million bits per second; a unit of measurement for data transmission.

**NAT** (Network Address Translation) - NAT technology translates IP addresses of a local area network to a different IP address for the Internet.

**Network** - A series of computers or devices connected for the purpose of data sharing, storage, and/or transmission between users.

Packet - A unit of data sent over a network.

**Passphrase** - Used much like a password, a passphrase simplifies the WEP encryption process by automatically generating the WEP encryption keys for Linksys products.

Ping (Packet INternet Groper) - An Internet utility used to determine whether a particular IP address is online.

POP3 (Post Office Protocol 3) - A standard mail server commonly used on the Internet.

**Port** - The connection point on a computer or networking device used for plugging in cables or adapters.

Power over Ethernet (PoE) - A technology enabling an Ethernet network cable to deliver both data and power.

**PPPoE** (Point to Point Protocol over Ethernet) - A type of broadband connection that provides authentication (username and password) in addition to data transport.

**PPTP** (Point-to-Point Tunneling Protocol) - A VPN protocol that allows the Point to Point Protocol (PPP) to be tunneled through an IP network. This protocol is also used as a type of broadband connection in Europe.

**RADIUS** (Remote Authentication Dial-In User Service) - A protocol that uses an authentication server to control network access.

**RJ-45** (Registered Jack-45) - An Ethernet connector that holds up to eight wires.

**Roaming** - The ability to take a wireless device from one access point's range to another without losing the connection.

**Router** - A networking device that connects multiple networks together.

**Server** - Any computer whose function in a network is to provide user access to files, printing, communications, and other services.

SMTP (Simple Mail Transfer Protocol) - The standard e-mail protocol on the Internet.

SNMP (Simple Network Management Protocol) - A widely used network monitoring and control protocol.

**SPI** (Stateful Packet Inspection) **Firewall** - A technology that inspects incoming packets of information before allowing them to enter the network.

SSID (Service Set IDentifier) - Your wireless network's name.

Static IP Address - A fixed address assigned to a computer or device that is connected to a network.

Static Routing - Forwarding data in a network via a fixed path.

**Subnet Mask** - An address code that determines the size of the network.

**Switch** - 1. A data switch that connects computing devices to host computers, allowing a large number of devices to share a limited number of ports. 2. A device for making, breaking, or changing the connections in an electrical circuit.

**TCP** (Transmission Control Protocol) - A network protocol for transmitting data that requires acknowledgement from the recipient of data sent.

**TCP/IP** (Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol) - A set of instructions PCs use to communicate over a network.

Telnet - A user command and TCP/IP protocol used for accessing remote PCs.

**TFTP** (**T**rivial **F**ile **T**ransfer **P**rotocol) - A version of the TCP/IP FTP protocol that has no directory or password capability.

Throughput - The amount of data moved successfully from one node to another in a given time period.

**TKIP** (Temporal Key Integrity Protocol) - a wireless encryption protocol that provides dynamic encryption keys for each packet transmitted.

**Topology** - The physical layout of a network.

**TX Rate** - Transmission Rate.

**Upgrade** - To replace existing software or firmware with a newer version.

**Upload** - To transmit a file over a network.

**URL** (Uniform Resource Locator) - The address of a file located on the Internet.

**VPN** (Virtual Private Network) - A security measure to protect data as it leaves one network and goes to another over the Internet.

**WAN** (Wide Area Network)- The Internet.

**WEP** (Wired Equivalent Privacy) - A method of encrypting network data transmitted on a wireless network for greater security.

**WLAN** (Wireless Local Area Network) - A group of computers and associated devices that communicate with each other wirelessly.

**WPA** (Wi-Fi Protected Access) - a wireless security protocol using TKIP (Temporal Key Integrity Protocol) encryption, which can be used in conjunction with a RADIUS server.

## **Appendix F: Specifications**

Model WAP4400N

Standards IEEE802.11n draft, IEEE802.11g, IEEE802.11b, IEEE802.3u, IEEE802.3af

Ports 10/100/1000 Base-T Ethernet, 12VDC Power

Buttons Reset

Cabling Type UTP CAT5, CAT5e or above for Gigabit Ethernet

LEDs Power, PoE, Ethernet, Wireless

Transmit Power 19 dBm for 802.11b, 16 dBm for 802.11g & 802.11n

Security Features WEP, WPA, WPA2, RADIUS

WEP Key Bits 64, 128

Dimensions 7.8 x 5.16 x 7.8 in

(W x H x D) (198 mm x 131 mm x 198 mm)

Unit Weight 13.4 oz (380 g)

Power IEEE802.3af Compliant PoE

Certifications FCC, IC-03, CE

Operating Temp. 0°C to 40°C (32°F to 104°F)

Storage Temp. -20°C to 70°C (-4°F to 158°F)

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Operating Humidity 10% to 85%, Non-Condensing

Storage Humidity 5% to 90%, Non-Condensing

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## **Appendix G: Warranty Information**

#### LIMITED WARRANTY

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# **Appendix H: Regulatory Information**

#### **FCC Statement**

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 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 20cm between the radiator and your body. This transmitter must not be co-located or operating in conjuction with any other antenna or transmitter.

To maintain compliance with FCC RF exposure compliance requirements, please follow operation instruction as documented in this manual.

Linksys declares that WAP4400N (FCC ID: Q87-WAP4400N) is limited in CH1~CH11 for 2.4 GHz by specified firmware controlled in U.S.A.

#### **Safety Notices**

Caution: To reduce the risk of fire, use only No.26 AWG or larger telecommunication line cord.

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

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

#### Industry Canada (Canada)

This device complies with Canadian ICES-003 and RSS210 rules. Cet appareil est conforme aux normes NMB-003 et RSS210 d'Industrie Canada.

#### IC Statement

Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- 1. This device may not cause interference and
- 2. This device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

#### Règlement d'Industry Canada

Le fonctionnement est soumis aux conditions suivantes :

- 1. Ce périphérique ne doit pas causer d'interférences;
- Ce périphérique doit accepter toutes les interférences reçues, y compris celles qui risquent d'entraîner un fonctionnement indésirable.

#### English

#### Environmental Information for Customers in the European Union

European Directive 2002/96/EC requires that the equipment bearing this symbol on the product and/or its packaging must not be disposed of with unsorted municipal waste. The symbol indicates that this product should be disposed of separately from regular household waste streams. It is your responsibility to dispose of this and other electric and electronic equipment via designated collection facilities appointed by the government or local authorities. Correct disposal and recycling will help prevent potential negative consequences to the environment and human health. For more detailed information about the disposal of your old equipment, please contact your local authorities, waste disposal service, or the shop where you purchased the product.

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#### Informations environnementales pour les clients de l'Union européenne

La directive européenne 2002/96/CE exige que l'équipement sur lequel est apposé ce symbole sur le produit et/ou son emballage ne soit pas jeté avec les autres ordures ménagères. Ce symbole indique que le produit doit être éliminé dans un circuit distinct de celui pour les déchets des ménages. Il est de votre responsabilité de jeter ce matériel ainsi que tout autre matériel électrique ou électronique par les moyens de collecte indiqués par le gouvernement et les pouvoirs publics des collectivités territoriales. L'élimination et le recyclage en bonne et due forme ont pour but de lutter contre l'impact néfaste potentiel de ce type de produits sur l'environnement et la santé publique. Pour plus d'informations sur le mode d'élimination de votre ancien équipement, veuillez prendre contact avec les pouvoirs publics locaux, le service de traitement des déchets, ou l'endroit où vous avez acheté le produit.

#### Italiano/Italian

#### Informazioni relative all'ambiente per i clienti residenti nell'Unione Europea

La direttiva europea 2002/96/EC richiede che le apparecchiature contrassegnate con questo simbolo sul prodotto e/o sull'imballaggio non siano smaltite insieme ai rifiuti urbani non differenziati. Il simbolo indica che questo prodotto non deve essere smaltito insieme ai normali rifiuti domestici. È responsabilità del proprietario smaltire sia questi prodotti sia le altre apparecchiature elettriche ed elettroniche mediante le specifiche strutture di raccolta indicate dal governo o dagli enti pubblici locali. Il corretto smaltimento ed il riciclaggio aiuteranno a prevenire conseguenze potenzialmente negative per l'ambiente e per la salute dell'essere umano. Per ricevere informazioni più dettagliate circa lo smaltimento delle vecchie apparecchiature in Vostro possesso, Vi invitiamo a contattare gli enti pubblici di competenza, il servizio di smaltimento rifiuti o il negozio nel quale avete acquistato il prodotto.

#### Latviešu valoda/Latvian

#### Ekoloģiska informācija klientiem Eiropas Savienības jurisdikcijā

Direktīvā 2002/96/EK ir prasība, ka aprīkojumu, kam pievienota zīme uz paša izstrādājuma vai uz tā iesaiņojuma, nedrīkst izmest nešķirotā veidā kopā ar komunālajiem atkritumiem (tiem, ko rada vietēji iedzīvotāji un uzņēmumi). Šī zīme nozīmē to, ka šī ierīce ir jāizmet atkritumos tā, lai tā nenonāktu kopā ar parastiem mājsaimniecības atkritumiem. Jūsu pienākums ir šo un citas elektriskas un elektroniskas ierīces izmest atkritumos, izmantojot īpašus atkritumu savākšanas veidus un līdzekļus, ko nodrošina valsts un pašvaldību iestādes. Ja izmešana atkritumos un pārstrāde tiek veikta pareizi, tad mazinās iespējamais kaitējums dabai un cilvēku veselībai. Sīkākas ziņas par novecojuša aprīkojuma izmešanu atkritumos jūs varat saņemt vietējā pašvaldībā, atkritumu savākšanas dienestā, kā arī veikalā, kur iegādājāties šo izstrādājumu.

#### Lietuvškai/Lithuanian

#### Aplinkosaugos informacija, skirta Europos Sąjungos vartotojams

Europos direktyva 2002/96/EC numato, kad įrangos, kuri ir (arba) kurios pakuotė yra pažymėta šiuo simboliu, negalima šalinti kartu su nerūšiuotomis komunalinėmis atliekomis. Šis simbolis rodo, kad gaminį reikia šalinti atskirai nuo bendro buitinių atliekų srauto. Jūs privalote užtikrinti, kad ši ir kita elektros ar elektroninė įranga būtų šalinama per tam tikras nacionalinės ar vietinės valdžios nustatytas atliekų rinkimo sistemas. Tinkamai šalinant ir perdirbant atliekas, bus išvengta galimos žalos aplinkai ir žmonių sveikatai. Daugiau informacijos apie jūsų senos įrangos šalinimą gali pateikti vietinės valdžios institucijos, atliekų šalinimo tarnybos arba parduotuvės, kuriose įsigijote tą gaminį.

#### Malti/Maltese

#### Informazzjoni Ambjentali għal Klijenti fl-Unjoni Ewropea

Id-Direttiva Ewropea 2002/96/KE titlob li t-tagħmir li jkun fih is-simbolu fuq il-prodott u/jew fuq I-ippakkjar ma jistax jintrema ma' skart municipali li ma ģiex isseparat. Is-simbolu jindika li dan il-prodott għandu jintrema separatament minn ma' I-iskart domestiku regolari. Hija responsabbiltà tiegħek li tarmi dan it-tagħmir u kull tagħmir ieħor ta' I-elettriku u elettroniku permezz ta' faċilitajiet ta' ġbir appuntati apposta mill-gvern jew mill-awtoritajiet lokali. Ir-rimi b'mod korrett u r-riċiklaġġ jgħin jipprevjeni konsegwenzi negattivi potenzjali għall-ambjent u għassaħħa tal-bniedem. Għal aktar informazzjoni dettaljata dwar ir-rimi tat-tagħmir antik tiegħek, jekk jogħġbok ikkuntattja lill-awtoritajiet lokali tiegħek, is-servizzi għar-rimi ta' I-iskart, jew il-ħanut minn fejn xtrajt il-prodott.

#### Magyar/Hungarian

#### Környezetvédelmi információ az európai uniós vásárlók számára

A 2002/96/EC számú európai uniós irányelv megkívánja, hogy azokat a termékeket, amelyeken, és/vagy amelyek csomagolásán az alábbi címke megjelenik, tilos a többi szelektálatlan lakossági hulladékkal együtt kidobni. A címke azt jelöli, hogy az adott termék kidobásakor a szokványos háztartási hulladékelszállítási rendszerektől elkülönített eljárást kell alkalmazni. Az Ön felelőssége, hogy ezt, és más elektromos és elektronikus berendezéseit a kormányzati vagy a helyi hatóságok által kijelölt gyűjtőredszereken keresztül számolja fel. A megfelelő hulladékfeldolgozás segít a környezetre és az emberi egészségre potenciálisan ártalmas negatív hatások megelőzésében. Ha elavult berendezéseinek felszámolásához további részletes információra van szüksége, kérjük, lépjen kapcsolatba a helyi hatóságokkal, a hulladékfeldolgozási szolgálattal, vagy azzal üzlettel, ahol a terméket vásárolta.

#### Nederlands/Dutch

#### Milieu-informatie voor klanten in de Europese Unie

De Europese Richtlijn 2002/96/EC schrijft voor dat apparatuur die is voorzien van dit symbool op het product of de verpakking, niet mag worden ingezameld met niet-gescheiden huishoudelijk afval. Dit symbool geeft aan dat het product apart moet worden ingezameld. U bent zelf verantwoordelijk voor de vernietiging van deze en andere elektrische en elektronische apparatuur via de daarvoor door de landelijke of plaatselijke overheid aangewezen inzamelingskanalen. De juiste vernietiging en recycling van deze apparatuur voorkomt mogelijke negatieve gevolgen voor het milieu en de gezondheid. Voor meer informatie over het vernietigen van uw oude apparatuur neemt u contact op met de plaatselijke autoriteiten of afvalverwerkingsdienst, of met de winkel waar u het product hebt aangeschaft.

#### Norsk/Norwegian

#### Miljøinformasjon for kunder i EU

EU-direktiv 2002/96/EF krever at utstyr med følgende symbol avbildet på produktet og/eller pakningen, ikke må kastes sammen med usortert avfall. Symbolet indikerer at dette produktet skal håndteres atskilt fra ordinær avfallsinnsamling for husholdningsavfall. Det er ditt ansvar å kvitte deg med dette produktet og annet elektrisk og elektronisk avfall via egne innsamlingsordninger slik myndighetene eller kommunene bestemmer. Korrekt avfallshåndtering og gjenvinning vil være med på å forhindre mulige negative konsekvenser for miljø og helse. For nærmere informasjon om håndtering av det kasserte utstyret ditt, kan du ta kontakt med kommunen, en innsamlingsstasjon for avfall eller butikken der du kjøpte produktet.

#### Polski/Polish

## Informacja dla klientów w Unii Europejskiej o przepisach dotyczących ochrony środowiska

Dyrektywa Europejska 2002/96/EC wymaga, aby sprzęt oznaczony symbolem znajdującym się na produkcie i/lub jego opakowaniu nie był wyrzucany razem z innymi niesortowanymi odpadami komunalnymi. Symbol ten wskazuje, że produkt nie powinien być usuwany razem ze zwykłymi odpadami z gospodarstw domowych. Na Państwu spoczywa obowiązek wyrzucania tego i innych urządzeń elektrycznych oraz elektronicznych w punktach odbioru wyznaczonych przez władze krajowe lub lokalne. Pozbywanie się sprzętu we właściwy sposób i jego recykling pomogą zapobiec potencjalnie negatywnym konsekwencjom dla środowiska i zdrowia ludzkiego. W celu uzyskania szczegółowych informacji o usuwaniu starego sprzętu, prosimy zwrócić się do lokalnych władz, służb oczyszczania miasta lub sklepu, w którym produkt został nabyty.

#### Português/Portuguese

#### Informação ambiental para clientes da União Europeia

A Directiva Europeia 2002/96/CE exige que o equipamento que exibe este símbolo no produto e/ou na sua embalagem não seja eliminado junto com os resíduos municipais não separados. O símbolo indica que este produto deve ser eliminado separadamente dos resíduos domésticos regulares. É da sua responsabilidade eliminar este e qualquer outro equipamento eléctrico e electrónico através dos instalações de recolha designadas pelas autoridades governamentais ou locais. A eliminação e reciclagem correctas ajudarão a prevenir as consequências negativas para o ambiente e para a saúde humana. Para obter informações mais detalhadas sobre a forma de eliminar o seu equipamento antigo, contacte as autoridades locais, os serviços de eliminação de resíduos ou o estabelecimento comercial onde adquiriu o produto.

#### Slovenčina/Slovak

#### Informácie o ochrane životného prostredia pre zákazníkov v Európskej únii

Podľa európskej smernice 2002/96/ES zariadenie s týmto symbolom na produkte a/alebo jeho balení nesmie byť likvidované spolu s netriedeným komunálnym odpadom. Symbol znamená, že produkt by sa mal likvidovať oddelene od bežného odpadu z domácností. Je vašou povinnosťou likvidovať toto i ostatné elektrické a elektronické zariadenia prostredníctvom špecializovaných zberných zariadení určených vládou alebo miestnymi orgánmi. Správna likvidácia a recyklácia pomôže zabrániť prípadným negatívnym dopadom na životné prostredie a zdravie ľudí. Ak máte záujem o podrobnejšie informácie o likvidácii starého zariadenia, obráťte sa, prosím, na miestne orgány, organizácie zaoberajúce sa likvidáciou odpadov alebo obchod, v ktorom ste si produkt zakúpili.

#### Slovenčina/Slovene

#### Okoljske informacije za stranke v Evropski uniji

Evropska direktiva 2002/96/EC prepoveduje odlaganje opreme, označene s tem simbolom – na izdelku in/ali na embalaži – med običajne, nerazvrščene odpadke. Ta simbol opozarja, da je treba izdelek odvreči ločeno od preostalih gospodinjskih odpadkov. Vaša odgovornost je, da to in preostalo električno in elektronsko opremo odnesete na posebna zbirališča, ki jih določijo državne ustanove ali lokalna uprava. S pravilnim odlaganjem in recikliranjem boste preprečili morebitne škodljive vplive na okolje in zdravje ljudi. Če želite izvedeti več o odlaganju stare opreme, se obrnite na lokalno upravo, odpad ali trgovino, kjer ste izdelek kupili.

#### Suomi/Finnish

#### Ympäristöä koskevia tietoja EU-alueen asiakkaille

EU-direktiivi 2002/96/EY edellyttää, että jos laitteistossa on tämä symboli itse tuotteessa ja/tai sen pakkauksessa, laitteistoa ei saa hävittää lajittelemattoman yhdyskuntajätteen mukana. Symboli merkitsee sitä, että tämä tuote on hävitettävä erillään tavallisesta kotitalousjätteestä. Sinun vastuullasi on hävittää tämä elektroniikkatuote ja muut vastaavat elektroniikkatuotteet viemällä tuote tai tuotteet viranomaisten määräämään keräyspisteeseen. Laitteiston oikea hävittäminen estää mahdolliset kielteiset vaikutukset ympäristöön ja ihmisten terveyteen. Lisätietoja vanhan laitteiston oikeasta hävitystavasta saa paikallisilta viranomaisilta, jätteenhävityspalvelusta tai siitä myymälästä, josta ostit tuotteen.

#### Svenska/Swedish

#### Miljöinformation för kunder i Europeiska unionen

Det europeiska direktivet 2002/96/EC kräver att utrustning med denna symbol på produkten och/eller förpackningen inte får kastas med osorterat kommunalt avfall Symbolen visar att denna produkt bör kastas efter att den avskiljts från vanligt hushållsavfall. Det faller på ditt ansvar att kasta denna och annan elektrisk och elektronisk utrustning på fastställda insamlingsplatser utsedda av regeringen eller lokala myndigheter. Korrekt kassering och återvinning skyddar mot eventuella negativa konsekvenser för miljön och personhälsa. För mer detaljerad information om kassering av din gamla utrustning kontaktar du dina lokala myndigheter, avfallshanteringen eller butiken där du köpte produkten.

For more information, visit www.linksys.com.

## **Appendix I: Contact Information**

Need to contact Linksys? Visit us online for information on the latest products and updates to your existing products at:

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Don't wish to call? You can e-mail us at:

If any Linksys product proves defective during its warranty period, you can call the Linksys Return Merchandise Authorization department for obtaining a Return Authorization Number at: (Details on Warranty and RMA issues can be found in the Warranty Information section in this Guide.)

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