



User Guide

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Chapter 1. Introduction

1.1 Overview

This manual is written to assist system integrators, field engineers and network administrators in setting set up NetComm NP725 Access Points in their network environments. It contains step by step procedures and pictures to guide users with basic network system knowledge to complete the installation.

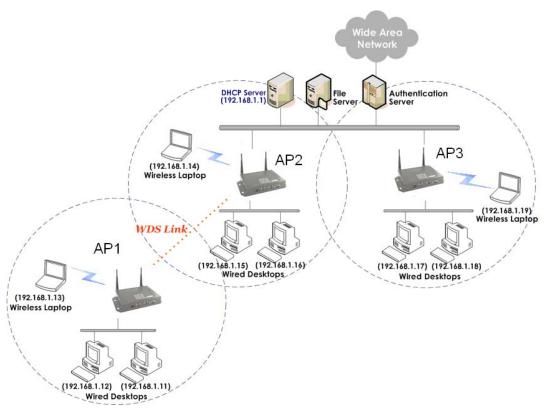
NP725 is a Multi-Mode Access Point, specially designed for connecting wireless networks for wider coverage.

NP725 provides features of Access Point (AP) and Wireless Distribution System (WDS) simultaneously. In the Access Point mode, it supports up to eight Virtual Access Points (VAPs) which could provide service in different levels and much securer network. NP725 Access Point also supports the most popular wireless authentication and encryption standards which make flexible security policy possible by taking advantage of these Virtual Access Points. Thus, there is an independent rule setting for each Virtual Access Point that can be defined to meet the actual requirements. In the Wireless Distribution System mode, it supports point-to-point or point-to-multipoint topology, which could widely extend the wireless coverage.

1.2 Product Features

- High Speed IEEE 802.11g and Backward Compatible with 802.11b
- IEEE 802.11b/g + WDS (Bridge & Repeater, Point-to-Point, Point-to-Multiple-Point)
- Dual IEEE 802.3af (PoE) Compliant with Link Failover
- Multiple ESSIDs Capability
- WDS for Extending Wireless Coverage
- Supporting QoS & 802.11e WMM
- Multiple Virtual APs & Capability of Client Isolation
- Business-class WLAN Security & Client Authentications
- Multiple Administration Interfaces for Network Management
- Dual-PoE with Link Failover
- Antenna Diversity & detachable Antenna
- IP50 Compliant

1.3 Deployment Topology Examples



The above deployment scenario illustrates a deployment example using three access points, AP-1, AP-2 and AP-3.

- Three NP725s construct a network with wired and wireless segments.
- The AP-2 plays the role as a wireless bridge.
- All machines share the same DHCP server 192.168.1.1.

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Chapter 2. System Overview

2.1 Package Contents

The standard package of NP725 includes:

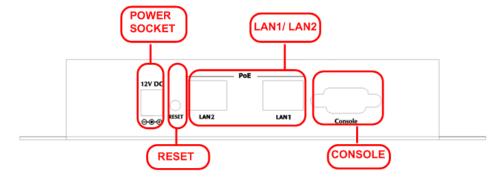
- NP725 x 1
- CD-ROM with product User Manual x 1
- Console Cable DB9 Female to DB9 Male x 1
- Straight through Ethernet Cable x 1
- Power Adapter 12V, 1.5A x 1
- 2dBi Antenna x 2
- Mounting Kit x 1
- Ground Cable x 1

Note: It is recommended to keep the original packing materials in case of product service requirements. Any returned product should be packed according to its original package content, together with its relevant packing materials used for protecting the equipment from damage during delivery.

2.2 Hardware

On the top panel of the product, there are four LEDs that are used to indicate the *system power, WLAN status*, and the *link status* of the two PoE Fast Ethernet ports. On the front panel, there are one *power socket*, *one reset button*, two PoE *LAN ports* and one *console port*. The antenna is installed on the rear panel.

Rear Panel



Power Socket: Connects to the power adapter provided.

RESET Button

- o Press the button to restart the system.
- o Press and hold the button for 5 seconds to reset the system to factory default and restart the system.

LAN 1 / LAN2:

 The LAN ports are used for connecting with wired networks. These two ports also support Power over Ethernet (PoE).

Console:

 The serial cable attaches here. Administrators can obtain IP address information of Ethernet ports from the console port.



 Antenna Connector: The antenna attaches here. NP725 supports 1 RF interface and 2 SMA connectors for antenna connection.

Top Panel



LED:

- Power: ON indicates that power is on and OFF indicates that power is off.
- LAN1/LAN2: OFF indicates no connection, ON indicates connection and BLINKING indicates transmitting
 data
- WLAN: ON indicates system is ready.

2.3 System Requirement and Preparation

Preparations

A computer is needed to configure NP725 via its web management interface. After completing hardware installation, the administrator can configure the NP725 via web browser with JavaScript enabled, such as Mozilla Firefox 2.0 or Internet Explorer version 6.0 and the above.

The default LAN IP address of NP725 is listed as following:

IP Address: 192.168.25.1 Subnet mask: 255.255.255.0

If the IP address of the administrator's PC is not assigned via DHCP, then a static IP address assigned to the administrator's computer within the same subnet as NP725 is needed. The following listed Address as examples:

IP Address: 192.168.25.100 Subnet mask: 255.255.255.0

Note: Please refer to LEDs of the switch hub to verify the wired connection of both sides. After NP725's network configuration completes, please switch back the original settings to fit the real network environment.

Chapter 3. Installation

3.1 Wireless LAN Access Point Connection

Please follow the steps below to install the hardware of NP725.

- 1. Locate the wireless LAN access point at the best location. The best location for NP725 is usually at the center of a wireless network.
- Connect the wireless LAN access point to your other network equipment.
 Connect an Ethernet cable to the NP725's LAN port and connect the other end of the cable to a switch, a router, or a hub. The access point will be connected to your existing wired LAN network.
- 3. There are two options to supply power to NP725.
 - 1) Connect the DC power adapter to the power socket. Please note that using a different adapter may damage the product.
 - 2) Connect a PoE capable device (switch or PSE) to the LAN port.

Now, the Hardware Installation has been completed.

Note:

- 1. Please refer to LEDs of the switch/hub to verify the wired connection of both sides.
- 2. Dual LAN ports can be used for power failover, but there could be a problem with dual data links in the same LAN environment, unless appropriate Layer 2 STP configuration has been made for the entire network. Please refer to 4.1.2 Network Settings (Layer 2 STP) for more information.

3.2 Basic Configuration

NP725 provides the web management interface for configuration. After completing hardware installation, the administrator can configure the NP725 via web browsers with JavaScript enabled, such as Mozilla Firefox 2.0 or Internet Explorer version 6.0 and the above.

The default LAN IP address of NP725 is listed as follows:

IP Address: 192.168.25.1 Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0



If the IP address of the administrator's PC is not assigned via DHCP within the same subnet as NP725's, then a static IP address assigned to the administrator's computer within the same subnet as NP725's is needed. The following IP address is listed as an example:

IP Address: 192.168.25.100 Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0

Once NP725 has been connected, the Administrator Login Page will appear. Enter "admin" for both the default user name and password in the *User name* and *Password* fields, and then click the *OK* button to log in.

User name: admin Password: admin



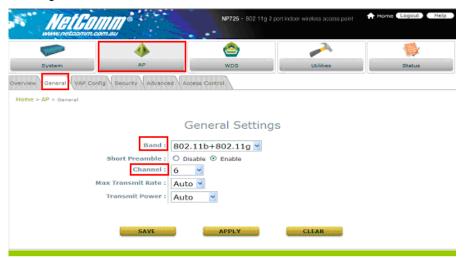
After successfully logging into NP725, the **System Overview** page of the web management interface will appear. To logout, simply click the *Logout* icon on the upper right corner of the interface to return to the Administrator Login Page.

Change Password:

- 1) Change administrator's password by clicking on the **Utilities** menu item.
- 2) Select Admin Password from submenu item.
- 3) Enter new password. Supply new password with length less than 30 characters, and then click on *Apply* to confirm the change.



Configure AP Settings



- 1) Click on the AP menu item. Select General submenu.
- 2) Determine the Band and Channel Select preferred Band and Channel for the wireless connection. For example, band is selected to 802.11b+802.11g and channel to 6.

Check VAP Profile Settings

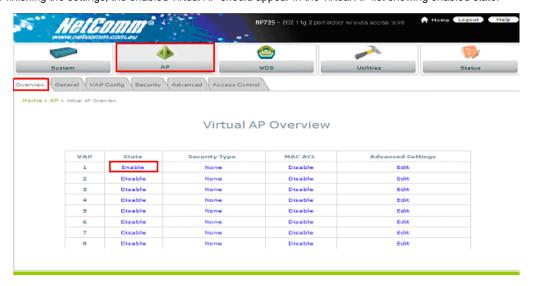


- 1) Select VAP Configuration submenu to configure.
- 2) Administrator can enable or disable specific VAP from the drop down list of "Profile Name". NP725 supports up to 8 virtual APs.

Note: To configure the rest of the profiles, please follow the same steps as illustrated for VAP-1.

Check AP Status

After finishing the settings, the enabled virtual AP should appear in the virtual AP list showing enabled state.



Choose Security Type

- 1) Select AP menu.
- 2) Select **Security** submenu to continue.



Change Security Type to WEP

If WEP is preferred, supply the desired *Authentication*, *key length*, *format*, *index* and *values*. See the screen as an example.



Change Security Type to 802.1X

If 802.1X authentication is preferred, supply the desired *WEP key length* and the corresponding settings of RADIUS server.



Change Security Type to WPA-PSK

If WPA-PSK is preferred, supply the desired *pre-shared key* and *ciphe*r type.

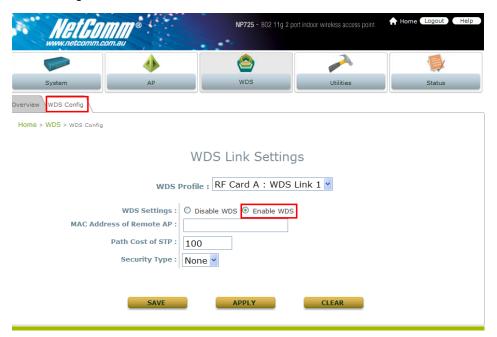


Change Security Type to WPA-Radius

If WPA-Radius is preferred, supply the *cipher* type and the corresponding settings of RADIUS server.



Configure WDS Settings



- 1) Click on the WDS menu item.
- 2) Select WDS Configuration submenu item.
- 3) Setting WDS link parameters
 By default, WDS profiles are disabled. First, choose the WDS Profile; enable WDS; supply peer's MAC address and security type.

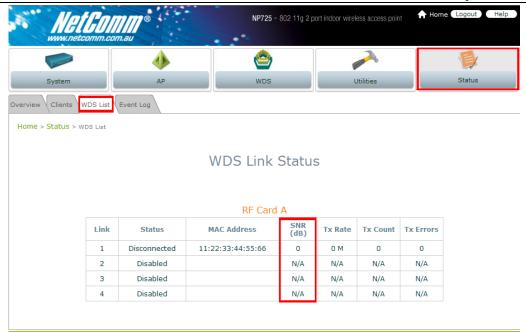
Configure the Peer

The WDS peer's setting should be configured while completing the WDS configuration. To configure the peer, repeat the above WDS steps except for the last step that the MAC address information comes from the first WDS station.

Obtain WDS List Status

- 1) Select the menu of **Status**.
- 2) Select WDS List submenu.
- 3) Check the signal strength of WDS link.

Check the **SNR** of WDS link after clicking **Status / WDS List**, there should be SNR displayed; If the SNR is shown as N/A, the wiring and the above configuration should be checked again.



Congratulations

Now, the system has been installed and configured successfully.

Note: It is strongly recommended to make a copy of configuration backup.

Chapter 4. Web Management Interface

This chapter provides further information on the NP725 configuration. The following table shows all the UI functions of NP725 Access Point. In the web management interface, there are main interface areas: **Main Menu** and **Working Area**. The **Working Area** occupies the largest area of the web interface in the center. It is also referred as **the current management page**. The current management is the page where status is displayed, where controlled is issued and parameters are configured. **Main Menu**, on the top of the web management interface, allows administrators to traverse to various management functions of this system. The management functions are grouped into branches: **System**, **AP**, **WDS**, **Utilities** and **Status**.

OPTION	FUNCTION		
System	System Information		
	Network Settings		
	Management Services		
AP	Virtual AP Overview		
	General Settings		
	VAP Configuration		
	Security Settings		
	Advanced Wireless Settings		
	Access Control Settings		
WDS	WDS Link Overview		
	WDS Link Settings		
Utilities	Change Password		
	Configuration Save/Restore		
	System Upgrade		
	Reboot		
Status	System Overview		
	Associated Client Status		
	WDS Link Status		
	Event Log		

Caution: After finishing the configuration, please click **Apply** and pay attention to see if a restart message appears on screen. If the message appears, the system must be restarted to allow the settings to take effect. All on-line users will be disconnected during restart.

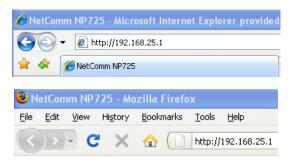
Introduction:

NP725 has equipped a friendly Web graphical user interface for users and system administrators to configure parameters easily and remotely. The recommended web browsers are IE 6.0(TM), Firefox 2.0(TM) and the above. NP725 provides the web management interface for easier configuration. After completing hardware installation, the administrator can configure the NP725 through web browsers with JavaScript enabled, such as Mozilla Firefox 2.0 or Internet Explorer version 6.0 and the above.

Launch a web browser to access the web management interface of NP725 by entering "http://192.168.25.1" in the URL.

The default LAN IP address of NP725 is listed as following:

IP Address: 192.168.25.1 Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0



If the IP address of the administrator's PC is not assigned via DHCP within the same subnet as NP725's, then a static IP address assigned to the administrator's computer within the same subnet as NP725's is needed.

The following examples show how to set a static IP address to the administrator's computer:

IP Address: 192.168.25.100 Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0

The Web management function of NP725 includes:

- System: System Information, Network Settings, Management Services
- AP: Overview, General, VAP Configuration, Security, Advanced, and Access Control.
- WDS: Overview and WDS Configuration
- Utilities: Admin Password, Configuration Save/Restore, System Upgrade and Reboot
- Status: Overview, Clients, WDS List and Event Log



In each configuration page, the active menu and submenu item will be shown in different color to indicate which function is working on. For example, as in the above figure, the screen is now in *Status* menu. And for each menu item, there are several tabbed sub-menus displayed underneath.

■ Log into Web Management Interface:

Login

Once NP725 has been connected, the Administrator Login Page will appear. Enter "admin" for both the default user name and password in the *User name* and *Password* fields, and then click the *OK* button to log in *User name:* admin

Password: admin

The above default identity data is expected to be used once at first time, for security concern, it is strongly recommended to change the administrator's password after configuration being completed. After successfully logging into NP725, the **System Overview** page of the web management interface will appear.

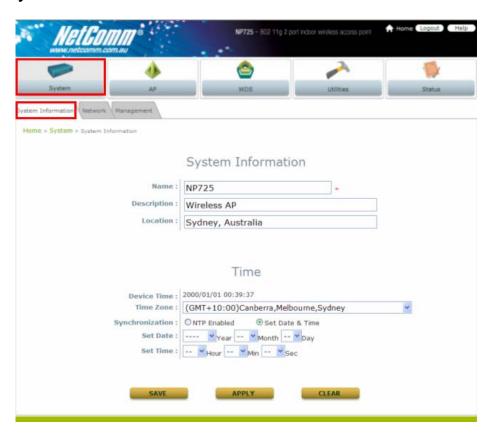
Logout

To log out the web management page, press the *Logout* button at upper-right corner to log out the system. Click *OK* when the confirmation window pops up.

4.1 System

This section provides information on the following functions: **System Information**, **Network Settings**, and **Management Services**.

4.1.1 System Information



System Information

For the purpose of maintenance, it is required to specify the system name, its location and corresponding basic parameters. Fields such as "Name", "Description" and "Location" are used for mnemonic purpose. It is recommended to have different values for each AP. Time settings allows you to set NP725's system time manually or have it synchronized automatically with NTP server. When NTP server is used, NTP server1 must be filled. If FQDN (full qualified domain name) is used, the DNS server setting must also be activated.

- Name: System name used to identify this box
- Description: Give further information about this installation
- Location: The geographic location
- Time

- > Device Time: Current system time
- > Time Zone: Take UTC offset to set this field
- > Synchronization: There are two options of setting system time

1) NTP Enabled:

By enabling NTP server, NP725 can synchronize its system time with the NTP server automatically. While this method is selected, at least one NTP server's IP address should be provided. It is recommended to give both NTP servers' IP addresses to prevent occasionally NTP service unavailable.

Device Time : 2000/01/01 00:04:51
Time Zone : (GMT+10:00)Canberra,Melbourne,Sydney

Synchronization : O Set Date & Time

NTP Server 1 : *

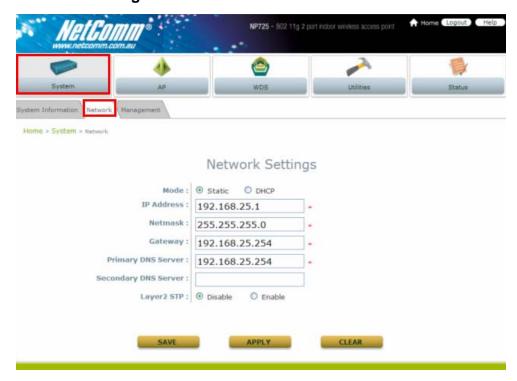
NTP Server 2 : **

2) Set Date & Time:

Manually set the system time by giving date & time in this page underneath. If this method is chosen, the NTP server 1&2 settings will be closed. Note, unless Internet connection is unavailable, it is recommended to use NTP server for time synchronization.



4.1.2 Network Settings



There are two methods of IP configuration available in NP725. LAN interface configuration determines the way to obtain the IP address by DHCP or manually setup.

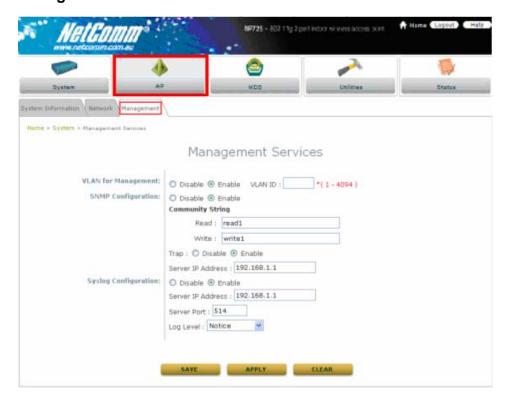
- Mode: Determine the way to obtain the IP address, by DHCP or Static.
 - DHCP client: This option is provided when the users have a DHCP in the wired network, and make sure the network connection is correct.
 - Static setting: Static setting is to set these parameters manually. Basic parameters such as IP address, subnet mask, and gateway are needed.
- Primary and Secondary DNS Server: If any host information in the system is given in FQDN format (Fully Qualified Domain Name), please ensure at least one of these DNS server is available.
- Layer 2 STP: The Spanning Tree Protocol (STP) eliminates Layer 2 loops in wired and wireless networks. The
 access point typically can be configured to bridge several networks.

For example, if it is configured to construct WDS networks, it is possible to get loops in the wireless networks. As another example, when the two LAN ports are connected to the same LAN environment, it is also likely that there are loops in the wired networks.

Note:

- 1. When Layer 2 STP is enabled, the system will automatically suspend a connection in the networks once the system detects a loop. If this is the case, one of the network connections could fail.
- 2. Please make sure that the other Layer 2 devices (e.g. switch) also support and enable STP, to eliminate the Layer 2 loops.

4.1.3 Management Services



For easier maintenance, SNMP (Simple Network Management Protocol) and remote syslog services are provided in NP725.

- VLAN for Management: The management traffic from the device can be tagged with VLAN ID. If the option is enabled, the VLAN ID can be chosen from 1 to 4094.
- SNMP Configuration: By enabling SNMP service, the remote SNMP manager could obtain NP725's system status.
 - Community String: Specify the password for Read and Write.
 - Trap: Enable or Disable the feature. When enabled, its reported event will be sent to assigned management station with specified Server IP Address.
- Syslog Configuration: By enabling this service, specify a remote syslog server which could accept syslog
 messages from NP725 remotely. By reading the syslog message in the remote server, the administrator can
 review activities of all installed NP725s in the network.
 - o Server Port: Port of the server.
 - Log Level: Select desired level of received events.

4.2 AP

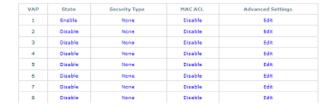
This section provides information on the following functions: **Overview**, **General**, **VAP Configuration**, **Security**, **Advanced** and **Access Control**. The NP725 supports up to eight WLANs by Virtual Access Point (VAP). Each VAP can have its own settings including ESSID, VLAN ID, security settings, and etc. Therefore, these VAPs can bring different service level to clients depending on the ESSID connected to. Please click on the menu item AP to configure VAPs.

4.2.1 Virtual AP Overview

The overall status is collected in this page, including enable/disable state, security type, MAC ACL state, and advanced settings. NP725 has 8 VAPs; each has its own setting. In the table, please click on the specific item to have detailed configuration of these VAPs respectively.



Virtual AP Overview

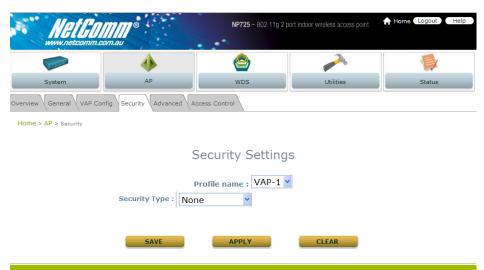


• State: The hyperlink showing enable or disable connects to the screen of VAP Configuration.



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Security Type: The hyperlink showing security type connects to the screen of Security Settings.



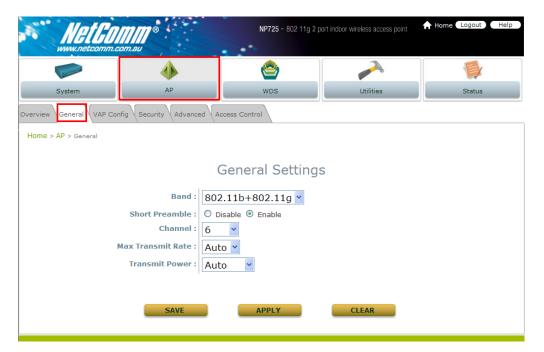
MAC ACL: The hyperlink showing status of MAC ACL connects to the screen of Access Control Settings.



 Advanced Settings: The hyperlink of advanced settings connects to the screen of Advanced Wireless Settings.



4.2.2 General Settings



- Band: The operating wireless frequency band of the device. Choose among frequency band *Disable*, 802.11b, 802.11g or mixed mode 802.11b+802.11g.
- Short Preamble: This option can be turned on to enable Short-Preamble frames.
- Channel: Choose from channel 1 ~ 13, depending on the region or auto.
- Max Transmit Rate: Choose transmit rate from the drop-down list. The maximum transmit rate can be set as "auto" or specific available rate under the chosen operating mode (802.11b, 802.11g or 802.11b+g).
- Transmit Power: Choose from Lowest Power to Highest Power level or auto.

The item in this page is for AP's RF settings and will be applied to all VAPs.

Normally, the available RF configurations can be illustrated as:

Mode	Channel	Rate	Power	
Disable	NA	NA	NA	
802.11b	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13	1M, 2M, 5.5M, 11M	Auto, Lowest, Low, Medium, High, Highest	
802.11b+802.11g	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13	1M, 2M, 5.5M, 11M, 12M, 18M, 24M, 36M, 48M, 54M		

4.2.3 VAP Configuration



To enable each VAP in the NP725, the administrator has to configure each VAP manually. The settings of each VAP are collected as its profile.

- Enable VAP: Enable or disable virtual AP settings.
- Profile Name: Give the profile an identity for management purpose.
- ESSID: Extended Service Set ID indicates the SSID which the clients used to connect to the VAP. ESSID will
 determine the service type of a client which is assigned to the specified VAP.
- VLAN ID: Virtual LAN, the NP725 supports tagged VLAN. To enable VLAN function, each VAP needs a unique VLAN ID; valid values are from 1 to 4095.

4.2.4 Security Settings

The NP725 supports various user authentication and data encryption in each VAP's profile. Thus the administrator can depend on the need to provide different service levels to clients. The security type includes the items on the drop-down menu of *security type*:

None: No authentication required. This is the default setting as shown in the figure.



• WEP: Supports key length of 64/128/152 bits.



• 802.1X: Provides RADIUS authentication and dynamic WEP.



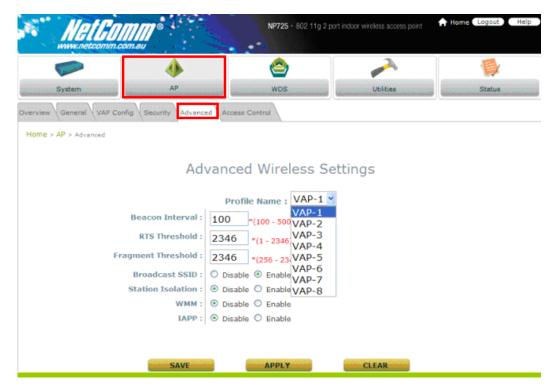
• WPA-PSK: Provides shared key authentication and WPA data encryption.



WPA-RADIUS: Authenticate user by RADIUS and provide WPA data encryption.



4.2.5 Advanced Wireless Settings



Virtual AP advanced settings should mostly meet general requirements. Take the following parameters if occasionally it is necessary to tune or debug the wireless network.

- Beacon Interval: This interval specifies the time interval, in milliseconds. The default value is 100, valid from 25 to 500ms.
- RTS Threshold: To control station access to medium and to alleviate this effect of the hidden terminal problem, administrators can tune this RTS threshold value. It should have a value among 1-2346 and is default to 2346.
- Fragment Threshold: A unicast frame larger than this threshold will be fragmented before transmission. If significant numbers of collisions are occurring, administrators can try to take a smaller value of the fragmentation threshold to see if it helps.
- Broadcast SSID: Disable this item will prevent the NP725 from broadcasting its SSID publicly.
- Station Isolation: When enabled, wireless client stations are isolated from each other. In other words, one PC
 associated to the Virtual AP is not able to see other PCs on the same Virtual AP. However, wireless clients are
 not isolated from wired clients on the LAN environment.
- WMM: WMM (Wi-Fi Multimedia) provides basic Quality of service (QoS) features to Wi-Fi networks. When enabled, it prioritizes traffic according to four Access Categories (AC) voice, video, best effort, and background. However, it does not provide guaranteed throughput
- IAPP: IAPP (Inter-Access Point Protocol) is to support smooth users' hand-over (roaming) from one access
 point to another. When enabled, it provides a better capability for wireless client stations to roam among APs
 with the same SSID.

4.2.6 Access Control Settings

The NP725 supports various methods to authenticate clients from using wireless LAN. The default policy is unlimited access without any authentication required. To restrict the station number of wireless connections, simply change the **Maximum number of stations** to a desired number. For example, while the number of station is set to 20, only 20 stations are allowed to connect to this VAP.

For MAC ACL control, the supported methods include:

- Disable: No MAC address check required
- Allow List: Deny all except allowed ones in the list
- Deny List: Allow all except denied ones in the list
- RADIUS ACL: Authenticate the incoming MAC address by RADIUS

The one selected in the Access Control Type is the activated policy while the rest of the options are inactive.

Disable

No MAC address check required.



Home > AP > Access Control

Access Control Settings



Allow List

When the policy is set to **Allow List**, all wireless connections to the VAP will be denied except for those allowed MAC addresses listed. For each allowed MAC address, the administrator can still enable or disable the rule applied to the specified one. For example, 11:22:33:44:55:66 is in the allow list; to temporarily deny its access, we can **disable** the rule on it.



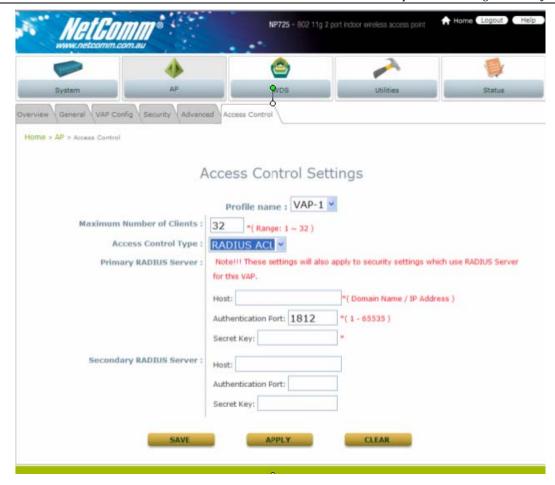
Deny List

When the policy is set to **Deny List**, all wireless connections to the VAP will be allowed except those denied MAC addresses listed. When the users want to allow one listed MAC address temporarily, **disable** the address from the deny list.



RADIUS ACL

NP725 can pass one incoming MAC address and let RADIUS authenticate it. Please notice that for each VAP the MAC ACL and security type share the same RADIUS configuration. Hence, the change of the settings here will also affect the security type.



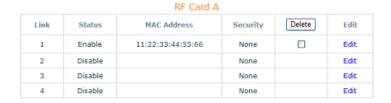
4.3 WDS

This section provides information in the following functions: **Overview** and **WDS Configuration**. The configurations under this category apply to all Virtual Access Points in this device.

4.3.1 WDS Link Overview



WDS Link Overview



The figure provides an overall status of all WDS links.

- Item: Corresponding profiles of each WDS interface
- Status: Enable or disable the plan.
- MAC Address: Remote peer's MAC address.
- Security: Choose between Disable security and WEP type of security.
- Delete: Remove profiles by checkbox selection and click on Delete to remove them.
- Edit: To change the individual setting of each WDS profile, click on Edit to modify the settings.

4.3.2 WDS Link Settings

For each WDS link profile, the administrators need the remote peer's MAC address and the security type for establishing connection to the peer.



- WDS Profile: Pull the drop-down menu to select one WDS profile to configure.
- WDS Settings: Enable or disable the specified WDS link.
- MAC Address of Remote AP: For each link, type the MAC address of the remote peer here.
- Path Cost of STP: An assigned weighted metric here will determine the best path for data flow.
- Security: Set the encryption (WEP or None) of WDS link here.
 - o **None**: No encryption is required to establish this WDS link.
 - WEP: Establish the WDS link in WEP encryption which must provide key length, format and the key itself respectively.

4.4 Utilities

This section provides information on four utilities used for customizing and maintaining the system, including **Admin Password**, **Config Save Restore**, **System Upgrade** and **Reboot**.

4.4.1 Change Password

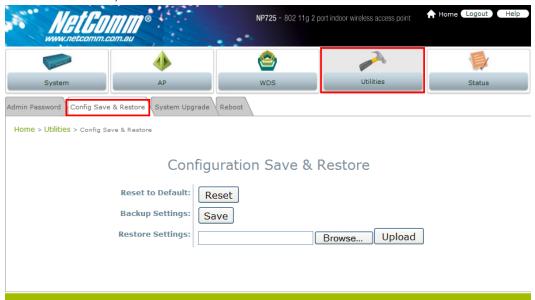
To protect the management web site from unauthorized access, it is strongly recommended to change the default administrator's password to your own one. Only alpha-numeric characters pattern is allowed and it is strongly recommended to take a combination of both numeric and alphabetic characters.



The administrator can change the password of the system. The login account for the administrator is "admin". The admin password of the system can be changed here by entering the new password. The default admin password of the system is "admin". Click *Apply* to activate the new password.

4.4.2 Configuration Save / Restore

This function is used to backup and to restore the NP725 settings. The NP725 can also be restored to the factory default settings using this function. It can be used to duplicate settings to other access points (backup settings and then restore in another AP).



- Reset to Default: Click Reset to load the factory default settings of the NP725. After confirming this action, the system will reset all parameters. Reboot to let the default settings take effect.
- Backup Settings: Click Save button to save the current system configurations to a backup file on a local disk of the management console. A backup file for NP725 keeps the current system settings. Before any configuration changed, it is recommended to backup the system before you proceed with any changes; thus, it can be recovered soon if occasionally something wrong happened.
- Restore Settings: Click on the *Browse* button to select configuration file to restore, and then, press *Upload* to proceed. After confirming the action, the system will start to replace the existing settings with this newly uploaded one; reboot the system as required to ensure the parameter changes take effect.

Since network parameters have been reset/restored, the administrator may need to change PC's network settings in order to match NP725's default settings.

4.4.3 System Upgrade

NP725 provides Web firmware upload/upgrade feature. While the new firmware is obtained, it has to put locally in the administrator's computer. The users can easily download the latest firmware from the website and upgrade the system. To upgrade the system firmware, click **Browse** button to choose the new firmware file and then click **Upload** button to execute the process. There will be a prompt confirmation message appearing to notify the administrator to restart the system after successful firmware upgrade.



Home > Utilities > System Upgrade

System Upgrade

Current Version:	1.00.00		
File Name:		Browse	Upload

Although the system will check the firmware's contents to ensure its integrity, it is still recommended to check the version number before action proceeded.

Please note that firmware upgrade may sometime result in loss of some data. Please ensure that all necessary settings are written down before upgrading the firmware. Please restart the system after upgrading the firmware.

Please make sure you have the correct firmware file. During firmware upgrade, do not power on/off the system during the upgrade or the restart process as it may permanently damage this AP.

4.4.4 Reboot

This function allows the administrator to restart the NP725 safely. The process should take about three minutes. Click *Reboot* button to restart the system. Please wait for the blinking timer to finish before accessing the system web management interface again.

Occasionally, it is necessary to reboot NP725 to ensure parameter changes being submitted.



Home > Utilities > Reboot

Reboot NP725

Reboot may take several minutes to complete. The home page will be shown after system boots up.

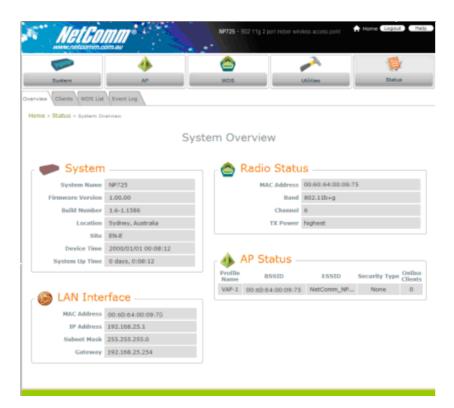
Reboot

4.5 Status

This section provides information on the following functions: Overview, Clients, WDS List and Event Log.

4.5.1 System Overview

The section provides an overview of the system status for the administrator. System's overall status, for individual setting and status, please check them in each configuration page.



The description of the table is as the following:

<u>Item</u>		<u>Description</u>	
System	System Name	The system name	
	Firmware Version	The present firmware version of the AP	
	Device Time	The system time	
	System Up Time	The system elapsing time since the last reboot	
LAN Interface	MAC Address	The MAC address of LAN Interface	
	IP Address	The IP address of the LAN Interface	
	Subnet Mask	The Subnet Mask of the LAN Interface	
RF Card	MAC Address	The MAC address of RF Card	
	Band	The RF band(b/g) used	
	Channel	The channel specified	
	Tx Power	Transmit Power level of RF card	
	BSSID	Basic Service Set ID	
Virtual AP			
Profiles			
	Online Clients	The number of online clients	

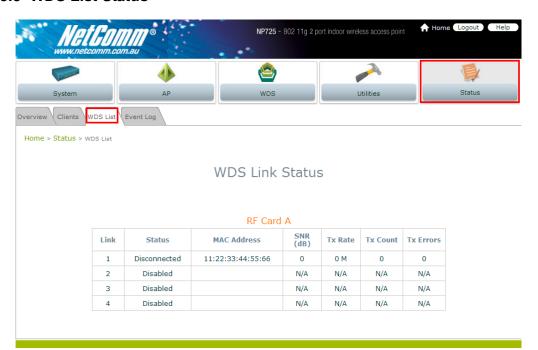
4.5.2 Associated Client Status



List all associated clients from all the VAPs. Please take this table to manage the clients and take the signal strength for debug purpose.

- Associated VAP: Name of the associated virtual AP
- ESSID: Extended Service Set ID
- MAC Address: MAC Address of associated clients
- SNR: Signal to Noise Ratio
- Idle Time: Time of no activity of associated clients in seconds
- Disconnect: Press the button *Kick*, the clients will disconnect from the system.

4.5.3 WDS List Status



The list shows the WDS link status with information such as Link Status, MAC Address, SNR(dB), Tx Rate, Tx Count, and Tx Errors.

Link Status: Show Link Status such as Disconnected, Disabled or Connected.

MAC Address: MAC Address of the WDS peer

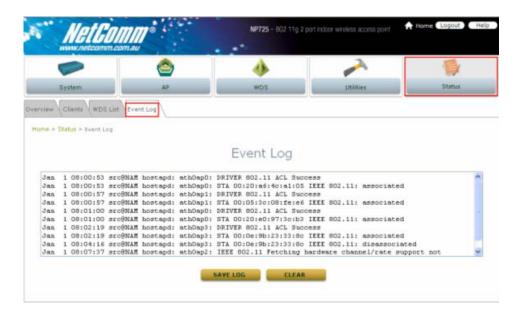
SNR: Single to Noise Ratio

Tx Rate: Transmit rate

• Tx Count: The number of Transmit Count

Tx Errors: The number of Transmit Errors

4.5.4 Event Log



Event log provides the system activities records and monitor the system status by checking this log. In the log, normally, each line represents an event record; And in each line, there are 4 fields:

- Date/Time : The time & date when the event happened.
- Hostname: Indicate which host records this event. Note that all events in this page are local event, so events of
 this field are all the same. However, in remote syslog service, this field will help us identify which event is from
 this NP725. Please refer to section 4.1.3 Management Service.
- Process name: Indicate the event generated by this running instance
- Description: Description of this event.

To save the file locally or clear all the records, press SAVE LOG or CLEAR button respectively.

4.6 Online Help

The Help button is at the upper right corner of the display screen.

Click *Help* for the Online Help window, and then click the hyperlink of the relevant information required.

Online Help

Organization of the Configuration Web:

System	AP	WDS	Utilities	Status
System Information	Overview	Overview	Admin Password	Overview
Network Settings	General	WDS Config	Config Save & Restore	Clients
Management Services	VAP Config		System Upgrade	WDS List
	Security		Reboot	Event Log
	Advanced			
	Access Control			

System

System > System Information

Fields "Name", "Description", and "Location" are used for menmonic purpose. It is recommended to have different values in e have.

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