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## User Manual

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## Introduction

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Congratulations and thank you for purchasing the Network USB Hub (the Hub) from Belkin. By connecting to your network router, this innovative sharing tool gives you a great way to enhance its capabilities, as well as those of all the USB devices connected throughout your network. It lets you access your USB devices remotely without the hassle of setting up network software. Now you can easily print to the USB printer in your home office from your living room or bedroom—through any wireless router.

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# Setting Up your Network USB Hub

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The Hub works with Windows® XP and Windows Vista™ (32- and 64-bit), and Mac OS® X (v10.3~v10.4). In order to use the Hub, you must have a networking router connecting your network.

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## 1. Preparing for Setup

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**NOTE:** If you are connected to a network router that uses Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP), which most networks do, you do not need to set up your Hub.

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**1.1** Plug the AC adapter into the Hub.

**1.2** Check the Power LED (green). It should be illuminated.

**1.3** Plug the Ethernet cable into the Hub.

**1.4** Plug the other side of the Ethernet cable into your network router.

## 2. Installing the Software

**IMPORTANT:** If you do not install the software on your computer, the Hub will not work.

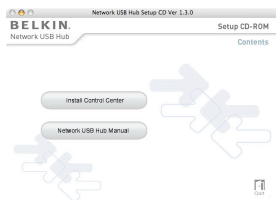
**2.1** Insert the setup CD into your CD-ROM drive.

You will see the Hub Setup CD icon.

Please open it and click “Setup” icon.

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**2.2** You will see the Hub Setup CD screen. Click “Install Control Center”.



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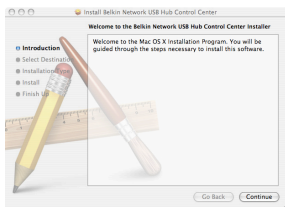
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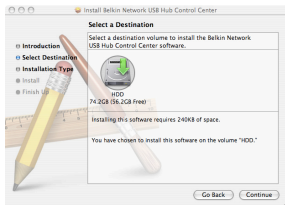
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**2.3** You will see the “Welcome” screen. Click “Continue”.



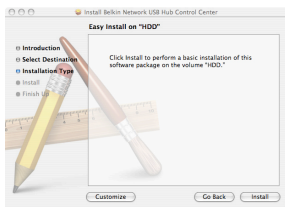
**2.4** Select a destination in which to install the software and click “Continue”.



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2.5 Click "Install" to start the installation.



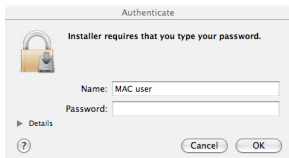
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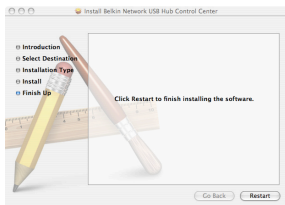
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2.6 If prompted please enter name and password for authentication.



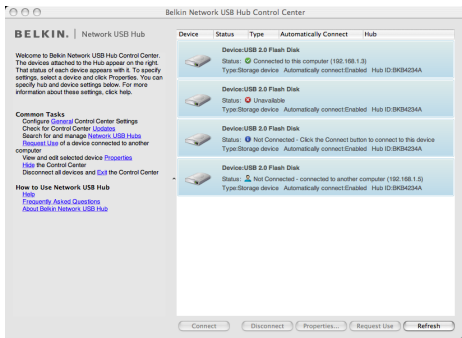
2.7 Installation is complete. Click "Restart".

**Warning:** Please update your firewall and Internet security software to make sure your computer works properly with the Network USB Hub.



# Using the Network USB Hub Control Center

Once the setup is completed, launch the Belkin Network USB Hub Control Center through the “Start” menu. The main Control Center (see image below) gives you a visual depiction of your connection configuration.



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You can connect to a device by Ctrl+Clicking the device on the list, or by selecting it on the list, and then clicking “Connect”, on the bottom of the screen. To disconnect a device, just Ctrl+Click it on the list, or select it and then click “Disconnect”, on the bottom of the screen.

You can change device names, settings, and more by selecting the device from the list, and then clicking “Properties”.



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## What the designations mean

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**Device:** Name of the device. You can change the name by clicking “Properties”.

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**Status:** Status of the device. The status changes automatically.

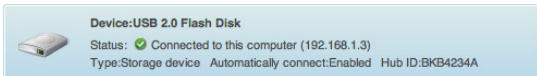
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**Type:** Category of the device. This is detected automatically.

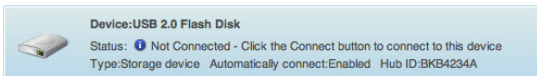
**Automatically connect:** This allows the PC to automatically connect to this device. This can be enabled or disabled in “Properties”.

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**Hub ID:** The ID of the Hub into which the device is plugged. This is detected automatically.



**Connected to this computer:** Devices shown are currently connected to the computer that you are using.



**Not Connected:** It is available for you to use. You can connect to this device by double-clicking the bar or by clicking “Connect”.

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Device:USB 2.0 Flash Disk  
Status:  Not Connected - connected to another computer (192.168.1.5)  
Type:Storage device Automatically connect:Enabled Hub ID:BKB4234A


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**Not Connected:** The device is being used by someone else and it is not available. You can make a request for the device by clicking “Request Use”.

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Device:USB 2.0 Flash Disk  
Status:  Unavailable  
Type:Storage device Automatically connect:Enabled Hub ID:BKB4234A

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**Unavailable:** The device has been disconnected from the Hub. It will be removed from the list when you click “Refresh”.

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## Requesting a device when it is being used by someone else

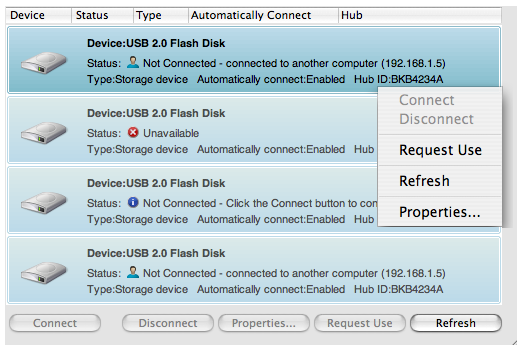
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When someone else is connected to a device that you want to use, you can make a device request. Ctrl+Click on the device in the list and select “Request Use” from the pop-up menu, or, you can select the device from the list and click “Request Use”.

“Device Request” displays a message on the other user’s computer screen that looks like this:

The user of the other computer must accept the request, by clicking “Yes”, in order to make it available to you.



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When the other user clicks “Yes”, the device will be disconnected automatically from that user’s computer and it will be available for you to use.

## Changing the connection settings

You can set the Control Center to automatically connect to devices when the software launches. Selecting “Automatically Connect” simplifies the overall experience for most users; however, it may not be a suitable default setting if the devices are shared among many users.

The screenshot displays the Network USB Hub Control Center interface. It features a table with columns for Device, Status, Type, Automatically Connect, and Hub. Below the table, there are four device entries, each with a USB icon and a context menu open over the second entry. The context menu includes options: Connect, Disconnect, Request Use, Refresh, and Properties... At the bottom of the window, there are buttons for Connect, Disconnect, Properties..., Request Use, and Refresh.

Device	Status	Type	Automatically Connect	Hub
Device:USB 2.0 Flash Disk	Status:  Not Connected - connected to another computer (192.168.1.5)	Type:Storage device	Automatically connect:Enabled	Hub ID:BKB4234A
Device:USB 2.0 Flash Disk	Status:  Unavailable	Type:Storage device	Automatically connect:Enabled	Hub
Device:USB 2.0 Flash Disk	Status:  Not Connected - Click the Connect button to con	Type:Storage device	Automatically connect:Enabled	Hub
Device:USB 2.0 Flash Disk	Status:  Not Connected - connected to another computer (192.168.1.5)	Type:Storage device	Automatically connect:Enabled	Hub ID:BKB4234A

Buttons: Connect, Disconnect, Properties..., Request Use, Refresh

To change the connection setting, Ctrl+Click on the device name in the list and click “Properties”; or select the device from the list and click “Properties” on the bottom.

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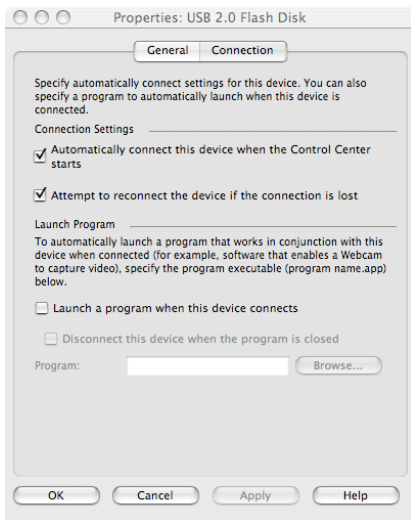
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Click on the “Connection” tab and check or uncheck the box next to “Automatically connect this device when the Control Center starts”, depending on whether or not you want to automatically connect the device on start-up, then click “Apply”.

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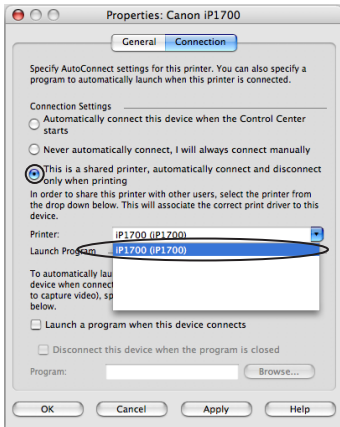
## Sharing a USB printer

You can set the Network USB Hub Control Center to share any USB printers on the network.

**Note:** You must install the printer driver on your computer before enabling sharing.

**Note:** You must install the Network USB Hub Control Center software on each computer that is going to access the printer.

1. Install the Network USB Hub and printer software, and driver first.
2. Select the printer from the list and click “Connect”. It will install the printer driver for the first time.
3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 on each computer that will share the printer.
4. Select the printer and click “Properties”. Click on the “Connection” tab.
5. Select “This is a shared printer, automatically connect and disconnect only when printing”.
6. Select the printer from the printer list. It should match the correct printer.
7. Click “Apply” to apply the changes.



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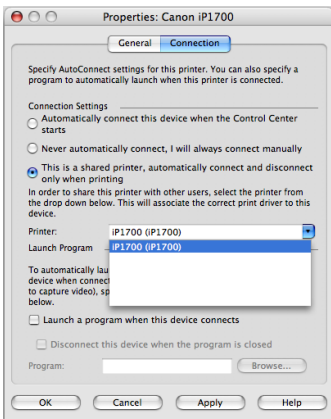
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8. This setting has to be set on all the computers on the network to enable the sharing feature correctly.



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## Changing the Network USB Hub Control Center settings

Belkin Network USB Hub Control Center

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Welcome to Belkin Network USB Hub Control Center. The devices attached to the Hub appear on the right. That status of each device appears with it. To specify settings, select a device and click Properties. You can specify hub and device settings below. For more information about these settings, click help.

**Common Tasks**

- Configure [General Control Center Settings](#)
- Check for [Control Center Updates](#)
- Search for and manage [Network USB Hubs](#)
- [Request Use](#) of a device connected to another computer
- View and edit selected device [Properties](#)
- [Hide](#) the Control Center
- [Disconnect all devices and Exit](#) the Control Center

**How to Use Network USB Hub**

- [Help](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [About Belkin Network USB Hub](#)

Device	Status	Type	Automatically Connect	Hub
Device:USB 2.0 Flash Disk	Connected to this computer (192.168.1.3)	Storage device	Automatically connect:Enabled	Hub ID:8K94234A
Device:USB 2.0 Flash Disk	Unavailable	Storage device	Automatically connect:Enabled	Hub ID:8K94234A
Device:USB 2.0 Flash Disk	Not Connected - Click the Connect button to connect to this device	Storage device	Automatically connect:Enabled	Hub ID:8K94234A
Device:USB 2.0 Flash Disk	Not Connected - connected to another computer (192.168.1.5)	Storage device	Automatically connect:Enabled	Hub ID:8K94234A

Connect Disconnect Properties... Request Use Refresh

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Click the “General” link, under “Common Tasks” on the left of the “Control Center” screen to open the “Network USB Hub settings” window.



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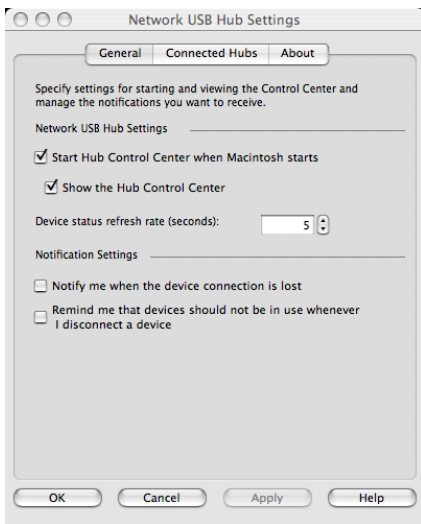
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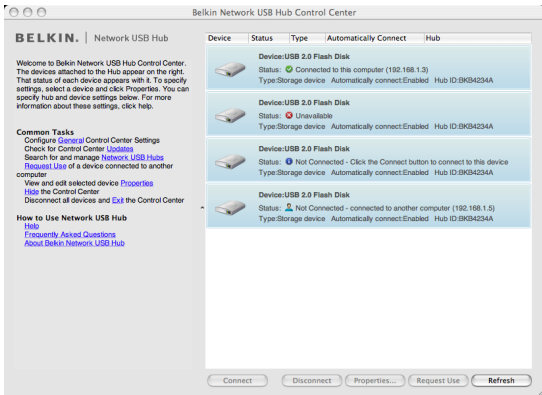


Simply check or uncheck the box to determine whether you want to launch the Network USB Hub Control Center when MAC OS starts.

Checking “Show the Hub Control Center” causes the “Control Center” screen to display when you launch the Control Center.

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## Accessing the Network USB Hub hardware setting



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Click the “Network USB Hubs” link, under “Common Tasks”, on the left side of the “Control Center” screen to open the “Network USB Hub settings” window.

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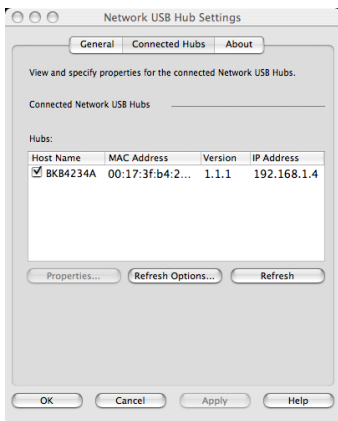
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Select and click the Network USB Hub from the list. Then click “Properties”. Your web browser will launch and open the web page built into the Network USB Hub.

From there, you can change the advanced network settings and update the firmware for the Network USB Hub. The password for the web page is blank or none by default.

## Resetting the Network USB Hub

You may need to reset the Network USB Hub to either reset the unit or to restore the factory default settings.

The reset button is located on the back of the unit. If you press and hold the button for 1 second, the unit will reset. If you press and hold the button for 5 seconds, the unit will reset and restore itself to the original factory settings.

## Appendix – Operation/Compatibility Notes

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### **Certain USB devices may not be compatible with the Hub.**

Since the Network USB Hub uses virtual network technology, some USB devices (e.g., TV tuners, webcams, and USB audio devices) are not compatible with it in Mac OS. They will not appear on the Control Center even when they are attached to the Network USB Hub.

### **WLAN connection**

The Network USB Hub's virtual network technology may not work properly if the WLAN connection is interrupted. If you have problems with the Network USB Hub or connected USB devices, please make sure that your WLAN connection is strong and stable.

### **The Network USB Hub can support up to 15 connections**

Virtual network technology limits the number of devices the Hub can support to 15 total connections.

**(Important:** One connection does not equal one device; some devices involve more than one connection. For instance, a multifunction printer is typically comprised of four connections.)

### **The Network USB Hub and VPN**

Since VPN filters the connection between the computer and other network devices, the Hub may not work with VPN enabled. If you experience difficulty with the Hub's operation, disable the VPN connection while using the Hub.

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  - c. When you purchased the product.
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