

Instant Wireless® Series

Wireless-G Access Point



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User Guide

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- EN 609 50 Safety
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Chapter 1: Introduction

The Instant Wireless Wireless-G Access Point

Wireless-G is the upcoming 54Mbps wireless networking standard that's almost five times faster than the widely deployed Wireless-B (802.11b) products found in homes, businesses, and public wireless hotspots around the country — but since they share the same 2.4GHz radio band, Wireless-G devices can also work with existing 11Mbps Wireless-B equipment.

The Linksys Wireless-G Access Point lets you connect Wireless-G or Wireless-B devices to the network. Since both standards are built in, you can protect your investment in existing 802.11b infrastructure, and migrate your network clients to the new screaming fast Wireless-G standard as your needs grow.

To protect your data and privacy, the Wireless-G Access Point can encrypt all wireless transmissions. The MAC Address filter lets you decide exactly who has access to your wireless network. Configuration is a snap with the web browser-based configuration utility.

Future-proof your wireless network with the Linksys Wireless-G Access Point. You'll enjoy Wireless-B connectivity today, and be prepared for a high-speed Wireless-G tomorrow.

Features

- Set up a high-speed Wireless-G (draft 802.11g) network in your home or office
- Data rates up to 54Mbps -- 5 times faster than Wireless-B (802.11b)
- Also interoperates with Wireless-B networks (at 11Mbps)
- Advanced wireless security with 128-bit WEP encryption and MAC filtering
- Free Technical Support—24 Hours a Day, 7 Days a Week, Toll-Free U.S. Calls
- 1-Year Limited Warranty

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Chapter 2: Planning Your Wireless Network

Network Topology

A wireless LAN is a group of computers, each equipped with one Instant Wireless Series adapter. Computers in a wireless LAN must be configured to share the same radio channel.

The Instant Wireless Series adapters provide access to a wired LAN for wireless workstations. An integrated wireless and wired LAN is called an infrastructure configuration. A group of Instant Wireless Series adapter users and an Instant Wireless Wireless-G Access Point compose a Basic Service Set (BSS). Each Instant Wireless Series adapter PC in a BSS can talk to any computer in a wired LAN infrastructure via the Wireless-G Access Point.

An infrastructure configuration extends the accessibility of an Instant Wireless Series adapter PC to a wired LAN, and doubles the effective wireless transmission range for two Instant Wireless Series adapter PCs. Since the Wireless-G Access Point is able to forward data within its BSS, the effective transmission range in an infrastructure LAN is doubled.

Roaming

Infrastructure mode also supports roaming capabilities for mobile users. More than one BSS can be configured as an Extended Service Set (ESS). This continuous network allows users to roam freely within an ESS. All PCs equipped with an Instant Wireless Series adapter within one ESS must be configured with the same ESS ID and use the same radio channel.

Before enabling an ESS with roaming capability, choosing a feasible radio channel and optimum Wireless-G Access Point position is recommended. Proper Access Point positioning combined with a clear radio signal will greatly enhance performance.

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

The Wireless-G Access Point's Back Panel

The Access Point's ports, where a network cable is connected, are located on the Access Point's back panel.



Figure 3-1

Reset Button

There are two ways to Reset the Access Point's factory defaults. Either press the Reset Button using a small, pointed object like a ball-point pen, for approximately ten seconds, or restore the defaults from the password tab in the Access Point's Web-Based Utility.

LAN

This **LAN** (Local Area Network) port connects to Ethernet network devices, such as a hub, switch, or router.

Power

The **Power** port is where you will connect the power adapter.



Important: Resetting the Access Point will erase all of your settings (WEP Encryption, Wireless and LAN settings, etc.) and replace them with the factory defaults. Do not reset the Access Point if you want to retain these settings

The Wireless-G Access Point's Front Panel



Figure 3-2

Power	<i>Green.</i> The Power LED lights up when the Access Point is powered on.
Diag	<i>Red.</i> The Diag LED indicates the Access Point's self-diagnosis mode during boot-up and restart. It will turn off upon completing the diagnosis. If this LED stays on for an abnormally long period of time, refer to the Troubleshooting Appendix.
WLAN Act	<i>Green.</i> If the WLAN's Act LED is flickering, the Access Point is actively sending or receiving data to or from one of the devices on the network.
WLAN Link	<i>Green.</i> The WLAN's Link LED lights whenever there is a successful wireless connection.
LAN Act/Link	<i>Green.</i> The LAN's LINK LED serves two purposes. If the LED is continuously lit, the Access Point is successfully connected to a device through the LAN port. If the LED is flickering, it is an indication of any network activity.
LAN Full/Col	<i>Green.</i> The LAN's Full/Col LED also serves two purposes. When this LED is continuously lit, the connection made through the corresponding port is running in Full Duplex mode. A flickering LED indicates that the connection is experiencing collisions. Infrequent collisions are normal. If this LED blinks too often, there may be a problem with your connection. Refer to the Troubleshooting Appendix if you think there is a problem.
LAN 100	<i>Orange.</i> The LAN's 100 LED indicates when a successful 100Mbps connection is made through the LAN port.

Chapter 4: Connecting the Wireless-G Access Point

1. **Locate an optimum location for the Access Point.** The best place for the Access Point is usually at the center of your wireless network, with line of sight to all of your mobile stations.
2. **Fix the direction of the antenna.** Try to place it in a position which can best cover your wireless network. Normally, the higher you place the antenna, the better the performance will be. The antenna's position enhances the receiving sensitivity.
3. **Connect a standard Ethernet network cable to the Access Point.** Then, connect the other end of the Ethernet cable to a switch or hub. The Access Point will then be connected to your 10/100 Network.
4. **Connect the AC Power Adapter to the Access Point's Power port and plug the other end into an electrical outlet.** Only use the power adapter supplied with the Access Point. Use of a different adapter may result in product damage.

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



Note: In order for all other wireless devices to communicate with the Access Point, those devices must be operating in **Infrastructure Mode**. If any wireless devices are configured in **Ad Hoc Mode**, they *will not* be recognized by the Access Point.

Chapter 5: Setting Up the Wireless-G Access Point



Have You: Connected the Access Point to a hub, switch or router on your wired network as shown in Chapter 4: Connecting the Wireless-G Access Point? The Access Point can only be set up through your wired network.

Now that you've connected the Access Point to your wired network, you are ready to begin setting it up. This Setup Wizard will take you through all the steps necessary to configure the Access Point.



Note: While the Access Point has been designed to work correctly right out of the box, setting it up on a wireless computer will require you to use the Linksys default settings. These settings can then be changed with the Setup Wizard or Web-based Browser Utility.

1. Insert the Setup Wizard CD into your PC's CD-ROM drive. Your PC must be on your wired network to set up the Access Point.
2. The Setup Wizard should run automatically, and the screen in Figure 5-1 should appear on your monitor. If it does not, start the Setup Wizard manually by clicking the **Start** button, selecting **Run**, and typing **d:\setup.exe** (where "D" is your PC's CD-ROM drive). Click the **Setup** button to continue this Setup Wizard. Clicking the **User Guide** button opened this User Guide. To exit this Setup Wizard, click the **Exit** button.



Figure 5-1

3. The following screen, shown in Figure 5-2, displays how the Access Point is configured in this Setup Wizard. Optimally, you should perform this setup through a PC on your wired network. Click the **Next** button to continue or **Exit** to exit the Setup Wizard.

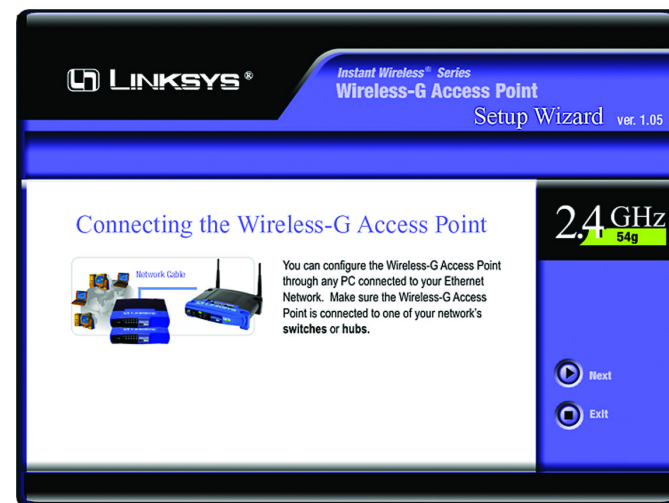


Figure 5-2