DG834N RangeMax NEXT Wireless ADSL2+ Modem Router Reference Manual



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When used near a radio or TV receiver, it may become the cause of radio interference.

Read instructions for correct handling.

Customer Support

Refer to the Support Information Card that shipped with your DG834N RangeMax™ NEXT Wireless ADSL2+ Modem Router.

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About This Manual

The *NETGEAR*® *DG834N RangeMax NEXT Wireless ADSL2+ Modem Router Reference Manual* describes how to install, configure, operate, and troubleshoot the DG834N RangeMax™ NEXT Wireless ADSL2+ Modem Router using its included software. This book describes the software configuration procedures and explains the options available within those procedures.

Who Should Use This Book

The information in this manual is intended for readers with intermediate to advanced system management skills.

This document was created primarily for the system administrator who wishes to install and configure the RangeMax NEXT Wireless ADSL2+ Modem Router in a network. It assumes that the reader has a general understanding of switch platforms and a basic knowledge of Ethernet and networking concepts. To install this modem router, it is not necessary to understand and use all of its capabilities. Once basic configuration is performed, it will function in a network using its remaining factory default settings. However, a greater level of configuration—anywhere from the basic up to the maximum possible—will allow your network the full benefit of the switch's features. The Web interface simplifies this configuration at all levels.

How to Use This Book

This document describes configuration menu commands for the RangeMax NEXT Wireless ADSL2+ Modem Router software. The commands can all be accessed from the Web interface.

- Chapter 1, "Connecting Your Router to the Internet," describes how to use the Smart Wizard Discovery utility to set up your switch so that you can communicate with it.
- Chapter 2, "Wireless Configuration," describes how to configure the wireless features
- Chapter 3, "Protecting Your Network," describes how to configure the basic firewall features.
- Chapter 4, "Managing Your Network," describes how describes how to perform network management tasks.
- Chapter 5, "Advanced Configuration," describes how to configure advanced features.
- Chapter 6, "Troubleshooting," describes how to troubleshoot your modem router.

- Chapter A, "Technical Specifications," gives RangeMax NEXT Wireless ADSL2+ Modem Router specifications and lists default feature values.
- Chapter B, "Related Documents," provides links to reference documents.



Note: See the product release notes for the RangeMax NEXT Wireless ADSL2+ Modem Router Software application level code. The release notes detail the platform-specific functionality of the Switching, SNMP, Config, and Management packages.

Conventions, Formats and Scope

The conventions, formats, and scope of this manual are described in the following paragraphs:

• **Typographical conventions**. This manual uses the following typographical conventions:

Italics	Emphasis, books	
Bold	Jser input, IP addresses, GUI screen text	
Fixed	Command prompt, CLI text, code	
Italics	URL links	

• **Formats**. This manual uses the following formats to highlight special messages:



Note: This format is used to highlight information of importance or special interest.



Tip: This format is used to highlight a procedure that will save time or resources.



Warning: Ignoring this type of note might result in a malfunction or damage to the equipment.



Danger: This is a safety warning. Failure to take heed of this notice might result in personal injury or death.

• Scope. This manual is written for the RangeMax NEXT Wireless ADSL2+ Modem Router according to these specifications:

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The HTML version of this manual includes the following:

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Chapter 1 Connecting Your Router to the Internet

This chapter describes how to configure your DG834N RangeMaxTM NEXT Wireless ADSL2+ Modem Router Internet connection. When you perform the initial configuration of your modem router using the *DG834N ADSL2+ Modem Wireless Router Resource CD* as described in the *NETGEAR Router Setup Manual*, these settings are configured automatically for you. This chapter provides further details about these settings, as well as instructions on how to log in to the modem router for further configuration.



Note: NETGEAR recommends using the Smart Wizard on the *DG834N ADSL2+ Modem Wireless Router Resource CD* for initial configuration, as described in the *NETGEAR Router Setup Manual*. Setup manuals are available online at the locations that are shown in the following table.

Table 1-1. Localized Setup Manuals

Language	URL
Dutch	http://documentation.netgear.com/dg834n/nld/208-10092-02/
English	http://documentation.netgear.com/dg834n/enu/208-10087-02/
French	http://documentation.netgear.com/dg834n/fra/208-10090-02/
German	http://documentation.netgear.com/dg834n/deu/208-10088-02/
Italian	http://documentation.netgear.com/dg834n/ita/208-10091-02/
Spanish	http://documentation.netgear.com/dg834n/esp/208-10089-02/
Swedish	http://documentation.netgear.com/dg834n/sve/208-10093-02/

This chapter includes:

- "Using the Setup Manual"
- "What You Need before You Begin"
- "Logging In to the Wireless Modem Router"
- "Auto-detecting Your Internet Connection"
- "Viewing or Manually Configuring Your ISP Settings"
- "ADSL Settings"
- "How the Internet Connection Works"

Using the Setup Manual

For first-time installation of your modem router, refer to the NETGEAR Router Setup Manual. The Setup Manual explains how to launch the NETGEAR Smart Wizard on the *DG834N ADSL2+Modem Wireless Router Resource CD* to step you through the procedure to connect your router, modem, and computers. The Smart Wizard will assist you in configuring your wireless settings and enabling wireless security for your network. After initial configuration using the Setup Manual, you can use the information in this Reference Manual to configure additional features of your wireless router.

For installation instructions in a language other than English, see the language options on the DG834N ADSL2+ Modem Wireless Router Resource CD Resource CD.

What You Need before You Begin

You need to prepare the following before you can set up your firewall:

- Active Internet service provided by an ADSL account
- The Internet Service Provider (ISP) configuration information for your ADSL account
 - ISP login name and password
 - ISP Domain Name Server (DNS) addresses
 - Fixed or static IP address
 - Host and domain names

- Depending on how your ISP set up your Internet account, you need to know one or more of these settings:
 - Virtual path identifier (VPI) and Virtual channel identifier (VCI) parameters
 - Multiplexing method
 - Host and domain names
- ASDL microfilters as explained in the NETGEAR Router Setup Manual

In addition, your computer must be set up to use DHCP to get its TCP/IP configuration from the modem router. This is usually the case. For help with DHCP, see the documentation that came with your computer, or see the link to the online document that you can access from "Preparing Your Network" in Appendix B.

Your ISP should have provided you with all the information needed to connect to the Internet. If you cannot locate this information, you can ask your ISP to provide it.

Logging In to the Wireless Modem Router

You can log in to the modem router to view or change its settings.



Note: Your computer must be configured for DHCP. For help with configuring DHCP, see the documentation that came with your computer or see the link to the online document that you can access from "Preparing Your Network" in Appendix B.

To log in to the modem router:

1. Type http://routerlogin.net or http://192.168.0.1 in the address field of an Internet browser.



Figure 1-1

A login window similar to the following opens:



Figure 1-2

- 2. Enter admin for the user name and password for the password, both in lower case letters.
- 3. Select Setup Wizard to go to the Setup Wizard screen:

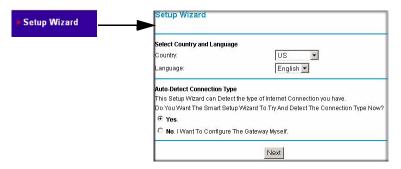


Figure 1-3

This screen includes the following:

- **Country**. It is important to specify the location where the modem router will operate so that the Internet connection will work correctly.
- Language. You can select a language from the drop-down list.

- Auto-Detect Connection Type. If you want to change the settings for the Internet connection, select Yes or No, and then click Next.
 - Yes. Let the modem router Setup Wizard auto-detect the type of Internet connection
 that you have and configure it. See the next section, "Auto-detecting Your Internet
 Connection.
 - No, I want to Configure the Router Myself. Enter your Internet settings manually in the Basic Settings screen. See "Understanding the Basic Settings Screen" on page 1-8.

In either case, use the configuration settings that your ISP provided to assure that the configuration for your Internet connection is correct.

• **Test**. To test your Internet connection, click **Test**. If the NETGEAR website does not appear within 1 minute, see Chapter 6, "Troubleshooting.

Auto-detecting Your Internet Connection

The Smart Setup Wizard searches your Internet connection for servers and protocols to determine your ISP configuration.



Note: The wizard cannot detect a PPTP connection with your ISP. If your ISP uses this protocol, then you must configure your connection manually (see "Understanding the Basic Settings Screen" on page 1-8).

To use the Smart Setup Wizard to assist with configuration or to view the Internet connection settings:

 From the Setup Wizard screen, select Yes for the Auto-Detect Connection Type, and then click Next to proceed.

The Setup Wizard detects your ISP configuration. Depending on the type of connection, you are prompted to enter your ISP settings, as shown in the following table.

Table 1-2. Auto-Detected Internet Connection Types

Connection Type	ISP Information
PPP over Ethernet (PPPoE) PPP over ATM (PPPoA)	Enter the login user name and password. These fields are casesensitive.
Dynamic IP Account Setup	No entries needed.

Table 1-2. Auto-Detected Internet Connection Types (continued)

Connection Type	ISP Information
IP over ATM Classical IP assignment (RFC1577)	 Enter the assigned IP address, subnet mask, and the IP address of your ISP's primary DNS server. If a secondary DNS server address is available, enter it also. DNS servers are required to perform the function of translating an Internet name such as www.netgear.com to a numeric IP address. For a fixed IP address configuration, you must obtain DNS server addresses from your ISP and enter them manually here.
Fixed IP (Static) Account Setup	 If required, enter the account name and domain name from your ISP. Select Use Static IP Address or Use IP Over ATM (IPoA — RFC1483 Routed) according to the information from your ISP. If you select IPoA, the router will detect the gateway IP address, but you still need to provide the router IP address. Enter your assigned IP address, subnet mask, and the IP address of your ISP's gateway modem router. This information should have been provided to you by your ISP. Enter the IP address of your ISP's primary DNS server. If a secondary DNS server address is available, enter it also. DNS servers are required to perform the function of translating an Internet name such as www.netgear.com to a numeric IP address. For a fixed IP address configuration, you must obtain DNS server addresses from your ISP and enter them manually here.

- **2.** To save your settings, click **Apply**.
- **3.** Click **Test** to verify your Internet connection. If you have trouble connecting to the Internet, see Chapter 6, "Troubleshooting.

Viewing or Manually Configuring Your ISP Settings

NETGEAR recommends that you specify your country and language before you configure the settings on the Basic Settings screen. See "Logging In to the Wireless Modem Router" on page 1-3. You must install the ADSL filters and connect the modem router to the ADSL line as described in the *NETGEAR Router Setup Manual* before you configure the settings in the Basic Settings screen.

To view or configure the basic settings:

- 1. Log in to the modern router as described in "Logging In to the Wireless Modern Router" on page 1-3.
- **2.** Select Basic Settings to display the Basic Settings screen.

The Basic Settings screen is explained in "Understanding the Basic Settings Screen" on page 1-8.

- **3.** Select **Yes** or **No** depending on whether your ISP requires a login. This selection changes the fields available on the Basic Settings screen.
 - Yes. If your ISP requires a login, select the encapsulation method. Enter the login name. If you want to change the login time-out, enter a new value in minutes.
 - **No.** If your ISP does not require a login, enter the account name, if required, and the domain name, if required.
- **4.** Enter the settings for the IP address and DNS server.

The default ADSL settings usually work fine. If you have problems with your connection, check the ADSL settings. See "ADSL Settings" on page 1-11 for more details.

- **5.** If no login is required, you can specify the MAC Address setting.
- **6.** Click **Apply** to save your settings.
- 7. Click **Test** to test your Internet connection. If the NETGEAR website does not appear within one minute, refer to Chapter 6, "Troubleshooting.



Note: When your Internet connection is working you will no longer need to launch the ISP's login program on your computer to access the Internet. When you start an Internet application, your modem router automatically logs you in.

Understanding the Basic Settings Screen

The fields on the Basic Settings screen depend on whether or not your Internet connection requires a login.

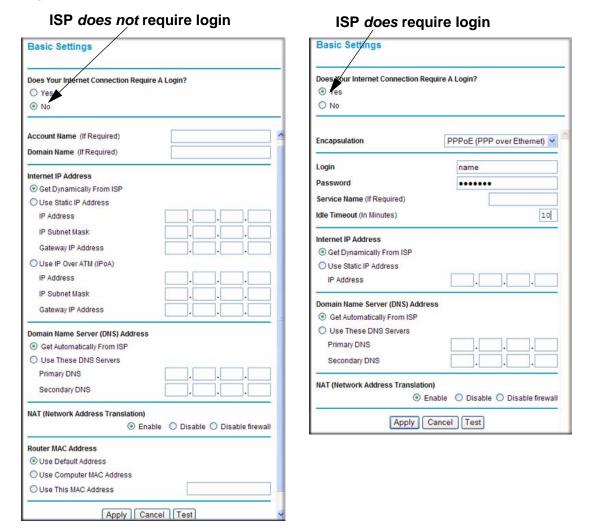


Figure 1-4

The following table explains the fields in the Basic Settings screen. Note that the group of fields included in this screen depends on whether or not a login is required.

Table 1-3. Basic Settings screen fields

Settings		Description
Does Your ISP Require a Login?		• Yes • No
These fields appear only if no login is required.	Account Name (If required)	Enter the account name provided by your ISP. This might also be called the host name.
	Domain Name (If required)	Enter the domain name provided by your ISP.
These fields appear only if your ISP requires a login.	Encapsulation	• PPPoE • PPPoA
	Login	The login name provided by your ISP. This is often an e-mail address.
	Password	The password that you use to log in to your ISP.
	Idle Timeout (In minutes)	If you want to change the login time-out, enter a new value in minutes. This determines how long the modem router keeps the Internet connection active after there is no Internet activity from the LAN. Entering an Idle Timeout value of 0 (zero) means never log out.
Internet IP Address		 Get Dynamically from ISP. Your ISP uses DHCP to assign your IP address. Your ISP automatically assigns these addresses. Use Static IP Address. Enter the IP address that your ISP assigned. Also enter the IP subnet mask and the gateway IP address. The gateway is the ISP's modern router to which your modern router will connect.
	This field appears only if no login is required.	Use IP Over ATM (IFoA). Your ISP uses Classical IP addresses (RFC 1577). Enter the IP address, IP subnet mask, and gateway IP addresses that your ISP assigned.
Domain Name Server (DNS) Address		 The DNS server is used to look up site addresses based on their names. Get Automatically from ISP. Your ISP uses DHCP to assign your DNS servers. Your ISP automatically assigns this address. Use These DNS Servers. If you know that your ISP does not automatically transmit DNS addresses to the modem router during login, select this option, and enter the IP address of your ISP's primary DNS server. If a secondary DNS server address is available, enter it also.

Table 1-3. Basic Settings screen fields (continued)

Settings		Description
NAT (Net Address Translation)		NAT automatically assigns private IP addresses (10.1.1.x) to LAN-connected devices. • Enable. Usually NAT is enabled. • Disable. This disables NAT, but leaves the firewall active. Disable NAT only if you are sure that you do not require it. When NAT is disabled, only standard routing is performed by this router. Classical routing lets you directly manage the IP addresses that the modem router uses. Classical routing should be selected only by experienced users • Disable firewall. This disables the firewall in addition to disabling NAT. With the firewall disabled, the protections usually provided to your network are disabled.
These fields appear only if no login is required.	Router MAC Address	The Ethernet MAC address that will be used by the modem router on the Internet port. Some ISPs register the Ethernet MAC address of the network interface card in your computer when your account is first opened. They will then accept traffic only from the MAC address of that computer. This feature allows your modem router to masquerade as that computer by "cloning" its MAC address. • Use Default Address. Use the default MAC address. • Use Computer MAC Address. The modem router will capture and use the MAC address of the computer that you are now using. You must be using the one computer that is allowed by the ISP. • Use This MAC Address. Enter the MAC address that you want to use.

^{*.} Disabling NAT reboots the modem router and resets its configuration settings to the factory defaults. Disable NAT only if you plan to install the modem router in a setting where you will be manually administering the IP address space on the LAN side of the router.

ADSL Settings



Note: For information about how to install ADSL filters, see the *NETGEAR Router Setup Manual*.

The default ADSL settings of your modem router work fine for most ISPs. However, some ISPs use a specific multiplexing method and virtual circuit number for the virtual path identifier (VPI) and virtual channel identifier (VCI).



Note: You must use the Setup Wizard to select the correct country for the default ADSL settings to work.

If your ISP provided you with a multiplexing method or VPI/VCI number, then enter the setting:

- **1.** From the main menu, select ADSL Settings.
- 2. In the Multiplexing Method drop-down list, select LLC-based or VC-based.
- 3. For the VPI, type a number between 0 and 255. The default is 8.
- **4.** For the VCI, type a number between 32 and 65535. The default is 35.
- 5. Click Apply.

How the Internet Connection Works

Your modem router is now configured to provide Internet access for your network. Your modem router automatically connects to the Internet when one of your computers requires access. It is not necessary to run a dialer or login application such as dial-up networking or Enternet to connect, log in, or disconnect. The modem router performs these functions automatically as needed.

To access the Internet from any computer connected to your modem router, launch an Internet browser such as Microsoft Internet Explorer or Netscape Navigator. You should see the modem router's Internet LED blink, indicating communication to the ISP. The browser should begin to display a Web page.



Chapter 2 Wireless Configuration

This chapter describes how to configure the wireless features of your DG834N RangeMaxTM NEXT Wireless ADSL2+ Modem Router. This chapter includes:

- "Considerations for a Wireless Network"
- "Understanding Wireless Settings"
- "Understanding Wireless Security"

Considerations for a Wireless Network

In planning your wireless network, you should consider the level of security required. You should also select the physical placement of your modem router to maximize the network speed. For further information, see the online documentation that you can access from "TCP/IP Networking Basics" in Appendix B.

To ensure proper compliance and compatibility between similar products in your area, the operating channel and region must be set correctly.

Observe Performance, Placement, and Range Guidelines

The operating distance or range of your wireless connection can vary significantly based on the physical placement of the wireless firewall. The latency, data throughput performance, and notebook power consumption also vary depending on your configuration choices.



Note: Failure to follow these guidelines can result in significant performance degradation or inability to wirelessly connect to the router. For complete range and performance specifications, see Appendix A, "Technical Specifications.

For best results, place your firewall:

- Near the center of the area in which your computers will operate
- In an elevated location such as a high shelf where the wirelessly connected computers have line-of-sight access (even if through walls)

- Away from sources of interference, such as computers, microwaves, and cordless phones
- Away from large metal surfaces

The time it takes to establish a wireless connection can vary depending on both your security settings and placement. Wired Equivalent Privacy (WEP) connections can take slightly longer to establish. Also, WEP encryption can consume more battery power on a notebook computer.

Implement Appropriate Wireless Security



Note: Indoors, computers can connect over wireless networks at a range of several hundred feet. Such distances can allow for others outside of your immediate area to access your network.

Unlike wired network data, your wireless data transmissions can extend beyond your walls and can be received by anyone with a compatible adapter. For this reason, use the security features of your wireless equipment. The modem router provides highly effective security features, which are covered in detail in this chapter. Deploy the security features appropriate to your needs.

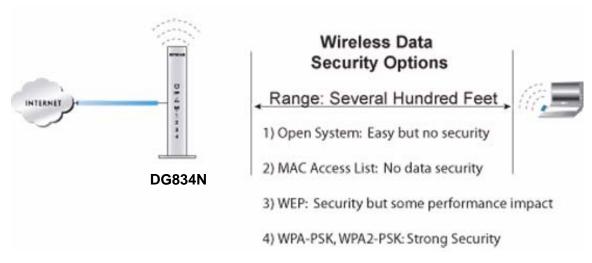


Figure 2-1

There are several ways you can enhance the security of your wireless network:

- Restrict access based on MAC address. You can allow only trusted PCs to connect so that
 unknown PCs cannot wirelessly connect to the modem router. Restricting access by MAC
 address adds an obstacle against unwanted access to your network, but the data broadcast over
 the wireless link is fully exposed.
- Turn off the broadcast of the wireless network name SSID. If you disable broadcast of the SSID, only devices that have the correct SSID can connect. This nullifies wireless network discovery feature of some products, such as Windows XP, but the data is still exposed.
- WEP. Wired Equivalent Privacy (WEP) data encryption provides data security. WEP Shared
 Key authentication and WEP data encryption block all but the most determined eavesdropper.
 This data encryption mode has been superseded by WPA-PSK and WPA2-PSK, and is
 available as an option only if the wireless mode is restricted to 802.11b and 802.11g wireless
 stations.
- WPA-802.1x, WPA2-802.1x. Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA) with user authentication implemented using IEE 802.1x and RADIUS servers. This option is available only if the wireless mode is restricted to 802.11b and 802.11g wireless stations.
- WPA-PSK (TKIP) + WPA2-PSK (AES). Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA) using a pre-shared key to perform authentication and generate the initial data encryption keys. The very strong authentication along with dynamic per frame re-keying of WPA makes it virtually impossible to compromise.

Understanding Wireless Settings

To configure the wireless interface of your modem router, select Wireless Settings in the main menu of the browser interface. The following Wireless Settings screen displays.



Figure 2-2

Table 2-1 describes the information that is displayed in the Wireless Settings screen.

Table 2-1. Wireless Settings

Settings		Description
Wireless Net- work	Name (SSID)	The SSID is also known as the wireless network name. Enter a 32-character (maximum) name in this field. This field is case-sensitive. The default SSID is NETGEAR , but NETGEAR strongly recommends that you change your network name to a different value. In a setting in which there is more than one wireless network, different wireless network names provide a means for separating the traffic. Any device you that want to let participate in a wireless network must use the SSID.
	Region	The location where the firewall is used. Select your region from the drop-down list. It might not be legal to operate the modem router in a region other than the region shown here.
	Channel	The wireless channel used by the gateway. If you select the AUTO setting, the modem router will periodically survey the wireless environment to ensure that it is using the clearest channel. If a clearer channel is available, it might automatically switch channels. Do not change the wireless channel unless you experience interference (shown by lost connections or slow data transfers). If this happens, you might need to experiment with different channels to see which is the best.
	Mode	 Up to 270Mbps means that all 802.11g, 802.11b, and faster Draft-N wireless stations can be used. This mode expands the channel bandwidth from 20 MHz to 40 MHz to achieve the 270 Mbps rate. The router selects channel expansion on a frame-by-frame basis to avoid interference with the data transmissions of other access points or wireless stations. This mode is the fastest mode and is compatible with older wireless stations. Up to 130Mbps allows wireless stations that support speeds up to 130 Mbps. In this case, the router transmits two streams with different data concurrently on the same channel. This mode restricts channel bandwidth to minimize interference with the data transmissions of other access points and wireless stations. It is the default setting. g & b allows older 802.11g and 802.11b wireless stations to access this device. You might want to select this mode if you have a wireless station that is using WEP security and does not support WPA-PSK or WPA2-PSK.

Table 2-1. Wireless Settings (continued)

Settings		Description
Wireless Access Point	Enable Wireless Access Point	Selected by default, this setting enables the wireless radio, which allows the modem router to work as a wireless access point. Turning off the wireless radio can be helpful for configuration, network tuning, or troubleshooting. The Wireless LED on the front of the modem router displays the current status of the wireless access point to let you know if it is disabled or enabled. The wireless access point must be enabled to allow wireless stations to access the Internet.
	Allow Broadcast Name (SSID).	Selected by default, the modem router broadcasts its SSID, allowing wireless stations that have a null (blank) SSID to adopt the correct SSID. If you disable broadcast of the SSID, only devices with the correct SSID can connect. This nullifies the wireless network discovery feature of some products such as Windows XP, but the data is still fully exposed to a determined snoop using specialized test equipment like wireless sniffers. For this reason NETGEAR recommends that you also enable wireless security.
	Wireless Isolation	This feature is disabled by default. If it is enabled, wireless stations cannot communicate with each other or with stations on the wired network.
Wireless Station Access List	Turn Access Control On	Access control is disabled by default so that any computer configured with the correct wireless network name or SSID can access to your wireless network. For increased security, you can restrict access to the wireless network to only specific computers based on their MAC addresses. See "Restricting Wireless Access Based on the Wireless Station Access List."

Table 2-1. Wireless Settings (continued)

Settings		Description
Security Options	None	Wireless security is not used.
	WPA-PSK (TKIP) + WPA2-PSK (AES)	WPA Pre-Shared-Key (Wi-Fi Protected Access Pre-Shared Key) uses a pre-shared key to perform the authentication and generate the initial data encryption keys. Then, it dynamically varies the encryption key. WPA-PSK (TKIP) implements most of the IEEE 802.11i standard and is designed to work with all wireless network interface cards, but not all wireless access points. WPA2 implements the full standard, but does not work with some older network cards. See "How to Configure WPA-PSK and WPA2-PSK Security."
	WEP	This mode is available only if the g and b wireless mode is selected. This mode has been superseded by WPA-PSK and WPA2-PSK, which should be selected if possible. See "How to Configure WEP."
	WPA-802.1x	This mode is available only if the g and b wireless mode is selected. User authentication is implemented using 802.1x and RADIUS servers. See "How to Configure WPA-802.1x and WPA2-802.1x."

How to Set Up and Test Basic Wireless Connectivity

Follow these instructions to set up and test basic wireless connectivity. Once you have established basic wireless connectivity, you can enable security settings appropriate to your needs.

- 1. Log in to the modem router firewall at its default LAN address of http://192.168.0.1 with its default user name of admin and default password of password, or using whatever LAN address and password you have set up.
- 2. Select the Wireless Settings in the main menu.
- **3.** Choose a suitable descriptive name for the wireless network name (SSID). In the **SSID** field, enter a value of up to 32 alphanumeric characters. The default SSID is **NETGEAR**.



Note: The SSID of any wireless access adapters must match the SSID you specify in the modem router. If they do not match, you will not get a wireless connection.

4. Select the region in which the wireless interface will operate.

5. Set the channel if necessary. The default channel is 6.

This field determines which operating frequency will be used. It should not be necessary to change the wireless channel unless you notice interference problems with another nearby wireless router or access point. Select a channel that is not being used by any other wireless networks within several hundred feet of your modem router. If you set the channel to **Auto**, the modem router will find the clearest channel for you. However, if that channel becomes noisy, there might be a delay in wireless communications while the modem router searches for a new channel. For more information about the wireless channel frequencies, see the online document that you can access from "Preparing Your Network" in Appendix B.

- **6.** For initial configuration and test, leave the Wireless Card Access List set to allow everyone access by making sure that **Turn Access Control O**n is not selected in the Wireless Station Access List. In addition, leave the encryption strength set to **None**.
- 7. Click **Apply** to save your changes.



Note: If you are configuring the firewall from a wireless computer and you change the firewall's SSID, channel, or security settings, you will lose your wireless connection when you click **Apply**. You must then change the wireless settings of your computer to match the firewall's new settings.

8. Configure and test your computers for wireless connectivity.

Program the wireless adapter of your computers to have the same SSID and channel that you specified in the router. Check that they have a wireless link and can obtain an IP address by DHCP from the modem router.

Once your computers have basic wireless connectivity to the modem router, you can configure the advanced wireless security functions of the firewall.

Understanding Wireless Security

Indoors, computers can connect over 802.11n wireless networks at a range that can exceed 300 feet. Such distances can allow for others outside your immediate area to access your network.

Unlike wired network data, your wireless data transmissions can extend beyond your walls and can be received by anyone with a compatible adapter. For this reason, use the security features of your wireless equipment. The DG834N modem router provides highly effective security features that are covered in detail in this section. Deploy the security features appropriate to your needs.

Restricting Wireless Access to Your Network

By default, any wireless PC that is configured with the correct SSID can access your wireless network. For increased security, the modem router provides several ways to restrict wireless access to your network. You can do the following:

- Turn off wireless connectivity completely.
- Restrict access based on the wireless network name (SSID).
- Restrict access based on the Wireless Card Access List.

These options are discussed in the following sections.

Restricting Access to Your Network by Turning Off Wireless Connectivity

You can completely turn off the wireless portion of the modem router. For example, if you use your notebook computer to wirelessly connect to your router and you take a business trip, you can turn off the wireless portion of the router while you are traveling. Other members of your household who use computers connected to the router through Ethernet cables can still use the router.

Restricting Wireless Access Based on the Wireless Network Name (SSID)

The modem router can restrict wireless access to your network by not broadcasting the wireless network name (SSID). However, by default, this feature is turned off. If you turn this feature on, wireless devices do not "see" your modem router. You must configure your wireless devices to match the wireless network name (SSID) you specify in the modem router.



Warning: The SSID of any wireless access adapters must match the SSID you specify in the modem router. If they do not match, you will not get a wireless connection.

Restricting Wireless Access Based on the Wireless Station Access List

This list determines which wireless hardware devices will be allowed to connect to the modem router.

To restrict access based on MAC addresses:

1. Log in to the modem router at its default LAN address of http://192.168.0.1 with its default user name of admin and default password of password, or using whatever LAN address and password you have set up.

2. In the Wireless Settings screen, under the Wireless Station Access List section, click the **Setup** Access List button to display the list.

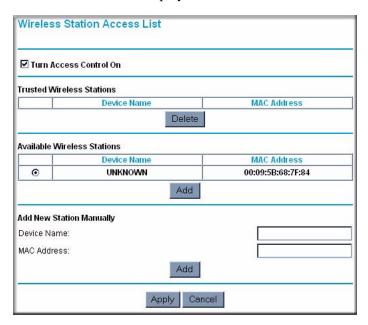


Figure 2-3

- **3.** Select the **Turn Access Control On** check box to enable the restricting of wireless computers by their MAC addresses.
- **4.** If the wireless station is currently connected to the network, you can select it from the Available Wireless Stations list. Click **Add** to add the station to the Trusted Wireless Stations list
- 5. If the wireless station is not currently connected, you can enter its address manually. Enter the MAC address of the authorized computer. The MAC address is usually printed on the wireless card, or it might appear in the modem router's DHCP table. The MAC address is 12 hexadecimal digits.

Click **Add** to add your entry. You can add several stations to the list. When you are finished adding stations, click **Apply**.



Note: You can copy and paste the MAC addresses from the modem router's Attached Devices screen into the MAC Address field of this screen. To do this, configure each wireless computer to obtain a wireless link to the modem router. The computer should then appear in the Attached Devices screen.



Note: If you are configuring the modem router from a wireless computer whose MAC address is not in the Trusted Wireless Stations list, and you select trusted wireless stations only, you will lose your wireless connection when you click **Apply**. You must then access the modem router from a wired computer to make any further changes.

6. Make sure the **Turn Access Control On** check box is selected, and then click **Apply**.

Now, only devices on this list will be allowed to wirelessly connect to the modem router. This prevents unauthorized access to your network.

How to Configure WPA-PSK and WPA2-PSK Security

A high-performance client such as the NETGEAR WN511B must connect to the modem router using WPA2-PSK to achieve maximum performance. Wireless clients that connect to the modem router using WPA-PSK run at no more than 802.11g speed. This option allows wireless clients to use either encryption method.



Note: Not all wireless adapters support WPA or WPA2. Furthermore, client software is required on the client. Windows XP and Windows 2000 with Service Pack 3 do include the client software that supports WPA. Nevertheless, the wireless adapter hardware and driver must also support WPA. Consult the product document for your wireless adapter and WPA client software for instructions on configuring WPA settings.

To configure WPA-PSK + WPA2-PSK:

- 1. Log in at the default LAN address of http://192.168.0.1, with the default user name of admin and default password of password, or using whatever LAN address and password you have set up.
- 2. Select **Wireless Settings** below Setup in the main menu of the modem router.
- **3.** Select the **WPA-PSK** [**TKIP**] + **WPA2-PSK** [**AES**] radio button. The Wireless Settings screen expands to include the WPA-PSK.
- **4.** Enter the pre-shared key in the **Passphrase** field using between 8 and 63 characters.
- **5.** Click **Apply** to save your settings.

If the wireless network mode is set to **g and b**, you have the option of selecting WPA-PSK only, WPA2-PSK only, WPA-802.1x, and WPA2-802.1x. For details about the 802.1x authentication options, see "How to Configure WPA-802.1x and WPA2-802.1x" on page 2-14.

Choosing Alternative Authentication and Encryption Methods

Alternative authentication and encryption methods are available only if you select **g** and **b** as the wireless network mode in the Wireless Settings screen. These options will result in a performance impact since wireless communications will be limited to the 802.11g data rate.

Restricting wireless access prevents intruders from connecting to your network. However, the wireless data transmissions are still vulnerable to snooping. Using the data encryption settings described in this section will prevent a determined intruder from eavesdropping on your wireless data communications. Also, if you are using the Internet for such activities as purchases or banking, those Internet sites use another level of highly secure encryption called SSL. You can tell if a web site is using SSL because the Web address begins with HTTPS rather than HTTP.

How to Configure WEP

Wired Equivalent Privacy (WEP) security is the most basic and simplest form of wireless security. It is the most often used, but least secure of the available options. WEP Shared Key authentication and WEP data encryption block all but the most determined eavesdropper. This data encryption mode has been superseded by WPA-PSK and WPA2-PSK.

To configure WEP data encryption:

- 1. Log in to the modem router at its default LAN address of http://192.168.0.1 with its default user name of admin and default password of password, or using whatever LAN address and password you have set up.
- 2. Select Wireless Settings in the main menu.
- **3.** In the Security Options section of the screen, select **WEP**. The WEP Security Encryption section displays.



Note: The WEP security option is available only if the wireless network mode is set to **g** and **b**.

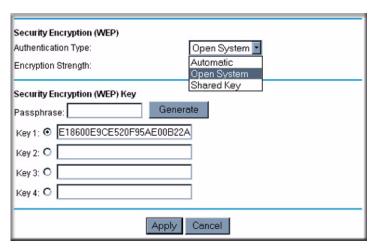


Figure 2-4

- **4.** Select the authentication type:
 - Automatic.
 - **Open System**. This is the default setting.
 - Shared Key.
- **5.** Select the encryption strength setting:
 - 64-bit WEP.
 - 128-bit WEP.
- **6.** Enter the encryption keys. You can manually or automatically program the four data encryption keys. These values must be identical on all computers and access points in your network.
 - Automatic. Enter a word or group of printable characters in the Passphrase field and click Generate. The four key boxes are automatically populated with key values.
 - Manual. The number of hexadecimal digits that you must enter depends on the encryption strength setting:
 - For 64-bit WEP, enter 10 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0–9, a–f, or A–F).
 - For 128-bit WEP, enter 26 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0–9, a–f, or A–F).
- **7.** Select the radio button for the key you want to make active.

Be sure that you clearly understand how the WEP key settings are configured in your wireless adapter. Wireless adapter configuration utilities such as the one included in Windows XP allow entry of only one key, which must match the default key you set in the modern router.

8. Click **Apply** to save your settings.



Note: When configuring the modem router from a wireless computer, if you specify WEP settings, you will lose your wireless connection when you click **Apply**. You must then either configure your wireless adapter to match the modem router WEP settings or access the modem router from a wired computer to make any further changes.

How to Configure WPA-802.1x and WPA2-802.1x

This version of WPA requires the use of a RADIUS server for authentication. Each user (wireless client) must have a user login on the RADIUS server, and the modem router must have a client login on the RADIUS server. Data transmissions are encrypted using a key that is automatically generated.

- 1. Log in to the modem router at its default LAN address of http://192.168.0.1 with its default user name of admin and default password of password, or using whatever LAN address and password you have set up.
- 2. Select the wireless settings link in the main menu of the modem router.
- 3. In the Security Options section of the screen, select WPA-802.1x or WPA2-802.1x.



Note: The WPA-802.1x and WPA2-802.1x security options are available only if the wireless network mode is set to **g** and **b**.

- **4.** In the **Radius Server Name/IP Address** field, enter the name or IP address of the RADIUS server on your LAN. This is a required field.
- **5.** In the **Radius Port** field, enter the port number used for connections to the RADIUS server.
- **6.** In the **Radius Shared Key** field, enter the value that you want to use for the RADIUS shared key. This key enables the modem router to log in to the RADIUS server and must match the client login value used on the RADIUS server.

Chapter 3 Protecting Your Network

This chapter describes how to use the basic firewall features of the DG834N RangeMax™ NEXT Wireless ADSL2+ Modem Router to protect your network. This chapter includes:

- "Protecting Access to Your Wireless Modem Router"
- "Configuring Basic Firewall Services"
- "Firewall Rules"
- "Services"
- "Setting Times and Scheduling Firewall Services"

Protecting Access to Your Wireless Modem Router

For security reasons, the modem router has its own user name and password. Also, after a period of inactivity for a set length of time, the administrator login automatically disconnects. When prompted, enter **admin** for the modem router user name and **password** for the modem router password. You can use the following procedures to change the modem router's password and the period for the administrator's login time-out.



Note: The user name and password are not the same as any other user name or password your might use to log in to your Internet connection.

NETGEAR recommends that you change this password to a more secure password. The ideal password should contain no dictionary words from any language, and should be a mixture of both upper case and lower case letters, numbers, and symbols. Your password can be up to 30 characters.

How to Change the Built-In Password

 Log in to the modem router at its default LAN address of http://192.168.0.1 with its default user name of admin and default password of password, or using whatever password and LAN address you have chosen for the modem router.



Figure 3-1

2. In the main menu of the browser interface, under Maintenance, select **Set Password** to display the following screen:

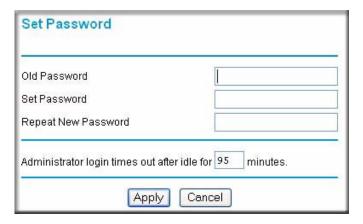


Figure 3-2

- 3. To change the password, first enter the old password, and then enter the new password twice.
- 4. Click **Apply** to save your changes.



Note: After changing the password, you are required to log in again to continue the configuration. If you have backed up the modem router settings previously, you should do a new backup so that the saved settings file includes the new password.

Changing the Administrator Login Time-out

For security, the administrator's login to the modem router configuration times out after a period of inactivity. To change the login time-out period:

- 1. In the Set Password screen, type a number in the **Administrator login times** out field. The suggested default value is 5 minutes.
- 2. Click **Apply** to save your changes, or click **Cancel** to keep the current period.

Configuring Basic Firewall Services

Basic firewall services that you can configure include access blocking and scheduling of firewall security. These topics are presented in the following sections.

Blocking Keywords, Sites, and Services

The modem router provides a variety of options for blocking Internet-based content and communications services. With its content filtering feature, the RangeMax NEXT Wireless ADSL2+ Modem Router prevents objectionable content from reaching your PCs. The modem router allows you to control access to Internet content by screening for keywords within Web addresses. Key content filtering options include:

- Keyword blocking of HTTP traffic.
- Outbound service blocking. Limits access from your LAN to Internet locations or services that you specify as off-limits.
- Denial of service (DoS) protection. Automatically detects and thwarts denial of service (DoS) attacks such as Ping of Death, SYN flood, LAND Attack, and IP spoofing.
- Blocking unwanted traffic from the Internet to your LAN.

The following section explains how to configure your modem router to perform these functions.

How to Block Keywords and Sites

The modem router allows you to restrict access to Internet content based on functions such as Web addresses and Web address keywords.

1. Log in to the modem router at its default LAN address of http://192.168.0.1 with its default user name of admin and default password of password, or using whatever password and LAN address you might have previously set for the modem router.

Reyword Blocking

Never

Per Schedule

Always

Type Keyword or Domain Name Here.

Add Keyword

Block Sites Containing these Keywords or Domain Names:

□ Delete Keyword

□ Clear List

□ Allow Trusted IP Address to Visit Blocked Sites

Trusted IP Address

2. In the main menu, under Security, select **Block Sites** to display the following screen

Figure 3-3

3. To enable keyword blocking, select one of the following:

Apply Cancel

- Per Schedule. Turn on keyword blocking according to the settings in the Schedule screen.
- Always. Turn on keyword blocking all the time, independent of the Schedule screen.
- **4.** Enter a keyword or domain in the **Keyword** field, click **Add Keyword**, and then click **Apply**. Some examples of keyword application follow:
 - If the keyword XXX is specified, the URL http://www.badstuff.com/xxx.html is blocked.
 - If the keyword .com is specified, only websites with other domain suffixes (such as .edu or .gov) can be viewed.
 - Enter a period (.) as to block all Internet browsing access.

Up to 32 entries are supported in the Keyword list.

- 5. To delete a keyword or domain, select it from the list, click **Delete Keyword**, and then click **Apply**.
- **6.** To specify a trusted user, enter that computer's IP address in the **Trusted IP Address** field, and click **Apply**.

You can specify one trusted user, which is a computer that will be exempt from blocking and logging. Since the trusted user will be identified by an IP address, you should configure that computer with a fixed IP address.

7. Click **Apply** to save your settings.

Firewall Rules

Firewall rules block or allow specific traffic passing through from one side of the router to the other. Inbound rules (WAN to LAN) restrict access by outsiders to private resources, selectively allowing only specific outside users to access specific resources. Outbound rules (LAN to WAN) determine what outside resources local users can have access to.

A firewall has two default rules, one for inbound traffic and one for outbound. The default rules of the modem router are:

- Inbound. Block all access from outside except responses to requests from the LAN side.
- Outbound. Allow all access from the LAN side to the outside.

You can define additional rules that will specify exceptions to the default rules. By adding custom rules, you can block or allow access based on the service or application, source or destination IP addresses, and time of day. You can also choose to log traffic that matches or does not match the rule you have defined.

You can change the order of precedence of rules so that the rule that applies most often takes effect first. See "Order of Precedence for Rules" on page 3-11 for more details.

To access the rules configuration of the modem router, select **Firewall Rules** on the main menu, and then click **Add** for either an outbound or inbound service. The Firewall Rules screen displays.

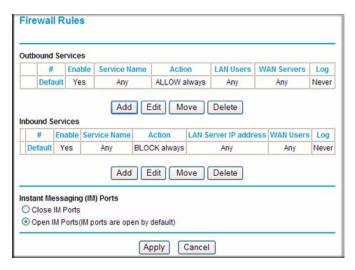


Figure 3-4

- To edit an existing rule, select its button on the left side of the table, and click Edit.
- To delete an existing rule, select its button on the left side of the table, and click **Delete**.
- To move an existing rule to a different position in the table, select its button on the left side of
 the table, and click Move. At the prompt, enter the number of the desired new position and
 click OK.

Inbound Rules (Port Forwarding)

Because the modem router uses Network Address Translation (NAT), your network presents only one IP address to the Internet, and outside users cannot directly address any of your local computers. However, by defining an inbound rule you can make a local server (for example, a Web server or game server) visible and available to the Internet. The rule tells the modem router to direct inbound traffic for a particular service to one local server based on the destination port number. This is also known as port forwarding.



Note: Some residential broadband ISP accounts do not allow you to run any server processes (such as a Web or FTP server) from your location. Your ISP might periodically check for servers and might suspend your account if it discovers any active services at your location. If you are unsure, refer to the acceptable use policy of your ISP.

Remember that allowing inbound services opens holes in your firewall. Enable only those ports that are necessary for your network. Following are two application examples of inbound rules.

Inbound Rule Example: A Local Public Web Server

If you host a public Web server on your local network, you can define a rule to allow inbound Web (HTTP) requests from any outside IP address to the IP address of your Web server at any time of day. This rule is shown in the following figure:

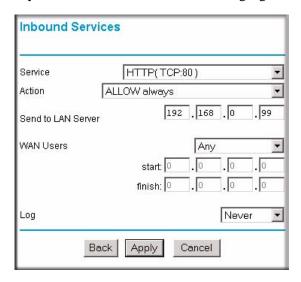


Figure 3-5

The settings are:

- **Service**. From this list, select the application or service to be allowed or blocked. The list already displays many common services, but you are not limited to these choices. Use the Services screen to add any additional services or applications that do not already appear. See "How to Define Services" on page 3-12.
- Action. Choose how you want this type of traffic to be handled. You can block or allow
 always, or you can block or allow according to the schedule you have defined in the Schedule
 screen.
- **Send to LAN Server**. Enter the IP address of the computer or server on your LAN that will receive the inbound traffic covered by this rule.

- WAN Users. These settings determine which packets are covered by the rule, based on their source (WAN) IP address. Select the option that you want:
 - Any: All IP addresses are covered by this rule.
 - Address range: If this option is selected, you must fill in the Start and Finish fields.
 - **Single address**: Enter the required address in the **Start** field.
- Log. You can select whether the traffic will be logged. The choices are:
 - Never. No log entries will be made for this service.
 - Always. Any traffic for this service type will be logged.
 - Match. Traffic of this type that matches the settings and action will be logged.
 - **Not match**. Traffic of this type that does not match the settings and action will be logged.

Inbound Rule Example: Allowing Video conferencing

If you want to allow incoming video conferencing to be initiated from a restricted range of outside IP addresses, such as from a branch office, you can create an inbound rule. In the example shown in the following figure, CU-SeeMe connections are allowed only from a specified range of external IP addresses. In this case, we have also specified logging of any incoming CU-SeeMe requests that do not match the allowed settings.



Figure 3-6

Considerations for Inbound Rules

- If your external IP address is assigned dynamically by your ISP, the IP address might change periodically as the DHCP lease expires. Consider using the Dynamic DNS screen so that external users can always find your network.
- If the IP address of the local server computer is assigned by DHCP, it might change when the computer is rebooted. To avoid this, use the Reserved IP address feature in the LAN IP Setup screen to keep the computer's IP address constant.
- Local computers must access the local server using the computer's local LAN address (192.168.0.11 in the example in the previous figure). Attempts by local computers to access the server using the external WAN IP address will fail.

Outbound Rules (Service Blocking)

The modem router allows you to block the use of certain Internet services by computers on your network. This is called service blocking or port filtering. You can define an outbound rule to block Internet access from a local computer based on the following:

- IP address of the local computer (source address)
- IP address of the Internet site being contacted (destination address)
- Time of day
- Type of service being requested (service port number)

Following is an application example of outbound rules.

Outbound Rule Example: Blocking Instant Messenger

If you want to block Instant Messenger usage by employees during working hours, you can create an outbound rule to block that application from any internal IP address to any external address according to the schedule that you create in the Schedule screen. You can specify that the modem router logs any attempt to use Instant Messenger during this blocked period. You can also open or close Instant Messenger ports: see the Firewall Rules screen in the "Order of Precedence for Rules" section on page 3-11.

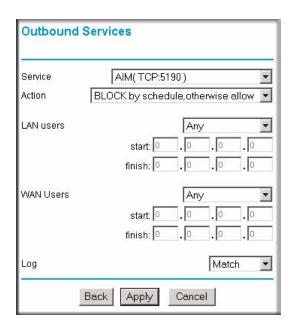


Figure 3-7

The settings are:

- Service. From this list, select the application or service to be allowed or blocked. The list already displays many common services, but you are not limited to these choices. Use the Add Custom Service button in the Services screen to add any additional services or applications that do not already appear.
- Action. Choose how you want this type of traffic to be handled. You can block or allow
 always, or you can block or allow according to the schedule you have defined in the Schedule
 screen.
- LAN Users. These settings determine which packets are covered by the rule, based on their source LAN IP address. Select the option that you want:
 - Any. All IP addresses are covered by this rule.
 - Address range. If this option is selected, you must fill in the Start and Finish fields.
 - Single address. Enter the required address in the Start field.
- WAN Users. These settings determine which packets are covered by the rule, based on their destination WAN IP address. Select the option that you want:
 - Any. All IP addresses are covered by this rule.
 - Address range. If this option is selected, you must fill in the Start and Finish fields.

- Single address. Enter the required address in the Start field.
- Log. You can select whether the traffic will be logged. The choices are:
 - Never. No log entries will be made for this service.
 - **Always**. Any traffic for this service type will be logged.
 - Match. Traffic of this type that matches the settings and action will be logged.
 - **Not match**. Traffic of this type that does not match the settings and action will be logged.

Order of Precedence for Rules

As you define new rules, they are added to the tables in the Firewall Rules screen, as shown in the following figure:

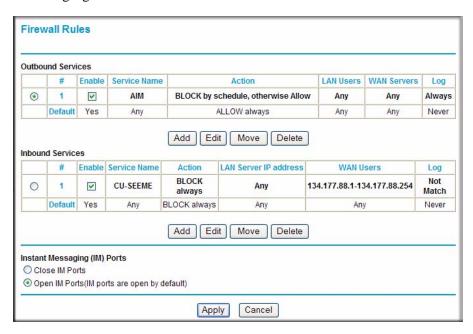


Figure 3-8

For any traffic attempting to pass through the firewall, the packet information is subjected to the rules in the order shown in the Rules table, beginning at the top and proceeding to the default rules at the bottom. In some cases, the order of precedence of two or more rules might be important in determining the disposition of a packet. The **Move** button allows you to relocate a defined rule to a new position in the table.

The Firewall Rules screen also lets you easily open or close Instant Messenger ports:

- 1. Under Instant Messaging (IM) Ports, select a radio button:
 - Close IM Ports. Specifies to disable instant messaging traffic.
 - **Open IM Ports**. Specifies to enable instant messaging traffic. IM ports are open by default.
- **2.** Click **Apply** to save your changes.

Services

Services are functions performed by server computers at the request of client computers. For example, Web servers serve Web pages, time servers serve time and date information, and game hosts serve data about other players' moves. When a computer on the Internet sends a request for service to a server computer, the requested service is identified by a service or port number. This number appears as the destination port number in the transmitted IP packets. For example, a packet that is sent with destination port number 80 is an HTTP (Web server) request.

The service numbers for many common protocols are defined by the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) and published in RFC1700, "Assigned Numbers." Service numbers for other applications are typically chosen from the range 1024 to 65535 by the authors of the application.

Although the modem router already holds a list of many service port numbers, you are not limited to these choices. Use the following procedure to create your own service definitions.

How to Define Services

- 1. Log in to the modem router at its default LAN address of http://192.168.0.1 with its default user name of admin, and default password of password, or using whatever password and LAN address you have chosen for the modem router.
- 2. Click Services below Security to display the Services screen shown in the following figure:



Figure 3-9

- To create a new service, click the Add Custom Service button.
- To edit an existing service, select its button on the left side of the table, and click Edit Service.
- To delete an existing service, select its button on the left side of the table, and click **Delete** Service.
- **3.** Use the screen shown here to define or edit a service.



Figure 3-10

4. Click **Apply** to save your changes.

Setting Times and Scheduling Firewall Services

The modem router uses the Network Time Protocol (NTP) to obtain the current time and date from one of several network time servers on the Internet.

How to Set Your Time Zone

To localize the time for your log entries, you must specify your time zone:

1. Log in to the modem router at its default LAN address of http://192.168.0.1 with its default user name of admin and default password of password, or using whatever password and LAN address you have chosen for the modem router.

Schedule Days: ☑ Every Day ✓ Sunday ✓ Monday ✓ Tuesday Wednesday ✓ Thursday ✓ Friday Saturday Time of day: (use 24-hour clock) All Day Start Time Hour Minute End Time Hour Minute Time Zone (GMT) Greenwich Mean Time: Edinburgh, London Adjust for Daylight Savings Time Use this NTP Server Current Time: 2006-05-18 21:15:39 Apply Cancel

2. Click **Schedule** below Security to display the Schedule screen.

Figure 3-11

3. Select your time zone. This setting is used for the blocking schedule according to your local time zone and for time-stamping log entries.

Select the **Adjust for Daylight Savings Time** check box if your time zone is currently in daylight savings time.



Note: If your region uses daylight savings time, you must manually select Adjust for Daylight Savings Time on the first day of daylight savings time, and clear it at the end. Enabling daylight savings time causes one hour to be added to the standard time.

- 4. The modem router has a list of NETGEAR NTP servers. If you would prefer to use a particular NTP server as the primary server, select the Use this NTP Server check box, and enter its IP address.
- **5.** Click **Apply** to save your settings.

How to Schedule Firewall Services

If you enabled services blocking in the Block Services screen or port forwarding in the Ports screen, you can set up a schedule for when blocking occurs or when access is not restricted.

- 1. Log in to the modem router at its default LAN address of http://192.168.0.1 with its default user name of admin and default password of password, or using whatever password and LAN address you have chosen for the modem router.
- 2. Click **Schedule** below Security to display the Schedule screen that is shown in Figure 3-11.
- 3. To block Internet services based on a schedule, select **Every Day** or select one or more days. If you want to limit access completely for the selected days, select **All Day**. Otherwise, to limit access during certain times for the selected days, or enter times in the **Start Time** and **End Time** fields.



Note: Enter the values in 24-hour time format. For example, 10:30 a.m. would be 10 hours and 30 minutes, and 10:30 p.m. would be 22 hours and 30 minutes. If you set the start time after the end time, the schedule will be effective through midnight the next day.

4. Click **Apply** to save your changes.



Chapter 4 Managing Your Network

This chapter describes how to perform network management tasks with your DG834N RangeMax™ NEXT Wireless ADSL2+ Modem Router. This chapter includes:

- "Backing Up, Restoring, and Erasing Your Settings"
- "Upgrading the Wireless Modem Router's Firmware"
- "Network Management Information"
- "Enabling Security Event E-mail Notification"
- "Running Diagnostic Utilities and Rebooting the Wireless Modem Router"
- "Remote Management"

Backing Up, Restoring, and Erasing Your Settings

The configuration settings of the modem router are stored in a configuration file. This file can be backed up to your computer, restored, or reverted to factory default settings. The following procedures explains how to do these tasks.

How to Back Up the Configuration to a File

- 1. Log in to the modem router at its default LAN address of http://192.168.0.1 with its default user name of admin and default password of password, or using whatever user name, password, and LAN address you have chosen for the modem router.
- 2. In the main menu, below Maintenance, select **Backup Settings** to display the following screen.

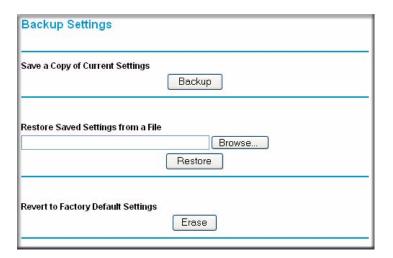


Figure 4-1

- 3. Click **Backup** to save a copy of the current settings.
- **4.** Store the .cfg file on a computer on your network.

How to Restore the Configuration from a File

- 1. Log in to the modem router at its default LAN address of http://192.168.0.1 with its default user name of admin and default password of password, or using whatever user name, password, and LAN address you have chosen for the modem router.
- 2. In the main menu, below Maintenance, select **Backup Settings** as shown in Figure 4-1.
- 3. Enter the full path to the file on your network, or click the **Browse** button to locate the file.
- **4.** When you have located the .cfg file, click the **Restore** button to upload the file to the modem router.
- 5. The modem router then reboots automatically.

How to Erase the Configuration

Sometimes you might want to restore the modem router to the factory default settings. This can be done by using the erase function.

1. To erase the configuration, select **Backup Settings** under Maintenance in the main menu, and click the **Erase** button on the screen.

2. The modem router then reboots automatically.

After an erase, the modem router's password is **password**, the LAN IP address is **192.168.0.1**, and the modem router's DHCP client is enabled.



Note: To restore the factory default configuration settings when you do not know the login password or IP address, you must use the default reset button on the rear panel of the modem router.

Upgrading the Wireless Modem Router's Firmware

The software of the modem router is stored in flash memory, and can be upgraded as NETGEAR releases new software.

Upgrade files can be downloaded from NETGEAR's website. If the upgrade file is compressed (.zip file), you must first extract the binary (.bin or .img) file before uploading it to the modem router.

How to Upgrade the Wireless Modem Router Firmware



Note: NETGEAR recommends that you back up your configuration before doing a firmware upgrade. After the upgrade is complete, you might need to restore your configuration settings.

To upgrade the firmware:

- **1.** Download and unzip the new software file from NETGEAR.
 - The Web browser used to upload new firmware into the modem router must support HTTP uploads. NETGEAR recommends using Microsoft Internet Explorer 5.0 or later.
- 2. Log in to the modem router at its default LAN address of http://192.168.0.1 with its default user name of admin and default password of password, or using whatever user name, password, and LAN address you have chosen for the modem router.
- **3.** In the main menu, under Maintenance, select **Router Upgrade** to display the Firmware Upgrade screen.



Figure 4-2

- 4. In the Firmware Upgrade screen, click **Browse** to locate the binary (.bin or .img) upgrade file.
- 5. Click **Upload**.



Note: When uploading software to the modem router, it is important not to interrupt the Web browser by closing the window, clicking a link, or loading a new page. If the browser is interrupted, it might corrupt the software. When the upload is complete, your modem router automatically restarts. The upgrade process typically takes about one minute. In some cases, you might need to clear the configuration and reconfigure the modem router after upgrading.

Network Management Information

The modem router provides a variety of status and usage information, which is discussed in the following sections.

Viewing the Wireless Modem Router Status and Usage Statistics

In the main menu, under Maintenance, select **Router Status** to display the Router Status screen.

Account Name	
Firmware Version	V1.01.01
ADSL Port	
MAC Address	00:14:6C:AE:D8:5B
P Address	172.29.2.2
Network Type	PPPoA
P Subnet Mask	255.255.255.255
Gateway IP Address	172.29.2.1
Domain Name Server	206.13.28.12 206.13.29.12
LAN Port	
MAC Address	00:14:6C:AE:D8:5A
P Address	192.168.0.1
DHCP	On
P Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
Modem	
ADSL Firmware Version	A2pB021.d17d
Modem Status	Connected
DownStream Connection Speed	8128 kbps
UpStream Connection Speed	832 kbps
VPI	8
VCI	35
Wireless Port	
Name (SSID)	zztopgun
Region	Europe
Channel	6
Wireless AP	Enabled
Broadcast Name	Enabled

Figure 4-3

The Router Status screen provides status and usage information, including the following settings.

Table 4-1. Router Status Fields

Field	Description
Account Name	The host name that is assigned to the modem router in the Basic Settings screen.
Firmware Version	This field displays the modem router firmware version.

Table 4-1. Router Status Fields (continued)

Field	Description
ADSL Port	These settings apply to the Internet (ADSL) port of the modem router.
MAC Address	This field displays the Ethernet MAC address being used by the Internet (ADSL) port of the modem router.
IP Address	This field displays the IP address being used by the Internet (ADSL) port of the modem router. If no address is shown, the modem router cannot connect to the Internet.
Network Type	The network type depends upon your ISP.
IP Subnet Mask	This field displays the IP subnet mask being used by the Internet (ADSL) port of the modem router.
Gateway IP Address	IP address used as a gateway to the Internet for computers configured to use DHCP.
Domain Name Server (DNS)	This field displays the DNS server IP addresses being used by the modem router. These addresses are usually obtained dynamically from the ISP.
LAN Port	These settings apply to the local (ADSL) port of the modem router.
MAC Address	This field displays the Ethernet MAC address being used by the local (LAN) port of the modem router.
IP Address	This field displays the IP address being used by the local (LAN) port of the modem router. The default is 192.168.0.1.
DHCP	If Off, the modem router does not assign IP addresses to PCs on the LAN. If On, the modem router does assign IP addresses to PCs on the LAN.
IP Subnet Mask	This field displays the IP subnet mask being used by the local (LAN) port of the modem router. The default is 255.255.255.0.
Modem	These settings apply to the local (WAN) port of the modem router.
ADSL Firmware Version	The version of the firmware.
Modem Status	The connection status of the modem.
Downstream Connection Speed	The speed at which the modem is receiving data from the ADSL line.
Upstream Connection Speed	The speed at which the modem is transmitting data to the ADSL line.
VPI	The Virtual Path Identifier setting.
VCI	The Virtual Channel Identifier setting.
Wireless Port	These are the settings as specified n the Wireless Settings screen; see "Understanding Wireless Settings" in Chapter 2 for details.
Name (SSID)	The service set ID, also known as the wireless network name.

Table 4-1. Router Status Fields (continued)

Field	Description
Region	The country where the unit is set up for use.
Channel	The current channel, which determines the operating frequency.
Wireless AP	Indicates if the access point feature is disabled or not. If not enabled, the Wireless LED on the front panel are off.
Broadcast Name	Indicates if the modem router is configured to broadcast its SSID.

Click the **Show Statistics** button to display modem router usage statistics, as shown in the following screen.

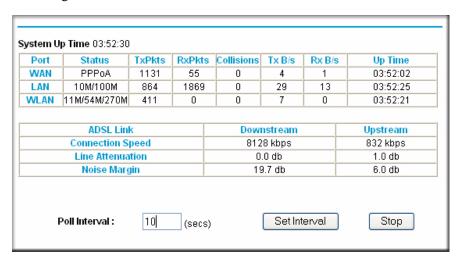


Figure 4-4

This screen shows the following statistics:.

Table 4-2. Router Statistics Fields

Field	Description
WAN, LAN, or WLAN	The statistics for the WAN (Internet), LAN (local), and wireless LAN (WLAN) ports. For each port, the screen displays the following:
Status	The link status of the port.
TxPkts	The number of packets transmitted on this port since reset or manual clear.
RxPkts	The number of packets received on this port since reset or manual clear.
Collisions	The number of collisions on this port since reset or manual clear.
Tx B/s	The current line utilization—percentage of current bandwidth used on this port.
Rx B/s	The average line utilization for this port.
Up Time	The time elapsed since the last power cycle or reset.
ADSL Link Downstream or Upstream	The statistics for the upstream and downstream ADSL link. These statistics will be of interest to your technical support representative if you are having problems obtaining or maintaining a connection.
Connection Speed	Typically, the downstream speed is faster than the upstream speed.
Line Attenuation	The line attenuation increases the further you are physically located from your ISP's facilities.
Noise Margin	This is the signal-to-noise ratio and is a measure of the quality of the signal on the line.
Poll Interval	Specifies the interval at which the statistics are updated in this window. Click Stop to freeze the display.

Click the **Connection Status** button to display modem router connection status, as shown in the following screen.



Figure 4-5

This screen shows the following statistics:

Table 4-3. Connection Status Fields (PPPoE Network Type Example)

Field	Description
Connection Time	The time elapsed since the last connection to the Internet through the ADSL port.
Connecting to sender	The connection status.
Negotiation	Success or Failed.
Authentication	Success or Failed.
Obtaining IP Address	The IP address assigned to the WAN port by the ADSL Internet Service Provider.
Obtaining Network Mask	The network mask assigned to the WAN port by the ADSL Internet Service Provider.

Viewing Attached Devices

The Attached Devices screen contains a table of all IP devices that the modem router has discovered on the local network. In the main menu, under Maintenance, select **Attached Devices** to view the table, shown in the following screen.



Figure 4-6

For each device, the table shows the IP address, device name if available, and the Ethernet MAC address. Note that if the modem router is rebooted, the table data is lost until the modem router rediscovers the devices. To force the modem router to look for attached devices, click the **Refresh** button.

Viewing, Selecting, and Saving Logged Information

The modem router logs security-related events such as denied incoming service requests, hacker probes, and administrator logins. If you enabled content filtering in the Block Sites screen, the Logs screen can show you when someone on your network tries to access a blocked site. If you enabled e-mail notification, you receive these logs in an e-mail message. If you do not have e-mail notification enabled, you can view the logs here.

An example of the logs file is shown in the following screen.

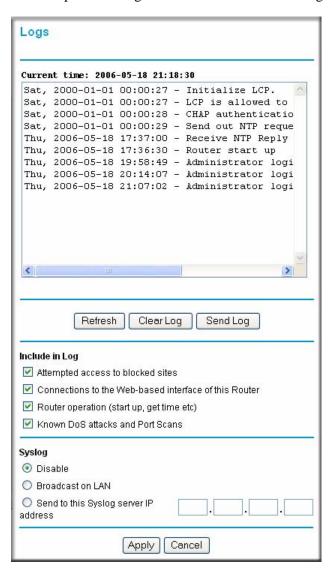


Figure 4-7

Log entries are described in the following table.

Table 4-4. Security Log Entry Descriptions

Field	Description
Date and time	The date and time the log entry was recorded.
Description or action	The type of event and what action was taken, if any.
Source IP	The IP address of the initiating device for this log entry.
Source port and interface	The service port number of the initiating device, and whether it originated from the LAN or WAN.
Destination	The name or IP address of the destination device or website.
Destination port and interface	The service port number of the destination device, and whether it is on the LAN or WAN.

Log action buttons are described in the following table.

Table 4-5. Security Log Action Buttons

Field	Description
Refresh	Refresh the log screen.
Clear Log	Clear the log entries.
Send Log	E-mail the log immediately.
Apply	Apply the current settings.
Cancel	Clear the current settings.

Selecting What Information to Log

Besides the standard information that is listed in the previous two tables, you can choose to log additional information. Those optional selections are as follows:

- Attempted access to blocked sites
- Connections to the Web-based interface of the modem router
- Router operation (start up, get time, and so on).
- Known DoS attacks and port scans

Saving Log Files on a Server

You can choose to write the logs to a computer running a syslog program. To activate this feature, select to **Broadcast on Lan**, or enter the IP address of the server where the syslog file will be written.

Examples of Log Messages

Following are examples of log messages. In all cases, the log entry shows the time stamp as day, year-month-date hour:minute:second.

Activation and Administration

```
Tue, 2006-05-21 18:48:39 - NETGEAR activated

[This entry indicates a power-up or reboot with initial time entry.]

Tue, 2006-05-21 18:55:00 - Administrator login successful - IP:192.168.0.2

Thu, 2006-05-21 18:56:58 - Administrator logout - IP:192.168.0.2

[This entry shows an administrator logging in and out from IP address 192.168.0.2.]

Tue, 2006-05-21 19:00:06 - Login screen timed out - IP:192.168.0.2

[This entry shows a time-out of the administrator login.]

Wed, 2006-05-22 22:00:19 - Log emailed.

[This entry shows when the log was e-mailed.]
```

Dropped Packets

```
Wed, 2006-05-22 07:15:15 - TCP packet dropped -
Source:64.12.47.28,4787,WAN - Destination:134.177.0.11,21,LAN - [Inbound Default rule match]
Sun, 2006-05-22 12:50:33 - UDP packet dropped -
Source:64.12.47.28,10714,WAN - Destination:134.177.0.11,6970,LAN -
[Inbound Default rule match]
Sun, 2006-05-22 21:02:53 - ICMP packet dropped -
Source:64.12.47.28,0,WAN - Destination:134.177.0.11,0,LAN - [Inbound Default rule match]
```

[These entries show an inbound FTP (port 21) packet, a User Datagram Protocol (UDP) packet (port 6970), and an Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) packet (port 0) being dropped as a result of the default inbound rule, which states that all inbound packets are denied.]

Enabling Security Event E-mail Notification

To receive logs and alerts by e-mail, you must provide your e-mail information in the E-mail screen.

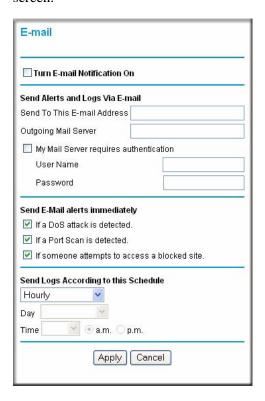


Figure 4-8

- Turn E-mail Notification On. Select this check box if you want to receive e-mail logs and alerts from the modem router.
- Send To This E-mail Address. Enter the e-mail address to which logs and alerts are sent. This e-mail address will also be used as the From address. If you leave this field blank, log and alert messages are not via e-mail.
- Outgoing Mail Server. Enter the name or IP address of your ISP's outgoing (SMTP) mail server (such as mail.myISP.com). You might be able to find this information in the configuration settings of your e-mail program. Enter the e-mail address to which logs and alerts are sent. This e-mail address is also used as the From address. If you leave this field blank, log and alert messages are not sent by e-mail.

- My Mail Server requires authentication. If you use an outgoing mail server provided by your current ISP, you do not need to select this field. If you use an e-mail account that is not provided by your ISP, select this field, and enter the required user name and password information.
- Send E-Mail alerts immediately. Select the corresponding check box if you would like immediate notification of a significant security event, such as a known attack, port scan, or attempted access to a blocked site.
- **Send Logs According to this Schedule**. Specifies how often to send the logs: Hourly, Daily, Weekly, or When Full.
 - Day for sending log
 Specifies which day of the week to send the log. Relevant when the log is sent weekly.
 - Time for sending log
 Specifies the time of day to send the log. Relevant when the log is sent daily or weekly.

If the Weekly, Daily or Hourly option is selected and the log fills up before the specified period, the log is automatically e-mailed to the specified e-mail address. After the log is sent, it is cleared from the modem router's memory. If the modem router cannot e-mail the log file, the log buffer might fill up. In this case, the modem router overwrites the log and discards its contents.

Running Diagnostic Utilities and Rebooting the Wireless Modem Router

The modem router has a diagnostics feature. You can use the Diagnostics screen to perform the following functions from the modem router:

- Ping an IP address to test connectivity to see if you can reach a remote host.
- Perform a DNS lookup to test if an Internet name resolves to an IP address to verify that the DNS server configuration is working.
- Display the Routing table to identify what other modem routers the modem router is communicating with.
- Reboot the modem router to enable new network configurations to take effect or to clear problems with the modem router's network connection.

In the main menu, under Maintenance, select **Diagnostics** to display the following screen.

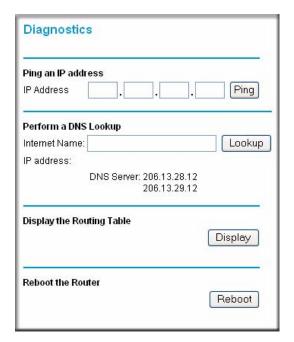


Figure 4-9

Remote Management

Using the Remote Management screen, you can allow a user or users on the Internet to configure, upgrade, and check the status of your modem router.



Note: Be sure to change the modem router's default password to a very secure password. The ideal password should contain no dictionary words from any language, and should be a mixture of letters (both upper case and lower case), numbers, and symbols. Your password can be up to 30 characters.

How to Configure Remote Management

1. Log in to the modem router at its default LAN address of http://192.168.0.1 with its default user name of admin and default password of password, or using whatever user name, password, and LAN address you have chosen for the modem router.

2. Under Advanced in the main menu, select **Remote Management** to display the following screen.

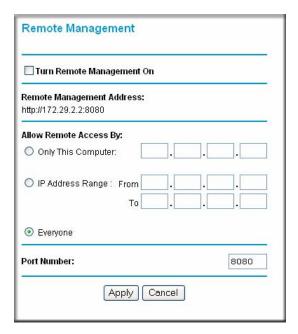


Figure 4-10

- 3. Select the Turn Remote Management On check box.
- **4.** Specify what external addresses will be allowed to access the modem router's remote management. For security, restrict access to as few external IP addresses as practical:
 - To allow access from any IP address on the Internet, select **Everyone**.
 - To allow access from a range of IP addresses on the Internet, select **IP address Range**. Enter a beginning and ending IP address to define the allowed range.
 - To allow access from a single IP address on the Internet, select **Only this Computer**. Enter the IP address that will be allowed access.
- **5.** Specify the port number that will be used for accessing the management interface.
 - Web browser access usually uses the standard HTTP service port 80. For greater security, you can change the remote management Web interface to a custom port by entering that number in the field provided. Choose a number between 1024 and 65535, but do not use the number of any common service port. The default is 8080, which is a common alternate for HTTP.
- **6.** Click **Apply** to have your changes take effect.

When accessing your modem router from the Internet, you will type your modem router's WAN IP address in your browser's **Address** field, followed by a colon (:) and the custom port number. For example, if your external address is 134.177.0.123 and you use port number 8080, enter the following in your browser:

http://134.177.0.123:8080



Note: In this case, the http:// must be included in the address.

Chapter 5 Advanced Configuration

This chapter describes how to configure the advanced features of your DG834N RangeMaxTM NEXT Wireless ADSL2+ Modem Router.

Configuring Advanced Security

The modem router provides a variety of advanced features, which are described in the following sections:

- "Setting Up a Default DMZ Server"
- "Connecting Automatically, as Required"
- "Disabling Port Scan and DOS Protection"
- "Responding to a Ping on an Internet WAN Port"
- "Setting the MTU Size"
- "Disabling the SIP ALG"
- "Configuring LAN IP Settings"
- "Configuring DHCP"
- "Configuring LAN TCP/IP Settings"
- "Configuring Dynamic DNS"
- "Using Static Routes"
- "How to Configure Universal Plug and Play"
- "Building Wireless Bridging and Repeating Networks"

These features are discussed in the following sections.

Setting Up a Default DMZ Server

The default demilitarized zone (DMZ) server feature is helpful when you use some online games and videoconferencing applications that are incompatible with NAT. The modem router is programmed to recognize some of these applications and to work correctly with them, but there are other applications that might not function well. In some cases, one local computer can run the application correctly if that computer's IP address is entered as the default DMZ server.



Note: For security reasons, you should avoid using the default DMZ server feature. When a computer is designated as the default DMZ server, it loses much of the protection of the firewall, and is exposed to many exploits from the Internet. If compromised, the computer can be used to attack your network.

Incoming traffic from the Internet is usually discarded by the modem router unless the traffic is a response to one of your local computers or a service that you have configured in the Ports screen. Instead of discarding this traffic, you can have it forwarded to one computer on your network. This computer is called the default DMZ server.

How to Configure a Default DMZ Server

To assign a computer or server to be a default DMZ server:

- 1. Log in to the modem router at its default LAN address of http://192.168.0.1 with its default user name of admin and default password of password, or using whatever user name, password, and LAN address you have chosen for the modem router.
- 2. In the main menu, under Advanced, click **WAN Setup** to display the following screen.

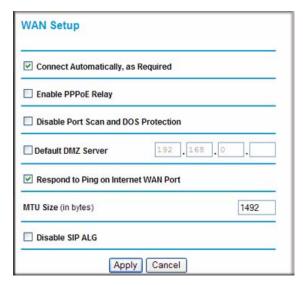


Figure 5-1

3. Select the **Default DMZ Server** check box.

- **4.** Type the IP address for that server.
- **5.** Click **Apply** to save your changes.

Other WAN Options

The WAN Setup screen that is shown in Figure 5-1 also allows you perform the following tasks:

Connecting Automatically, as Required

Usually, this option should be enabled, so that an Internet connection is made automatically, whenever Internet-bound traffic is detected. If this causes high connection costs, you can disable this setting.

If this setting is disabled, you must connect manually, using the screen that you access by clicking the **Connection Status** button on the Status screen.

If you have an Always on connection, this setting has no effect.

Disabling Port Scan and DOS Protection

The firewall protects your LAN against port scans and denial of service (DOS) attacks. This protection should be disabled only in special circumstances.

Responding to a Ping on an Internet WAN Port

If you want the modem router to respond to a ping from the Internet, select the **Respond to Ping on Internet WAN Port** check box. This should be used only as a diagnostic tool, since it
allows your modem router to be discovered. Do not select this check box unless you have a
specific reason to do so.

• Setting the MTU Size

The normal MTU (Maximum Transmit Unit) value for most Ethernet networks is 1500 bytes, or 1492 bytes for PPPoE connections. For some ISPs you might need to reduce the MTU. But this is rarely required, and should not be done unless you are sure it is necessary for your ISP connection.

Disabling the SIP ALG

The Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) Application Level Gateway (ALG) is enabled by default to optimize VoIP phone calls that use the SIP. The **Disable SIP ALG** check box allows you to disable the SIP ALG. Disabling the SIP ALG might be useful when running certain applications.

Configuring LAN IP Settings

The LAN IP Setup screen allows configuration of LAN IP services such as DHCP and RIP.

The modem router is shipped preconfigured to use private IP addresses on the LAN side, and to act as a DHCP server. The modem router's default LAN IP configuration is as follows:

- LAN IP address, 192,168.0.1
- Subnet mask, 255,255,255.0

These addresses are part of the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF)—designated private address range for use in private networks, and should be suitable in most applications. If your network has a requirement to use a different IP addressing scheme, you can make those changes by opening the LAN IP Setup menu.

Under Advanced in the main menu, select LAN IP Setup.

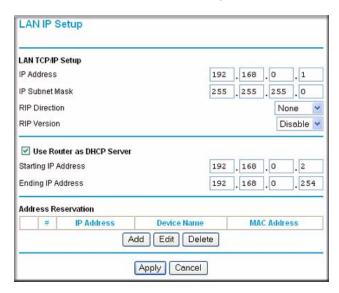


Figure 5-2

The LAN TCP/IP Setup settings are:

- **IP Address**. This is the LAN IP address of the modem router.
- IP Subnet Mask. This is the LAN subnet mask of the modem router. Combined with the IP address, the IP subnet mask allows a device to know which other addresses are local to it, and which must be reached through a gateway or modem router.

- **RIP Direction**. Router Information Protocol (RIP) allows a modem router to exchange routing information with other routers. The RIP Direction selection controls how the modem router sends and receives RIP packets. Both is the default setting.
 - When set to Both or Out Only, the modem router broadcasts its routing table periodically.
 - When set to **Both** or **In Only**, the modem router incorporates the RIP information that it receives.
 - When set to **None**, the modem router does not send any RIP packets and ignores any RIP packets received.
- **RIP Version**. This controls the format and the broadcasting method of the RIP packets that the modem router sends. It recognizes both formats when receiving. By default, this is set for RIP-1.
 - RIP-1. This version is universally supported. RIP-1 is probably adequate for most networks, unless you have an unusual network setup.
 - RIP-2. This version carries more information. Both RIP-2B and RIP-2M send the routing data in RIP-2 format.
 - **RIP-2B**. This version uses subnet broadcasting.
 - **RIP-2M**. This version uses multicasting.



Note: If you change the LAN IP address of the modem router while connected through the browser, you will be disconnected. You must then open a new connection to the new IP address and log in again.

Configuring DHCP

By default, the modem router functions as a Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) server, allowing it to assign IP, DNS server, and default gateway addresses to all computers connected to the modem router's LAN. The assigned default gateway address is the LAN address of the router. IP addresses are assigned to the attached PCs from a pool of addresses specified in this screen. Each pool address is tested before it is assigned to avoid duplicate addresses on the LAN.

For most applications, the default DHCP and TCP/IP settings of the router are satisfactory. See the online document that you can access from "TCP/IP Networking Basics" in Appendix B for an explanation of DHCP and information about how to assign IP addresses for your network.

Use Router as DHCP Server

If another device on your network will be the DHCP server, or if you will manually configure the network settings of all of your computers, clear the **Use router as DHCP server** check box. Otherwise, leave it selected.

Specify the pool of IP addresses to be assigned by setting the starting IP address and ending IP address. These addresses should be part of the same IP address subnet as the router's LAN IP address. Using the default addressing scheme, you should define a range between 192.168.0.2 and 192.168.0.254, although you might want to save part of the range for devices with fixed addresses.

The router delivers the following settings to any LAN device that requests DHCP:

- An IP address from the range you have defined
- Subnet mask
- Gateway IP address is the router's LAN IP address
- Primary DNS server, if you entered a primary DNS address in the Basic Settings screen; otherwise, the router's LAN IP address
- Secondary DNS server, if you entered a secondary DNS address in the Basic Settings screen
- WINS server, short for Windows Internet Naming Service Server, determines the IP address
 associated with a particular Windows computer. A WINS server records and reports a list of
 names and IP address of Windows PCs on its local network. If you connect to a remote
 network that contains a WINS server, enter the server's IP address here. This allows your PCs
 to browse the network using the Network Neighborhood feature of Windows.

How to Configure Reserved IP Addresses

When you specify a reserved IP address for a computer on the LAN, that computer will always receives the same IP address each time it access the router's DHCP server. Reserved IP addresses should be assigned to servers that require permanent IP settings.

To reserve an IP address:

- 1. In the LAN IP Setup screen, click the **Add** button.
- 2. In the **IP** Address field, type the IP address to assign to the computer or server. Choose an IP address from the router's LAN subnet, such as 192.168.0.x.

3. Type the MAC address of the computer or server.



Tip: If the computer is already present on your network, you can copy its MAC address from the Attached Devices screen and paste it here.

4. Click **Apply** to enter the reserved address into the table.



Note: The reserved address will not be assigned until the next time the computer contacts the router's DHCP server. Reboot the computer or access its IP configuration and force a DHCP release and renew.

To edit or delete a reserved address entry:

- 1. Click the button next to the reserved address that you want to edit or delete.
- 2. Click Edit or Delete.

Configuring LAN TCP/IP Settings

- 1. Log in to the router at its default LAN address of http://192.168.0.1 with its default user name of admin and default password of password, or using whatever user name, password, and LAN address you have chosen for the router.
- 2. In the main menu, under Advanced, click LAN IP Setup to display the following screen.

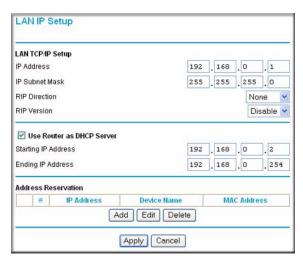


Figure 5-3

- **3.** Enter the TCP/IP, DHCP, or reserved IP settings.
- **4.** Click **Apply** to save your changes.

Configuring Dynamic DNS

If your network has a permanently assigned IP address, you can register a domain name and have that name linked with your IP address by public Domain Name Servers (DNS). However, if your Internet account uses a dynamically assigned IP address, you will not know in advance what your IP address will be, and the address can change frequently. In this case, you can use a commercial Dynamic DNS service that will allow you to register your domain to their IP address, and will forward traffic directed at your domain to your frequently changing IP address.

The router contains a client that can connect to a Dynamic DNS service provider. To use this feature, you must select a service provider and obtain an account with them. After you have configured your account information in the router, whenever your ISP-assigned IP address changes, your router automatically contacts your Dynamic DNS service provider, logs in to your account, and registers your new IP address.

How to Configure Dynamic DNS

- 1. Log in to the modern router at its default LAN address of http://192.168.0.1 with its default user name of admin and default password of password, or using whatever user name, password, and LAN address you have chosen for the modern router.
- 2. In the main menu, under Advanced, select **Dynamic DNS** to display the following screen.

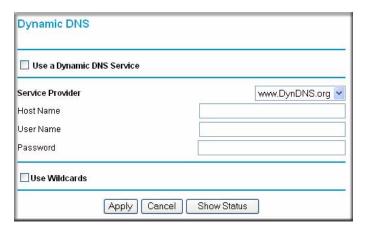


Figure 5-4

- **3.** Access the website of one of the Dynamic DNS service providers whose names appear in the **Service Provider** drop-down list, and register for an account. For example, for dyndns.org, go to www.dyndns.org.
- **4.** Select the **Use a dynamic DNS Service** check box.
- 5. Select the name of your Dynamic DNS service provider.
- **6.** Type the host name that your Dynamic DNS service provider gave you. The Dynamic DNS service provider might call this the domain name. If your URL is myName.dyndns.org, then your host name is myName.
- 7. Type the user name for your Dynamic DNS account.
- **8.** Type the password (or key) for your Dynamic DNS account.
- **9.** If your Dynamic DNS provider allows the use of wildcards in resolving your URL, you can select the **Use Wildcards** check box to activate this feature. For example, the wildcard feature causes *.yourhost.dyndns.org to be aliased to the same IP address as yourhost.dyndns.org.
- 10. Click Apply to save your configuration.



Note: If your ISP assigns a private WAN IP address such as 192.168.x.x or 10.x.x.x, the Dynamic DNS service will not work because private addresses will not be routed on the Internet.

Using Static Routes

Static routes provide additional routing information to your router. Under normal circumstances, the router has adequate routing information after it has been configured for Internet access, and you do not need to configure additional static routes. You must configure static routes only for unusual cases such as multiple routers or multiple IP subnets located on your network.

Static Route Example

As an example of when a static route is needed, consider the following case:

- Your primary Internet access is through a cable modem to an ISP.
- You have an ISDN router on your home network for connecting to the company where you are employed. This router's address on your LAN is 192.168.0.100.
- Your company's network address is 134.177.0.0.

When you first configured your router, two implicit static routes were created. A default route was created with your ISP as the modem router, and a second static route was created to your local network for all 192.168.0.x addresses. With this configuration, if you attempt to access a device on the 134.177.0.0 network, your router forwards your request to the ISP. The ISP forwards your request to the company where you are employed, and the request is likely to be denied by the company's firewall.

In this case you must define a static route, telling your router that 134.177.0.0 should be accessed through the ISDN router at 192.168.0.100. The static route setup would look like Figure 5-6.

In this example:

- The Destination IP Address and IP Subnet Mask fields specify that this static route applies to all 134.177.x.x addresses.
- The **Gateway IP Address** field specifies that all traffic for these addresses should be forwarded to the ISDN router at 192.168.0.100.
- The value in the **Metric** field represents the number of routers between your network and the destination. This is a direct connection, so it can be set to the minimum value of 2.
- The **Private** check box is selected only as a precautionary security measure in case RIP is activated.

How to Configure Static Routes

- 1. Log in to the modem router at its default LAN address of http://192.168.0.1 with its default user name of admin and default password of password, or using whatever user name, password, and LAN address you have chosen for the modem router.
- 2. In the main menu, under Advanced, select **Static Routes** to display the Static Routes table.



Figure 5-5

3. To add a static route:

a. Click **Add** to open the following Static Routes screen.

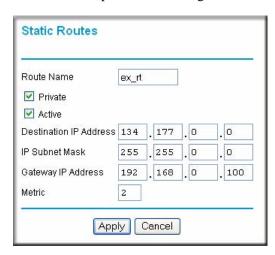


Figure 5-6

- **b.** Enter a route name for this static route in the **Route Name** field. This name is for identification purpose only.
- **c.** Select **Private** if you want to limit access to the LAN only. The static route will not be reported in RIP.
- **d.** Select **Active** to make this route effective.
- e. Enter the destination IP address of the final destination.
- **f.** Enter the IP subnet mask for this destination. If the destination is a single host, type 255.255.255.255.
- **g.** Enter the gateway IP address, which must be a router on the same LAN segment as the router.
- **h.** Enter a number between 2 and 15 as the metric value in the **Metric** field. This represents the number of routers between your network and the destination. Usually, a setting of 2 or 3 works.

4. Click **Apply**. The Static Routes table is updated to show the new entry.



Figure 5-7

How to Configure Universal Plug and Play

Universal Plug and Play (UPnP) helps devices, such as Internet appliances and computers, access the network and connect to other devices as needed. UPnP devices can automatically discover the services from other registered UPnP devices on the network.

1. Select UPnP on the main menu to display the UPnP screen:

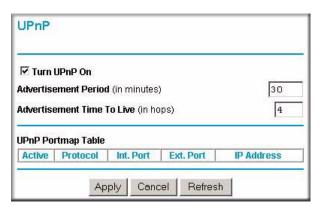


Figure 5-8

- **2.** Fill in the settings on the UPnP screen:
 - Turn UPnP On. UPnP can be enabled or disabled for automatic device configuration. The default setting for UPnP is enabled. If UPnp is disabled, the modem router does not allow any device to automatically control the resources, such as port forwarding (mapping), of the modem router.

- Advertisement Period. The advertisement period is how often the modem router
 advertises (broadcasts) its UPnP information. This value can range from 1 to 1440
 minutes. The default period is 30 minutes. Shorter durations ensure that control points
 have current device status at the expense of additional network traffic. Longer durations
 might compromise the freshness of the device status but can significantly reduce network
 traffic.
- Advertisement Time To Live. The time to live for the advertisement is measured in hops (steps) for each UPnP packet sent. A hop is the number of steps allowed to propagate for each UPnP advertisement before it disappears. The number of hops can range from 1 to 255. The default value for the advertisement time to live is 4 hops, which should be fine for most home networks. If you notice that some devices are not being updated or reached correctly, then it might be necessary to increase this value a little.
- **UPnP Portmap Table**. The UPnP Portmap Table displays the IP address of each UPnP device that is currently accessing the modem router and which ports (internal and external) that device has opened. The UPnP Portmap Table also displays what type of port is opened and if that port is still active for each IP address.
- **3.** To save, cancel your changes, or refresh the table:
 - Click **Apply** to save the new settings to the modem router.
 - Click Cancel to disregard any unsaved changes.
 - Click Refresh to update the portmap table and to show the active ports that are currently opened by UPnP devices.

Building Wireless Bridging and Repeating Networks

With the DG834N modem router, you can build large bridged wireless networks that form an IEEE 802.11n wireless distribution system (WDS). Using the modem router with other access points (APs) and wireless devices, you can connect clients by using their MAC addresses rather than by specifying IP addresses.

Here are some examples of wireless bridged configurations:

- **Point-to-point bridge**. The modem router communicates with another bridge-mode wireless station. See "How to Configure a Point-to-Point Bridge Configuration."
- Multi-point bridge. The modem router is the "master" for a group of bridge-mode wireless stations. Then all traffic is sent to this master, rather than to other access points. See "How to Configure a Multi-Point Bridge."

• Repeater with wireless client association. Sends all traffic to the remote access point. See "How to Configure a Repeater with Wireless Client Association."



Note: The wireless bridging and repeating feature uses the default security profile to send and receive traffic.

To view or change these configurations, select Advanced Wireless Settings from the main menu:

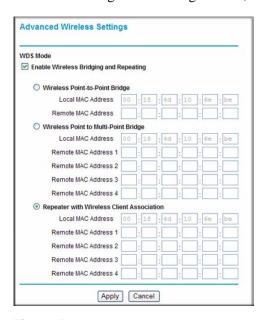


Figure 5-9

How to Configure a Point-to-Point Bridge Configuration

In point-to-point bridge mode, the DG834N modem router communicates as an access point with another bridge-mode wireless station. As a bridge, wireless client associations are disabled—only wired clients can be connected. You must enter the MAC address of the other bridge-mode wireless station in the field provided. Use wireless security to protect this communication.

The following figure shows an example of point-to-point bridge mode.

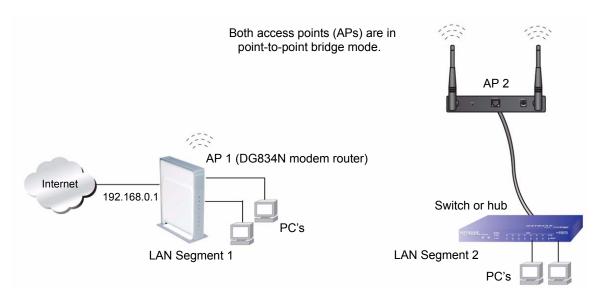


Figure 5-10

To set up a point-to-point bridge configuration (shown in Figure 5-10):

- **1.** Configure the DG834N modem router (AP 1) on LAN Segment 1 in point-to-point bridge mode.
- 2. Configure the other access point (AP 2) on LAN Segment 2 in point-to-point bridge mode. The DG834N modem router must have AP 2's MAC address in its **Remote MAC Address** field, and AP 2 must have the DG834N's MAC address in its **Remote MAC Address** field.
- **3.** Configure both APs and verify that both APs are using he same SSID, channel, authentication mode, if any, and security settings if security is in use.
- **4.** Disable the DHCP server on AP2. AP1 will then be the DHCP server.
- **5.** Verify connectivity across LAN Segment 1 and LAN Segment 2.

A computer on either LAN segment should be able to connect to the Internet or share files and printers of any other PCs or servers connected to LAN Segment 1 or LAN Segment 2.

How to Configure a Multi-Point Bridge

Multi-point bridge mode allows a modem router to bridge to multiple peer access points simultaneously. As a bridge, wireless client associations are disabled—only wired clients can be connected. Multi-point bridge mode configuration includes the following steps:

- Entering the MAC addresses of the other access points in the fields provided.
- Setting the other bridge-mode access points to Point-to-Point Bridge mode, using the MAC address of this DG834N as the Remote MAC Address.
- Using wireless security to protect this traffic.

The following figure shows an example of a multi-point bridge mode configuration.

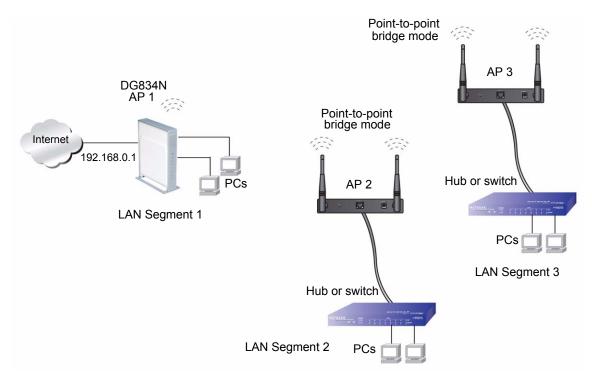


Figure 5-11

To set up the multi-point bridge configuration shown in Figure 5-11:

- 1. Configure the operating mode of the modem routers.
 - Because it is in a central location, configure the DG834N modem router (AP 1) on LAN Segment 1 in point-to-multi-point bridge mode, and enter the MAC addresses of AP-2 and AP-3 in the Remote MAC Address 1 and Remote MAC Address 2 fields.
 - Configure the access point (AP2) on LAN Segment 2 in point-to-point bridge mode with the remote MAC address of the DG834N modem router.
 - Configure the access point (AP3) on LAN Segment 3 in point-to-point bridge mode with the remote MAC address of the DG834N modem router.
- 2. Disable the DHCP server on AP2 and AP3. AP1 will then be the DHCP server.
- **3.** Verify the following for all access points:
 - The LAN network configuration of the modem router and other access points are configured to operate in the same LAN network address range as the LAN devices.
 - Only one AP, the DG834N modem router in Figure 5-11, is configured in point-to-multipoint bridge mode; all the others are in point-to-point bridge mode.
 - All APs, including the DG834N modem router, must be on the same LAN. That is, all the AP LAN IP addresses must be in the same network.
 - If you are using DHCP, all access points should be set to **Obtain an IP address** automatically (**DHCP Client**) in the IP Address Source section of the Basic IP Settings screen.
 - All APs, including the DG834N modem router, must use the same SSID, channel, authentication mode, if any, and security settings if security is in use.
 - All point-to-point APs must have the MAC address of AP 1 (the DG834N modem router in the previous figure) in the **Remote AP MAC address** field.
- **4.** Verify connectivity across the LANs.
 - A computer on any LAN segment should be able to connect to the Internet or share files and printers with any other PCs or servers connected to any of the three LAN segments.



Note: Wireless stations configured as they are in Figure 5-11 will not be able to connect to the modem router or access points. If you require wireless stations to access any LAN segment, you can use additional access points configured in wireless access point mode in any LAN segment.

How to Configure a Repeater with Wireless Client Association

In the repeater mode with wireless client association, the DG834N modem router sends all traffic to a remote AP. For the repeater mode, you must enter the MAC address of the remote "parent" access point. Alternatively, you can configure the DG834N modem router as the parent by entering the address of a "child" access point. Note that the following restrictions apply:

- You do not have the option of disabling client associations with this DG834N modem router.
- You cannot configure a sequence of parent/child APs. You are limited to only one parent AP, although if the DG834N modem router is the parent AP, it can connect with up to four child APs.

The following figure shows an example of a Repeater mode configuration.

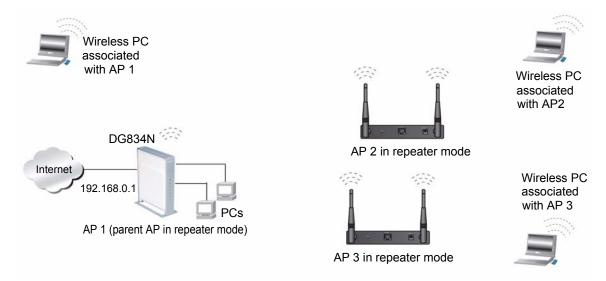


Figure 5-12

To set up a repeater with wireless client association:

- 1. Configure the operating mode of the devices.
 - Configure AP 1 (the DG834N modem router in Figure 5-12) on with the MAC address of AP 2 and AP 3 in the first two **Remote MAC Address** fields.
 - Configure AP 2 with the MAC address of AP 1 in the **Remote MAC Address** field.
 - Configure AP 3 with the MAC address of AP 1 in the **Remote MAC Address** field.

- **2.** Verify the following for both access points:
 - The LAN network configuration of each AP is configured to operate in the same LAN network address range as the LAN devices.
 - The APs must be on the same LAN. That is, the LAN IP addresses for the APs must be in the same network.
 - If you are using DHCP, AP devices should be set to **Obtain an IP address automatically** (**DHCP Client**) in the IP Address Source section of the Basic IP Settings screen.
 - AP devices must use the same SSID, channel, authentication mode, and encryption.
- **3.** Verify connectivity across the LANs. A computer on any LAN segment should be able to connect to the Internet or share files and printers with any other PCs or servers connected to any of the three WLAN segments.



Chapter 6 Troubleshooting

This chapter provides information about troubleshooting your DG834N RangeMaxTM NEXT Wireless ADSL2+ Modem Router. After each problem description, instructions are provided to help you diagnose and solve the problem. For the common problems listed, go to the section indicated.

- Is the router on?
 - Go to "Basic Functioning" on page 6-1.
- Have I connected the router correctly?
 - Go to "Basic Functioning" on page 6-1.
- I cannot access the router's configuration with my browser.
 - Go to "Troubleshooting the Web Configuration Interface" on page 6-3.
- I have configured the router but I cannot access the Internet.
 - Go to "Troubleshooting the ISP Connection" on page 6-4.
- I cannot remember the router's configuration password.
 - Go to "Restoring the Default Configuration and Password" on page 6-9.
- I want to clear the configuration and start over again.
 - Go to "Restoring the Default Configuration and Password" on page 6-9.

Basic Functioning

After you turn on power to the router, the following sequence of events should occur:

- **1.** When power is first applied, verify that the Power LED is on.
- 2. After approximately 10 seconds, verify the following:
 - **a.** The Power LED is not red.
 - **b.** The LAN port LEDs are lit for any local ports that are connected.

- **c.** The WAN port LED is lit.
- **d.** The Wireless LED is lit.

If a port's LED is lit, a link has been established to the connected device. If a LAN port is connected to a 100 Mbps device, verify that the port's LED is green. If the port is 10 Mbps, the LED is amber.

If any of these conditions does not occur, refer to the appropriate following section.

Power LED Is Not On

If the Power and other LEDs are off when your router is turned on:

- Make sure that the power cord is properly connected to your router and that the power supply adapter is properly connected to a functioning power outlet.
- Check that you are using the 12 V DC power adapter supplied by NETGEAR for this product.

If the error persists, you have a hardware problem and should contact Technical Support.

Power LED Is Red

When the router is turned on, it performs a power-on self-test. If the Power LED turns red after a few seconds or at any other time during normal operation, there is a fault within the router. The Power LED also turns red when you press the default reset button, and blinks red 3 times when you release that button. However, in this case, the modem router is working normally.

If the Power LED turns red to indicate a router fault, turn the power off and on to see if the router recovers.

If the power LED is still red 1 minute after power up:

- Turn the power off and on to see if the router recovers.
- Clear the router's configuration to factory defaults. This sets the router's IP address to 192.168.0.1. This procedure is explained in "Using the Reset Button" on page 6-9.

If the error persists, you might have a hardware problem and should contact Technical Support.

LAN or Internet Port LED Is Not On

If either the LAN LEDs or Internet LED does not light when the Ethernet connection is made, check the following:

- Make sure that the Ethernet cable connections are secure at the router and at the hub or workstation.
- Make sure that power is turned on to the connected hub or workstation.
- Make sure that you are using the correct cable when connecting the router's Internet ADSL port. Use the cable that was supplied with the modem router.

Troubleshooting the Web Configuration Interface

If you are unable to access the router's Web Configuration Interface from a computer on your local network, check the following:

- If you are using an Ethernet-connected computer, check the Ethernet connection between the computer and the router as described in the previous section.
- Make sure that your computer's IP address is on the same subnet as the router. If you are using
 the recommended addressing scheme, your computer's address should be in the range of
 192.168.0.2 to 192.168.0.254. Follow the instructions in the online document that you can
 access from "Preparing Your Network" in Appendix B for information about how to configure
 your computer.



Note: If your computer's IP address is shown as 169.254.x.x, recent versions of Windows and MacOS will generate and assign an IP address if the computer cannot reach a DHCP server. These auto-generated addresses are in the range of 169.254.x.x. If your IP address is in this range, check the connection from the computer to the router, and reboot your computer.

- If your router's IP address was changed and you do not know the current IP address, clear the router's configuration to factory defaults. This sets the router's IP address to 192.168.0.1. This procedure is explained in "Using the Reset Button" on page 6-9.
- Make sure that your browser has Java, JavaScript, or ActiveX enabled. If you are using Internet Explorer, click **Refresh** to be sure that the Java applet is loaded.
- Try quitting the browser and launching it again.

Make sure you are using the correct login information. The factory default login name is
 admin, and the password is password. Make sure that Caps Lock is off when you enter this
 information.

If the router does not save changes you have made in the Web Configuration Interface, check the following:

- When entering configuration settings, be sure to click the **Apply** button before moving to another screen or tab, or your changes are lost.
- Click the **Refresh** or **Reload** button in the Web browser. The changes might have occurred, but the Web browser might be caching the old configuration.

Troubleshooting the ISP Connection

If your router is unable to access the Internet, you should check the ADSL connection, then the WAN TCP/IP connection.

ADSL Link

If your router is unable to access the Internet, you should first determine whether you have an ADSL link with the service provider. The state of this connection is indicated with the Internet LED.

Internet LED Is Green or Blinking Green

If your Internet LED is green or blinking green, then you have a good ADSL connection. You can be confident that the service provider has connected your line correctly and that your wiring is correct.

Internet LED Is Blinking Amber

If your Internet LED is blinking amber, then your modem router is attempting to make an ADSL connection with the service provider. The LED should turn green within several minutes.

If the Internet LED does not turn green, disconnect all telephones on the line. If this solves the problem, reconnect the telephones one at a time, being sure to use a microfilter on each telephone. If the microfilters are connected correctly, you should be able to connect all your telephones.

If disconnecting telephones does not result in a green Internet LED, there might be a problem with your wiring. If the telephone company has tested the ADSL signal at your network interface device (NID), then you might have poor-quality wiring in your house.

Internet LED Is Off

If the Internet LED is off, disconnect all telephones on the line. If this solves the problem, reconnect the telephones one at a time, being sure to use a microfilter on each telephone. If the microfilters are connected correctly, you should be able to connect all your telephones.

If disconnecting telephones does not result in a green Internet LED, check for the following:

- Check that the telephone company has made the connection to your line and tested it.
- Verify that you are connected to the correct telephone line. If you have more than one phone line, be sure that you are connected to the line with the ADSL service. It might be necessary to use a swapper if your ADSL signal is on pins 1 and 4 or the RJ-11 jack. The modem router uses pins 2 and 3.

Obtaining an Internet IP Address

If your modem router is unable to access the Internet, and your Internet LED is green or blinking green, you should determine whether the modem router is able to obtain an Internet IP address from the ISP. Unless you have been assigned a static IP address, your modem router must request an IP address from the ISP. You can determine whether the request was successful using the browser interface.

To check the Internet IP address from the browser interface:

- 1. Launch your browser, and select an external site such as www.netgear.com.
- 2. Access the main menu of the modem router's configuration at http://192.168.0.1.
- **3.** In the main menu, under Maintenance, check that an IP address is shown for the WAN port. If 0.0.0.0 is shown, your modem router has not obtained an IP address from your ISP.

If your router is unable to obtain an IP address from the ISP, the problem might be one of the following:

- If you have selected a login program, the service name, user name, or password might be incorrectly set. See the following section, "Troubleshooting PPPoE or PPPoA.
- Your ISP might check for your computer's host name.
 Assign the computer host name of your ISP account to the modem router in the browser-based Setup Wizard.

- Your ISP allows only one Ethernet MAC address to connect to Internet, and might check for your computer's MAC address. In this case, do one of the following:
 - Inform your ISP that you have bought a new network device, and ask them to use the router's MAC address.
 - Configure your router to spoof your computer's MAC address. This can be done in the Basic Settings screen. See the ADSL Modem Wireless Router Setup Manual.

Troubleshooting PPPoE or PPPoA

The PPPoA or PPPoA connection can be debugged as follows:

- 1. Access the main menu of the router at http://192.168.0.1.
- 2. Under Maintenance, select Router Status.
- 3. Click the Connection Status button.
- **4.** If all of the steps indicate OK, then your PPPoE or PPPoA connection is up and working.
- **5.** If any of the steps indicates Failed, you can attempt to reconnect by clicking **Connect**. The modem router will continue to attempt to connect indefinitely.

If you cannot connect after several minutes, you might be using an incorrect service name, user name, or password. There also might be a provisioning problem with your ISP.



Note: Unless you connect manually, the modem router will not authenticate using PPPoE or PPPoA until data is transmitted to the network.

Troubleshooting Internet Browsing

If your modem router can obtain an IP address, but your computer is unable to load any Web pages from the Internet:

• Your computer might not recognize any DNS server addresses.

A DNS server is a host on the Internet that translates Internet names (such as www addresses) to numeric IP addresses. Typically your ISP provides the addresses of one or two DNS servers for your use. If you entered a DNS address during the modem router's configuration, reboot your computer, and verify the DNS address as described in the online document that you can access from "Preparing Your Network" in Appendix B. Alternatively, you can configure your computer manually with DNS addresses, as explained in your operating system documentation.

Your computer might not have the modem router configured as its TCP/IP modem router.

If your computer obtains its information from the modem router by DHCP, reboot the computer, and verify the modem router address as described in the online document that you can access from "Preparing Your Network" in Appendix B.

Troubleshooting a TCP/IP Network Using the Ping Utility

Most TCP/IP terminal devices and routers contain a ping utility that sends an echo request packet to the designated device. The device then responds with an echo reply. You can easily troubleshoot a TCP/IP network by using the ping utility in your computer.

Testing the LAN Path to Your Router

You can ping the router from your computer to verify that the LAN path to your router is set up correctly.

To ping the router from a PC running Windows 95 or later:

- 1. From the Windows toolbar, click the **Start** button, and select **Run**.
- 2. In the field provided, type **Ping** followed by the IP address of the router, as in this example: ping 192.168.0.1
- 3. Click OK.

You should see a message like this one:

```
Pinging <IP address> with 32 bytes of data
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If the path is working, you see this message:

```
Reply from < IP address >: bytes=32 time=NN ms TTL=xxx
```

If the path is not working, you see this message:

```
Request timed out
```

If the path is not functioning correctly, you could have one of the following problems:

- Wrong physical connections
 - Make sure that the LAN port LED is on. If the LED is off, follow the instructions in "LAN or Internet Port LED Is Not On" on page 6-3.
 - Check that the corresponding Link LEDs are on for your network interface card and for the hub ports (if any) that are connected to your workstation and router.

- Wrong network configuration
 - Verify that the Ethernet card driver software and TCP/IP software are both installed and configured on your PC or workstation.
 - Verify that the IP address for your router and your workstation are correct and that the addresses are on the same subnet.

Testing the Path from Your Computer to a Remote Device

After verifying that the LAN path works correctly, test the path from your PC to a remote device. In the Windows Run screen, type:

PING -n 10 IP address

where IP address is the IP address of a remote device such as your ISP's DNS server.

If the path is functioning correctly, replies as in the previous section are displayed. If you do not receive replies:

- Check that your PC has the IP address of your router listed as the default modem router. If the
 IP configuration of your PC is assigned by DHCP, this information will not be visible in your
 PC's Network Control Panel. Verify that the IP address of the router is listed as the default
 modem router as described in the online document that you can access from "Preparing Your
 Network" in Appendix B.
- Check to see that the network address of your PC (the portion of the IP address specified by the netmask) is different from the network address of the remote device.
- Check that your cable or DSL modem is connected and functioning.
- If your ISP assigned a host name to your PC, enter that host name as the account name in the Basic Settings screen.
- Your ISP could be rejecting the Ethernet MAC addresses of all but one of your PCs. Many broadband ISPs restrict access by allowing traffic only from the MAC address of your broadband modem, but some ISPs additionally restrict access to the MAC address of a single PC connected to that modem. If this is the case, you must configure your router to "clone" or "spoof" the MAC address from the authorized PC. Refer to your *ADSL Modem Wireless Router Setup Manual*.

Restoring the Default Configuration and Password

This section explains how to restore the factory default configuration settings, changing the router's administration password to **password** and the IP address to **192.168.0.1**. You can erase the current configuration and restore factory defaults in two ways:

- Use the Erase function of the Web Configuration Manager (see "Backing Up, Restoring, and Erasing Your Settings" on page 4-1).
- Use the default reset button on the rear panel of the router. Use this method for cases when the administration password or IP address is not known.

Using the Reset Button

To restore the factory default configuration settings when you do not know the administration password or IP address, you must use the default reset button on the rear panel of the router.

- 1. Press and hold the default reset button until the Power LED turns red (about 5 seconds).
- 2. Release the default reset button. The LED blinks red three times and then turn green when the router has reset to the factory default state. Wait for the router to reboot.

Problems with Date and Time

In the main menu, under Security, select Schedule to display the current date and time of day. The modem router uses the Network Time Protocol (NTP) to obtain the current time from one of several network time servers on the Internet. Each entry in the log is stamped with the date and time of day. Problems with the date and time function can include:

- Date shown is January 1, 2000.
 Cause. The router has not yet successfully reached a network time server. Check that your Internet access is configured correctly. If you have just completed configuring the router, wait at least 5 minutes, and check the date and time again.
- Time is off by one hour.
 Cause. The router does not automatically sense daylight savings time. In the Schedule screen, select the Adjust for Daylight Savings Time check box.



Appendix A Technical Specifications

This appendix provides technical specifications for the DG834N RangeMax $^{\text{TM}}$ NEXT Wireless ADSL2+ Modem Router.

General Specifications

Specification		Description			
Net	Network Protocol and Standards Compatibility				
	Data and routing protocols:	TCP/IP, RIP-1, RIP-2, DHCP, PPPoE or PPPoA, RFC 1483 Bridged or Routed Ethernet, and RFC 1577 Classical IP over ATM			
Pov	ver Adapter				
	North America:	120V, 60 Hz, input			
	UK, Australia:	240V, 50 Hz, input			
	Europe:	230V, 50 Hz, input			
	All regions (output):	12 V AC @ 1.0A output			
Phy	rsical				
	Dimensions:	8.9" x 6.8" x 1.5" 225.5 mm x 172 mm x 39 mm			
	Weight:	1.2 lbs. 0.54 kg			
Env	vironmental				
	Operating temperature:	0° to 40° C (32° to 104° F)			
	Operating humidity:	10% to 90% relative humidity, noncondensing			
	Storage temperature:	–20° to 70° C (–4° to 158° F)			
	Storage humidity:	5 to 95% relative humidity, noncondensing			
Reg	gulatory Compliance				
	Meets requirements of:	FCC Part 15 Class B; VCCI Class B; EN 55 022 (CISPR 22), Class B			

Speci	ification	Description
Interface Specifications		
	LAN:	10BASE-T or 100BASE-Tx, RJ-45
	WAN:	ADSL, Dual RJ-11, pins 2 and 3 T1.413, G.DMT, G.Lite ITU Annex A or B ITU G.992.5 (ADSL2+)

Default Configuration

You can use the reset button located on the front of your device to reset all settings to their factory defaults. This is called a hard reset. To perform a hard reset, push and hold the reset button for five seconds. Your device will return to the factory configuration settings shown in the following table.

Feature	Default Behavior			
Router Login				
User login URL	http://www.routerlogin.net or http://www.routerlongin.com			
User name (case-sensitive)	admin			
Login password (case-sensitive)	password			
Internet Connection				
WAN MAC address	Use default address			
WAN MTU size	1500			
Port speed	Autosensing			
Local Network (LAN)				
Lan IP	192.168.0.1			
Subnet mask	255.255.255.0			
RIP direction	None			
RIP version	Disabled			
RIP authentication	None			
DHCP server	Enabled			
DHCP starting IP address	192.168.0.2			

Feature		Default Behavior
	DHCP ending IP address	192.168.0.254
	DMZ	Enabled or disabled
	Time zone	GMT
	Time zone adjusted for daylight savings time	Disabled
	SNMP	Disabled
Firewa	all	
	Inbound (communications coming in from the Internet)	Disabled (except traffic on port 80, the http port)
	Outbound (communications going out to the Internet)	Enabled (all)
	Source MAC filtering	Disabled
Wirele	ess	
	Wireless communication	Enabled
	SSID name	NETGEAR
	Security	Disabled
	Broadcast SSID	Enabled
	Country/region	Europe
	RF channel	6
	Operating mode	Up to 130 Mbps
	Data rate	Best
	Output power	Full
	Access point	Enabled
	Authentication type	Open System
	Wireless card access list	All wireless stations allowed



Appendix B Related Documents

This appendix provides links to reference documents that you can use to gain a more complete understanding of the technologies used in your NETGEAR product.

Document	Link	
TCP/IP Networking Basics	http://documentation.netgear.com/reference/enu/tcpip/index.htm	
Wireless Networking Basics	http://documentation.netgear.com/reference/enu/wireless/index.htm	
Preparing Your Network	http://documentation.netgear.com/reference/enu/wsdhcp/index.htm	
Virtual Private Networking Basics	http://documentation.netgear.com/reference/enu/vpn/index.htm	
Glossary:	http://documentation.netgear.com/reference/enu/glossary/index.htm	



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