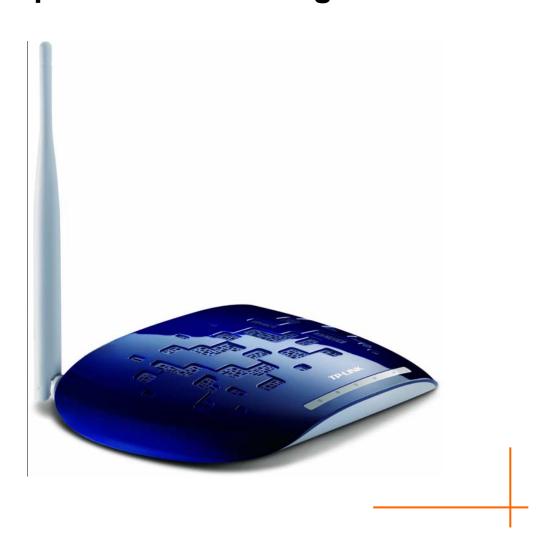
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## **User Guide**

# **TL-WA730RE 150Mbps Wireless N Range Extender**



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- Don't disassemble the product, or make repairs yourself. You run the risk of electric shock and voiding the limited warranty. If you need service, please contact us.
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EN 55022:2010 EN 55024:2010

EN 61000-3-2:2006+A1:2009+A2:2009

EN 61000-3-3:2008

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## **Package Contents**

The following items should be found in your package:

- One TL-WA730RE 150Mbps Wireless N Range Extender
- One Power Adapter for TL-WA730RE 150Mbps Wireless N Range Extender
- Ethernet Cable
- > Quick Installation Guide
- ➤ One Resource CD for TL-WA730RE 150Mbps Wireless N Range Extender, including:
  - This User Guide
  - Other helpful information

#### P Note:

Make sure that the package contains the above items. If any of the listed items are damaged or missing, please contact your distributor.

## **Chapter 1 Introduction**

#### 1.1 Product Overview

The TL-WA730RE 150Mbps Wireless N Range Extender is dedicated to Small Office/Home Office (SOHO) wireless network solutions. It can relay signal between its stations and the root AP for greater wireless range easily and quickly. Increased mobility and the absence of cabling will be beneficial for your network.

With using IEEE 802.11n wireless technology, your device can transmit wireless data at the rate of up to 150Mbps. With multiple protection measures, including SSID broadcast control and wireless LAN 64/128/152-bit WEP encryption, WiFi protected Access (WPA2-PSK, WPA-PSK), as well as advanced Firewall protections, the TL-WA730RE 150Mbps Wireless N Range Extender delivers complete data privacy.

The TL-WA730RE 150Mbps Wireless N Range Extender is easy to configure and manage with the Utility provided. Besides, the Auto-repeater function can be used to connect the device with a Router around without any cable. For more information, please look through this User Guide.

#### 1.2 Conventions

The AP or TL-WA730RE, or device mentioned in this User guide stands for TL-WA730RE 150Mbps Wireless N Range Extender without any explanations.

Parameters provided in the pictures are just references for setting up the product, which may differ from the actual situation. You can set the parameters according to your demand.

### 1.3 Main Features

Features	Benefits		
Make use of IEEE 802.11n wireless technology	Allows your device to transmit wireless data at the rate of up to 150Mbps		
Provides multiple encryption security Types including: 64/128/152-bit WEP WPA/WPA2 WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK	Secures your data while the data packets are being transmitted		
Supports Built-in DHCP server	Supports dynamic IP address distributing		
Supports MAC address filtering	Allows you to control the access rights of the wireless stations, depending on the stations' MAC addresses		
Supports multiple operating modes including:  • Range Extender	Makes the AP an ideal solution for your wireless local area network  Relays signal between its stations and the root AP for greater wireless range		
Access Point	Allows wireless stations to access and you can create a wireless local area network.		
Supports Firmware Upgrade	You can easily upgrade the firmware to the latest version through the web-based management page		

#### 1.4 Appearance

#### 1.4.1 The Front Panel



Figure 1-1

The front panel of the TL-WA730RE consists of several LED indicators, which is designed to indicate connections. View from left to right, Table 1-1 describes the LEDs on the front panel of the device.

#### **LED Explanation**

Name	Status	Indication
Ú	Off	No Power
	On	Power on
	Off	The device has a system error
*	On	The device is initialising
	Flashing	The device is working properly

	Off	There is no device linked to the corresponding port
ū	On	There is a device linked to the corresponding port but no activity
	Flashing	There is an active device linked to the corresponding port
	Off	The Wireless function is disabled
~	Flashing	The Wireless function is enabled
	On	The Range Extender has connected the Router successfully
•••	Flashing	The Range Extender is connecting the Router
	Off	The Range Extender has not connected any Router yet

Table 1-1

#### 1.4.2 The Rear Panel

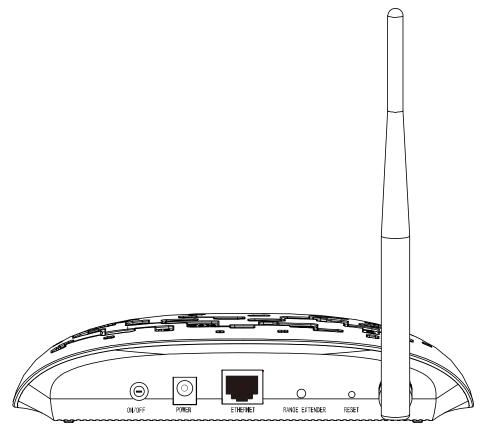


Figure 1-2

Viewed from left to right, the following parts are located on the rear panel of TL-WA730RE.

**ON/OFF:** The switch for the power.

**POWER:** The power port connects to the power adapter provided with the TL-WA730RE 150Mbps Wireless N Range Extender.

**ETHERNET:** One LAN 10/100Mbps RJ45 port connects to a network device, such as a switch or a router.

**RANGE EXTENDER:** If your wireless routers or APs support Wi-Fi Protected Setup, you can press the button and then press range extender button to establish a secure connection between the router and range extender.

**RESET:** The Reset button is used to restore the AP's factory default settings. There are two ways to reset the Access Point's factory defaults:

- Method one: With the AP powered on, use a pin to press and hold the Reset button (about 5 seconds) until the System LED becomes quick-flash from slow-flash. And then release the button and wait the AP to reboot to its factory default settings.
- Method two: Restore the default settings from "System Tools > Factory Defaults" of the AP's Web-based management page.

Wireless antenna: The external antenna is used to transmit and receive wireless data.

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Ensure the Range Extender is powered on before it restarts completely.

## **Chapter 2 Hardware Installation**

#### 2.1 Before You Begin

Please read this User Guide carefully before installing and using the equipment. The operating distance range of your wireless connection can vary significantly depending on the physical position of the wireless devices. Factors that can weaken signals by getting in the way of your network's radio waves are metal appliances or obstructions, and walls. Typical ranges vary base on the types of materials and background RF (radio frequency) noise in your home or office.

For best performance of your wireless network, you are suggested to:

- 1). Avoid redundant obstacles and interference between the wireless devices.
- 2). Keep your AP away from appliances with a strong electric field or magnetic field, such as a microwave oven or refrigerator.

Place the AP near the center of the area in which your computers operates.

#### 2.2 Basic Requirements

- Use only the power adapter provided with your AP
- The electrical outlet shall be installed near the device and shall be easily accessible
- Place your AP in a well ventilated place far from direct sunlight, any heater or heating vent
- Leave at least 2 inches (5cm) space around the device for heat dissipation
- Turn off your AP and unplug the power adapter in a lighting storm to avoid damage
- Web browser, such as Microsoft Internet Explorer 5.0 or above, Netscape Navigator 6.0 or above
- Operating temperature: 0°C~40°C (32°F~104°F)
- Operating Humidity: 10%~90%RH, Non-condensing

### 2.3 Connecting the Device

Figure 2-1 is an example of the typical application of TL-WA730RE in the infrastructure network. An Infrastructure network contains an access point or a wireless router.

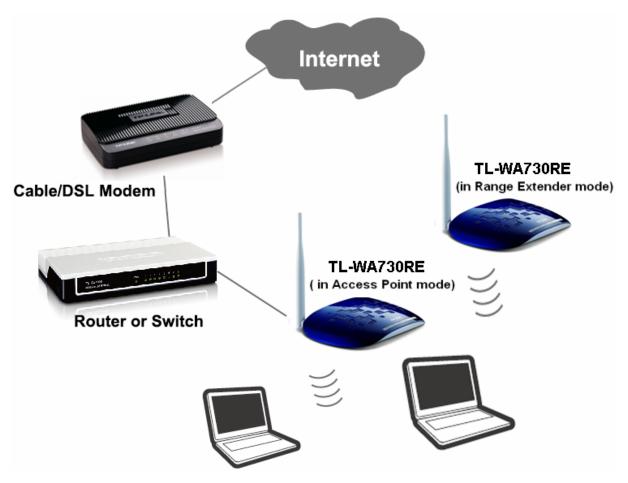


Figure 2-1 The Example of Infrastructure Network Incorporating the TL-WA730RE

To establish a typical connection of the AP, please take the following steps:

- 1. Connect the Cable or DSL modem to a Router.
- 2. Locate an optimum location for the AP. The best place is usually near the center of the area in which your PC(s) will wirelessly connect.
- 3. Adjust the direction of the antenna. Normally, upright is a good direction.
- 4. Connect the Ethernet Broadband Router to the TL-WA730RE Access Point. Power on the AP.
- 5. Then you can connect a desktop PC or laptop to your network. (Make sure your computer or laptop is equipped with a Wireless Adapter.)

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If you are not so clear about how to connect your devices to the network, please refer to **Appendix** A: Application Example.

## **Chapter 3 Quick Installation Guide**

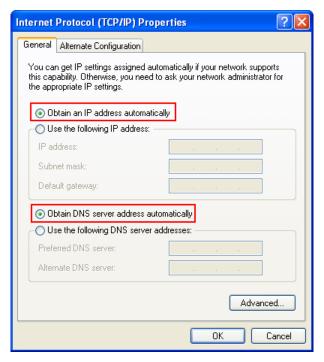
This chapter will guide you to configure your PC to communicate with the AP and to configure and manage the TL-WA730RE 150Mbps Wireless N Range Extender easily with a Web-based utility.

#### 3.1 Quick Setup

With a Web-based utility, it is easy to configure and manage the TL-WA730RE 150Mbps Wireless N Range Extender. The Web-based utility can be used on any Windows, Macintosh or UNIX OS with a Web browser, such as Microsoft Internet Explorer, Mozilla Firefox or Apple Safari.

#### P Note:

1. When first configure the TL-WA730RE, we suggest that the Local Area Connection of your computer is set as below.



- 2. If you cannot access the web-based configuration page, you can choose the two methods listed below based on your need:
  - > To reconfigure the TL-WA730RE, please refer to **T1** in **Troubleshooting** to reset the product.
  - To change only some certain settings of the TL-WA730RE, please refer to **T3** in **Troubleshooting** to assign a static IP address 192.168.0.100 for your computer.
- 1. To access the configuration utility, open a web-browser and type in the default address <a href="http://192.168.0.254">http://192.168.0.254</a> in the address field of the browser.



Figure 3-1 Login to the AP

After a moment, a login window will appear, similar to the Figure 4-2. Enter **admin** for the User Name and Password (both in lower case letters). Then click **OK** or press Enter.



Figure 3-2 Login Windows

#### Note:

If the above screen does not prompt, it means that your web-browser has been set to a proxy. Go to **Tools menu>Internet Options>Connections>LAN Settings**, in the screen that appears, cancel the **Using Proxy** checkbox, and click **OK** to finish it.

2. After successfully logging in, the **Quick Setup** page will display. Click **Next** to continue.

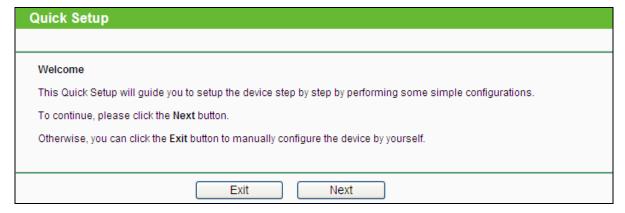


Figure 3-3 Quick Setup

#### Note:

If you click **Exit** and choose to manually configure the AP on your own need, please note that the DHCP is enabled during the configuration, it is essential to disable DHCP when all the settings are finished.

3. The **Operation Mode** page will appear then, shown in Figure 3-4. The TL-WA730RE supports up to two operation modes.

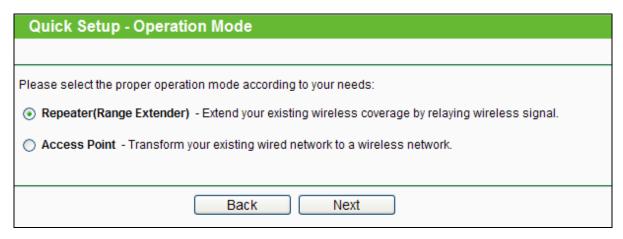


Figure 3-4 Operation Mode

- ➤ In **Repeater(Range Extender)** mode, the product can extend the coverage of another wireless Access Point or Router. The universal repeater mode is for the wireless Access Point or Router which does not support WDS function.
- In **Access Point** mode, the product will act as a wireless central hub for your wireless LAN clients, giving a wireless extension for your current wired network.
- 4. Select the operation mode based on your need.
- **A.** When you choose **Repeater (Range Extender)** mode, the **Wireless Setting** page will be shown in Figure 3-5.



Figure 3-5 Wireless Settings – Repeater (Range Extender) mode

- 1) Select the **Repeater Mode**, for example Universal Repeater.
- 2) Click **Survey**, then the window displaying a list of available SSIDs will appear in Figure 3-6.

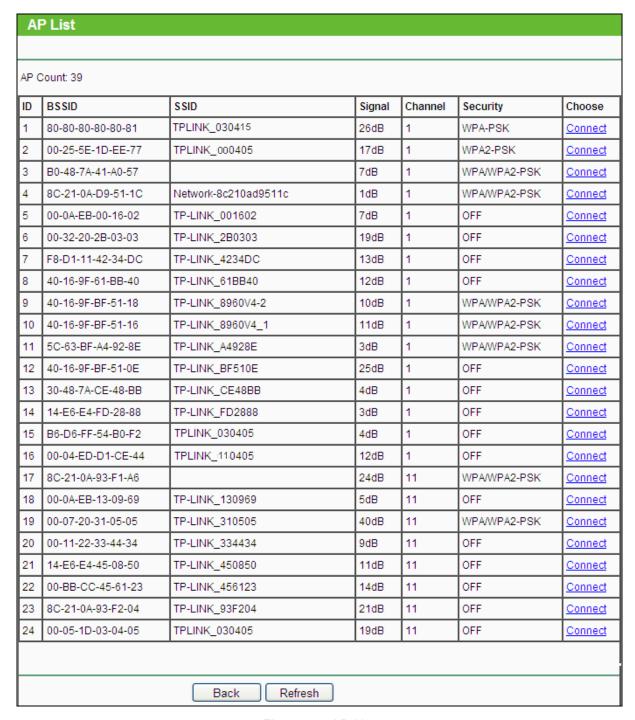


Figure 3-6 AP List

- 3) Find the SSID of the Access Point / Router or WISP, and click **Connect** in the corresponding row. You will then return to the previous page.
- 4) Select the region, the security mode and enter the password that is the same as on your router or access point in Figure 3-5.
- 5) Click **Next**, you will then come to **Network Setting** page for furthers configuration.

**B.** When you choose **Access Point** mode, the **Wireless Setting** page will be shown in Figure 3-7.

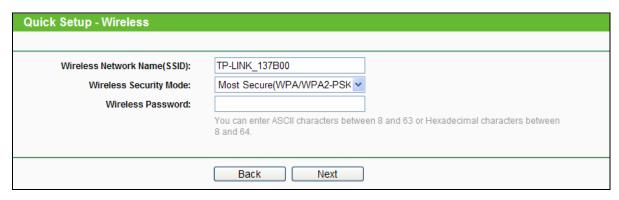


Figure 3-7 Wireless Settings - Access Point mode

- 1) Create an easy-to-remember name for your wireless network, write it into **Wireless Network Name(SSID)**.
- 2) Select **Most Secure (WPA/WPA2-PSK)** encryption mode and enter a password below to prevent unauthorized access to your AP.
- 3) Click **Next**, you will then come to **Network Setting** page for furthers configuration.
- 5. When you have configured Wireless Settings in step 4, The **Network Setting** page will appear then, shown in Figure 3-8. It is recommended that you keep the default settings on this page.

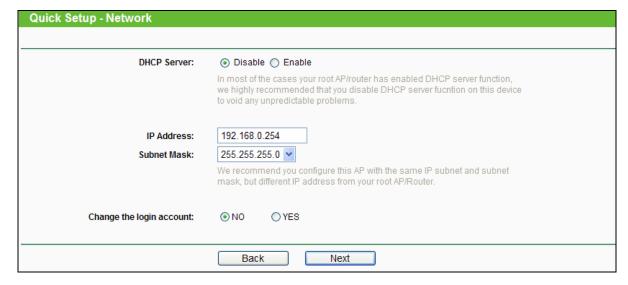


Figure 3-8 Network Settings

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- 1. These settings are only for basic wireless parameters, for advanced settings, please refer to Section 4.7 Wireless.
- 2. To change to another mode, please refer to **T3** in **Troubleshooting** to assign a static IP address 192.168.0.100 for your computer first before logging in the management page.
- 6. Click the **Next** button. You will then see the **Finish** page. Here takes the settings for Access Point mode for example.

Because there is something changed of the configuration, you will see the **Finish** page as shown in Figure 3-9. Check your settings and click **Save** to save your settings for future reference.

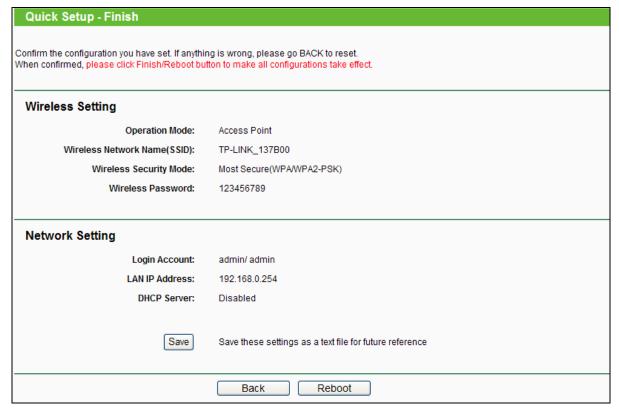


Figure 3-9 Quick Setup - Finish

Click the **Reboot** button to make your wireless configuration to take effect and finish the **Quick Setup**. Wait until the device restarts successfully.

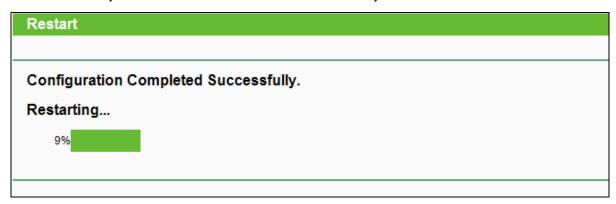


Figure 3-10 Quick Setup - Finish

➢ If you don't make any changes of the configuration, you will see the Finish page as shown in Figure 3-11. Check your settings and click Save to save your settings for future reference. Click the Finish button to finish the Quick Setup.

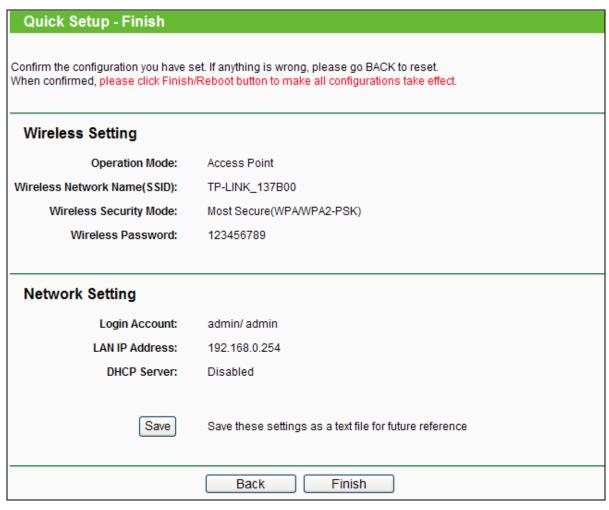


Figure 3-11 Quick Setup - Finish

## **Chapter 4 Configure the Device**

This Chapter describes how to configure your Access Point via the web-based management page. The TL-WA730RE 150Mbps Wireless N Range Extender is easy to configure and manage with the Web-based (Internet Explorer, Netscape® Navigator, Firefox, Safari, Opera or Chrome) management page, which can be launched on any windows, Macintosh or UNIX OS with a web browser.

#### 4.1 Login

Open your web browser. Type in IP address *http://192.168.0.254* in the address field of web browser and press Enter.



Figure 4-1 Login to the AP

Enter **admin** for the User Name and Password (both in lower case letters) in Figure 4-2 below. Then click **OK** or press Enter.



Figure 4-2 Login Windows

#### Note:

If the above screen does not prompt, it means that your web-browser has been set to a proxy. Go to **Tools menu>Internet Options>Connections>LAN Settings**, in the screen that appears, cancel the **Using Proxy** checkbox, and click **OK** to finish it.

After a successful login, you can configure and manage the device. There are seven main menus on the leftmost column of the web-based management page: **Status, Operation Mode, WPS, Network, Wireless, DHCP** and **System Tools**. Submenus will be available after clicking one of the main menus. On the right of the web-based management page lies the detailed explanations and instructions for the corresponding page.

#### 4.2 Status

Selecting **Status** will enable you to view the AP's current status and configuration, all of which is read-only.

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WA730RE v2 00000000		
00-0A-EB-13-7B-00		
192.168.0.254		
255.255.255.0		
Access Point		
TP-LINK_137B00		
Auto (Current channel 6)		
11bgn mixed		
Automatic		
00-0A-EB-13-7B-00		
Received	Sent	
0	108992	
0	262	
0 days 00:04:42	Refresh	
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Figure 4-3 Device Status

- **Firmware Version -** This field displays the current firmware version of the AP.
- > Hardware Version This field displays the current hardware version of the AP
- Wired This field displays the current settings or information for the Network, including the MAC address, IP address and Subnet Mask.
- Wireless This field displays basic information or status for wireless function, including Operating Mode, Name (SSID), Channel, Mode, Channel Width and MAC Address.
- > Traffic Statistics This field displays the AP's traffic statistics.
- > System Up Time This filed displays the run time of the AP since it's powered on or reset.

#### 4.3 Quick Setup

Please refer to Section 3.1 Quick Setup for more details.

#### 4.4 Operation Mode

The **Operation Mode** option allows you to change the operation mode for your AP, shown in Figure 4-4.

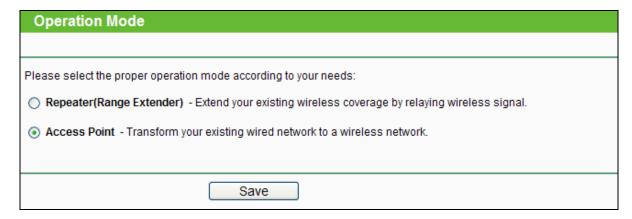


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- In **Access Point** mode, the product will act as a wireless central hub for your wireless LAN clients, giving a wireless extension for your current wired network.

Select the operation mode based on your need, then click the **Save** button.

If the mode is changed, the Note Dialog will appear, shown as below. Click **OK**.

#### 4.5 WPS

**WPS (Wi-Fi Protected Setup)** can help you to quickly and securely connect to a network. This section will guide you to add a new wireless device to an existing network quickly by function. The WPS function is only available when the Operation Mode is set to Access Point. Select menu "**WPS**", you will see the next screen shown in Figure 4-5.



Figure 4-5 WPS

> WPS Status - To enable or disable the WPS function here.

- Current PIN The current value of the device's PIN is displayed here. The default PIN of the device can be found in the label or User Guide.
- > Restore PIN Restore the PIN of the device to its default.
- > **Gen New PIN -** Click this button, and then you can get a new random value for the device's PIN. You can ensure the network security by generating a new PIN.
- Disable PIN of this Device WPS external registrar of entering the device's PIN can be disabled or enabled manually. If the device receives multiple failed attempts to authenticate an external Registrar, this function will be disabled automatically.
- Add Device You can add a new device to the existing network manually by clicking this button.

#### To add a new device:

If the wireless adapter supports Wi-Fi Protected Setup (WPS), you can establish a wireless connection between wireless adapter and device using either Push Button Configuration (PBC) method or PIN method.

#### P Note:

To build a successful connection by WPS, you should also do the corresponding configuration of the new device for WPS function meanwhile.

For the configuration of the new device, here takes the Wireless Adapter of our company for example.

#### I. By PBC

If the wireless adapter supports Wi-Fi Protected Setup and the Push Button Configuration (PBC) method, you can add it to the network by PBC with the following two methods.

#### **Method One:**

Step 1: Keep the WPS Status as **Enabled** and click the **Add device** button in Figure 4-5, then the following screen will appear.

Add A New Device
Enter the new device's PIN.
PIN:
Press the button of the new device in two minutes.
Back Connect

Figure 4-6 Add A New Device

- Step 2: Choose "Press the button of the new device in two minutes" and click Connect.
- Step 3: For the configuration of the wireless adapter, please choose "**Push the button on my access point or wireless router**" in the configuration utility of the WPS as below, and click **Connect**.



The WPS Configuration Screen of Wireless Adapter

Step 4: Wait for a while until the next screen appears. Click **Finish** to complete the WPS configuration.



The WPS Configuration Screen of Wireless Adapter

Method Two: Enter the PIN into my AP

Step 1: For the configuration of the wireless adapter, please choose "Enter the PIN of this device into my access point or wireless router" in the configuration utility of the WPS as below, and click Connect.



The WPS Configuration Screen of Wireless Adapter

#### Note:

In this example, the default PIN code of this adapter is 16952898 as the above figure shown.

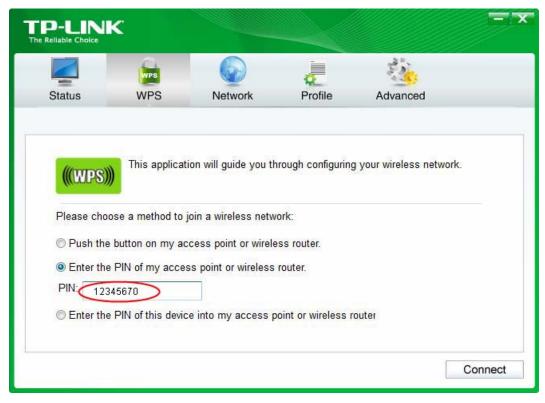
- Step 2: Keep the WPS Status as Enabled and click the Add device button in Figure 4-5.
- Step 3: Choose "Enter the new device's PIN" and enter the PIN code (take 16952898 for example) of the wireless adapter in the field after PIN as shown in the figure below. Then click Connect.



Figure 4-7

Method Three: Enter the PIN from my AP

- Step 1: Get the Current PIN code of the AP in Figure 4-5 (each AP has its unique PIN code. Here takes the PIN code 12345670 of this AP for example).
- Step 2: For the configuration of the wireless adapter, please choose "Enter the PIN of my access point or wireless router" in the configuration utility of the WPS as below, and enter the PIN code of the AP into the field after "Access Point PIN". Then click Connect.



The WPS Configuration Screen of Wireless Adapter

#### Note:

The default PIN code of the AP can be found in its label or the WPS configuration screen as Figure 4-5.

You will see the following screen when the new device has successfully connected to the network.

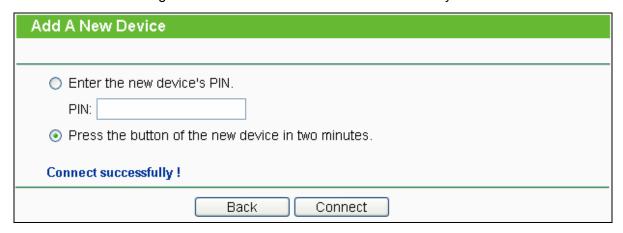


Figure 4-8

#### Note:

- 1. The WPS LED on the AP will light green for five minutes if the device has been successfully added to the network.
- 2. The WPS function cannot be configured if the Wireless function of the AP is disabled. Please make sure the Wireless function is enabled before configuring the WPS.

#### 4.6 Network

The **Network** option allows you to customize your local network manually by changing the default settings of the AP.

Selecting **Network** will enable you to configure the IP parameters of Network on this page.

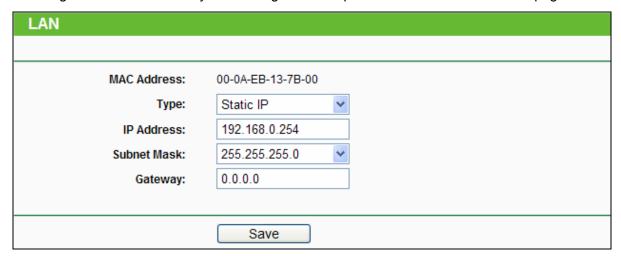


Figure 4-9 Network

- > **Type -** Select **Dynamic IP** to get IP address from DHCP server or select **Static IP** to configure IP address manually from the drop-down list.
- > **IP Address** Enter the IP address of your AP in dotted-decimal notation (factory default setting is 192.168.0.254).
- > **Subnet Mask** An address code that determines the size of the network. Normally use 255.255.255.0 as the subnet mask.
- > Gateway The gateway should be in the same subnet as your IP address.
- MAC Address The physical address of the AP. The value can't be changed.

#### Note:

- 1. If you change the IP Address, you must use the new IP Address to log in the AP.
- 2. If the new LAN IP Address you set is not in the same subnet with the IP Address pool of DHCP sever, the IP Address pool will not take effect until it is re-configured accordingly.

#### 4.7 Wireless

The **Wireless** option, improving functionality and performance for wireless network, can help you make the AP an ideal solution for your wireless network. Here you can create a wireless local area network just through a few settings. Wireless Settings is used for the configuration of some basic parameters of the AP. Wireless Security provides three different security types to secure your data and thus provide greater security for your wireless network. MAC filtering allows you to control the access of wireless stations to the AP. Wireless Advanced allows you to configure some advanced parameters for the AP. Throughput Monitor helps to watch wireless throughput information Wireless statistics enables you to get detailed information about the current connected wireless stations.

There are seven submenus under the Wireless menu (shown in Figure 4-10): Wireless Settings, Wireless Security, Wireless MAC Filtering, Wireless Advanced, Antenna Alignment,

**Throughput Monitor** and **Wireless Statistics**. Click any of them, and you will be able to configure the corresponding function. The detailed explanations for each submenu are provided below.



Figure 4-10 Wireless menu

#### 4.7.1 Wireless Settings

Selecting **Wireless > Wireless Settings** will enable you to configure the basic settings for your wireless network on the screen below (Figure 4-12). This page allows you to configure the wireless mode for your device. Two operation modes are supported here, including **Repeater (Range Extender)** and **Access Point**. The available setting options for each operation mode are different from those of the other.

1) Repeater (Range Extender): In this mode, the product can extend the coverage of another wireless Access Point or Router. The universal repeater mode is for the wireless Access Point or Router which does not support WDS function.

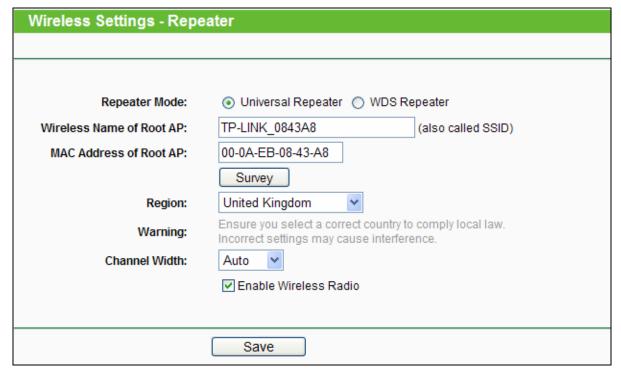


Figure 4-11 Wireless Settings in Repeater mode

> Repeater Mode - Select the mode based on your need.

- Universal Repeater In Repeater mode, the AP with WDS enabled will relays data to an associated root AP. AP function is enabled meanwhile. The wireless repeater relays signal between its stations and the root AP for greater wireless range.
- WDS Repeater In Universal Repeater mode, the AP with WDS disabled will relays data to an associated root AP. AP function is enabled meanwhile. The wireless repeater relays signal between its stations and the root AP for greater wireless range.
- Wireless Name of Root AP If you select the radio button before Wireless Name of Root AP, the AP client will connect to the AP according to SSID. Enter the SSID of AP that you want to access.
- MAC Address of Root AP If you select the radio button before MAC Address of Root AP, the AP client will connect to the AP according MAC address. Enter the MAC address of AP that you want to access.
- > Region Please select the right region from the drop-down list.
- Channel Width Determines the channel width to be used. It is unnecessary to change the default value unless required.
- Enable Wireless Radio Select or deselect this check box to allow or deny wireless stations to access the device.

Click the **Survey** button to detect the SSIDs in the local area.

#### Note:

To apply any settings you have altered on the page, please click the **Save** button, and then you will be reminded to reboot the device.

2) Access Point: This mode allows wireless stations to access this device.

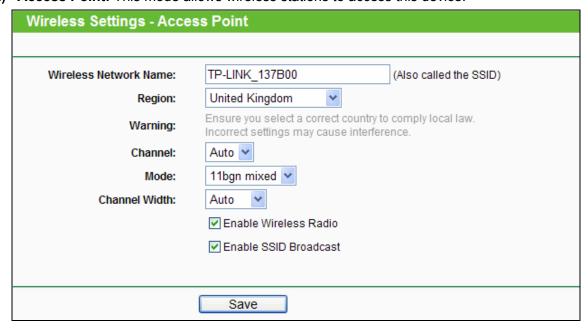


Figure 4-12 Wireless Settings in Access Point mode

SSID (Set Service Identifier) - Identifies your wireless network name. Create a name up to 32 characters and make sure all wireless points in the wireless network with the same SSID. The default SSID is TP-LINK\_XXXXXX (XXXXXXX indicates the last unique six characters of each device's MAC address). This value is case-sensitive. For example, TEST is NOT the same as test.

Region - Select your region from the pull-down list. This field specifies the region where the wireless function of the device can be used. It may be illegal to use the wireless function of the device in a region other than one of those specified in this field. If your country or region is not listed, please contact your local government agency for assistance.

When you select your local region from the pull-down list, click the **Save** button, then the Note Dialog appears. Click **OK**.



Note Dialog

#### P Note:

Limited by local law regulations, version for North America does not have region selection option.

- > **Channel -** Determines the operating frequency to be used. It is not necessary to change the wireless channel unless you notice interference problems with another nearby access point.
- > **Mode -** Select the desired wireless mode. The options are:
  - 11b only Only 802.11b wireless stations can connect to the device.
  - **11g only -** Only 802.11g wireless stations can connect to the device.
  - 11n only Only 802.11n wireless stations can connect to the device.
  - 11bg mixed Both 802.11b and 802.11g wireless stations can connect to the device.
  - **11bgn mixed -** All 802.11b, 802.11g and 802.11n wireless stations can connect to the device.
- > **Channel Width -** Determines the channel width to be used. It is unnecessary to change the default value unless required.
- > **Enable Wireless Radio -** Select or deselect this check box to allow or deny wireless stations to access the device.
- Enable SSID Broadcast Select or deselect this check box to allow or deny the device to broadcast its name (SSID) on the air. If it's allowed, when wireless clients survey the local area for wireless networks to associate with, they will detect the SSID broadcast by the device.

#### Note:

To apply any settings you have altered on the page, please click the **Save** button, and then you will be reminded to reboot the device.

#### 4.7.2 Wireless Security

Selecting **Wireless** > **Wireless Security** will enable you to configure wireless security for your wireless network to protect your data from intruders. The AP provides three security types: WEP, WPA/WPA2 and WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK. Wireless security can be set on the following screen shown as Figure 4-14. The security options are different for different operation mode.

#### 1) Repeater (Range Extender)

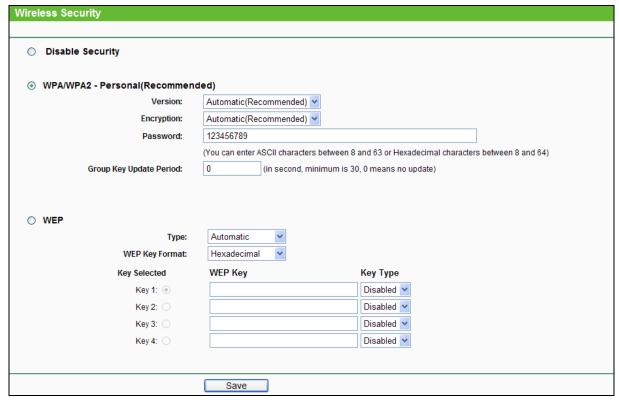


Figure 4-13 Wireless Security – Repeater

- Disable Security Check this box radio button to disable wireless security. If disabled, the wireless stations will be able to connect this device without encryption. It is strongly recommended that you choose one of the security types to enable security.
- > WPA/WPA2-Personal(Recommended) Select WPA/WPA2 based on Radius Server.
  - Version You can select one of following versions.
  - 1) **Automatic(Recommended) -** Select **WPA-Personal** or **WPA2-Personal** automatically based on the wireless station's capability and request.
  - 2) WPA-Personal Wi-Fi Protected Access.
  - 3) WPA2-Personal WPA version 2.
  - Encryption You can select either Automatic, TKIP or AES.
  - **Group Key Update Period** Specify the group key update interval in seconds. The value can be either 0 or at least 30. Enter 0 to disable the update.
- WEP Select 802.11 WEP security.
  - Type You can select one of following types.
  - 1) **Automatic** Select **Shared Key** or **Open System** authentication type automatically based on the wireless station's capability and request.
  - 2) Shared Key Select 802.11 Shared Key authentication type.
  - Open System Select 802.11 Open System authentication.

- **WEP Key Format** You can select **ASCII** or **Hexadecimal** format. ASCII format stands for any combination of keyboard characters in the specified length. Hexadecimal format stands for any combination of hexadecimal digits (0-9, a-f, A-F) in the specified length.
- **WEP Key** Select which of the four keys will be used and enter the matching WEP key information for your network in the selected key radio button. These values must be identical on all wireless stations in your network.
- **Key Type** You can select the WEP key length (**64-bit**, or **128-bit**, or **152-bit**.) for encryption. "Disabled" means this WEP key entry is invalid.
- 1) For **64-bit** encryption You can enter 10 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 5 ASCII characters.
- For 128-bit encryption You can enter 26 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 13 ASCII characters.
- 3) For **152-bit** encryption You can enter 32 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 16 ASCII characters.

#### P Note:

- 1. If you do not set the key, the wireless security function is still disabled even if you have selected Shared Key as Authentication Type.
- 2. You will be reminded to reboot the device after clicking the **Save** button.

#### 2) Access Point

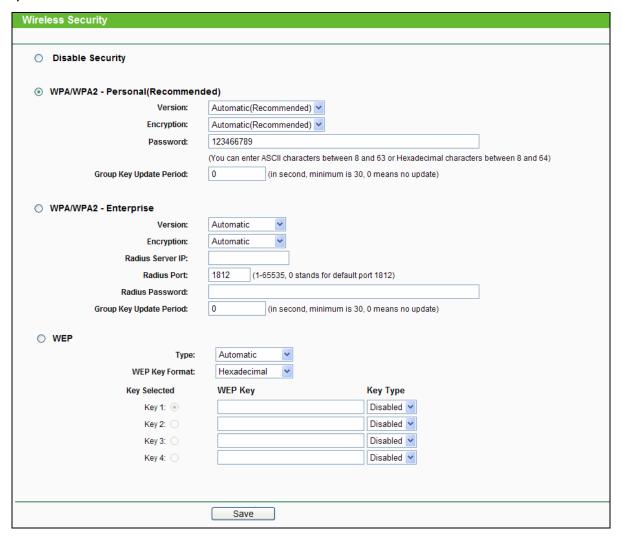


Figure 4-14 Wireless Security - Access Point

- Disable Security Check this box radio button to disable wireless security. If disabled, the wireless stations will be able to connect this device without encryption. It is strongly recommended that you choose one of the security types to enable security.
- > WPA/WPA2-Personal(Recommended) Select WPA/WPA2 based on Radius Server.
  - Version You can select one of following versions.
  - 1) **Automatic(Recommended) -** Select **WPA-Personal** or **WPA2-Personal** automatically based on the wireless station's capability and request.
  - 2) WPA-Personal Wi-Fi Protected Access.
  - 3) WPA2-Personal WPA version 2.
  - Encryption You can select either Automatic, TKIP or AES.
  - **Group Key Update Period** Specify the group key update interval in seconds. The value can be either 0 or at least 30. Enter 0 to disable the update.
- > WPA/WPA2-Enterprise Select WPA/WPA2 based on Radius Server.
  - Version You can select one of following versions.

- Automatic Select WPA or WPA2 automatically based on the wireless station's capability and request.
- WPA Wi-Fi Protected Access.
- WPA2 WPA version 2. 3)
- **Encryption** You can select either **Automatic**, **TKIP** or **AES**.
- Radius Server IP Enter the IP address of the Radius Server.
- Radius Port Enter the port used by radius service.
- Radius Password Enter the password for the Radius Server.
- Group Key Update Period Specify the group key update interval in seconds. The value can be either 0 or at least 30. Enter 0 to disable the update.
- WEP Select 802.11 WEP security.
  - **Type** You can select one of following types.
  - Automatic Select Shared Key or Open System authentication type automatically based on the wireless station's capability and request.
  - Shared Key Select 802.11 Shared Key authentication type. 2)
  - **Open System** Select 802.11 **Open System** authentication.
  - WEP Key Format You can select ASCII or Hexadecimal format. ASCII format stands for any combination of keyboard characters in the specified length. Hexadecimal format stands for any combination of hexadecimal digits (0-9, a-f, A-F) in the specified length.
  - WEP Key Select which of the four keys will be used and enter the matching WEP key information for your network in the selected key radio button. These values must be identical on all wireless stations in your network.
  - Key Type You can select the WEP key length (64-bit, or 128-bit, or 152-bit.) for encryption. "Disabled" means this WEP key entry is invalid.
  - 1) For **64-bit** encryption You can enter 10 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 5 ASCII characters.
  - 2) For **128-bit** encryption You can enter 26 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 13 ASCII characters.
  - For **152-bit** encryption You can enter 32 hexadecimal digits (any combination of 0-9, a-f, A-F, zero key is not permitted) or 16 ASCII characters.

#### P Note:

- 1. If you do not set the key, the wireless security function is still disabled even if you have selected Shared Key as Authentication Type.
- 2. You will be reminded to reboot the device after clicking the **Save** button.

#### 4.7.3 Wireless MAC Filtering

Selecting Wireless > Wireless MAC Filtering will allow you to set up some filtering rules to control wireless stations accessing the device, which depend on the station's MAC address on the following screen as shown Figure 4-15. This function is not available when the operation is set to Client. As the configuration is the same in each operation mode, here we just take the Access Point for example.



Figure 4-15 Wireless MAC address Filtering

The Wireless MAC Address Filtering feature allows you to control wireless stations accessing the device, which depend on the station's MAC addresses.

➤ Wireless MAC Filtering - Click the Enable button to enable the Wireless MAC Address Filtering. The default setting is disabled.

To Add a Wireless MAC Address filtering entry, click the **Add New...** button. The "Add or Modify Wireless MAC Address Filtering entry" page will appear, shown in Figure 4-16



Figure 4-16 Add or Modify Wireless MAC Address Filtering entry

- MAC Address Enter the wireless station's MAC address that you want to control.
- **Description -** Give a simple description of the wireless station.
- Status Select a status for this entry, either Enabled or Disabled.

### To set up an entry, follow these instructions:

First, you must decide whether the unspecified wireless stations can access the device or not. If you desire that the unspecified wireless stations can access the device, please select the radio button **Deny the stations specified by any enabled entries in the list to access**, otherwise, select the radio button **Allow the stations specified by any enabled entries in the list to access**.

## To add a MAC Address Filtering entry, follow these instructions:

1. Enter the appropriate MAC Address into the **MAC Address** field. The format of the MAC Address is XX-XX-XX-XX-XX (X is any hexadecimal digit). For example: 00-0A-EB-B0-00-0B.

- 2. Enter a simple description of the wireless station in the **Description** field. For example: Wireless station A.
- 3. Select **Enabled** or **Disabled** for this entry on the **Status** pull-down list.
- 4. Click the **Save** button to save this entry.

To add additional entries, repeat steps 1-4.

## To modify or delete an existing entry:

- 1. Click the **Modify** in the entry you want to modify. If you want to delete the entry, click the **Delete**.
- 2. Modify the information.
- 3. Click the **Save** button.

Click the Enable All button to make all entries enabled

Click the **Disable All** button to make all entries disabled.

Click the **Delete All** button to delete all entries

Click the **Next** button to go to the next page and click the **Previous** button to return to the previous page.

**For example:** If you desire that the wireless station A with MAC address 00-0A-EB-00- 07-BE is able to access the device, while all other wireless stations cannot access the device, you should configure the **Wireless MAC Address Filtering** list by following these steps:

- 1. Click the **Enable** button to enable this function.
- 2. Select the radio button: Allow the stations specified by any enabled entries in the list to access for Filtering Rules.
- 3. Delete all or disable all entries if there are any entries already.
- 4. Click the Add New... button and enter the MAC address 00-0A-EB-00-07-BE in the MAC Address field, enter Wireless Station A in the Description field and select Enabled in the Status pull-down list. Click the Save button.

The filtering rules that configured should be similar to the following list:

ID	MAC Address	Status	Description	Modify
1	00-0A-EB-00-07-BE	Enabled	wireless station A	Modify Delete

#### P Note:

If you enable the function and select the "Allow the stations specified by any enabled entries in the list to access" for Filtering Rules, and there are not any enabled entries in the list, thus, no wireless stations can access the device.

#### 4.7.4 Wireless Advanced

Selecting **Wireless > Wireless Advanced** will allow you to do some advanced settings for the device in the following screen shown in Figure 4-17. As the configuration for each operation mode is almost the same, we take Access Point mode for example here.

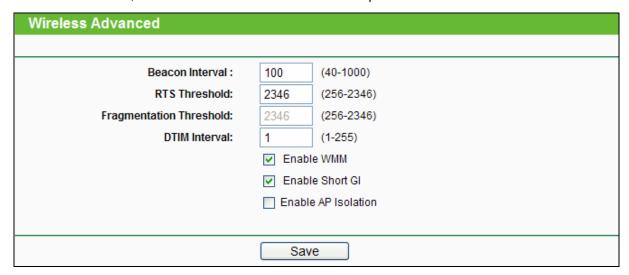


Figure 4-17 Wireless Advanced

- ➤ **Beacon Interval -** Specifies a value between 20-1000 milliseconds. The beacons are the packets sent by the device to synchronize a wireless network. Beacon Interval value determines the time interval of the beacons. The default value is 100.
- > RTS Threshold Specifies the RTS (Request to Send) Threshold. If the packet is larger than the specified RTS Threshold size, the device will send RTS frames to a particular receiving station and negotiate the sending of a data frame. The default value is 2346.
- Fragmentation Threshold This value is the maximum size determining whether packets will be fragmented. Setting the Fragmentation Threshold too low may result in poor network performance since excessive packets. 2346 is the default setting and is recommended.
- > **DTIM Interval -** Determines the interval of the Delivery Traffic Indication Message (DTIM). You can specify the value between 1-255 Beacon Intervals. The default value is 1, which indicates the DTIM Interval is the same as Beacon Interval.
- **Enable WMM -** WMM function can guarantee the packets with high- priority messages being transmitted preferentially. It is strongly recommended enabled.
- ➤ **Enable Short GI -** This function is recommended for it will increase the data capacity by reducing the guard interval time.
- Enable AP Isolation Isolates all connected wireless stations so that wireless stations cannot access each other through WLAN. This function will be disabled if WDS/Bridge is enabled.

## 4.7.5 Antenna Alignment

Selecting **Wireless** > **Antenna Alignment** will show how remote AP's signal strength changes while changing the antenna's direction in the following screen shown in Figure 4-18.

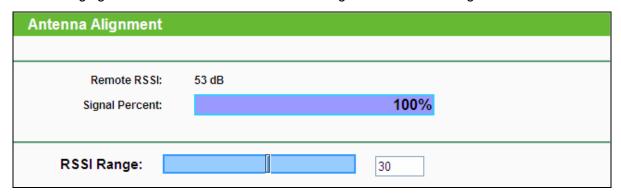


Figure 4-18 Antenna Alignment

- Remote RSSI Remote AP's signal strength value.
- > Signal Percent The ratio of RSSI to RSSI RANGE in percentage.
- RSSI Range Drag the Slider to set or input the RSSI RANGE value.

## 4.7.6 Throughput Monitor

Selecting **Wireless** > **Throughput Monitor** will helps to watch wireless throughput information in the following screen shown in Figure 4-19.

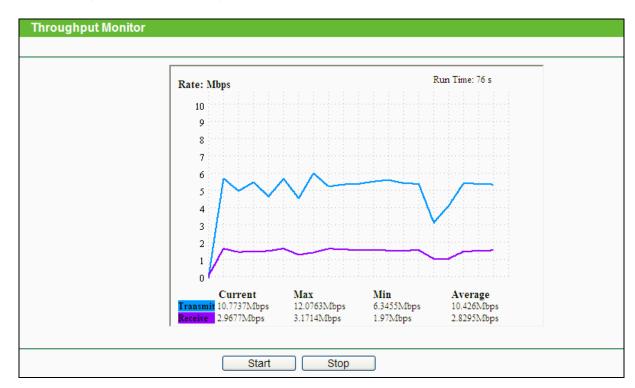


Figure 4-19 Throughput Monitor

- > Rate The Throughput unit.
- > Run Time How long this function is running.
- Transmit Wireless transmit rate information.

> Receive - Wireless receive rate information.

Click the **Start** button to start wireless throughput monitor.

Click the **Stop** button to stop wireless throughput monitor.

#### 4.7.7 Wireless Statistics

Selecting **Wireless > Wireless Statistics** will allow you to see the wireless transmission information in the following screen shown in Figure 4-20.

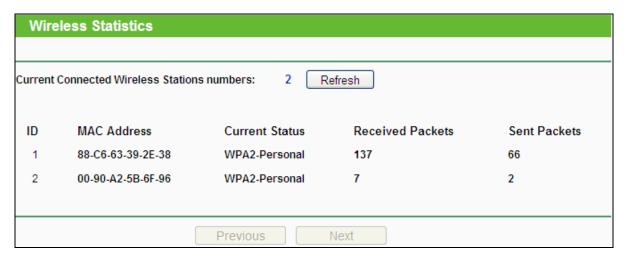


Figure 4-20 Statistics of the device attached wireless stations

- MAC Address Shows the connected wireless station's MAC address
- Current Status The connected wireless station's running status, one of STA-AUTH / STA-ASSOC / STA-JOINED / WPA / WPA-PSK / WPA2 / WPA2-PSK / AP-UP / AP-DOWN / Disconnected
- Received Packets packets received by the station
- > Sent Packets packets sent by the station

You cannot change any of the values on this page. To update this page and to show the current connected wireless stations, click the **Refresh** button.

If the numbers of connected wireless stations go beyond one page, click the **Next** button to go to the next page and click the **Previous** button to return the previous page.

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This page will be refreshed automatically every 5 seconds.

#### 4.8 DHCP

DHCP stands for Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol. The DHCP Server will automatically assign dynamic IP addresses to the computers on the network. This protocol simplifies network management and allows new wireless devices to receive IP addresses automatically without the need to manually assign new IP addresses.

There are three submenus under the DHCP menu (shown as Figure 4-21): **DHCP Settings**, **DHCP Clients List** and **Address Reservation**. Clicking any of them will enable you to configure the corresponding function. The detailed explanations for each submenu are provided below.



Figure 4-21 The DHCP menu

## 4.8.1 DHCP Settings

Selecting **DHCP** > **DHCP Settings** will enable you to set up the AP as a DHCP (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol) server, which provides the TCP/IP configuration for all the PCs that are connected to the system on the LAN. The DHCP Server can be configured on the page (shown as Figure 4-22):

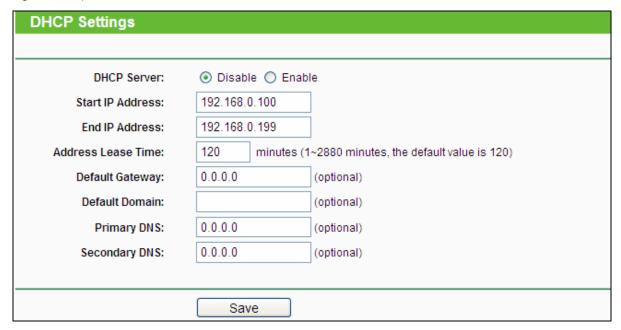


Figure 4-22 DHCP Settings

- DHCP Server Selecting the radio button before Disable/Enable will disable/enable the DHCP server on your AP. The default setting is Enable. If you disable the Server, you must have another DHCP server within your network or else you must manually configure the computer.
- > **Start IP Address -** This field specifies the first address in the IP Address pool. 192.168.0.100 is the default start IP address.
- > End IP Address This field specifies the last address in the IP Address pool. 192.168.0.199 is the default end IP address.
- Address Lease Time Enter the amount of time for the PC to connect to the AP with its current assigned dynamic IP address. The time is measured in minutes. After the time is up, the PC will be automatically assigned a new dynamic IP address. The range of the time is 1 ~ 2880 minutes. The default value is 120 minutes.
- Default Gateway (optional) Enter the IP address of the gateway for your LAN. The factory default setting is 0.0.0.0.
- Default Domain (optional) Enter the domain name of the your DHCP server. You can leave the field blank.

- Primary DNS (optional) Enter the DNS IP address provided by your ISP. Consult your ISP if you don't know the DNS value. The factory default setting is 0.0.0.0.
- Secondary DNS (optional) Enter the IP address of another DNS server if your ISP provides two DNS servers. The factory default setting is 0.0.0.0.

Click **Save** to save the changes.

#### Note:

- 1. When the device is working on Dynamic IP mode, the DHCP Server function will be disabled.
- 2. To use the DHCP server function of the device, you should configure all computers in the LAN as "Obtain an IP Address automatically" mode. This function will not take effect until the device reboots.

#### 4.8.2 DHCP Clients List

Selecting **DHCP** > **DHCP Clients List** will enable you to view the Client Name, MAC Address, Assigned IP and Lease Time for each DHCP Client attached to the device (Figure 4-23).



Figure 4-23 DHCP Clients List

- ID Here displays the index of the DHCP client.
- > Client Name Here displays the name of the DHCP client.
- > MAC Address Here displays the MAC address of the DHCP client.
- > Assigned IP Here displays the IP address that the AP has allocated to the DHCP client.
- ➤ **Lease Time -** Here displays the time of the DHCP client leased. Before the time is up, DHCP client will request to renew the lease automatically.

You cannot change any of the values on this page. To update this page and to show the current attached devices, click on the **Refresh** button.

#### 4.8.3 Address Reservation

Selecting **DHCP** > **Address Reservation** will enable you to specify a reserved IP address for a PC on the LAN, so the PC will always obtain the same IP address each time when it accesses the AP. Reserved IP addresses should be assigned to servers that require permanent IP settings. The screen below is used for address reservation (shown in Figure 4-24).



Figure 4-24 Address Reservation

- MAC Address Here displays the MAC address of the PC for which you want to reserve an IP address.
- Reserved IP Address Here displays the IP address that the AP is reserved.
- > Status Here shows whether the entry is enabled or not
- Modify To modify or delete an existing entry.

## To Reserve IP addresses:

- 1. Click the **Add New...** button to add a new Address Reservation entry.
- 2. Enter the MAC address in XX-XX-XX-XX-XX format and IP address in dotted-decimal notation of the computer you wish to add.
- 3. Click Save when finished.

#### To modify A Reserved IP address:

- 1. Select the reserved address entry to your needs and click **Modify**. If you wish to delete the entry, click **Delete**.
- Click Save to keep your changes.

#### To delete all Reserved IP addresses:

- 1. Click Clear All.
- Click Next to go to the next page and Click Previous to return the previous page.

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The changes won't take effect until the device reboots.

## 4.9 System Tools

**System Tools** option helps you to optimize the configuration of your device. SNMP can help you to manage the device locally or remotely with specified software. The diagnostic tools (Ping and Traceroute) allow you to check the connections of your network components. You can upgrade the AP to the latest version of firmware as well as backup or restore the AP's configuration files. Ping Watch Dog can help to continuously monitor a particular connection to a remote host. It's suggested that you change the default password to a more secure one because it controls access to the device's web-based management page. Besides, you can find out what happened to the system in System Log.

There are eleven submenus under the **System Tools** menu (shown as Figure 4-25): **SNMP**, **Time Settings**, **Diagnostic**, **Ping Watch Dog**, **Firmware Upgrade**, **Factory Defaults**, **Backup & Restore**, **Reboot**, **Password**, **System Log** and **Statistics**. Clicking any of them will enable you to configure the corresponding function. The detailed explanations for each submenu are provided below.

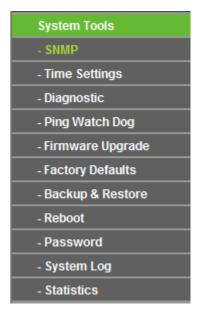


Figure 4-25 The System Tools menu

## 4.9.1 SNMP

Selecting **System Tools > SNMP** to enable this function will allow the network management station to retrieve statistics and status from the SNMP agent in this device. Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) is a popular network monitoring and management protocol, used to refer to a collection of specifications for network management that include the protocol itself. To use this function, select Enable and enter the following parameters in Figure 4-26.

SNMP Settings	
SNMP Agent:	○ Enable ⊙ Disable
SysContact:	
SysName:	
SysLocation:	
Get Community:	public
Get Source:	0.0.0.0
Set Community:	private
Set Source:	0.0.0.0
Save	

Figure 4-26 SNMP

- > SNMP Agent Select the radio button before Enable will enable this function if you want to have remote control through SNMPv1/v2 agent with MIB-II. Select the radio button before Disable will disable this function. The default setting is Disable.
- > **SysContact -** The textual identification of the contact person for this managed node.
- > **SysName -** An administratively-assigned name for this managed node.
- SysLocation The physical location of this node.

#### Note:

Specifying one of these values via the Device's Web-Based Utility makes the corresponding object read-only. If there isn't such a config setting, then the write request will succeed (assuming suitable access control settings), but the new value would be forgotten the next time the agent was restarted.

- Get Community Enter the community name that allows Read-Only access to the Device's SNMP information. The community name can be considered a group password. The default setting is "public".
- > **Get Source** Get source defines the IP address or subnet for management systems that can read information from this 'get' community device.
- Set Community Enter the community name that allows Read/Write access to the Device's SNMP information. The community name can be considered a group password. The default setting is "private".
- > **Set Source** Set source defines the IP address or subnet for management systems that can control this 'set' community device.

#### P Note:

A restricted source can be a specific IP address (e.g. 10.10.10.1), or a subnet - represented as IP/BITS (e.g. 10.10.10.0/24). If an IP Address of 0.0.0.0 is specified, the agent will accept all requests under the corresponding community name.

Click the **Save** button to save your settings.

## 4.9.2 Time Settings

Choose menu **System Tools > Time Settings**, and then you can configure the time on the following screen.

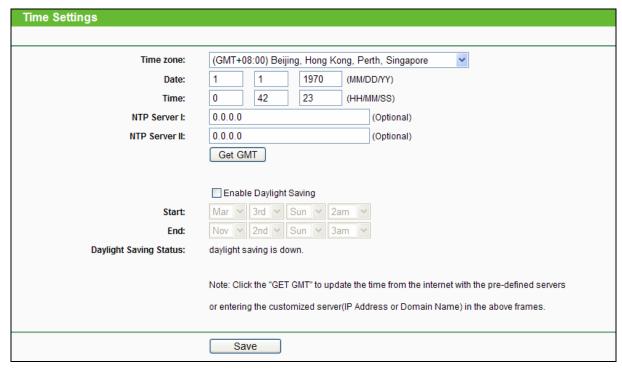


Figure 4-27 Time settings

- Time Zone Select your local time zone from this pull down list.
- > To set time manually:
- 1. Select your local time zone.
- 2. Enter the **Date** in Month/Day/Year format.
- 3. Enter the **Time** in Hour/Minute/Second format.
- 4. Click Save.
- For automatic time synchronization:
- 1. Enter the address of the NTP Server Prior.
- 2. Click the **Get GMT** button to get GMT from the Internet.

## P Note:

- 1. This setting will be used for some time-based functions such as firewall functions. These time-dependant functions will not work if time is not set. So, it is important to specify time settings as soon as you successfully login to the Device.
- 2. The time will be lost if the Device is turned off.
- 3. The Device will automatically obtain GMT from the Internet if it is configured accordingly.

## 4.9.3 Diagnostic

Selecting **System Tools** > **Diagnostic** allow you to check the connections of your network components on the screen shown in Figure 4-28.

Diagnostic Tools		
Diagnostic Parameters		
Diagnostic Tool:	Ping	○ Traceroute
IP Address/ Domain Name:		
Ping Count:	4	(1-50)
Ping Packet Size:	64	(4-1472 Bytes)
Ping Timeout:	800	(100-2000 Milliseconds)
Traceroute Max TTL:	20	(1-30)
Diagnostic Results		
The Device is ready.		
<u> </u>		
	Sta	rt

Figure 4-28 Diagnostic

Diagnostic Tools - Click the radio button to select one diagnostic tool

- Ping This diagnostic tool troubleshoots connectivity, reachability, and name resolution
  to a given host or gateway by using the Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP)
  protocol's mandatory Echo Request datagram to elicit an ICMP Echo Response from a
  host or gateway. You can use ping to test both numeric IP address or domain name. If
  pinging the IP address is successful, but pinging the domain name is not, you might have
  a name resolution problem. In this case, ensure that the domain name you are specifying
  can be resolved by using Domain Name System (DNS) gueries.
- Traceroute This diagnostic tool determines the path taken to a given host by sending Internet Control Message Protocol (ICMP) Echo Request messages with varying Time to Live (TTL) values to the destination. Each gateway along the path is required to decrement the TTL in an IP packet by at least 1 before forwarding it. Effectively, the TTL is a maximum link counter. When the TTL on a packet reaches 0, the gateway is expected to return an ICMP Time Exceeded response to your device. Traceroute determines the path by sending the first Echo Request message with a TTL of 1 and incrementing the TTL by 1 on each subsequent transmission until the target responds or the maximum number of hops is reached. The maximum number of hops is 20 by default and can be specified in the field "Traceroute Max TTL". The path is determined by examining the ICMP Time Exceeded messages returned by intermediate gateways and the Echo Reply message returned by the destination. However, some gateways do not return Time Exceeded messages for packets with expired TTL values and are invisible to the traceroute tool. In this case, a row of asterisks (\*) is displayed for that hop.

**IP Address -** Enter the IP Address (such as 202.108.22.5) of the PC whose connection you wish to diagnose.

Ping Count - Specifies the number of Echo Request messages sent. The default is 4.

Ping Packet Size - Specifies the number of data bytes to be sent. The default is 64.

Ping Timeout - Specifies the time to wait for a response in milliseconds. The default is 800.

**Traceroute Max TTL -** Set the maximum number of hops (max TTL to be reached) in the path to Survey for the target (destination). The default is 20.

Click the **Start** button to start the diagnostic procedure.

The **Diagnostic Results** page displays the result of diagnosis.

If the result is similar to the following screen, the connectivity of the Internet is fine.

```
Diagnostic Results

Pinging 202.108.22.5 with 64 bytes of data:

Reply from 202.108.22.5: bytes=64 time=1 TTL=127 seq=1
Reply from 202.108.22.5: bytes=64 time=1 TTL=127 seq=2
Reply from 202.108.22.5: bytes=64 time=1 TTL=127 seq=3
Reply from 202.108.22.5: bytes=64 time=1 TTL=127 seq=4

Ping statistics for 202.108.22.5
Packets: Sent = 4, Received = 4, Lost = 0 (0% loss),
Approximate round trip times in milliseconds:
Minimum = 1, Maximum = 1, Average = 1
```

Figure 4-29 Diagnostic Results

#### P Note:

- 1. Only one user can use this tool at one time.
- 2. Options "Number of Pings", "Ping Size" and "Ping Timeout" are only available for Ping function. Option "Tracert Hops" is available only for Tracert function.

## 4.9.4 Ping Watch Dog

Selecting **System Tools > Ping Watch Dog** allows you to continuously monitor the particular connection between the device to a remote host. It makes this device continuously ping a user defined IP address (it can be the internet gateway for example). If it is unable to ping under the user defined constraints, this device will automatically reboot.

Ping Watch Dog Utility		
☐ Enable Ping Watch Dog		
IP Address:		
Interval:	300 (10-300) seconds	
Delay:	300 (60-300) seconds	
Fail Count:	3 (1-65535)	
Save		

Figure 4-30 Ping Watch Dog Utility

- > Enable Turn on/off Ping Watch Dog.
- IP Address The IP address of the target host where the Ping Watch Dog Utility is sending ping packets.
- Interval Time internal between two ping packets which are sent out continuously.
- > **Delay -** Time delay before first ping packet is sent out when the device is restarted.
- Fail Count Upper limit of the ping packet the device can drop continuously. If this value is overrun, the device will restart automatically.

Be sure to click the **Submit** button to make your settings in operation.

## 4.9.5 Firmware Upgrade

Selecting **System Tools > Firmware Upgrade** allows you to upgrade the latest version of firmware for the device on the screen shown in Figure 4-31.

Firmware Upgrade		
File:		Browse
Firmware Version:	3.14.1 Build 120703 Rel.53755n	
Hardware Version:	WA730RE v2 00000000	
	Upgrade	

Figure 4-31 Firmware Upgrade

New firmware versions are posted at http://www.tp-link.com and can be downloaded for free.

- > Firmware Version Here displays the current firmware version.
- > **Hardware Version -** Here displays the current hardware version. The hardware version of the upgrade file must accord with the current hardware version.

#### P Note:

- 1. There is no need to upgrade the firmware unless the new firmware has a new feature you want to use. However, when experiencing problems caused by the device itself, you can try to upgrade the firmware.
- 2. Before upgrading the device's firmware, you should write down some of your customized settings to avoid losing important configuration settings of device.

#### To upgrade the device's firmware, follow these instructions:

- 1. Download a more recent firmware upgrade file from the TP-LINK website (http://www.tp-link.com).
- 2. Enter the path name or click **Browse...** to select the downloaded file on the computer into the **File** blank.
- 3. Click Upgrade.

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Do not turn off the device or press the **Reset** button while the firmware is being upgraded. The device will reboot after the Upgrading has been finished.

## 4.9.6 Factory Defaults

Selecting **System Tools** > **Factory Default** allows you to restore the factory default settings for the device on the screen shown in Figure 4-32.

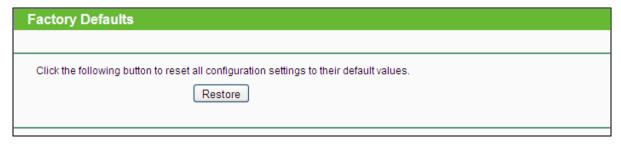


Figure 4-32 Restore Factory Defaults

Click **Restore** to reset all configuration settings to their default values.

Default User Name: admin
 Default Password: admin

Default IP Address: 192.168.0.254
 Default Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0

#### P Note:

Any settings you have saved will be lost when the default settings are restored.

## 4.9.7 Backup & Restore

Selecting **System Tools > Backup & Restore** allows you to save all configuration settings to your local computer as a file or restore the device's configuration on the screen shown in Figure 4-33.



Figure 4-33 Save or Restore the Configuration

Click **Backup** to save all configuration settings to your local computer as a file.

#### To restore the device's configuration, follow these instructions:

- Click **Browse...** to find the configuration file which you want to restore.
- Click **Restore** to update the configuration with the file whose path is the one you have input or selected in the blank.

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- 1. The current configuration will be covered with the uploading configuration file.
- 2. Wrong process will lead the device unmanaged.
- 3. The restoring process lasts for 20 seconds and restart automatically. Do not power off the device during the process to avoid any damage.

#### 4.9.8 Reboot

Selecting **System Tools** > **Reboot** allows you to reboot the device on the screen shown in Figure 4-34.

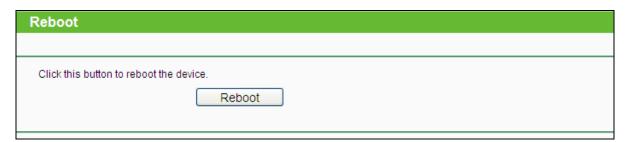


Figure 4-34 Reboot the device

Click the **Reboot** button to reboot the device.

Some settings of the device will take effect only after rebooting, which include:

- Change LAN IP Address (System will reboot automatically).
- Change the Wireless configurations.
- Change the Web Management Port.
- Upgrade the firmware of the device (system will reboot automatically).
- Restore the device's settings to factory defaults (system will reboot automatically).
- Update the configuration with a file (system will reboot automatically).

## 4.9.9 Password

Selecting **System Tools** > **Password** allows you to change the factory default user name and password of the device on the screen shown in Figure 4-35.

Password	
The username and password must n	ot exceed 14 characters in length and must not include any spaces!
Old User Name:	
Old Password:	
New User Name:	
New Password:	
Confirm New Password:	
	Save Clear All

Figure 4-35 Password

It is strongly recommended that you change the factory default user name and password of the device. All users who try to access the device's web-based management page or Quick Setup will be prompted for the device's user name and password.

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The new user name and password must not exceed 14 characters in length and must not include any spaces. Enter the new Password twice to confirm it.

Click Save when finished.

Click Clear All to clear all.

## 4.9.10 System Log

Selecting **System Tools** > **System Log** allows you to query the Logs of the device on the screen shown in Figure 4-36.

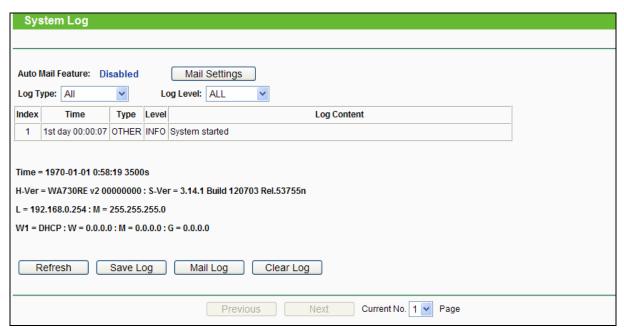


Figure 4-36 System Log

- Auto Mail Feature Indicates whether auto mail feature is enabled or not.
- ➤ **Mail Settings -** Set the receiving and sending mailbox address, server address, validation information as well as the timetable for Auto Mail Feature, as shown in Figure 4-37.

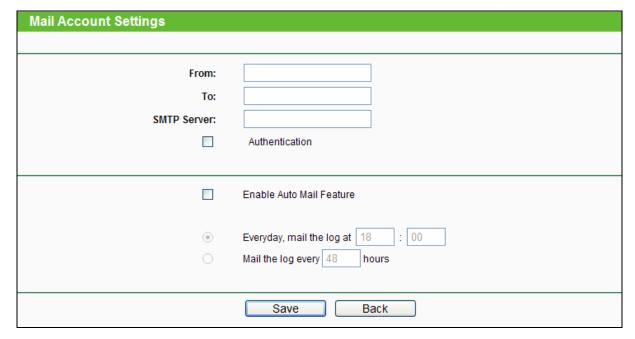


Figure 4-37 Mail Account Settings

- From Your mail box address. The Router would connect it to send logs.
- To Recipient's address. The destination mailbox where the logs would be received.
- **SMTP Server -** Your smtp server. It corresponds with the mailbox filled in the **From** field. You can log on the relevant website for help if you are not clear with the address.
- **Authentication** Most SMTP Server requires Authentication. It is required by most mailboxes that need User Name and Password to log in.

## Note:

Only when you select **Authentication**, do you have to enter the User Name and Password in the following fields.

- User Name Your mail account name filled in the From field. The part behind @ is excluded.
- Password Your mail account password.
- Confirm The Password Enter the password again to confirm.
- Enable Auto Mail Feature Select it to mail logs automatically. You could mail the current logs either at a specified time everyday or by intervals, but only one could be the current effective rule. Enter the desired time or intervals in the corresponding field as shown in Figure 4-37.

Click Save to keep your settings.

Click Back to return to the previous page.

- **Log Type -** By selecting the log type, only logs of this type will be shown.
- **Log Level -** By selecting the log level, only logs of this level will be shown.
- Refresh Refresh the page to show the latest log list.
- Save Log Click to save all the logs in a txt file.
- ➤ **Mail Log -** Click to send an email of current logs manually according to the address and validation information set in Mail Settings.
- > Clear Log All the logs will be deleted from the Router permanently, not just from the page.

Click the **Next** button to go to the next page, or click the **Previous** button to return to the previous page.

#### 4.9.11 Statistics

Choose menu **System Tools > Statistics**, and then you can view the statistics of the Device, including total traffic and current traffic of the last Packets Statistic Interval.

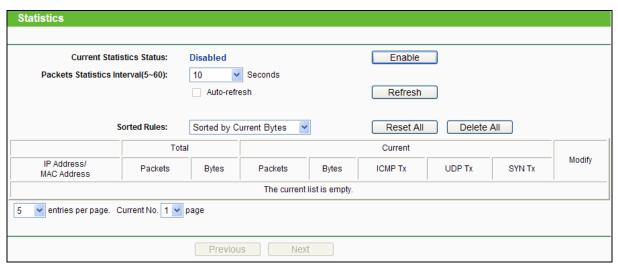


Figure 4-38 Statistics

The Statistics page shows the network traffic of each PC on the LAN, including total traffic and the value of the last **Packets Statistic interval** in seconds.

Current Statistics Status - Enabled or Disabled. The default value is disabled. To enable,

click the Enable button. If disabled, the function of DoS protection in Security settings will be disabled.

- Packets Statistics Interval The default value is 10. Select a value between 5 and 60 seconds in the pull-down list. The Packets Statistic interval value indicates the time section of the packets statistic.
- Sorted Rules Choose how displayed statistics are sorted.

Click the **Auto-refresh** checkbox to refresh automatically.

Click the **Refresh** button to refresh the page.

Click the **Reset All** button to reset the values of all entries to zero.

Click the **Delete All** button to delete all entries in the table.

#### Statistics Table



Figure 4-39 Statistics Table

➤ IP Address/MAC Address - The IP Address and MAC address are displayed with related statistics.

#### > Total

- Packets The total number of packets received and transmitted by the Device.
- Bytes The total number of bytes received and transmitted by the Device.

#### Current

- Packets The total number of packets received and transmitted in the last Packets Statistics interval seconds.
- Bytes The total number of bytes received and transmitted in the last Packets Statistics interval seconds.
- ICMP Tx The number of ICMP packets transmitted to the WAN per second at the specified Packets Statistics interval. It is shown like "current transmitting rate / Max transmitting rate".
- **UDP Tx** The number of UDP packets transmitted to the WAN per second at the specified Packets Statistics interval. It is shown like "current transmitting rate / Max transmitting rate".
- TCP SYN Tx The number of TCP SYN packets transmitted to the WAN per second at the specified Packets Statistics interval. It is shown like "current transmitting rate / Max transmitting rate".

#### Modify

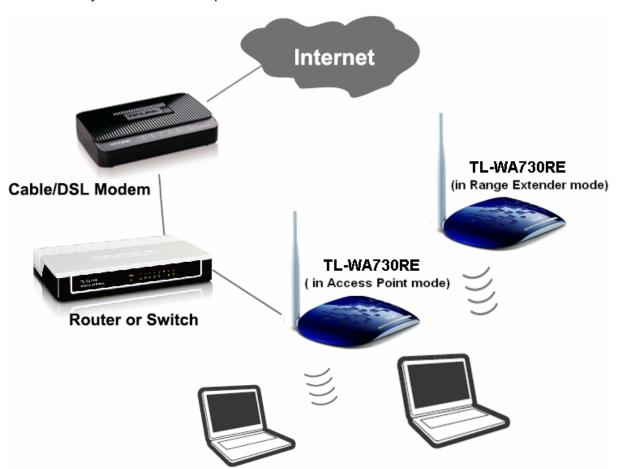
• Reset - Reset the values of the entry to zero.

**Delete -** Delete the existing entry in the table.

## **Appendix A: Application Example**

The TL-WA730RE allows you to connect a wireless device to the wired network. Providing that you want to connect your computer equipped with wireless adapter to a wired network wirelessly, you can take the following instructions.

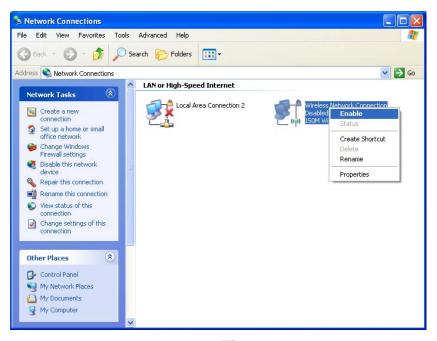
- Configure the AP via a wired connection.
  - 1) Connect your AP to your PC with an Ethernet cable.
  - 2) Log on to the web-based management page. Configure your AP in the **Access Point** mode and check the **Enable SSID Broadcast** box referring to <u>4.7.1 Wireless Settings</u>.
  - 3) View the Wireless > Wireless Settings page and keep the SSID of the AP in mind. (Here we choose TP-LINK as the SSID for example.) You are suggested to change the SSID and secure your wireless network referring to 4.7.1 Wireless Settings and 4.7.2 Wireless Security.
  - 4) Remove the Ethernet cable between the AP and your PC.
- 2. Connect your AP to the LAN port on the Router with an Ethernet cable.



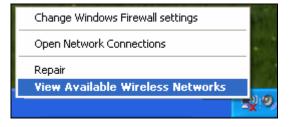
- 3. Configure your PC to connect to the network wirelessly.
  - 1) Click **start** (in the lower left corner of the PC's screen), right-click **My Network Connections** and choose **Properties**.



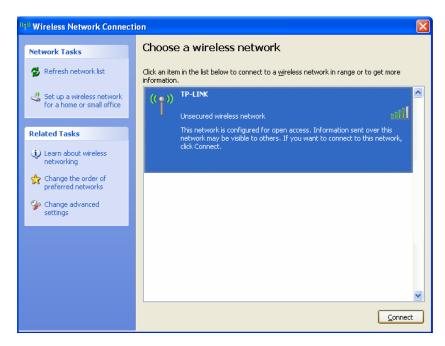
2) On the **My Network Connections** window, right-click **Wireless Network** and choose **Enable** to enable wireless network function.



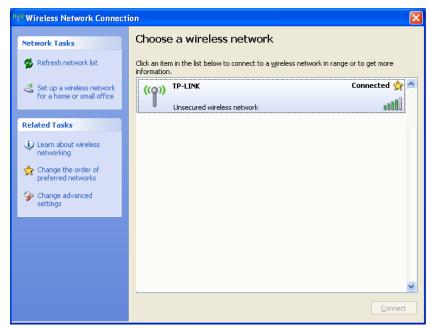
3) Right-click the wireless connection icon "" on the screen of the PC and then select View Available Wireless Networks.



4) Highlight the SSID of the AP (Here is TP-LINK) and click **Connect** to add to the network.



5) Then the following page will display, which indicates you have been successfully added to the network wirelessly.



# **Appendix B: Factory Defaults**

Item	Default Value
Common Default Settings	
Username	admin
Password	admin
IP Address	192.168.0.254
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
Wireless	
SSID	TP-LINK_XXXXXX
Wireless Security	Disable
Wireless MAC Address Filtering	Disable
DHCP	
DHCP Server	Disable
Start IP Address	192.168.0.100
End IP Address	192.168.0.199
Address Lease Time	120 minutes (Range:1 ~ 2880 minutes)
Default Gateway (optional)	0.0.0.0
Primary DNS (optional)	0.0.0.0
Secondary DNS (optional)	0.0.0.0

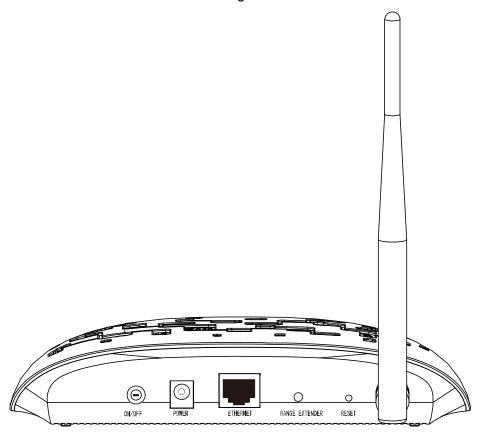
## Note:

The default SSID is TP-LINK\_XXXXXX (XXXXXX indicates the last unique six characters of each device's MAC address). This value is case-sensitive.

## **Appendix C: Troubleshooting**

## T1. How do I restore my Access Point's configuration to its factory default settings?

With the Access Point powered on, use a pin to press and hold the **RESET** button on the rear panel for more than 8 seconds before releasing it.



#### Note:

Once the Access Point is reset, the current configuration settings will be lost and you will need to reconfigure the Access Point.

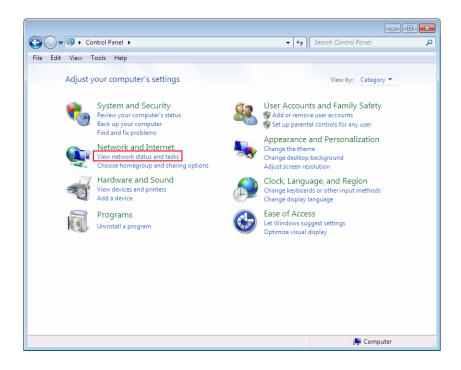
## T2. What can I do if I forget my password?

- 1) Restore the Access Point's configuration to its factory default settings. If you don't know how to do that, please refer to previous section **T1**;
- 2) Use the default user name and password: **admin**, **admin**;
- 3) Try to reconfigure your AP by following the instructions of this UG.

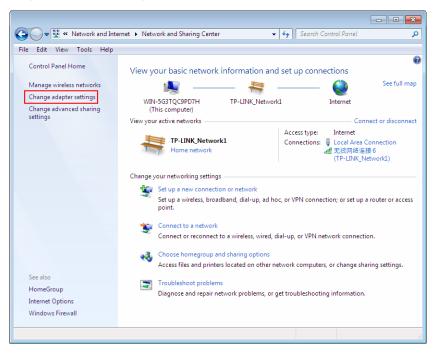
## T3. What can I do if I cannot access the web-based configuration page?

Assign a static IP address 192.168.0.100 for your computer first before logging in the management page. Here takes the procedures in Windows 7 for example.

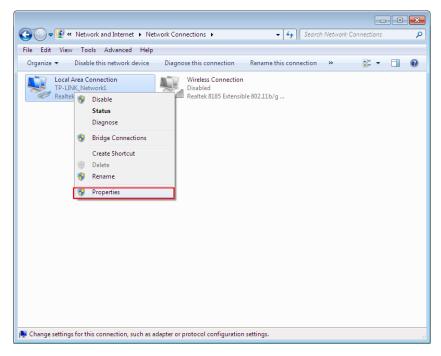
 Go to Start > Settings > Control Panel, and then Click View network status and tasks.



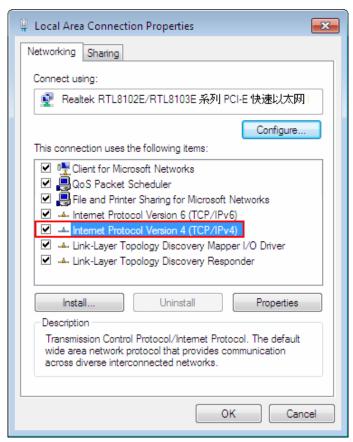
2) Click Change adapter settings



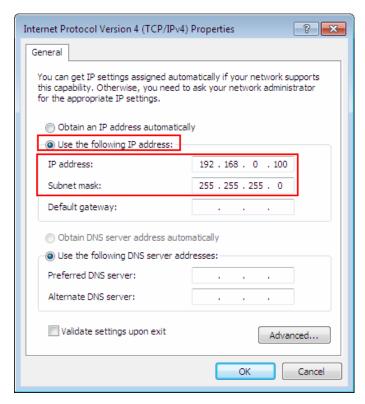
3) Right-click Local Area Connection, and Click Properties.



4) Double-click Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4).



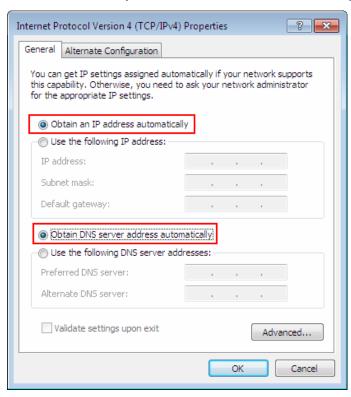
5) Select **Use the following IP address**, enter the 192.168.0.100 into the **IP address** field, 255.255.255.0 into the **Subnet mask** field.



Now, try to log on to the Web-based configuration page again after the above settings have been configured. If you still cannot access the configuration page, please restore your Access Point's factory default settings and reconfigure your Access Point following the instructions of this QIG. Please feel free to contact our Technical Support if the problem persists.

## Note:

While the reconfiguration is done, you need to change the IP address settings as below. Then, with the correct hardware connection, you can surf the Internet successfully.



# **Appendix D: Specifications**

General		
Standards and Protocols	IEEE 802.3, 802.3u, 802.11n, 802.11b and 802.11g, TCP/IP, DHCP	
Safety & Emission	FCC, CE	
Ports	One 10/100M Auto-Negotiation LAN RJ45 port	
Cabling Type	10BASE-T: UTP category 3, 4, 5 cable (maximum 100m) EIA/TIA-568 100Ω STP (maximum 100m)	
Cabling Type	100BASE-TX: UTP category 5, 5e cable (maximum 100m) EIA/TIA-568 100Ω STP (maximum 100m)	
Wireless		
Frequency Band	2.4~2.4835GHz	
Radio Data Rate	11n: up to 150Mbps (Automatic) 11g: 54/48/36/24/18/12/9/6M (Automatic) 11b: 11/5.5/2/1M (Automatic)	
Frequency Expansion	DSSS (Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum)	
Modulation	DBPSK, DQPSK, CCK, OFDM, 16-QAM, 64-QAM	
Security	WEP/WPA/WPA2/WPA2-PSK/WPA-PSK	
Sensitivity @PER	130M: -68dBm@10% PER 108M: -68dBm@10% PER; 54M: -68dBm@10% PER 11M: -85dBm@8% PER; 6M: -88dBm@10% PER 1M: -90dBm@8% PER	
Antenna Gain	4dBi	
Physical and Environment		
Working Temperature	0°C~40°C (32°F~104°F)	
Working Humidity	10% ~ 90% RH, Non-condensing	
Storage Temperature	-40°C~70°C(-40°F~158°F)	
Storage Humidity	5% ~ 90% RH, Non-condensing	

## **Appendix E: Glossary**

**802.11b** - The 802.11b standard specifies a wireless networking at 11 Mbps using direct-sequence spread-spectrum (DSSS) technology and operating in the unlicensed radio spectrum at 2.4GHz, and WEP encryption for security. 802.11b networks are also referred to as Wi-Fi networks.

**802.11g** - specification for wireless networking at 54 Mbps using direct-sequence spread-spectrum (DSSS) technology, using OFDM modulation and operating in the unlicensed radio spectrum at 2.4GHz, and backward compatibility with IEEE 802.11b devices, and WEP encryption for security.

**Access Point (AP) -** A wireless LAN transceiver or "base station" that can connect a wired LAN to one or many wireless devices. Access points can also bridge to each other.

**DNS** (**D**omain **N**ame **S**ystem) – An Internet Service that translates the names of websites into IP addresses.

**Domain Name -** A descriptive name for an address or group of addresses on the Internet.

**DoS** (**D**enial **of S**ervice) - A hacker attack designed to prevent your computer or network from operating or communicating.

**DSL** (**D**igital **S**ubscriber **L**ine) - A technology that allows data to be sent or received over existing traditional phone lines.

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

MTU (Maximum Transmission Unit) - The size in bytes of the largest packet that can be transmitted.

**SSID** - A **S**ervice **S**et **Id**entification is a thirty-two character (maximum) alphanumeric key identifying a wireless local area network. For the wireless devices in a network to communicate with each other, all devices must be configured with the same SSID. This is typically the configuration parameter for a wireless PC card. It corresponds to the ESSID in the wireless Access Point and to the wireless network name.

**WEP** (**W**ired **E**quivalent **P**rivacy) - A data privacy mechanism based on a 64-bit or 128-bit or 152-bit shared key algorithm, as described in the IEEE 802.11 standard.

**Wi-Fi** - A trade name for the 802.11b wireless networking standard, given by the Wireless Ethernet Compatibility Alliance (WECA, see <a href="http://www.wi-fi.net">http://www.wi-fi.net</a>), an industry standards group promoting interoperability among 802.11b devices.

**WLAN** (Wireless Local Area Network) - A group of computers and associated devices communicate with each other wirelessly, which network serving users are limited in a local area.

WPA (Wi-Fi Protected Access) - WPA is a security technology for wireless networks that improves on the authentication and encryption features of WEP (Wired Equivalent Privacy). In fact, WPA was developed by the networking industry in response to the shortcomings of WEP. One of the key technologies behind WPA is the Temporal Key Integrity Protocol (TKIP). TKIP addresses the encryption weaknesses of WEP. Another key component of WPA is built-in authentication that WEP does not offer. With this feature, WPA provides roughly comparable security to VPN tunneling with WEP, with the benefit of easier administration and use. This is similar to 802.1x support and requires a RADIUS server in order to implement. The Wi-Fi Alliance will call this, WPA-Enterprise. One variation of WPA is called WPA Pre Shared Key or WPA-PSK for short - this

provides an authentication alternative to an expensive RADIUS server. WPA-PSK is a simplified but still powerful form of WPA most suitable for home Wi-Fi networking. To use WPA-PSK, a person sets a static key or "passphrase" as with WEP. But, using TKIP, WPA-PSK automatically changes the keys at a preset time interval, making it much more difficult for hackers to find and exploit them. The Wi-Fi Alliance will call this, WPA-Personal.