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Chapter 1

About This Manual

This chapter describes the intended audience, scope, conventions, and formats of this manual.

Audience, Scope, Conventions, and Formats


This reference manual assumes that the reader has basic to intermediate computer and Internet skills. However, basic computer network, Internet, firewall, and VPN technologies tutorial information is provided in the Appendices and on the Netgear website.

This guide uses the following typographical conventions:

Table 1-1. Typographical Conventions

<i>italics</i>	Emphasis, books, CDs, URL names
bold	User input
<code>fixed</code>	Screen text, file and server names, extensions, commands, IP addresses


This guide uses the following formats to highlight special messages:

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This manual is written for the FVS124G VPN Firewall according to these specifications.:






Table 1-2. Manual Scope

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Chapter 2

Introduction

This chapter describes the features of the NETGEAR FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports.

Key Features of the VPN Firewall

The FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports with 4 port switch connects your local area network (LAN) to the Internet through an external access device such as a cable modem or DSL modem.

The FVS124G is a complete security solution that protects your network from attacks and intrusions. Unlike simple Internet sharing firewalls that rely on Network Address Translation for security, the FVS124G uses Stateful Packet Inspection for Denial of Service (DoS) attack protection and intrusion detection. The FVS124G VPN Firewall provides you with multiple Web content filtering options, plus browsing activity reporting and instant alerts -- both via e-mail. Network administrators can establish restricted access policies based on time-of-day, Website addresses and address keywords.

With minimum setup, you can install and use the firewall within minutes.

The FVS124G VPN Firewall provides the following features:

- 2 10/100 Mbps ports for an Ethernet connection to a WAN device, such as a cable modem or DSL modem.
- Dual WAN ports provide for increased system reliability and provide load balancing.
- Support for up to 10 VPN tunnels.
- Easy, web-based setup for installation and management.
- URL keyword Content Filtering and Site Blocking Security.
- Quality of Service (QoS) support for traffic prioritization.
- Built in 4-port 10/100/1000 Mbps switch.
- Extensive Protocol Support.
- Login capability.

- Front panel LEDs for easy monitoring of status and activity.
- Flash memory for firmware upgrade.

Dual WAN Ports for Increased Reliability or Outbound Load Balancing

The FVS124G VPN Firewall has two broadband WAN ports, WAN1 and WAN2, each capable of operating independently at speeds of either 10 Mbps or 100 Mbps. The two WAN ports let you connect a second broadband Internet line that can be configured on a mutually-exclusive basis to:

- Provide backup and rollover if one line is inoperable, ensuring you are never disconnected.
- Load balance, or use both Internet lines simultaneously for the outgoing traffic. The firewall balances users between the two lines for maximum bandwidth efficiency.

See [“Network Planning” on page 3-1](#) for the planning factors to consider when implementing the following capabilities with dual WAN port gateways:

- Inbound traffic (e.g., port forwarding, port triggering)
- Virtual private networks

A Powerful, True Firewall with Content Filtering

Unlike simple Internet sharing NAT routers, the FVS124G is a true firewall, using stateful packet inspection to defend against hacker attacks. Its firewall features include:

- DoS protection.
Automatically detects and thwarts DoS attacks such as Ping of Death, SYN Flood, LAND Attack, and IP Spoofing.
- Blocks unwanted traffic from the Internet to your LAN.
- Blocks access from your LAN to Internet locations or services that you specify as off-limits.
- Logs security incidents.

The FVS124G will log security events such as blocked incoming traffic, port scans, attacks, and administrator logins. You can configure the firewall to email the log to you at specified intervals. You can also configure the firewall to send immediate alert messages to your email address or email pager whenever a significant event occurs.

- With its URL keyword filtering feature, the FVS124G prevents objectionable content from reaching your PCs. The firewall allows you to control access to Internet content by screening for keywords within Web addresses. You can configure the firewall to log and report attempts to access objectionable Internet sites.

Security

The FVS124G VPN Firewall is equipped with several features designed to maintain security, as described in this section.

- **PCs Hidden by NAT**
NAT opens a temporary path to the Internet for requests originating from the local network. Requests originating from outside the LAN are discarded, preventing users outside the LAN from finding and directly accessing the PCs on the LAN.
- **Port Forwarding with NAT**
Although NAT prevents Internet locations from directly accessing the PCs on the LAN, the firewall allows you to direct incoming traffic to specific PCs based on the service port number of the incoming request. You can specify forwarding of single ports or ranges of ports.
- **Powerful Firewall Rules**
Both inbound and outbound traffic can be controlled tightly by defining your own rules regarding permitted users, services, protocols, schedules, and destinations.

Autosensing Ethernet Connections with Auto Uplink

With its internal 4-port 10/100/1000 switch, the FVS124G can connect to either a 10 Mbps standard Ethernet network, a 100 Mbps Fast Ethernet network, or a 1000 Mbps Gigabit Ethernet. Both the LAN and WAN interfaces are autosensing and capable of full-duplex or half-duplex operation.

The firewall incorporates Auto Uplink™ technology. Each Ethernet port will automatically sense whether the Ethernet cable plugged into the port should have a ‘normal’ connection such as to a PC or an ‘uplink’ connection such as to a switch or hub. That port will then configure itself to the correct configuration. This feature also eliminates the need to worry about crossover cables, as Auto Uplink will accommodate either type of cable to make the right connection.

Extensive Protocol Support

The FVS124G VPN Firewall supports the Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) and Routing Information Protocol (RIP). For further information about TCP/IP, refer to [Appendix B, “Network, Routing, Firewall, and Basics.”](#)

- **IP Address Sharing by NAT**
The FVS124G VPN Firewall allows several networked PCs to share an Internet account using only a single IP address, which may be statically or dynamically assigned by your Internet service provider (ISP). This technique, known as NAT, allows the use of an inexpensive single-user ISP account.
- **Automatic Configuration of Attached PCs by DHCP**
The FVS124G VPN Firewall dynamically assigns network configuration information, including IP, gateway, and domain name server (DNS) addresses, to attached PCs on the LAN using the Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP). This feature greatly simplifies configuration of PCs on your local network.
- **DNS Proxy**
When DHCP is enabled and no DNS addresses are specified, the firewall provides its own address as a DNS server to the attached PCs. The firewall obtains actual DNS addresses from the ISP during connection setup and forwards DNS requests from the LAN.
- **PPP over Ethernet (PPPoE)**
PPPoE is a protocol for connecting remote hosts to the Internet over a DSL connection by simulating a dial-up connection. This feature eliminates the need to run a login program such as EnterNet or WinPOET on your PC.

Easy Installation and Management

You can install, configure, and operate the FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports within minutes after connecting it to the network. The following features simplify installation and management tasks:

- **Browser-based management**
Browser-based configuration allows you to easily configure your firewall from almost any type of personal computer, such as Windows, Macintosh, or Linux. A user-friendly Setup Wizard is provided and online help documentation is built into the browser-based Web Management Interface.
- **Smart Wizard**
The FVS124G VPN Firewall automatically senses the type of Internet connection, asking you only for the information required for your type of ISP account.

- **VPN Wizard**
The FVS124G VPN Firewall includes the NETGEAR VPN Wizard to easily configure VPN tunnels according to the recommendations of the Virtual Private Network Consortium (VPNC) to ensure the VPN tunnels are interoperable with other VPNC-compliant VPN routers and clients.
- **SNMP**
The FVS124G VPN Firewall supports the Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) to let you monitor and manage log resources from an SNMP-compliant system manager. The SNMP system configuration lets you change the system variables for MIB2.
- **Diagnostic functions**
The firewall incorporates built-in diagnostic functions such as Ping, Trace Route, DNS lookup, and remote reboot.
- **Remote management**
The firewall allows you to login to the Web Management Interface from a remote location on the Internet. For security, you can limit remote management access to a specified remote IP address or range of addresses, and you can choose a nonstandard port number.
- **Visual monitoring**
The FVS124G VPN Firewall's front panel LEDs provide an easy way to monitor its status and activity.

Maintenance and Support

NETGEAR offers the following features to help you maximize your use of the FVS124G VPN Firewall:

- Flash memory for firmware upgrade
- Free technical support seven days a week, twenty-four hours a day

Package Contents

The product package should contain the following items:

- FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports.
- AC power adapter (varies by region).
- Rubber feet.
- Category 5 (Cat 5) Ethernet cable.

- *Resource CD for ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports*, including:
 - This guide.
 - Application Notes and other helpful information.
 - ProSafe VPN Client Software - single user license.
- Warranty and Support Information Card.

If any of the parts are incorrect, missing, or damaged, contact your NETGEAR dealer. Keep the carton, including the original packing materials, in case you need to return the firewall for repair.

The Router's Front Panel

The FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports front panel shown below contains the port connections, status LEDs, and the factory defaults reset button.

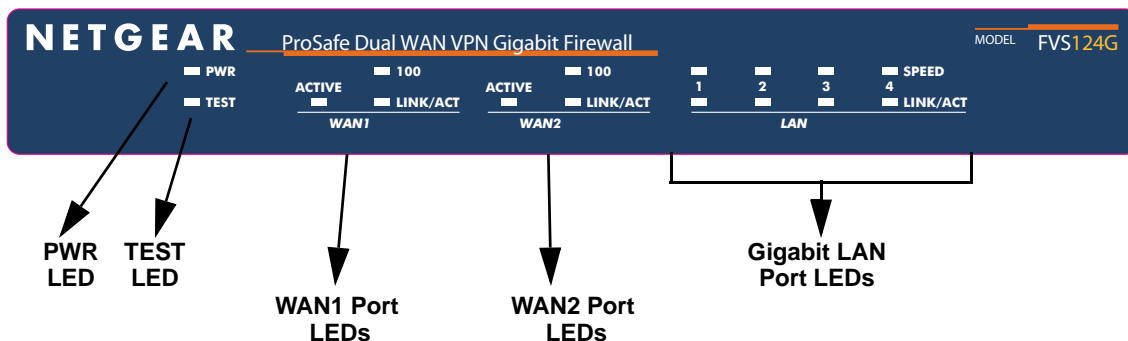


Figure 2-1: FVS124G Front Panel

You can use the LEDs to verify various conditions. [Table 2-1](#) lists and describes each object on the front panel of the firewall and its operation.

Table 2-1. FVS124G front panel

Object	Activity	Description
PWR LED	On (Green) Off	Power is supplied to the firewall. Power is not supplied to the firewall.
TEST LED	On (Amber) Blinking (Amber) Off	Test mode: The system is initializing or the initialization has failed. Writing to Flash memory (during upgrading or resetting to defaults). The system has booted successfully.
WAN Port LEDs	Link/Act LED On (Green) Blinking (Green) Off	The WAN port has detected a link with a connected Ethernet device. Data is being transmitted or received by the WAN port. The WAN port has no link.
	100 LED On (Green) Off	The WAN port is operating at 100 Mbps. The WAN port is operating at 10 Mbps.
	Active LED On (Green) On (Amber) Off	The WAN port has a valid Internet connection. The Internet connection is down or not being used. The WAN port is either not enabled or has no link.
Gigabit LAN Port LEDs	Link/Act LED On (Green) Blinking (Green) Off	The LAN port has detected a link with a connected Ethernet device. Data is being transmitted or received by the LAN port. The LAN port has no link.
	Speed LED On (Green) On (Amber) Off	The LAN port is operating at 1,000 Mbps. The LAN port is operating at 100 Mbps. The LAN port is operating at 10 Mbps.

The Router's Rear Panel

The rear panel of the FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports ([Figure 2-2](#)) contains the factory defaults reset button, LAN and WAN ports, and DC power input connection.

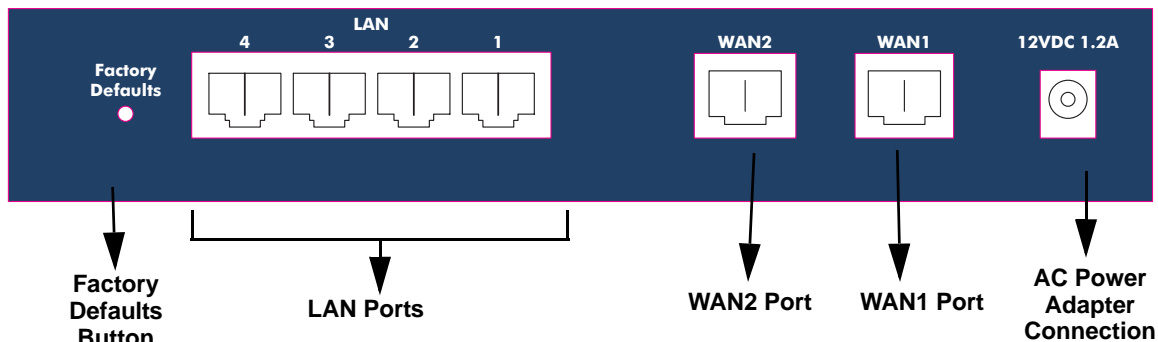


Figure 2-2: FVS124G Rear Panel

Viewed from left to right, the rear panel contains the following elements:

Table 2-2. FVS124G rear panel

Item	Description
Factory Defaults Button	Factory Defaults reset push button (see “Default Factory Settings” on page 2-10 for the factory defaults).
LAN Ports	4-port RJ-45 10/100/1000 Mbps Fast Ethernet Switch, N-way automatic speed negotiation, auto MDI/MDIX.
WAN Ports	Two RJ-45 WAN ports, N-way automatic speed negotiation, Auto MDI/MDIX.
AC Power Adapter Connection	12 VDC, 1.2A

The Router’s IP Address, Login Name, and Password

Check the label on the bottom of the FVS124G’s enclosure if you forget the following factory default information:

- IP Address: <http://192.168.1.1> to reach the Web-based GUI from the LAN
- User name: **admin**
- Password: **password**

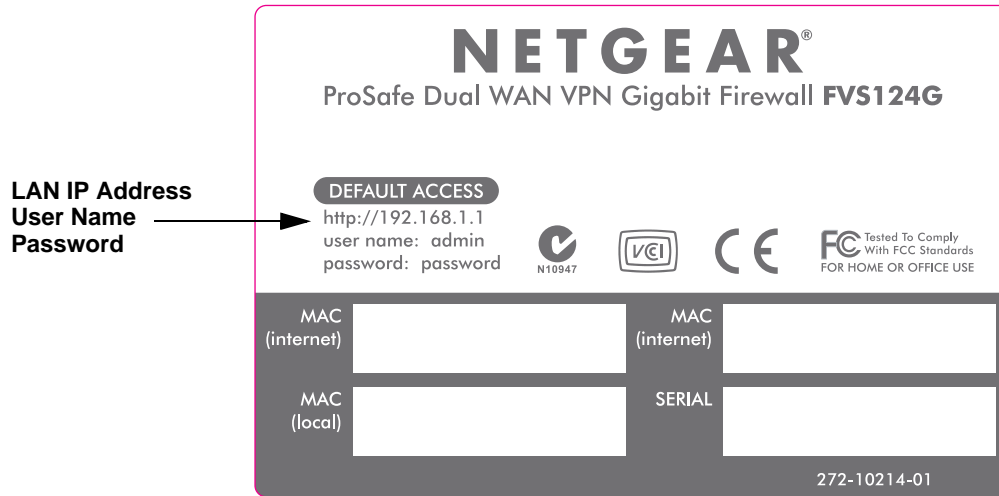


Figure 2-3: FVS124G Bottom Label

Logging into the Router

To log into the FVS124G once it is connected,

1. Open a Web browser.
2. Enter <http://192.168.1.1> as the URL.
3. Once you get the login screen (Figure 2-4), enter the following information:
 - **admin** for User Name
 - **password** for Password



Figure 2-4: Login screen on the Web browser

Note: Read-only access is provided by logging in as username **guest** and default password **password**.

Default Factory Settings

When you first receive your FVS124G, the default factory settings will be set as shown in [Table 2-1](#) below. You can restore these defaults with the Factory Defaults restore switch on the front panel — see [“The Router’s Front Panel”](#) on page 2-6.

- Pressing this switch until the TEST LED blinks (approximately 10 seconds) causes the firewall to restore all factory default settings and reboot.
- A shorter press and release causes the firewall to merely reboot.

Table 2-1. Factory Default Settings

Feature	Default
User Name (case sensitive)	admin
Password (case sensitive)	password
Built-in DHCP server	DHCP server is enabled, issues addresses in the default subnet
IP Configuration	IP Address: 192.168.1.1 Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0 Gateway: 0.0.0.0
Time Zone	GMT
Time Zone Adjust for Daylight Saving Time	Enabled
SNMP	Disabled

NETGEAR Related Products

NETGEAR products related to the FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports are as follows:

- FA311 10/100 PCI Adapter
- FA511 10/100 32-bit CardBus Adapter
- GA311 10/100/1000 PCI Adapter
- FVL328 ProSafe VPN Firewall
- FVS318 ProSafe VPN Firewall 8
- FVS338 ProSafe VPN Firewall 50
- FVX538 ProSafe VPN Firewall 200
- FWG114P ProSafe 802.11g Wireless Firewall with USB Print Server
- NMS100 ProSafe Network Management System
- VPN01L and VPN05L ProSafe VPN Client Software
- WG302 ProSafe 802.11g Access Point

Chapter 3

Network Planning

This chapter describes the factors to consider when planning a network using a firewall that has dual WAN ports.

Overview of the Planning Process

The areas that require planning when using a firewall that has dual WAN ports include:

- Inbound traffic (e.g., port forwarding, port triggering)
- Virtual private networks (VPNs)

The two WAN ports can be configured on a mutually-exclusive basis to either:

- roll over for increased reliability, or
- balance the load for outgoing traffic.

These two categories of considerations interact to make the planning process more challenging.

Inbound Traffic

Unrequested incoming traffic can be directed to a PC on your LAN rather than being discarded. The mechanism for making the IP address public depends on whether the dual WAN ports are configured to either roll over or balance the loads. See [“Inbound Traffic” on page 3-3](#) for further discussion.

Virtual Private Networks (VPNs)

A virtual private network (VPN) tunnel provides a secure communication channel between either two gateway VPN firewalls or between a remote PC client and gateway VPN firewall. As a result, the IP address of at least one of the tunnel end points must be known in advance in order for the other tunnel end point to establish (or re-establish) the VPN tunnel. See [“Virtual Private Networks \(VPNs\)” on page 3-5](#) for further discussion.



Note: Once the gateway firewall WAN port rolls over, the VPN tunnel collapses and must be re-established using the new WAN IP address.

The Rollover Case for Firewalls With Dual WAN Ports

Rollover (Figure 3-1) for the dual WAN port case is different from the single gateway WAN port case when specifying the IP address. Only one WAN port is active at a time and when it rolls over, the IP address of the active WAN port always changes. Hence, the use of a fully-qualified domain name is always required, even when the IP address of each WAN port is fixed.

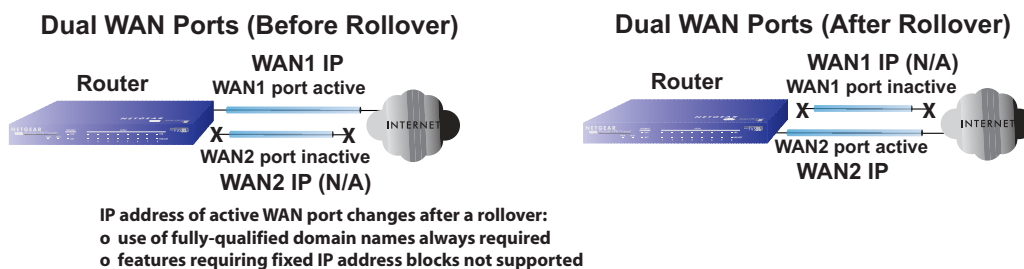


Figure 3-1: Dual WAN ports before and after rollover

Features such as multiple exposed hosts are not supported when using dual WAN port rollover because the IP addresses of each WAN port must be in the identical range of fixed addresses.

The Load Balancing Case for Firewalls With Dual WAN Ports

Load balancing (Figure 3-2) for the dual WAN port case is similar to the single WAN port case when specifying the IP address. Each IP address is either fixed or dynamic based on the ISP: fully-qualified domain names must be used when the IP address is dynamic and are optional when the IP address is static.

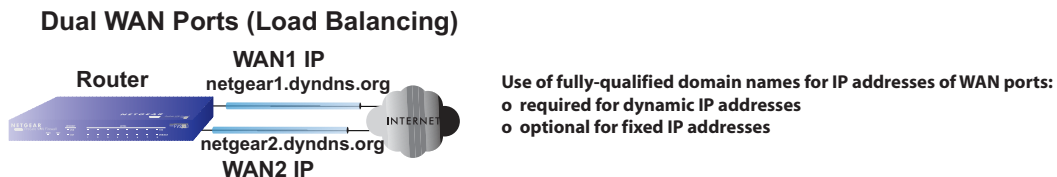


Figure 3-2: Dual WAN ports for load balancing

Inbound Traffic

Incoming traffic from the Internet is normally discarded by the firewall unless the traffic is a response to one of your local computers or a service that you have configured in the Inbound Rules menu. Instead of discarding this traffic, you can have it forwarded to one or more LAN hosts on your network.

The addressing of the firewall's dual WAN port depends on the configuration being implemented:

Table 3-1. IP addressing requirements for exposed hosts in dual WAN port systems

Configuration and WAN IP address		Single WAN Port (reference case)	Dual WAN Port Cases	
			Rollover	Load Balancing
Inbound traffic • Port forwarding • Port triggering	Fixed	Allowed (FQDN optional)	FQDN required	Allowed (FQDN optional)
	Dynamic	FQDN required	FQDN required	FQDN required

Inbound Traffic to Single WAN Port (Reference Case)

The Internet IP address of the firewall's WAN port must be known to the public so that the public can send incoming traffic to the exposed host when this feature is supported and enabled.

In the single WAN case (Figure 3-3), the WAN's Internet address is either fixed IP or a fully-qualified domain name if the IP address is dynamic.



Figure 3-3: Inbound traffic to single WAN port case

Inbound Traffic to Dual WAN Port Systems

The IP address range of the firewall's WAN port must be both fixed and public so that the public can send incoming traffic to the multiple exposed hosts when this feature is supported and enabled.

Inbound Traffic: Dual WAN Ports for Improved Reliability

In the dual WAN port case with rollover (Figure 3-4), the WAN's IP address will always change at rollover. A fully-qualified domain name must be used that toggles between the IP addresses of the WAN ports (i.e., WAN1 or WAN2).

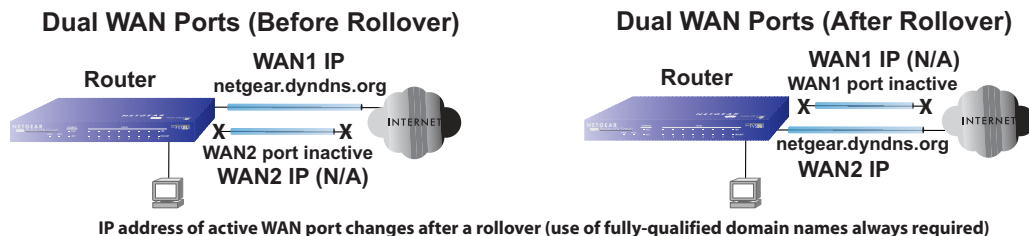


Figure 3-4: Inbound traffic to dual WAN ports, before and after rollover

Inbound Traffic: Dual WAN Ports for Load Balancing

In the dual WAN port case for load balancing (Figure 3-5), the Internet address of each WAN port is either fixed if the IP address is fixed or a fully-qualified domain name if the IP address is dynamic.

	<p>Note: Load balancing is implemented for outgoing traffic and not for incoming traffic. Consider making one of the WAN port Internet addresses public and keeping the other one private in order to maintain better control of WAN port traffic.</p>
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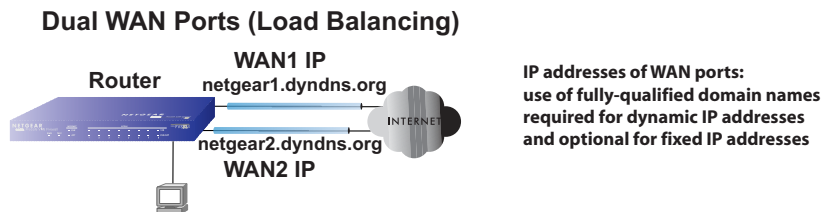


Figure 3-5: Inbound traffic to dual WAN ports for load balancing

Virtual Private Networks (VPNs)

When implementing virtual private network (VPN) tunnels, a mechanism must be used for determining the IP addresses of the tunnel end points. The addressing of the firewall's dual WAN port depends on the configuration being implemented:

Table 3-1. IP addressing requirements for VPNs in dual WAN port systems

Configuration and WAN IP address		Single WAN Port (reference case)	Dual WAN Port Cases	
			Rollover*	Load Balancing
VPN Road Warrior (client-to-gateway)	Fixed	Allowed (FQDN optional)	FQDN required	Allowed (FQDN optional)
	Dynamic	FQDN required	FQDN required	FQDN required
VPN Gateway-to-Gateway	Fixed	Allowed (FQDN optional)	FQDN required	Allowed (FQDN optional)
	Dynamic	FQDN required	FQDN required	FQDN required
VPN Telecommuter (client-to-gateway through a NAT router)	Fixed	Allowed (FQDN optional)	FQDN required	Allowed (FQDN optional)
	Dynamic	FQDN required	FQDN required	FQDN required

* All tunnels must be re-established after a rollover using the new WAN IP address.

For the single gateway WAN port case, the mechanism is to use a fully-qualified domain name (FQDN) when the IP address is dynamic and to use either an FQDN or the IP address itself when the IP address is fixed. The situation is different when dual gateway WAN ports are used in a rollover-based system.

- Rollover Case for Dual Gateway WAN Ports

Rollover (Figure 3-6) for the dual gateway WAN port case is different from the single gateway WAN port case when specifying the IP address of the VPN tunnel end point. Only one WAN port is active at a time and when it rolls over, the IP address of the active WAN port always changes. Hence, the use of a fully-qualified domain name is always required, even when the IP address of each WAN port is fixed.



Note: Once the gateway router WAN port rolls over, the VPN tunnel collapses and must be re-established using the new WAN IP address.

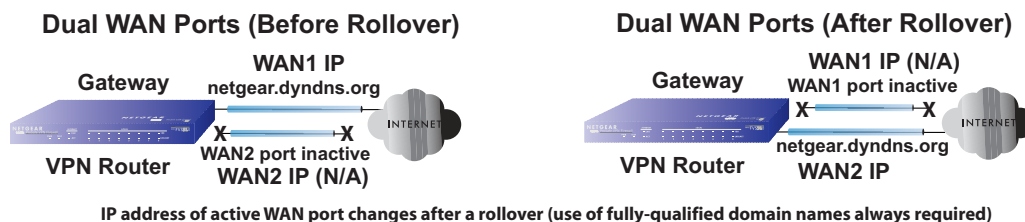


Figure 3-6: Dual gateway WAN ports before and after rollover

- Load Balancing Case for Dual Gateway WAN Ports

Load balancing (Figure 3-7) for the dual gateway WAN port case is the same as the single gateway WAN port case when specifying the IP address of the VPN tunnel endpoint. Each IP address is either fixed or dynamic based on the ISP: fully-qualified domain names must be used when the IP address is dynamic and are optional when the IP address is static.

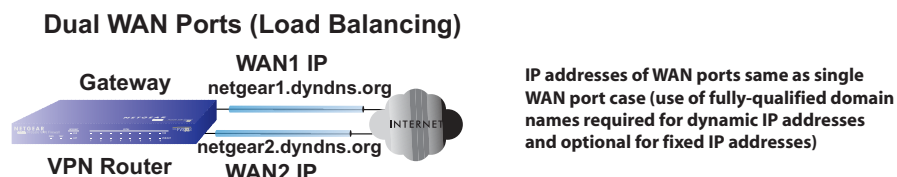


Figure 3-7: Dual gateway WAN ports for load balancing

VPN Road Warrior (Client-to-Gateway)

The following situations exemplify the requirements for a remote PC client with no firewall to establish a VPN tunnel with a gateway VPN firewall:

- Single gateway WAN port
- Redundant dual gateway WAN ports for increased reliability (before and after rollover)
- Dual gateway WAN ports used for load balancing

VPN Road Warrior: Single Gateway WAN Port (Reference Case)

In the case of the single WAN port on the gateway VPN firewall (Figure 3-8), the remote PC client initiates the VPN tunnel because the IP address of the remote PC client is not known in advance. The gateway WAN port must act as the responder.

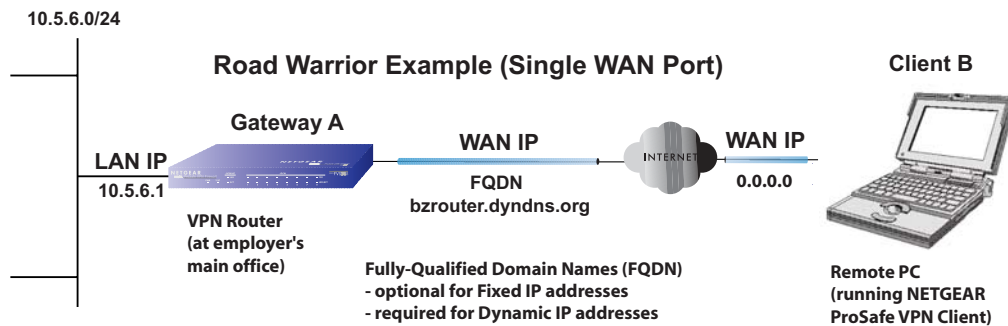


Figure 3-8: Single gateway WAN port case for VPN road warrior

The IP address of the gateway WAN port can be either fixed or dynamic. If the IP address is dynamic, a fully-qualified domain name must be used. If the IP address is fixed, a fully-qualified domain name is optional.

VPN Road Warrior: Dual Gateway WAN Ports for Improved Reliability

In the case of the dual WAN ports on the gateway VPN firewall (Figure 3-9), the remote PC client initiates the VPN tunnel with the active gateway WAN port (port WAN1 in this example) because the IP address of the remote PC client is not known in advance. The gateway WAN port must act as a responder.

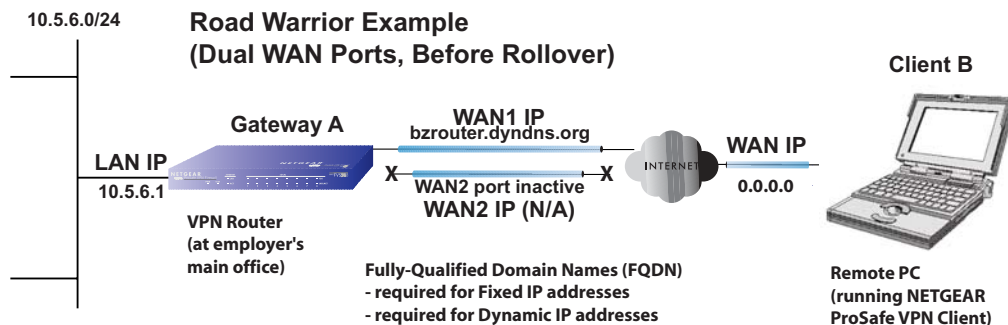


Figure 3-9: Dual gateway WAN ports, before rollover, for VPN road warrior

The IP addresses of the gateway WAN ports can be either fixed or dynamic, but a fully-qualified domain name must always be used because the active WAN port could be either WAN1 or WAN2 (i.e., the IP address of the active WAN port is not known in advance).

After a rollover of the gateway WAN port (Figure 3-10), the previously inactive gateway WAN port becomes the active port (port WAN2 in this example) and the remote PC client must re-establish the VPN tunnel. The gateway WAN port must act as the responder.

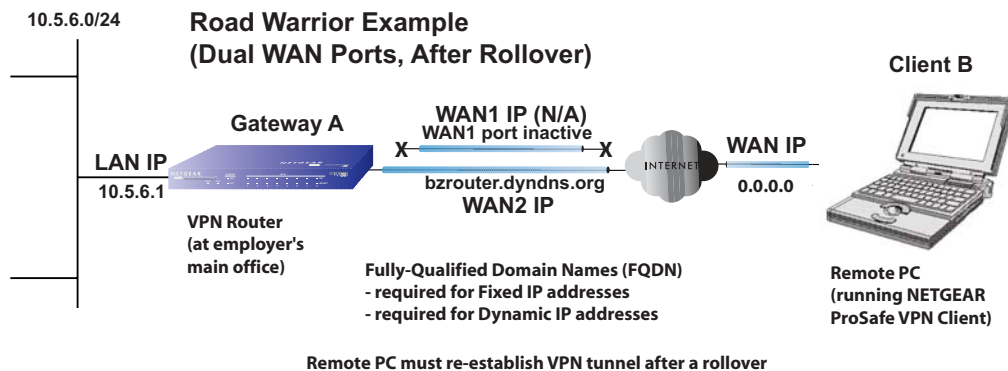


Figure 3-10: Dual gateway WAN ports, after rollover, for VPN road warrior

The purpose of the fully-qualified domain name in this case is to toggle the domain name of the gateway firewall between the IP addresses of the active WAN port (i.e., WAN1 and WAN2) so that the remote PC client can determine the gateway IP address to establish or re-establish a VPN tunnel.

VPN Road Warrior: Dual Gateway WAN Ports for Load Balancing

In the case of the dual WAN ports on the gateway VPN firewall (Figure 3-11), the remote PC initiates the VPN tunnel with the appropriate gateway WAN port (i.e., port WAN1 or WAN2 as necessary to balance the loads of the two gateway WAN ports) because the IP address of the remote PC is not known in advance. The chosen gateway WAN port must act as the responder.

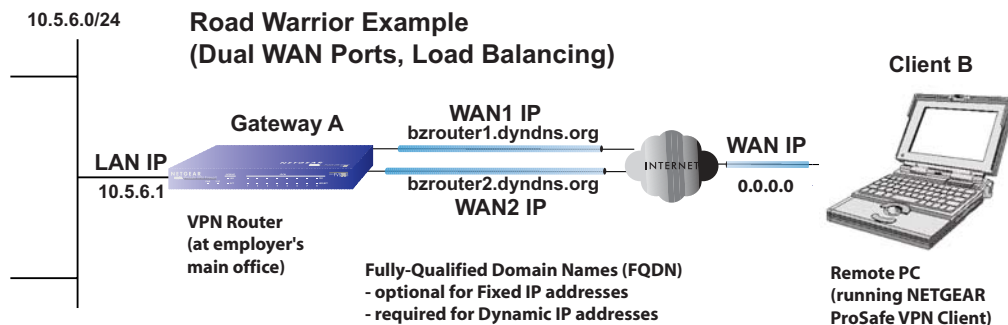


Figure 3-11: Dual gateway WAN ports (load balancing case) for VPN road warrior

The IP addresses of the gateway WAN ports can be either fixed or dynamic. If an IP address is dynamic, a fully-qualified domain name must be used. If an IP address is fixed, a fully-qualified domain name is optional.

VPN Gateway-to-Gateway

The following situations exemplify the requirements for a gateway VPN firewall to establish a VPN tunnel with another gateway VPN firewall:

- Single gateway WAN ports
- Redundant dual gateway WAN ports for increased reliability (before and after rollover)
- Dual gateway WAN ports used for load balancing

VPN Gateway-to-Gateway: Single Gateway WAN Ports (Reference Case)

In the case of single WAN ports on the gateway VPN firewalls (Figure 3-12), either gateway WAN port can initiate the VPN tunnel with the other gateway WAN port because the IP addresses are known in advance.

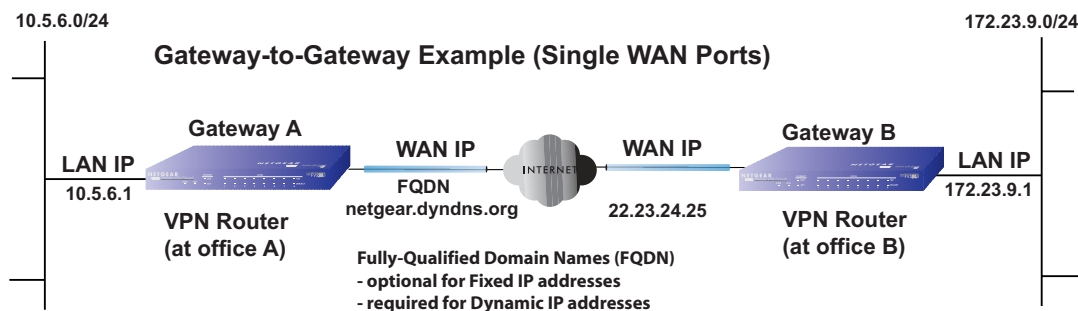


Figure 3-12: Single gateway WAN ports case for gateway-to-gateway VPN tunnels

The IP address of the gateway WAN ports can be either fixed or dynamic. If an IP address is dynamic, a fully-qualified domain name must be used. If an IP address is fixed, a fully-qualified domain name is optional.

VPN Gateway-to-Gateway: Dual Gateway WAN Ports for Improved Reliability

In the case of the dual WAN ports on the gateway VPN firewall (Figure 3-13), either of the gateway WAN ports at one end can initiate the VPN tunnel with the appropriate gateway WAN port at the other end as necessary to balance the loads of the gateway WAN ports because the IP addresses of the WAN ports are known in advance. In this example, port WAN_A1 is active and port WAN_A2 is inactive at Gateway A; port WAN_B1 is active and port WAN_B2 is inactive at Gateway B.

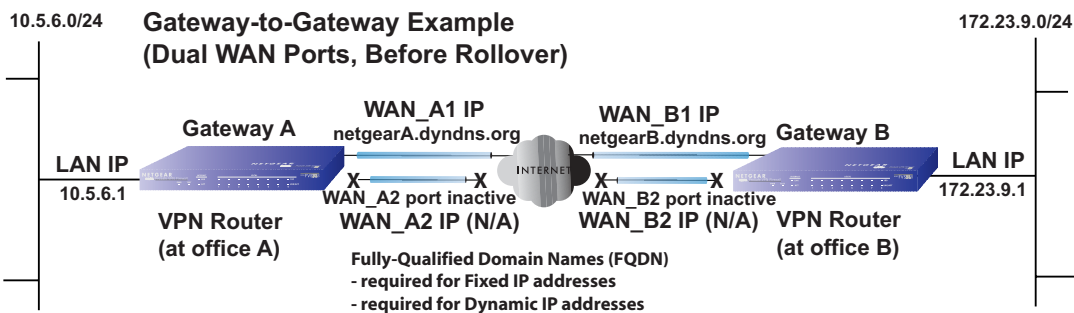


Figure 3-13: Dual gateway WAN ports, before rollover, for gateway-to-gateway VPN tunnels

The IP addresses of the gateway WAN ports can be either fixed or dynamic, but a fully-qualified domain name must always be used because the active WAN ports could be either WAN_A1, WAN_A2, WAN_B1, or WAN_B2 (i.e., the IP address of the active WAN port is not known in advance).

After a rollover of a gateway WAN port (Figure 3-14), the previously inactive gateway WAN port becomes the active port (port WAN_A2 in this example) and one of the gateway VPN firewalls must re-establish the VPN tunnel.

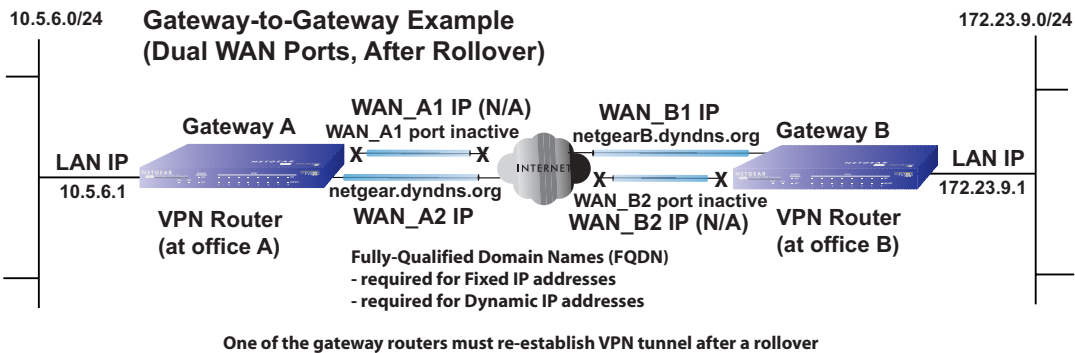


Figure 3-14: Dual gateway WAN ports, after rollover, for gateway-to-gateway VPN tunnels

The purpose of the fully-qualified domain names in this case is to toggle the domain name of the failed-over gateway firewall between the IP addresses of the active WAN port (i.e., WAN_A1 and WAN_A2 in this example) so that the other end of the tunnel has a known gateway IP address to establish or re-establish a VPN tunnel.

VPN Gateway-to-Gateway: Dual Gateway WAN Ports for Load Balancing

In the case of the dual WAN ports on the gateway VPN firewall (Figure 3-15), either of the gateway WAN ports at one end can be programmed in advance to initiate the VPN tunnel with the appropriate gateway WAN port at the other end as necessary to manage the loads of the gateway WAN ports because the IP addresses of the WAN ports are known in advance.

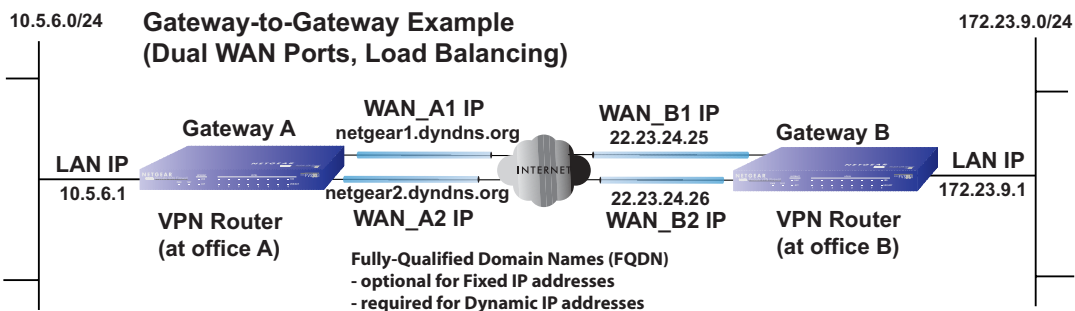


Figure 3-15: Dual gateway WAN ports (load balancing case) for gateway-to-gateway VPN tunnels

The IP addresses of the gateway WAN ports can be either fixed or dynamic. If an IP address is dynamic, a fully-qualified domain name must be used. If an IP address is fixed, a fully-qualified domain name is optional.

VPN Telecommuter (Client-to-Gateway Through a NAT Router)



Note: The telecommuter case presumes the home office has a dynamic IP address and NAT router.

The following situations exemplify the requirements for a remote PC client connected to the Internet with a dynamic IP address through a NAT router to establish a VPN tunnel with a gateway VPN firewall at the company office:

- Single gateway WAN port
- Redundant dual gateway WAN ports for increased reliability (before and after rollover)
- Dual gateway WAN ports used for load balancing

VPN Telecommuter: Single Gateway WAN Port (Reference Case)

In the case of the single WAN port on the gateway VPN firewall (Figure 3-16), the remote PC client at the NAT router initiates the VPN tunnel because the IP address of the remote NAT router is not known in advance. The gateway WAN port must act as the responder.

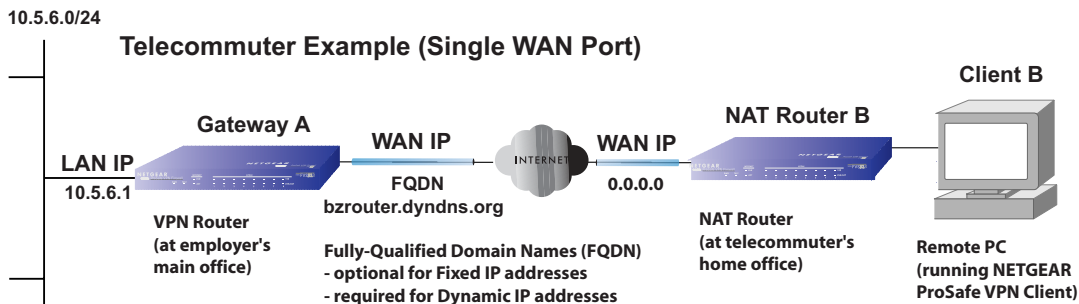


Figure 3-16: Single gateway WAN port case for VPN telecommuter

The IP address of the gateway WAN port can be either fixed or dynamic. If the IP address is dynamic, a fully-qualified domain name must be used. If the IP address is fixed, a fully-qualified domain name is optional.

VPN Telecommuter: Dual Gateway WAN Ports for Improved Reliability

In the case of the dual WAN ports on the gateway VPN firewall (Figure 3-17), the remote PC client initiates the VPN tunnel with the active gateway WAN port (port WAN1 in this example) because the IP address of the remote NAT router is not known in advance. The gateway WAN port must act as the responder.

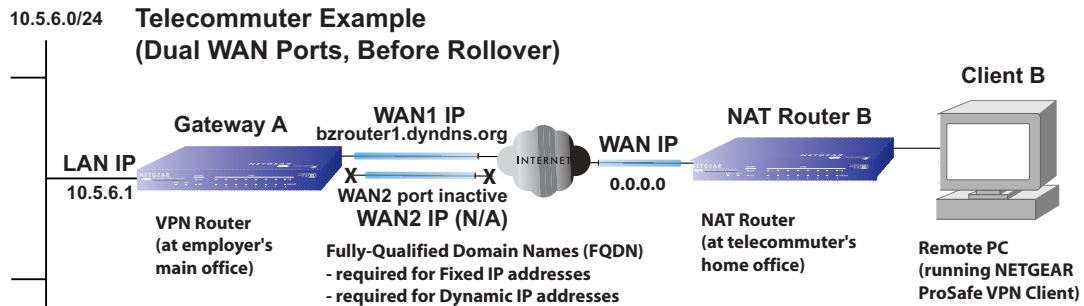


Figure 3-17: Dual gateway WAN ports, before rollover, for VPN telecommuter

The IP addresses of the gateway WAN ports can be either fixed or dynamic, but a fully-qualified domain name must always be used because the active WAN port could be either WAN1 or WAN2 (i.e., the IP address of the active WAN port is not known in advance).

After a rollover of the gateway WAN port (Figure 3-18), the previously inactive gateway WAN port becomes the active port (port WAN2 in this example) and the remote PC must re-establish the VPN tunnel. The gateway WAN port must act as the responder.

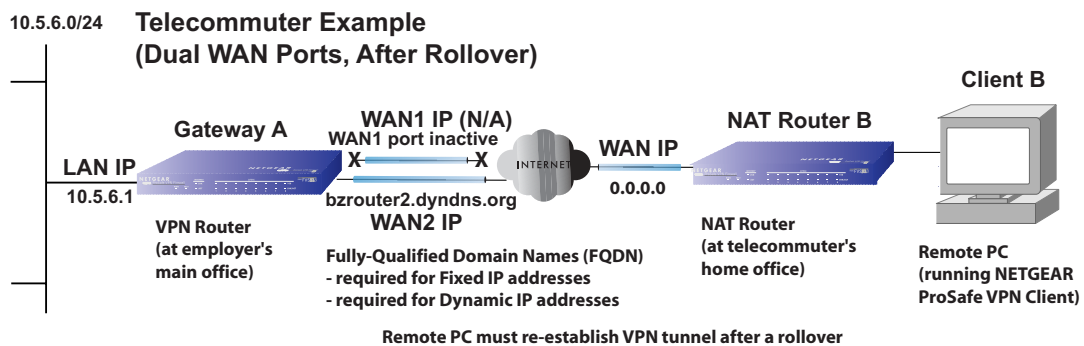


Figure 3-18: Dual gateway WAN ports, after rollover, for VPN telecommuter

The purpose of the fully-qualified domain name in this case is to toggle the domain name of the gateway router between the IP addresses of the active WAN port (i.e., WAN1 and WAN2) so that the remote PC client can determine the gateway IP address to establish or re-establish a VPN tunnel.

VPN Telecommuter: Dual Gateway WAN Ports for Load Balancing

In the case of the dual WAN ports on the gateway VPN firewall (Figure 3-19), the remote PC client initiates the VPN tunnel with the appropriate gateway WAN port (i.e., port WAN1 or WAN2 as necessary to balance the loads of the two gateway WAN ports) because the IP address of the remote NAT router is not known in advance. The chosen gateway WAN port must act as the responder.

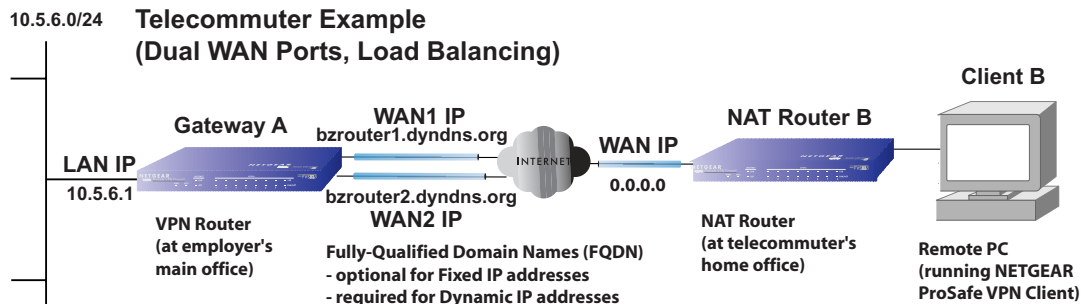


Figure 3-19: Dual gateway WAN ports (load balancing case) for VPN telecommuter

The IP addresses of the gateway WAN ports can be either fixed or dynamic. If an IP address is dynamic, a fully-qualified domain name must be used. If an IP address is fixed, a fully-qualified domain name is optional.

Chapter 4

Connecting the FVS124G to the Internet

This chapter describes how to connect the WAN ports of the FVS124G VPN Firewall to the Internet.

What You Will Need to Do Before You Begin

The FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports is a powerful and versatile solution for your networking needs. But to make the configuration process easier and to understand all of the choices available to you, you need to think through the following items before you begin:

1. Plan your network
 - a. Determine whether you are going to use one or both WAN ports. For one WAN port, you may need a fully qualified domain name either for convenience or if you have a dynamic IP address.
 - b. If you are going to use both WAN ports, determine whether you are going to use them in rollover mode for increased system reliability or load balancing mode for maximum bandwidth efficiency. See [Chapter 3, “Network Planning](#) for more information. Your decision has the following implications:
 - Fully qualified domain name
 - For rollover mode, you are going to need a fully qualified domain name to implement features such as exposed hosts and virtual private networks.
 - For load balancing mode, you may still need a fully qualified domain name either for convenience or if you have a dynamic IP address.
 - Protocol binding
 - For rollover mode, protocol binding does not apply.
 - For load balancing mode, you need to decide which protocols you want to bind to a specific WAN port if you are going to take advantage of this option (you will make these selections in [“Step 4: Configure the WAN Mode \(Required for Dual WAN\)”](#) on page 4-15).

- You can also add your own service protocols to the list (see [“Services-Based Rules”](#) on page 6-4 for information on how to do this).

2. Set up your accounts

- Have active Internet services such as that provided by cable or DSL broadband accounts and locate the Internet Service Provider (ISP) configuration information.
 - In this document, the WAN side of the network is presumed to be provisioned as shown in [Figure 4-1](#) with two ISPs connected to the FVS124G VPN Firewall through separate physical facilities.

Each FVS124G WAN port must be configured separately, however, whether you are using a separate ISP for each WAN port or are having the traffic of both WAN ports routed through the same ISP. You will need your ISP information for [“Step 3: Configure the Internet Connections to Your ISPs \(Required\)”](#) on page 4-8.

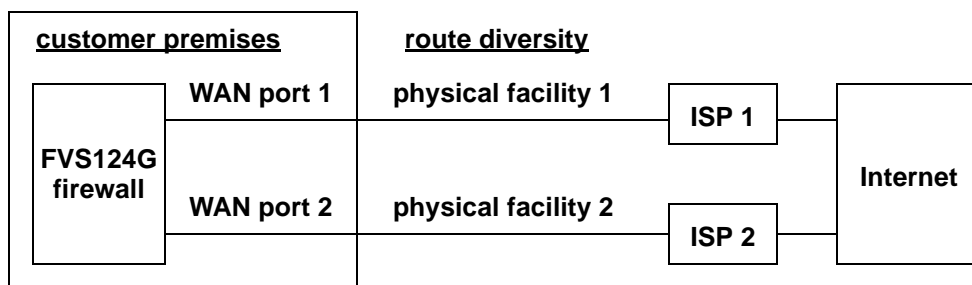


Figure 4-1: Postulated WAN provisioning used in this document

- If your ISPs charge by the amount of bandwidth you use each month, you may want to consider setting up a traffic meter to keep track of your traffic (see [“Programming the Traffic Meter \(if Desired\)”](#) on page 4-13 if you want to do this).
- Contact a Dynamic DNS Service and set up your fully qualified domain names if you need or want them. You will need your fully qualified domain names for [“Step 5: Configure Dynamic DNS \(If Needed\)”](#) on page 4-20.
3. Plan your network management approach
- The FVS124G VPN Firewall is capable of being managed remotely, but this feature must be enabled locally after each factory default reset.

You are strongly advised to change the default **password** password to something that is more secure at the time you enable remote management.

You make these selections during “[Step 2: Log in to the VPN Firewall \(Required\)](#)” on [page 4-7](#).

- There are a variety of WAN options you can choose when the factory default settings are not applicable to your installation. These include enabling a WAN port to respond to a ping and setting MTU size, port speed, and upload bandwidth. You will make these choices in “[Step 6: Configure the WAN Options \(If Needed\)](#)” on [page 4-23](#).
4. Prepare to physically connect the firewall to cable or DSL modems and a computer. You will do this in “[Step 1: Physically Connect the VPN Firewall to Your Network \(Required\)](#)” on [page 4-7](#).

Cabling and Computer Hardware Requirements

To use the FVS124G VPN Firewall on your network, each computer must have an installed Ethernet Network Interface Card (NIC) and an Ethernet cable. If the computer will connect to your network at 100 Mbps, you must use a Category 5 (CAT5) cable such as the one provided with your firewall.

Computer Network Configuration Requirements

The FVS124G includes a built-in Web Configuration Manager. To access the configuration menus on the FVS124G, you must use a Java-enabled web browser program that supports HTTP uploads such as Microsoft Internet Explorer or Netscape Navigator. NETGEAR recommends using Internet Explorer or Netscape Navigator 4.0 or above. Free browser programs are readily available for Windows, Macintosh, or UNIX/Linux.

For the initial connection to the Internet and configuration of your firewall, you will need to connect a computer to the firewall that is set to automatically get its TCP/IP configuration from the firewall via DHCP.

Note: For help with DHCP configuration, please refer to [Appendix C, “Preparing Your Network](#).

The cable or DSL modem broadband access device must provide a standard 10 Mbps (10BASE-T) or 100 Mbps (100BASE-Tx) Ethernet interface.

Internet Configuration Requirements

Depending on how your ISPs set up your Internet accounts, you will need one or more of these configuration parameters to connect your firewall to the Internet:

- Host and Domain Names
- ISP Login Name and Password
- ISP Domain Name Server (DNS) Addresses
- Fixed IP Address which is also known as Static IP Address

Where Do I Get the Internet Configuration Parameters?

There are several ways you can gather the required Internet connection information.

- Your ISPs provide all the information needed to connect to the Internet. If you cannot locate this information, you can ask your ISPs to provide it or you can try one of the options below.
- If you have a computer already connected using the active Internet access account, you can gather the configuration information from that computer.
 - For Windows 95/98/ME, open the Network control panel, select the TCP/IP entry for the Ethernet adapter, and click Properties. Record all the settings for each tab page.
 - For Windows 2000/XP, open the Local Area Network Connection, select the TCP/IP entry for the Ethernet adapter, and click Properties. Record all the settings for each tab page.
 - For Macintosh computers, open the TCP/IP or Network control panel. Record all the settings for each section.
- You may also refer to the *FVS124G Resource CD* for the NETGEAR Router ISP Guide which provides Internet connection information for many ISPs.

Once you locate your Internet configuration parameters, you may want to record them on the page below.

Record Your Internet Connection Information

Print this page. Fill in the configuration parameters from your Internet Service Provider (ISP).

ISP Login Name: The login name and password are case sensitive and must be entered exactly as given by your ISP. For AOL customers, the login name is their primary screen name. Some ISPs use your full e-mail address as the login name. The Service Name is not required by all ISPs. If you connect using a login name and password, then fill in the following:

Login Name: _____ Password: _____

Service Name: _____

Fixed or Static IP Address: If you have a static IP address, record the following information. For example, 169.254.141.148 could be a valid IP address.

Fixed or Static Internet IP Address: _____

Gateway IP Address: _____

Subnet Mask: _____

ISP DNS Server Addresses: If you were given DNS server addresses, fill in the following:

Primary DNS Server IP Address: _____

Secondary DNS Server IP Address: _____

Host and Domain Names: Some ISPs use a specific host or domain name like **CCA7324-A** or **home**. If you haven't been given host or domain names, you can use the following examples as a guide:

- If your main e-mail account with your ISP is **aaa@yyy.com**, then use **aaa** as your host name. Your ISP might call this your account, user, host, computer, or system name.
- If your ISP's mail server is **mail.xxx.yyy.com**, then use **xxx.yyy.com** as the domain name.

ISP Host Name: _____ ISP Domain Name: _____

Fully Qualified Domain Name: Some organizations use a fully qualified domain name (FQDN) from a dynamic DNS service provider for their IP addresses.

Dynamic DSN Service Provider: _____ FQDN: _____

Connecting the FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports

This section provides instructions for connecting the FVS124G VPN Firewall. Also, the *Resource CD for ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports* included with your firewall contains an animated Installation Assistant to help you through this procedure.

There are six major steps to connecting your firewall:

1. Connect the firewall physically to your network (required)

You physically connect the cables during this step and then make sure the test lights are working OK.

2. Log in to the firewall (required)

You log in to the firewall to enter the information needed in the remaining steps. You can also change your password and enable remote management at this time if you want.

3. Configure the Internet connections to your ISPs (required)

You connect to your ISPs during this step. You can program the WAN traffic meters at this time if you want also.

4. Configure the WAN mode (required for dual WAN)

You select either rollover mode or load balancing (on a mutually exclusive basis) during this step. For load balancing, you can also select the protocol bindings if you want.

5. Configure dynamic DNS on the WAN ports (if needed)

You set up your fully qualified domain names during this step.

6. Configure the WAN options (if needed)

You can optionally enable each WAN port to respond to a ping during this step. You can also optionally change the factory default MTU size, port speed, and uplink bandwidth.

Follow the steps below to connect your firewall to your network.

You can also refer to the Resource CD included with your firewall which contains an animated Installation Assistant to help you through this procedure.

Step 1: Physically Connect the VPN Firewall to Your Network (Required)

1. Turn off your computer and Cable or DSL Modem.
2. Disconnect the Ethernet cable from your computer which connects to your cable or DSL modem.
3. Connect the Ethernet cables from your cable or DSL modems to the WAN1 and WAN2 Internet ports on the FVS124G.
4. Connect the Ethernet cable which came with the firewall from a Local port on the firewall to your computer.

Note: The FVS124G VPN Firewall incorporates Auto Uplink™ technology. Each LOCAL Ethernet port will automatically sense if the cable should have a normal connection or an uplink connection. This feature eliminates the need to worry about crossover cables because Auto Uplink will make the right connection either type of cable.

5. Now, turn on your computer. If software usually logs you in to your Internet connection, do not run that software or cancel it if it starts automatically.
6. Verify the following:
 - When you turn the firewall on, the power light goes on.
 - The firewall's local lights are lit for any computers that are connected to it.
 - The firewall's Internet light is lit, indicating a link has been established to the cable or DSL modem.

See “[The Router's Front Panel](#)” on page 2-6 for a description of lights on the front panel and their meaning.

Step 2: Log in to the VPN Firewall (Required)

Note: To connect to the firewall, your computer needs to be configured to obtain an IP address automatically via DHCP. If you need instructions on how to do this, please refer to [Appendix C, “Preparing Your Network.”](#)

1. Connect to the firewall by typing <http://192.168.1.1> in the address field of Internet Explorer or Netscape® Navigator.



Figure 4-2: Login screen on the Web browser

2. For security reasons, the firewall has its own user name and password. When prompted, enter **admin** for the firewall user name and **password** for the firewall password, both in lower case letters. The firewall user name and password are not the same as any user name or password you may use to log in to your Internet connection.



Note: You might want to enable remote management at this time so that you can log in remotely in the future to manage the firewall. See [“Enabling Remote Management Access” on page 8-9](#) for more information. Remote management enable is cleared with a factory default reset.

Whenever you enable remote management, you are strongly advised to change your password. See [“Changing the Passwords and Login Timeout” on page 8-8](#) for the procedure on how to do this.

Step 3: Configure the Internet Connections to Your ISPs (Required)

The steps to configure the Internet connections to your ISPs are to configure WAN port 1 first and then configure WAN port 2 second.

1. The steps to configure WAN port 1 are as follows:
 - a. You should now be connected to the firewall. If you do not see the WAN1 ISP Settings screen shown in [Figure 4-3](#), click the WAN1 ISP link directly under WAN Setup on the upper left of the main menu.

WAN1 screens

Setup Wizard(WAN1)

Will you be using NAT (Network Address Translation) or Classical Routing?

NAT
 Classical Routing

NAT is the default mode, and should be chosen unless you are using valid IP addresses for all devices on your network. NAT allows sharing of a single valid IP address among a range of private IP addresses.

WAN1 ISP Settings

Does Your Internet Connection Require A Login?

No
 Yes

Internet IP Address

Get Dynamically From ISP
 Use Static IP Address

IP Address: . . .

IP Subnet Mask: . . .

Gateway IP Address: . . .

Domain Name Server (DNS) Address

Get Automatically From ISP
 Use These DNS Servers

Primary DNS: . . .

Secondary DNS: . . .

Router's MAC Address

Use Default Address
 Use This Computer's MAC
 Use This MAC Address:

WAN2 screens

Setup Wizard(WAN2)

Will you be using NAT (Network Address Translation) or Classical Routing?

NAT
 Classical Routing

NAT is the default mode, and should be chosen unless you are using valid IP addresses for all devices on your network. NAT allows sharing of a single valid IP address among a range of private IP addresses.

WAN2 ISP Settings

Does Your Internet Connection Require A Login?

No
 Yes

Internet IP Address

Get Dynamically From ISP
 Use Static IP Address

IP Address: . . .

IP Subnet Mask: . . .

Gateway IP Address: . . .

Domain Name Server (DNS) Address

Get Automatically From ISP
 Use These DNS Servers

Primary DNS: . . .

Secondary DNS: . . .

Router's MAC Address

Use Default Address
 Use This Computer's MAC
 Use This MAC Address:

Figure 4-3: WAN1 and WAN2 Basic Settings and Setup Wizard Screens

- b. Click Setup Wizard on the WAN1 ISP Settings screen to get the Setup Wizard (WAN1) screen.
- c. Click Next and follow the steps in the WAN1 Setup Wizard for inputting the configuration parameters from your ISP1 to connect to the Internet.

Note: If you choose not to use the Setup Wizard, you can manually configure your Internet connection settings by following the procedure [“Manually Configuring Your Internet Connection”](#) on page 4-12.

Unless your ISP automatically assigns your configuration automatically via DHCP, you will need the configuration parameters from your ISP as you recorded them previously in [“Record Your Internet Connection Information”](#) on page 4-5.

- d. When the firewall successfully detects an active Internet service, the firewall’s Active LED goes on. The Setup Wizard reports which connection type it discovered, and displays the appropriate configuration menu. If the Setup Wizard finds no connection, you will be prompted to check the physical connection between your firewall and the cable or DSL line. The options are:

Table 4-1. Internet connection methods

Connection Method	Data Required
PPPoE	Login (Username, Password).
PPTP	Login (Username, Password), Local IP, and PPTP Server IP.
DHCP (Dynamic IP)	No data is required.
Fixed IP	IP address and related data supplied by your ISP.

- e. Set up the traffic meter for ISP1 if desired. See [“Programming the Traffic Meter \(if Desired\)”](#) on page 4-13.



Note: At this point of the configuration process, you are now connected to the Internet through WAN port 1. But you must complete the configuration process outlined in this chapter to get the complete functionality of the dual WAN interface.

2. The steps to configure WAN port 2 are as follows:
 - a. Repeat the above steps to set up the parameters for ISP2. Start by clicking the WAN2 ISP link directly under WAN Setup on the upper left of the main menu to get the WAN2 ISP Settings screen shown in [Figure 4-3](#). Next click Setup Wizard on the WAN2 ISP Settings screen to get the Setup Wizard (WAN2) screen. Then click Next and follow the steps in the WAN2 Setup Wizard for inputting the configuration parameters from your ISP2 to connect to the Internet.
 - b. Set up the traffic meter for ISP2 if desired. See [“Programming the Traffic Meter \(if Desired\)”](#) on page 4-13.

Manually Configuring Your Internet Connection

You can manually configure your firewall using the menu below if you do not want to allow the Setup Wizard to determine your configuration as described in the previous sections.

ISP Does Not Require Login

WAN1 ISP Settings

Setup Wizard WAN Status

Does Your Internet Connection Require A Login?

No

Yes

Internet IP Address

Get Dynamically From ISP

Use Static IP Address

IP Address . . .

IP Subnet Mask . . .

Gateway IP Address . . .

Domain Name Server (DNS) Address

Get Automatically From ISP

Use These DNS Servers

Primary DNS . . .

Secondary DNS . . .

Router's MAC Address

Use Default Address

Use This Computer's MAC

Use This MAC Address

Apply Cancel Test

ISP Does Require Login

WAN1 ISP Settings

Setup Wizard WAN Status

Does Your Internet Connection Require A Login?

No

Yes

Internet Service Provider Name ▾

Account Name

Domain Name

Login

Password

Idle Timeout

Keep Connected Idle Time Minutes

Internet IP Address

Get Dynamically From ISP

Use Static IP Address

IP Address . . .

IP Subnet Mask . . .

Gateway IP Address . . .

Domain Name Server (DNS) Address

Get Automatically From ISP

Use These DNS Servers

IP Address . . .

Router's MAC Address

Use Default Address

Use This Computer's MAC

Use This MAC Address

Apply Cancel Test

Figure 4-4: Browser-based configuration WAN ISP Settings menus (WAN1 ISP shown)

Programming the Traffic Meter (if Desired)

From the Main Menu of the browser interface, under WAN Setup, click Traffic Meter. You will get the screens shown in [Figure 4-5](#). Fill out the information described in [Table 4-1](#).

WAN1

Start Date: 00:00:00 00:00:00
End Date: 00:00:00 05:34:07

Protocol	Incoming Traffic		Outgoing Traffic	
	Total (MBytes)	MBytes Per Day	Total (MBytes)	MBytes Per Day
HTTP	0	0	0	0
E_mail	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0

Refresh Close

WAN2

Start Date: 1970:01:01 05:35:00
End Date: 1970:01:01 05:35:52

Protocol	Incoming Traffic		Outgoing Traffic	
	Total (MBytes)	MBytes Per Day	Total (MBytes)	MBytes Per Day
HTTP	0	0	0	0
E_mail	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0

Refresh Close

Figure 4-5: Traffic Meter screens

Table 4-1. Traffic meter

Parameter	Description
Enable Traffic Meter	Check this if you wish to record the volume of Internet traffic passing through the Router's WAN1 or WAN2 port. WAN1 or WAN2 can be selected through the drop down menu, the entire configuration is specific to each wan interface. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Limit - If this is selected specified restriction will not be applied when traffic limit is reached. • Download only - If this is selected the specified restriction will be applied to the incoming traffic only • Both Directions - If this is selected the specified restriction will be applied to both incoming and outgoing traffic only
Enable Monthly Limit	Use this if your ISP charges for additional traffic. If enabled, enter the monthly volume limit and select the desired behavior when the limit is reached. Note: Both incoming and outgoing traffic are included in the limit.
Increase this month's limit	Use this to temporarily increase the Traffic Limit if you have reached the monthly limit, but need to continue accessing the Internet. Check the checkbox and enter the desired increase. (The checkbox will automatically be cleared when saved so the increase is only applied once.)
This month's limit	This displays the limit for the current month.
Restart traffic counter	This determines when the traffic counter restarts. Choose the desired time and day of the month.
Restart Counter Now	Click this button to restart the Traffic Counter immediately.
Send E-mail Report before restarting counter	If checked, an E-mail report will be sent immediately before restarting the counter. You must configure the E-mail screen in order for this function to work (see "Getting E-Mail Notifications of Event Logs and Alerts" on page 6-30).
When limit is reached	Select the desired option: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Block all traffic - all access to and from the Internet will be blocked. • Block all traffic except E-mail - Only E-mail traffic will be allowed. All other traffic will be blocked. • If using this option, you may also select the Send E-mail alert option. You must configure the E-mail screen in order for this function to work.
Internet Traffic Statistics	This displays statistics on Internet Traffic via the WAN port. If you have not enabled the Traffic Meter, these statistics are not available.
Traffic by Protocol	Click this button if you want to know more details of the Internet Traffic. The volume of traffic for each protocol will be displayed in a sub-window. Traffic counters are updated in MBytes scale, counter starts only when traffic passed is at least 1MB.

Step 4: Configure the WAN Mode (Required for Dual WAN)

The dual WAN ports of the FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports can be configured on a mutually exclusive basis for either rollover for increased system reliability or load balancing for maximum bandwidth efficiency.

- **Rollover (Auto-Rollover) Mode**—In this mode, the selected WAN interface is made primary and the other is the rollover link. As long as the primary link is up, all traffic is sent over the primary link. Once the primary WAN interface goes down, the rollover link is brought up to send the traffic.

Traffic will automatically roll back to the original primary link once the original primary link is back up and running again.

- **Load Balancing Mode**—In this mode the router distributes the outbound traffic equally among the WAN interfaces that are functional.



Note: Scenarios could arise when load balancing needs to be bypassed for certain traffic or applications. Here the traffic needs to go on a specific WAN interface. This is done with the protocol binding rules of that WAN interface. The rule should match the desired traffic.

For both alternatives, you must also set up Network Address Translation (NAT):

- **NAT**—NAT is the technology which allows all PCs on your LAN to share a single Internet IP address. From the Internet, there is only a single device (the Router) and a single IP address. PCs on your LAN can use any "private" IP address range, and these IP addresses are not visible from the Internet.
 - The Router uses NAT to select the correct PC (on your LAN) to receive any incoming data.
 - If you only have a single Internet IP address, you **MUST** use NAT.
- **Classical Routing**—In this mode, the Router performs Routing, but without NAT. To gain Internet access, each PC on your LAN must have a valid Internet IP address.

If your ISP has allocated many IP addresses to you, and you have assigned one of these addresses to each PC, you can choose Classical Routing. Otherwise, selecting this method will not allow Internet access through this Router.

To learn the status of the WAN ports, you can view the Router Status page (see [“Firewall Status” on page 8-14](#)) or look at the LEDs on the front panel (see [“The Router’s Front Panel” on page 2-6](#)).

Rollover Setup

Perform the following steps to configure the dual WAN ports for rollover:

1. Click the WAN Mode link directly under Setup on the upper left of the main menu to invoke the WAN Mode Auto-Rollover screen shown in [Figure 4-6](#).

The screenshot shows the WAN Mode configuration interface. At the top, it is titled "WAN Mode". Below this, there is a section for "NAT (Network Address Translation)" with two radio buttons: "NAT" (selected) and "Classical Routing". Underneath, there are two more radio buttons: "Auto-Rollover" (selected) and "Load Balancing". A section titled "Detect WAN failure by DNS lookup using:" contains two radio buttons: "ISP's DNS Server" (selected) and "Public DNS Server" (with four empty input boxes for IP address). Below this, there are two input fields: "Test Period is 30 seconds" and "Failover after 4 failures". At the bottom, there is a section for "Auto-Rollover" with the label "Primary WAN Port" and two radio buttons: "WAN 1" (selected) and "WAN 2". At the very bottom, there are "Apply" and "Cancel" buttons.

Figure 4-6: WAN Mode screen for auto-rollover

Fill out the screen using the following parameter definitions:

- Detection of WAN failure—WAN failure is detected using DNS queries to the DNS server. For each WAN interface, DNS queries are sent to the configured DNS server. If the DNS replies are not received, the corresponding WAN interface is considered down.
 - ISP DNS Server—In this case, DNS queries are sent to the DNS server configured on the WAN ISP pages (see [“Step 3: Configure the Internet Connections to Your ISPs \(Required\)”](#) on page 4-8).
 - Public DNS Server—The user is also given an option, to enter any Public DNS server. DNS queries are sent to this server through the WAN interface being monitored.

- **Test Period**—DNS query is sent periodically after every test period. The minimum test period is 30 seconds.
- **Maximum Failures**—The WAN interface is considered down after the configured number of DNS queries have failed to elicit a DNS reply from the configured DNS server. The minimum number of failed DNS queries is four. The rollover link is brought up after this.

The minimum time to roll over after the primary WAN interface fails is two minutes (i.e., 30 second minimum test period times a minimum of four tests).

2. Once a rollover occurs, an alert will be generated (see [“Getting E-Mail Notifications of Event Logs and Alerts” on page 6-30](#)). You should then get the failed WAN interface restored and then force traffic back on the original primary WAN interface by reapplying the WAN Mode menu shown in [Figure 4-6](#).

Load Balancing (and Protocol Binding) Setup

Perform the following steps to configure the dual WAN ports for load balancing and protocol binding on outbound traffic:

1. Select Load Balancing on the screen shown in [Figure 4-6](#) to invoke the WAN Mode Load Balancing screen shown in [Figure 4-7](#).

WAN Mode

NAT (Network Address Translation)

NAT Classical Routing

Auto-Rollover

Load Balancing

Detect WAN failure by DNS lookup using:

ISP's DNS Server

Public DNS Server . . .

Test Period is seconds

Failover after failures

Protocol Binding

WAN1

#	Service	Source Network	Destination Network	Enable

WAN2

#	Service	Source Network	Destination Network	Enable

WAN Mode - Protocol Binding

Service:

Destination Network:

start: . . .

finish: . . .

Source Network:

start: . . .

finish: . . .

Figure 4-7: WAN Mode screen for load balancing and protocol binding

Fill out the screen using the following parameter definitions:

- Detection of WAN failure—WAN failure is detected using DNS queries to the DNS server. For each WAN interface, DNS queries are sent to the configured DNS server. If the DNS replies are not received, the corresponding WAN interface is considered down.
 - ISP DNS Server—In this case, DNS queries are sent to the DNS server configured on the WAN ISP pages (see “[Step 3: Configure the Internet Connections to Your ISPs \(Required\)](#)” on page 4-8).
 - Public DNS Server—The user is also given an option to enter any Public DNS server. DNS queries are sent to this server through the WAN interface being monitored.

- **Test Period**—DNS query is sent periodically after every test period. The minimum test period is 30 seconds.
- **Maximum Failures**—The WAN interface is considered down after the configured number of DNS queries have failed to elicit a DNS reply from the configured DNS server. The minimum number of failed DNS queries is four.

The minimum time for a WAN interface to be classified as having failed is two minutes (i.e., 30 second minimum test period times a minimum of four tests). All traffic then stops on that WAN port. Traffic that is not bound by protocol to the failed WAN port is then sent to the working WAN port. If the total traffic on the working WAN port exceeds its bandwidth, then congestion occurs.

Once a WAN interface fails, an alert will be generated (see [“Getting E-Mail Notifications of Event Logs and Alerts” on page 6-30](#)). You must then get the failed WAN interface restored before it can carry traffic again by reapplying the WAN Mode menu shown in [Figure 4-10](#).

2. Click **Add** in the appropriate WAN interface section of the WAN Mode Load Balancing screen to invoke the WAN Mode Protocol Bonding screen (if protocol binding is needed). Fill out the screen using the following parameter definitions:
 - **Service**—Select the desired Services or applications to be covered by this rule. If the desired service or application does not appear in the list, you must define it using the Services menu (see [“Services-Based Rules” on page 6-4](#)).
 - **Source Network**—These settings determine which computers on your network are affected by this rule. Select the desired options:
 - **Any**—All PCs and devices on your LAN.
 - **Single address**—Enter the required address and the rule will be applied to that particular PC.
 - **Address range**—If this option is selected, you must enter the start and finish fields.
 - **Groups**—Select the Group you wish this rule to apply to. You can use the Network Database screen to assign PCs to Groups.
 - **Destination Network**—These settings determine which Internet locations are covered by the rule, based on their IP address. Select the desired option:
 - **Any**—All Internet IP address are covered by this rule.
 - **Single address**—Enter the required address in the start fields.
 - **Address range**—If this option is selected, you must enter the start and finish fields.

Step 5: Configure Dynamic DNS (If Needed)

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, which allows you to register an extension to its domain, and restores DNS requests for the resulting FQDN to your frequently-changing IP address.

which will allow you to register your domain to their IP address, and will forward traffic directed to your domain to your frequently-changing IP address.

- For rollover mode, you are going to need a fully qualified domain name to implement features such as exposed hosts and virtual private networks regardless of whether you have a fixed or dynamic IP address.
- For load balancing mode, you may still need a fully qualified domain name either for convenience or if you have a dynamic IP address.

The firewall 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 firewall, whenever your ISP-assigned IP address changes, your firewall will automatically contact your dynamic DNS service provider, log in to your account, and register your new IP address.

Perform the following steps to configure Dynamic DNS:

1. If you haven't already, log in to the firewall at its default LAN address of <http://192.168.1.1> with its default user name of **admin**, default password of **password**, or using whatever password and LAN address you have chosen for the firewall.
2. From the Main Menu of the browser interface, under WAN Setup, click on Dynamic DNS.
 - a. **Rollover Mode:** You will get the screen shown in [Figure 4-8](#) with **AUTO_ROLLOVER** shown in the pulldown.
 - b. **Load Balancing Mode:** Select **WAN1** or **WAN2** in the pulldown shown in [Figure 4-8](#) to invoke the appropriate WAN interface to program.

Dynamic DNS screen for rollover mode

Dynamic DNS

AUTO-ROLLOVER ▾

Use a dynamic DNS service

None

DynDNS.org [Click here for information](#)

TZO.com [Click here for free trial](#)

Oray.net [Click here to register](#)

Apply Cancel Show Status

Dynamic DNS screens for load balancing mode

Dynamic DNS

WAN 1 ▾

Use a dynamic DNS service

None

DynDNS.org [Click here for information](#)

TZO.com [Click here for free trial](#)

Oray.net [Click here to register](#)

Apply Cancel Show Status

Dynamic DNS

WAN 2 ▾

Use a dynamic DNS service

None

DynDNS.org [Click here for information](#)

TZO.com [Click here for free trial](#)

Oray.net [Click here to register](#)

Apply Cancel Show Status

Figure 4-8: Dynamic DNS screens

Each DNS service provider requires its own parameters (Figure 4-9).

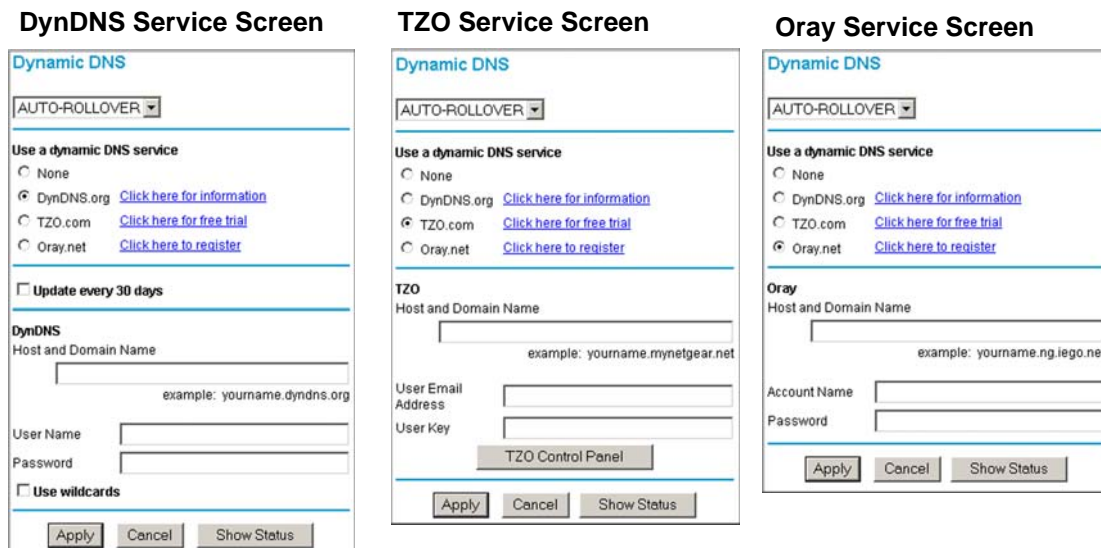


Figure 4-9: Dynamic DNS service provider screens

3. Access the website of one of the dynamic DNS service providers whose names appear in the ‘Select Service Provider’ box, 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 entire FQDN name that your dynamic DNS service provider gave you, such as myName.dyndns.org.
7. Type the user name for logging into 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 may select the Use wildcards check box to activate this feature.

For example, the wildcard feature will cause *.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.

Step 6: Configure the WAN Options (If Needed)

Perform the following steps to configure the WAN options:

1. If you haven't already, log in to the firewall at its default LAN address of <http://192.168.1.1> with its default user name of **admin**, default password of **password**, or using whatever password and LAN address you have chosen for the firewall.
2. From the Main Menu of the browser interface, under WAN Setup, click on Options. You will get the WAN1 screen shown in [Figure 4-10](#) and can get the WAN2 screen from there using the pulldown.

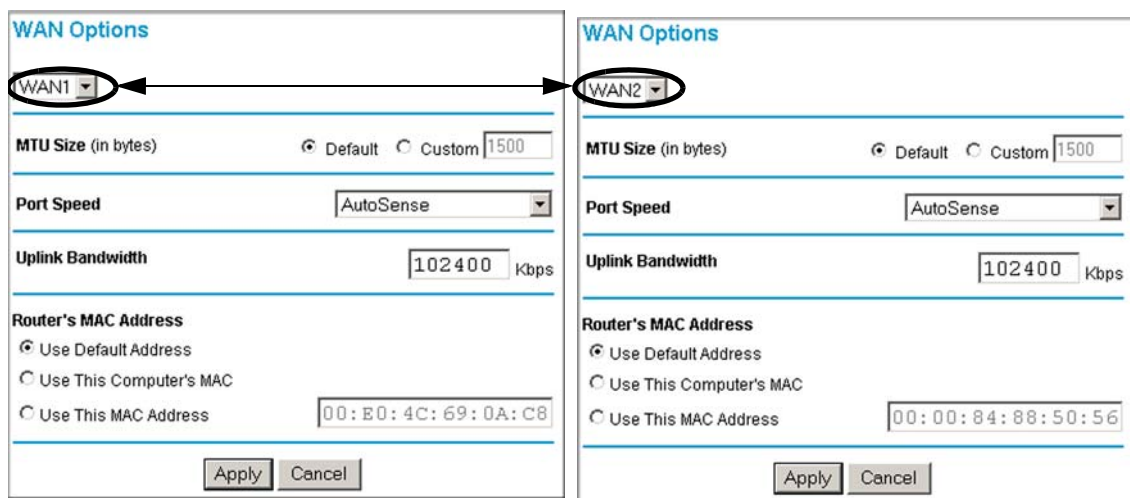


Figure 4-10: WAN Options Screens

3. Edit the default information you want to change.
 - **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 may 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.

- **Port Speed**—In most cases, your router can automatically determine the connection speed of the Internet (WAN) port. If you cannot establish an Internet connection and the Internet LED blinks continuously, you may need to manually select the port speed.

If you know that the Ethernet port on your broadband modem supports 100BaseT, select 100M; otherwise, select 10M. Use the half-duplex settings unless you are sure you need full duplex.

- **Uplink Bandwidth**—Set Uplink Bandwidth as per your requirements. You need to select a value between 28 kbps to 100 Mbps that represents the maximum speed of your upstream (outbound) connection. If you are unsure, leave it at the default value of 102,400 kbps. It will depend on your WAN connection type and ISP.
- **Router's MAC Address**—Each computer or router on your network has a unique 32-bit local Ethernet address. This is also referred to as the computer's MAC (Media Access Control) address. Usually, select Use default address.

If your ISP requires MAC authentication, then select either Use this Computer's MAC address to have the router use the MAC address of the computer you are now using or Use This MAC Address to manually type in the MAC address that your ISP expects.

The format for the MAC address is XX:XX:XX:XX:XX:XX. If you select Use This MAC Address and type in a MAC address, do not then select Use this Computer's MAC address or your entry will be overwritten.

Note: Respond To Ping On Internet Port—If you want the router to respond to a 'Ping' from the Internet, see the Respond To Ping On Internet Port checkbox on the Rules menu (Figure 6-1 on page 6-2).

Chapter 5

LAN Configuration

This chapter describes how to configure the advanced features of your FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports. These features can be found under the Advanced heading in the Main Menu of the browser interface.

- LAN Setup
- Static Routes

Using the LAN IP Setup Options

The LAN IP Setup menu allows configuration of LAN IP services such as DHCP and RIP. From the Main Menu of the browser interface, under Advanced, click on LAN IP Setup to view the LAN IP Setup menu, shown below.

LAN IP Setup

LAN TCP/IP Setup

IP Address: 192 . 168 . 1 . 1

IP Subnet Mask: 255 . 255 . 255 . 0

Multi Home LAN IPs Setup

RIP Direction: None

RIP Version: Disabled

Type of Authentication for RIP-2B/2M: None MD5

DHCP

DHCP Log

Disable

DHCP Relay

Relay Gateway: . . .

DHCP Server

Starting IP Address: 192 . 168 . 1 . 2

Ending IP Address: 192 . 168 . 1 . 254

WINS Server: . . .

Lease Time: 43200 Seconds

Apply cancel

Figure 5-1: LAN IP Setup menu



Note: Once you have completed the LAN IP setup, all outbound traffic is allowed and all inbound traffic is discarded. To change these traffic rules, refer to [Chapter 6, “Firewall Protection and Content Filtering.”](#)

Configuring LAN TCP/IP Setup Parameters

LAN TCP/IP Setup—The default values are suitable for most users and situations. These are advanced settings that you may configure if you are a network administrator. RIP is applicable if your network contains multiple routers.

- IP Address: Type the IP address of your router (factory default: **192.168.1.1**).

- **IP Subnet Mask:** The subnet mask specifies the network number portion of an IP address. Your router will automatically calculate the subnet mask based on the IP address that you assign. Unless you are implementing subnetting, use 255.255.255.0 as the subnet mask (computed by the router).
- **RIP Direction:** RIP (Routing Information Protocol, RFC 2453) allows a router to exchange routing information with other routers. The RIP Direction selection controls how the router sends and receives RIP packets. Both is the default.
 - When set to Both or Out Only, the router will broadcast its routing table periodically.
 - When set to Both or In Only, it will incorporate the RIP information that it receives.
 - When set to None, it will not send any RIP packets and will ignore any RIP packets received.
- **RIP Version:** This controls the format and the broadcasting method of the RIP packets that the router sends. (It recognizes both formats when receiving.) By default, this is set for RIP-1.
 - RIP-1 is universally supported. RIP-1 is probably adequate for most networks, unless you have an unusual network setup.
 - RIP-2 carries more information. Both RIP-2B and RIP-2M send the routing data in RIP-2 format.
 - RIP-2B uses subnet broadcasting.
 - RIP-2M uses multicasting.

Note: Multicasting can reduce the load on non-router machines because they do not listen to the RIP multicast address and will not receive the RIP packets. However, if one router uses multicasting, then all routers on your network must use multicasting. For RIP-2B and RIP-2M you can select the type of authentication as NONE or MD5. If MD5 is selected, additional parameters need to be entered.

Use router as DHCP server—By default, the router will function as a DHCP (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol) server, providing TCP/IP configuration for all computers connected to the router's LAN. If another device on your network will be the DHCP server, or if you will manually configure all devices, select the Disable option under DHCP configuration. Select the DHCP Relay option to configure the router as a DHCP relay.

- **DHCP Log** - Click this button to see the IP addresses which have been allocated by the DHCP Server to PCs and other DHCP clients.
- **Starting IP Address** - This box specifies the first of the contiguous addresses in the IP address pool. 192.168.1.2 is the default start address.

- Ending IP Address - This box specifies the last of the contiguous addresses in the IP address pool. 192.168.1.254 is the default ending address.
- WINS Server - This box can specify the Windows NetBios Server IP if one is present in your network.
- Lease Time - This box specifies the Lease time to be given to the DHCP Clients.



Note: If you change the LAN IP address of the firewall 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.

Using the Firewall as a DHCP server

By default, the firewall will function as a DHCP (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol) server, allowing it to assign IP, DNS server, WWS Server, and default gateway addresses to all computers connected to the firewall's LAN. The assigned default gateway address is the LAN address of the firewall. IP addresses will be assigned to the attached PCs from a pool of addresses specified in this menu. 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 firewall are satisfactory. See [“IP Configuration by DHCP”](#) on [page B-10](#) for an explanation of DHCP and information about how to assign IP addresses for your network.

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 firewall as DHCP server’ check box. Otherwise, leave it checked.

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 firewall's LAN IP address. Using the default addressing scheme, you should define a range between 192.168.1.2 and 192.168.1.253, although you may wish to save part of the range for devices with fixed addresses.

The firewall will deliver the following parameters to any LAN device that requests DHCP:

- An IP Address from the range you have defined
- Subnet Mask
- Gateway IP Address (the firewall's LAN IP address)

- Primary DNS Server (if you entered a Primary DNS address in the Basic Settings menu; otherwise, the firewall's LAN IP address)
- Secondary DNS Server (if you entered a Secondary DNS address in the Basic Settings menu)
- WINS Server (if you entered a Secondary DNS address in the Basic Settings menu)

Using Address Reservation

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

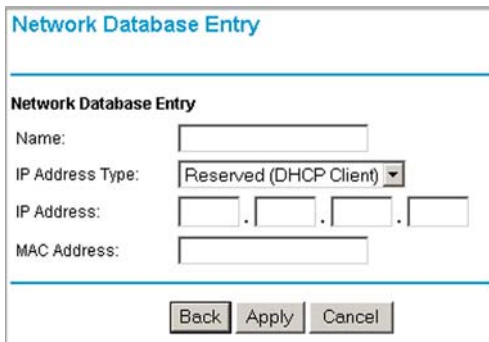


Figure 5-2: Groups and Hosts Entry screen

To reserve an IP address, use the Groups and Hosts Entry screen (see [“Managing Groups and Hosts”](#) on page 6-20).

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

Multi Home LAN IPs

Click Multi Home LAN IPs Setup on the LAN IP Setup screen (see [Figure 5-1](#)) to invoke the Secondary LAN IP Setup screens. This allows the firewall to act as a gateway to additional logical subnets on your LAN. You can assign the firewall an IP address on each additional logical subnet.

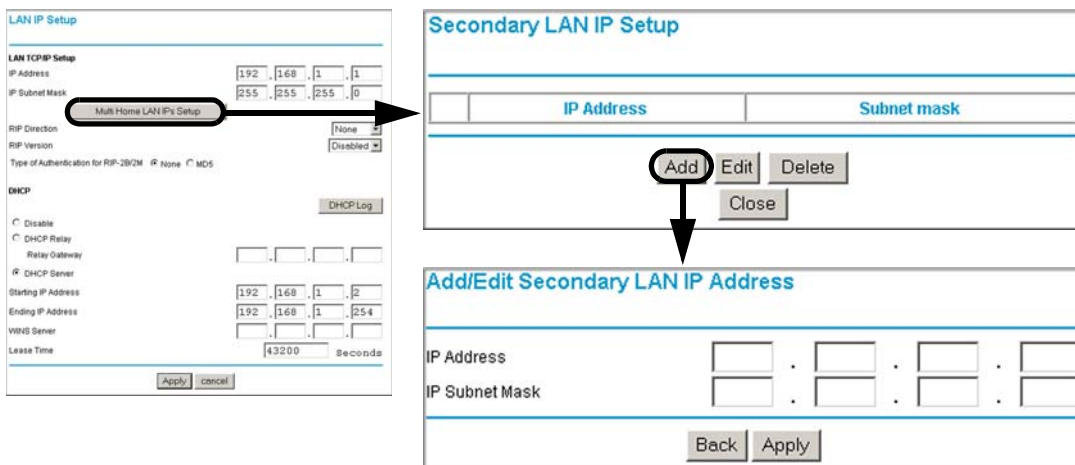


Figure 5-3: Secondary LAN IP Setup screens

Configuring Static Routes

Static Routes provide additional routing information to your firewall. Under normal circumstances, the firewall 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 firewalls or multiple IP subnets located on your network.

From the Main Menu of the browser interface, under Advanced, click on Static Routes to view the Static Route menu, shown below.

Static Routes

#	Name	Destination	Gateway	Interface	Metric	Active	Private
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Add **Edit** **Delete**

Static Routes

Route Name

Active Private

Destination IP Address . . .

IP Subnet Mask . . .

Interface

Gateway IP Address . . .

Metric

Back **Apply** **Cancel**

Figure 5-4. Static Routes Summary Table and Add screens

To add or edit a Static Route:

1. Click the Add button to open the Add/Edit Menu, shown below.
2. Type a route name for this static route in the Route Name box under the table.
(This is for identification purpose only.)
3. Select Private if you want to limit access to the LAN only. The static route will not be reported in RIP.
4. Select Active to make this route effective.
5. Type the Destination IP Address of the final destination.
6. Type the IP Subnet Mask for this destination.
If the destination is a single host, type 255.255.255.255.
7. Type the Gateway IP Address, which must be a firewall on the same LAN segment as the firewall.

8. Type a number between 1 and 15 as the Metric value.
This represents the number of firewalls between your network and the destination. Usually, a setting of 2 or 3 works, but if this is a direct connection, set it to 1.
9. Click Apply to have the static route entered into the table.

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 firewall on your home network for connecting to the company where you are employed. This firewall's address on your LAN is 192.168.1.100.
- Your company's network is 134.177.0.0.

When you first configured your firewall, two implicit static routes were created. A default route was created with your ISP as the gateway, and a second static route was created to your local network for all 192.168.1.x addresses. With this configuration, if you attempt to access a device on the 134.177.0.0 network, your firewall will forward your request to the ISP. The ISP forwards your request to the company where you are employed, and the request will likely be denied by the company's firewall.

In this case you must define a static route, telling your firewall that 134.177.0.0 should be accessed through the ISDN firewall at 192.168.1.100.

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 fields specifies that all traffic for these addresses should be forwarded to the ISDN firewall at 192.168.1.100.
- A Metric value of 1 will work since the ISDN firewall is on the LAN.
- Private is selected only as a precautionary security measure in case RIP is activated.

Chapter 6

Firewall Protection and Content Filtering

This chapter describes how to use the content filtering features of the FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports to protect your network. These features can be found by clicking on the Content Filtering heading in the Main Menu of the browser interface.

Firewall Protection and Content Filtering Overview

The FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports provides you with Web content filtering options, plus browsing activity reporting and instant alerts via e-mail. Parents and network administrators can establish restricted access policies based on time-of-day, web addresses and web address keywords. You can also block Internet access by applications and services, such as chat or games.

A firewall is a special category of router that protects one network (the “trusted” network, such as your LAN) from another (the “untrusted” network, such as the Internet), while allowing communication between the two.

A firewall incorporates the functions of a NAT (Network Address Translation) router, while adding features for dealing with a hacker intrusion or attack, and for controlling the types of traffic that can flow between the two networks. Unlike simple Internet sharing NAT routers, a firewall uses a process called stateful packet inspection to protect your network from attacks and intrusions. NAT performs a very limited stateful inspection in that it considers whether the incoming packet is in response to an outgoing request, but true Stateful Packet Inspection goes far beyond NAT.

Using Rules to Block or Allow Specific Kinds of Traffic

Firewall rules are used to block or allow specific traffic passing through from one side 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 FVS124G 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.

These default rules are shown in the Rules table of the Rules menu (under Security on the main menu) in [Figure 6-1](#):

Rules

LAN-WAN

Outbound Services

#	Enable	Service Name	Action	LAN Users	WAN Servers	Priority	Log
Default	Yes	Any	ALLOW always	Any	Any	None	Never

Add Edit Move Delete

Inbound Services

#	Enable	Service Name	Action	LAN Server IP address	WAN Users	Destination	Priority	Log
Default	Yes	Any	BLOCK always	--	Any	Any	None	Always

Add Edit Move Delete

Enable VPN Passthrough (IPSec, PPTP, L2TP)
 Drop fragmented IP packets
 Block TCP flood
 Block UDP flood
 Enable DNS proxy
 Enable Stealth Mode
 Respond to Ping on Internet Ports

Apply Cancel

Figure 6-1: Rules menu

You may 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 tailor these rules to your specific needs (see [“Administrator Information” on page 6-35](#)).

Note: This feature is for Advanced Administrators only! Incorrect configuration will cause serious problems.

Outbound Services—This lists all existing rules for outbound traffic. If you have not defined any rules, only the default rule will be listed. The default rule allows all outgoing traffic.

- To create a new outbound service rule:
 - a. Click the Add button. It does not matter which radio button is selected.
The Outbound Service screen will be displayed (see “[Outbound Rules \(Service Blocking\)](#)” on page 6-12). This screen has its own help file.
 - b. Complete the Outbound Service screen, and save the data. The new rule will be listed in the table when you return to this screen.
- To make changes to an existing outbound service rule:
 - a. Click the check box at the beginning of the row and click Apply to disable or Enable the policy.
 - b. Click the radio button next to an row in the table.
 - c. Click the button for the desired actions:
 - Edit - to make any changes to the rule definition. The Outbound Service screen will be displayed (see “[Outbound Rules \(Service Blocking\)](#)” on page 6-12) with the data for the selected rule.
 - Move - to move the selected rule to a new position in the table. You will be prompted for the new position.
 - Delete - to delete the selected rule.

Inbound Services—This lists all existing rules for inbound traffic. If you have not defined any rules, only the default rule will be listed. The default rule blocks all inbound traffic.

- To create a new inbound service rule:
 - a. Click the Add button. It does not matter which radio button is selected.
The Inbound Service screen will be displayed (see “[Inbound Rules \(Port Forwarding\)](#)” on page 6-5). This screen has its own help file.
 - b. Complete the Inbound Service screen and save the data. The new rule will be listed in the table when you return to this screen.
- To make changes to an existing inbound service rule:
 - a. Click the radio button next to an row in the table.

- b. Click the button for the desired actions:
 - Edit - to make any changes to the rule definition. The Inbound Service screen will be displayed (see “[Inbound Rules \(Port Forwarding\)](#)” on page 6-5) with the data for the selected rule.
 - Move - to move the selected rule to a new position in the table. You will be prompted for the new position.
 - Delete - to delete the selected rule.

Attack Checks—These check boxes allows you to enable check on various attacks. Select the appropriate checkbox to enable them.

- VPN Passthrough: Enable this to pass the VPN traffic without any filtering, specially used when this box is between two VPN tunnel end points.
- Drop fragmented IP packets: Enable this to drop the fragmented IP packets.
- UDP Flooding: Enable this to limit the number of UDP sessions created from one LAN machine.
- TCP Flooding: Enable this to protect the router from Syn flood attack.
- Enable DNS Proxy: Enable this to allow the incoming DNS queries.
- Enable Stealth Mode: Enable this to set the firewall to operate in stealth mode.
- Respond To Ping On Internet Ports—If you want the router to respond to a 'Ping' from the Internet, click this check box. This can be used as a diagnostic tool. You shouldn't check this box unless you have a specific reason to do so.

Services-Based Rules

The rules to block traffic are based on the traffic's category of service.

- Inbound rules (port forwarding)—Inbound traffic is normally blocked by the firewall unless the traffic is in response to a request from the LAN side. The firewall can be configured to allow this otherwise blocked traffic.
- Outbound rules (service blocking)—Outbound traffic is normally allowed unless the firewall is configured to disallow it.
- Customized services—Additional services can be added to the list of services in the factory default list. These added services can then have rules defined for them to either allow or block that traffic.

- Quality of service (QoS) priorities—Each service at its own native priority that impacts its quality of performance and tolerance for jitter or delays. You can change this QoS priority if desired to change the traffic mix through the system.

Inbound Rules (Port Forwarding)

Because the FVS124G 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 firewall 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.

Inbound Services

Service: ANY

Action: BLOCK by schedule, otherwise allow

Select Schedule: Schedule 1

Send to LAN Server: . . .

Translate to Port Number:

WAN Users: Any

start: . . .

finish: . . .

Destination Address: Broadband

QoS Priority: None

Log: Never

Back Apply Cancel

Figure 6-2: Add Inbound Service Rules screen



Note: See [“Port Triggering” on page 6-28](#) for yet another way to allow certain types of inbound traffic that would otherwise be blocked by the firewall.

Table 6-1. Inbound Services

Item	Description
Services	Select the desired Service or application to be covered by this rule. If the desired service or application does not appear in the list, you must define it using the Services menu (see “Customized Services” on page 6-16).
Action	Select the desired action for packets covered by this rule: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BLOCK always • BLOCK by schedule, otherwise Allow • ALLOW always • ALLOW by schedule, otherwise Block Note: Any inbound traffic which is not allowed by rules you create will be blocked by the Default rule.
Select Schedule	Select the desired time schedule (i.e., Schedule1, Schedule2, or Schedule3) that will be used by this rule. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This drop down menu gets activated only when "BLOCK by schedule, otherwise Allow" or "ALLOW by schedule, otherwise Block" is selected as Action. • Use schedule page to configure the time schedules.
LAN users	These settings determine which computers on your network are affected by this rule, based on their IP address. Select the desired IP Address in this field.
WAN Users	These settings determine which Internet locations are covered by the rule, based on their IP address. Select the desired option: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any - All Internet IP address are covered by this rule. • Single address - Enter the required address in the start fields. • Address range - If this option is selected, you must enter the start and finish fields.
Destination Address	These settings determine the destination IP address for this rule which will be applicable to incoming traffic, this rule will be applied only when the destination IP address of the incoming packet matches the IP address of the WAN interface selected or Specific IP address entered in this field. Selecting ANY enables the rule for any IP in destination field. Similarly WAN1 and WAN2 corresponds to respective wan interfaces.
QoS Priority	This setting determines the priority of a service, which in turn, determines the quality of that service for the traffic passing through the firewall. By default, the priority shown is that of the selected service. The user can change it accordingly. If the user does not make a selection (i.e, leaves it as None), then the native priority of the service will be applied to the policy. +5 is the highest priority. See “Quality of Service (QoS) Priorities” on page 6-18 .
Log	This determines whether packets covered by this rule are logged. Select the desired action: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Always - always log traffic considered by this rule, whether it matches or not. This is useful when debugging your rules. • Never - never log traffic considered by this rule, whether it matches or not.



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 may periodically check for servers and may 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 FVS124G VPN Firewall. Only enable those ports that are necessary for your network.

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 [Figure 6-3](#):

Inbound Services

Service: HTTP(TCP:80) None

Action: ALLOW always

Select Schedule: Schedule 1

Send to LAN Server: 192 . 168 . 0 . 99

Translate to Port Number

WAN Users: Any

start: 0 . 0 . 0 . 0

finish: 0 . 0 . 0 . 0

Destination Address: Any

QoS Priority: None

Log: Never

Back Apply Cancel

Figure 6-3: Rule example: a local public web server

Inbound Rule Example: Allowing Videoconference from Restricted Addresses

If you want to allow incoming videoconferencing 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 [Figure 6-4](#), CU-SeeMe connections are allowed only from a specified range of external IP addresses.

Inbound Services

Service: CU-SEEME(TCP/UDP:7648) None

Action: BLOCK by schedule, otherwise allow

Select Schedule: Schedule 1

Send to LAN Server: 192 . 168 . 0 . 11

Translate to Port Number

WAN Users: Address Range

start: 134 . 177 . 88 . 1

finish: 134 . 177 . 88 . 254

Destination Address: Any

QoS Priority: None

Log: Never

Back Apply Cancel

Figure 6-4: Rule example: videoconference from restricted addresses

Inbound Rule Example: One-to-One NAT Mapping

This application note describes how to configure multi-NAT to support multiple public IP addresses on one WAN interface of a NETGEAR FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports. By creating an inbound rule, we will configure the firewall to host an additional public IP addresses and associate this address with a web server on the LAN.

This procedure was developed and tested using:

- Netgear FVS124G VPN Firewall with version 1.0 firmware
 - WAN1 IP address is 10.1.0.118

- LAN IP address subnet is 192.168.1.1 255.255.255.0
- Web server PC on the firewall's LAN
 - LAN IP address is 192.168.1.2
 - Access to Web server is (simulated) public IP address 10.1.0.52

IP Address Requirements—If you arrange with your ISP to have more than one public IP address for your use, you can use the additional public IP addresses to map to servers on your LAN. One of these public IP addresses will be used as the primary IP address of the router. This address will be used to provide Internet access to your LAN PCs through NAT. The other addresses are available to map to your servers.

To configure the FVS124G for additional IP addresses:

1. Go to the Rules menu.
2. If your server is to be on your LAN, select "LAN-WAN".
3. Click the Add button to create an Inbound Services rule.
4. In the Add/Edit menu (see [Figure 6-5](#)), select the HTTP service for a web server.

The screenshot shows the 'Inbound Services' configuration window. The 'Service' dropdown is set to 'HTTP(TCP:80) +None'. The 'Action' dropdown is set to 'ALLOW always'. The 'Select Schedule' dropdown is set to 'Schedule 1'. The 'Send to LAN Server' field contains the IP address '192 . 168 . 1 . 2'. The 'WAN Users' dropdown is set to 'Any'. The 'Public Destination IP Address' dropdown is set to 'Other Public IP Address' with the value '10 . 1 . 0 . 52'. The 'QoS Priority' dropdown is set to 'None'. The 'Log' dropdown is set to 'Never'. At the bottom of the window are three buttons: 'Back', 'Apply', and 'Cancel'.

Figure 6-5: Rule example: one-to-one NAT mapping

5. Select Action "ALLOW always".
6. For Send to LAN Server, enter the local IP address of your web server PC.
7. For Public Destination IP Address, choose "Other Public IP Address."
8. Enter one of your public Internet addresses that will be used by clients on the Internet to reach your web server.
9. Click Apply.

Your rule will now appear in the Inbound Services table of the Rules menu (see [Figure 6-6](#)). This rule is different from a normal inbound port forwarding rule in that the Destination box contains an IP Address other than your normal WAN IP Address.

Rules

LAN-WAN ▾

Outbound Services

#	Enable	Service Name	Action	LAN Users	WAN Servers	Priority	Log
Default	Yes	Any	ALLOW always ▾	Any	Any	None	Never

Inbound Services

#	Enable	Service Name	Action	LAN Server IP address	WAN Users	Destination	Priority	Log
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HTTP	ALLOW Always	192.168.1.2	Any	10.1.0.52	None	Never
Default	Yes	Any	BLOCK always	--	Any	Any	None	Always

Enable VPN Passthrough (IPSec, PPTP, L2TP)
 Drop fragmented IP packets
 Block TCP flood
 Block UDP flood
 Enable DNS proxy
 Enable Stealth Mode
 Respond to Ping on Internet Ports

Figure 6-6: Rule example: one-to-one NAT mapping on inbound services

To test the connection from a PC on the Internet, type **http://<IP_address>**, where **<IP_address>** is the public IP address you have mapped to your web server. You should see the home page of your web server.

Inbound Rule Example: Exposed Host

Specifying an exposed host allows you to set up a computer or server that is available to anyone on the Internet for services that you haven't defined. To expose one of the PCs on your LAN as this host, do the following (see Figure 6-7):

1. Create an inbound rule that allows all protocols.
2. Place the rule below all other inbound rules.

Note: For security, NETGEAR strongly recommends that you avoid creating an exposed host. When a computer is designated as the exposed host, 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.

Rules

LAN-WAN

Outbound Services

#	Enable	Service Name	Action	LAN Users	WAN Servers	Priority	Log
Default	Yes	Any	ALLOW always	Any	Any	None	Never

Add Edit Move Delete

Inbound Services

#	Enable	Service Name	Action	LAN Server IP address	WAN Users	Destination	Priority	Log
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HTTP	BLOCK by schedule, otherwise allow	192.168.0.15	Any	WAN1	None	Never
2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	ALL protocols:Any Port	ALLOW Always	192.168.0.50	Any	WAN1	None	Never
Default	Yes	Any	BLOCK always	--	Any	Any	None	Always

Add Edit Move Delete

1. Select All protocols and ALLOW Always (or Allow by Schedule)
2. Place rule below all other inbound rules

Figure 6-7: Rule example: exposed host

Considerations for Inbound Rules

- If your external IP address is assigned dynamically by your ISP, the IP address may change periodically as the DHCP lease expires. Consider using the Dynamic DNS feature in the Advanced menus so that external users can always find your network.
- If the IP address of the local server PC is assigned by DHCP, it may change when the PC is rebooted. To avoid this, use the Reserved IP address feature in the LAN IP menu to keep the PC's IP address constant.
- Local PCs must access the local server using the PCs' local LAN address (192.168.0.99 in this example). Attempts by local PCs to access the server using the external WAN IP address will fail.

Outbound Rules (Service Blocking)

The FVS124G allows you to block the use of certain Internet services by PCs on your network. This is called service blocking or port filtering.

Outbound Services

Service: ANY

Action: BLOCK by schedule, otherwise allow

Select Schedule: Schedule 1

LAN Users: Any

start: 0 . 0 . 0 . 0

finish: 0 . 0 . 0 . 0

WAN Users: Any

start: 0 . 0 . 0 . 0

finish: 0 . 0 . 0 . 0

QoS Priority: None

Log: Never

Back Apply Cancel

Figure 6-8: Add Outbound Service Rules screen



Note: See [“Source MAC Filtering”](#) on page 6-27 for yet another way to block outbound traffic from selected PCs that would otherwise be allowed by the firewall.

Table 6-1. Outbound Services

Item	Description
Services	Select the desired Service or application to be covered by this rule. If the desired service or application does not appear in the list, you must define it using the Services menu (see “Customized Services” on page 6-16).
Action	Select the desired action for outgoing connections covered by this rule: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BLOCK always • BLOCK by schedule, otherwise Allow • ALLOW always • ALLOW by schedule, otherwise Block <p>Note: Any outbound traffic which is not blocked by rules you create will be allowed by the Default rule.</p> <p>ALLOW rules are only useful if the traffic is already covered by a BLOCK rule. That is, you wish to allow a subset of traffic that is currently blocked by another rule.</p>
Select Schedule	Select the desired time schedule (i.e., Schedule1, Schedule2, or Schedule3) that will be used by this rule. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This drop down menu gets activated only when "BLOCK by schedule, otherwise Allow" or "ALLOW by schedule, otherwise Block" is selected as Action. • Use schedule page to configure the time schedules (see “Using a Schedule to Block or Allow Specific Traffic” on page 6-22).
LAN users	These settings determine which computers on your network are affected by this rule. Select the desired options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any - All PCs and devices on your LAN. • Single address - Enter the required address and the rule will be applied to that particular PC. • Address range - If this option is selected, you must enter the start and finish fields. • Groups- Select the Group you wish this rule to apply to. You can use the Network Database screen to assign PCs to Groups. See “Managing Groups and Hosts” on page 6-20.
WAN Users	These settings determine which Internet locations are covered by the rule, based on their IP address. Select the desired option: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any - All Internet IP address are covered by this rule. • Single address - Enter the required address in the start fields. • Address range - If this option is selected, you must enter the start and finish fields.

Table 6-1. Outbound Services

Item	Description
QoS Priority	This setting determines the priority of a service, which in turn, determines the quality of that service for the traffic passing through the firewall. By default, the priority shown is that of the selected service. The user can change it accordingly. If the user does not make a selection (i.e, leaves it as None), then the native priority of the service will be applied to the policy. +5 is the highest priority. See “Quality of Service (QoS) Priorities” on page 6-18 .
Log	This determines whether packets covered by this rule are logged. Select the desired action: <ul data-bbox="386 526 1263 612" style="list-style-type: none">• Always - always log traffic considered by this rule, whether it matches or not. This is useful when debugging your rules.• Never - never log traffic considered by this rule, whether it matches or not.

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 have created in the Schedule menu. You can also have the firewall log any attempt to use Instant Messenger during that blocked period.

Outbound Services

Service: AIM(TCP:5190) None

Action: BLOCK by schedule, otherwise allow

Select Schedule: Schedule 1

LAN Users: Any

start: 0 . 0 . 0 . 0

finish: 0 . 0 . 0 . 0

WAN Users: Any

start: 0 . 0 . 0 . 0

finish: 0 . 0 . 0 . 0

QoS Priority: None

Log: Never

Back Apply Cancel

Figure 6-9: Rule example: Blocking Instant Messenger

Order of Precedence for Rules

As you define new rules, they are added to the tables in the Rules menu, as shown in [Figure 6-10](#):

The screenshot shows the 'Rules' configuration window with a dropdown menu set to 'LAN/WAN'. It contains two tables: 'Outbound Services' and 'Inbound Services'. Below the tables are several checkboxes for enabling various services and buttons for 'Apply' and 'Cancel'.

Outbound Services									
#	Enable	Service Name	Action	LAN Users	WAN Servers	Priority	Log		
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AM	BLOCK by schedule, otherwise allow	Any	Any	None	Never		
Default	Yes	Any	ALLOW always	Any	Any	None	Never		

Inbound Services									
#	Enable	Service Name	Action	LAN Server IP address	WAN Users	Destination	Priority	Log	
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CU-SEEME	ALLOW Always	192.168.0.11	134.177.88.1 to 134.177.88.254	Any	None	Never	
2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HTTP	ALLOW Always	192.168.0.99	Any	Any	None	Never	
Default	Yes	Any	BLOCK always	-	Any	Any	None	Always	

Enable VPN Passthrough (PPTP, PPTP, L2TP)
 Drop fragmented IP packets
 Block TCP flood
 Block UDP flood
 Enable DNS proxy
 Enable Stealth Mode

Figure 6-10: Rules table with examples

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 may 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.

Customized 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 FVS124G already holds a list of many service port numbers, you are not limited to these choices. Use the Services menu to add additional services and applications to the list for use in defining firewall rules. The Services menu shows a list of services that you have defined, as shown in [Figure 6-11](#):

The image shows two screenshots of a web-based configuration interface. The top screenshot, titled 'Services', displays a 'Service Table' with columns for '#', 'Name', 'Type', 'Priority', and 'Ports (TCP or UDP)'. Below the table are three buttons: 'Add Custom Service', 'Edit Service', and 'Delete Service'. The 'Add Custom Service' button is circled in black, and a black arrow points from it to the bottom screenshot. The bottom screenshot, also titled 'Services', shows the 'Service Definition' form. It includes fields for 'Name', 'Type' (a dropdown menu currently set to 'TCP'), 'Start Port', 'Finish Port', and 'Default QoS Priority' (a dropdown menu currently set to 'None'). At the bottom of this form are three buttons: 'Back', 'Apply', and 'Cancel'.

Figure 6-11: Services and Add Custom Service screens

To define a new service, first you must determine which port number or range of numbers is used by the application. This information can usually be determined by contacting the publisher of the application or from user groups of newsgroups. When you have the port number information, go to the Services menu and click on the Add Custom Service button. The Add Services menu will appear, as shown in [Figure 6-11](#).

To add a service:

1. Enter a descriptive name for the service so that you will remember what it is.
2. Select whether the service uses TCP or UDP as its transport protocol.
If you can't determine which is used, select both.
3. Enter the lowest port number used by the service.
4. Enter the highest port number used by the service.
If the service only uses a single port number, enter the same number in both fields.

5. Click Apply.

The new service will now appear in the Services menu, and in the Service name selection box in the Rules menu.

Quality of Service (QoS) Priorities

This setting determines the priority of a service, which in turn, determines the quality of that service for the traffic passing through the firewall. The user can change this priority:

- At the services definition screen for customized services
- On the inbound rules screen
- On the outbound rules screen

Services Add Screen

The screenshot shows the 'Services' configuration window. Under 'Service Definition', there are fields for Name, Type (set to TCP), Start Port, Finish Port, and Default QoS Priority. The 'Default QoS Priority' dropdown menu is circled in red and shows 'None' selected. At the bottom are 'Back', 'Apply', and 'Cancel' buttons.

Inbound Rules Add Screen

The screenshot shows the 'Inbound Services' configuration window. It includes fields for Service (ANY), Action (BLOCK by schedule, otherwise allow), Select Schedule (Schedule 1), and Destination Address (Broadband). The 'QoS Priority' dropdown menu is circled in red and shows 'None' selected. At the bottom are 'Back', 'Apply', and 'Cancel' buttons.

Outbound Rules Add Screen

The screenshot shows the 'Outbound Services' configuration window. It includes fields for Service (ANY), Action (BLOCK by schedule, otherwise allow), Select Schedule (Schedule 1), LAN Users, WAN Users, and QoS Priority. The 'QoS Priority' dropdown menu is circled in red and shows 'None' selected. At the bottom are 'Back', 'Apply', and 'Cancel' buttons.

Figure 6-12: Setting and Overriding QoS priorities

The QoS priority definition for a service determines the queue that is used for its traffic passing through the FVS124G VPN Firewall as follows:

Table 6-2. Traffic queue to be used for a service

Native ToS Setting*	Netgear QoS Setting†					
	None	6	5	4	3	2
7 (highest)	7	6	5	4	3	2
6	6	6	5	4	3	2
5	5	6	5	4	3	2
4	4	6	5	4	3	2
3	3	6	5	4	3	2
2	2	6	5	4	3	2
1 (default)	1	6	5	4	3	2
0 (lowest)	0	6	5	4	3	2

* IEEE 802.1D-1998 (formerly 802.1p) standard.

† Specifies which output queue in the FVS124G to use for that service's traffic. The three type-of-service bits in the traffic frame remain unchanged.

Example 1 (priority unchanged): If the native ToS setting for a service is 3 and the Netgear QoS setting for this service is None, then the traffic for this service is placed in the queue that handles priority 3 traffic. The priority of this service through the FVS124G VPN Firewall has not changed.

Example 2 (priority increased): If the native ToS setting for a service is 3 and the Netgear QoS setting for this service is 4, then the traffic for this service is placed in the queue that handles priority 4 traffic rather than the queue that handles priority 3 traffic. The priority of this service through the FVS124G VPN Firewall has been increased.

Example 3 (priority decreased): If the native ToS setting for a service is 3 and the Netgear QoS setting for this service is 2, then the traffic for this service is placed in the queue that handles priority 2 traffic rather than the queue that handles priority 3 traffic. The priority of this service through the FVS124G VPN Firewall has been decreased.

Managing Groups and Hosts

The Network Database is an automatically-maintained list of all known PCs and network devices. PCs and devices become known by the following methods:

- **DHCP Client Requests**—By default, the DHCP server in this Router is enabled, and will accept and respond to DHCP client requests from PCs and other network devices. These requests also generate an entry in the Network Database. Because of this, leaving the DHCP Server feature (on the LAN screen) enabled is strongly recommended.
- **Scanning the Network**—The local network is scanned using standard methods such as arp. This will detect active devices which are not DHCP clients. However, sometimes the name of the PC or device cannot be accurately determined, and will be shown as Unknown.

Advantages of the Network Database are as follows:

- Generally, you do not need to enter either IP address or MAC addresses. Instead, you can just select the desired PC or device.
- No need to reserve an IP address for a PC in the DHCP Server. All IP address assignments made by the DHCP Server will be maintained until the PC or device is removed from the database, either by expiry (inactive for a long time) or by you.
- No need to use a Fixed IP on PCs. Because the address allocated by the DHCP Server will never change, you don't need to assign a fixed IP to a PC to ensure it always has the same IP address.
- **MAC-level Control over PCs.** The Network Database uses the MAC address to identify each PC or device. So changing a PC's IP address does not affect any restrictions on that PC.
- **Group and Individual Control over PCs**
 - You can assign PCs to Groups and apply restrictions to each Group using the Firewall Rules screen (see [“Services-Based Rules” on page 6-4](#)).
 - You can also select the Groups to be covered by the Block Sites feature (see [“Block Sites” on page 6-24](#)).
 - If necessary, you can also create Firewall Rules to apply to a single PC (see [“Source MAC Filtering” on page 6-27](#)). Because the MAC address is used to identify each PC, users cannot avoid these restrictions by changing their IP address.

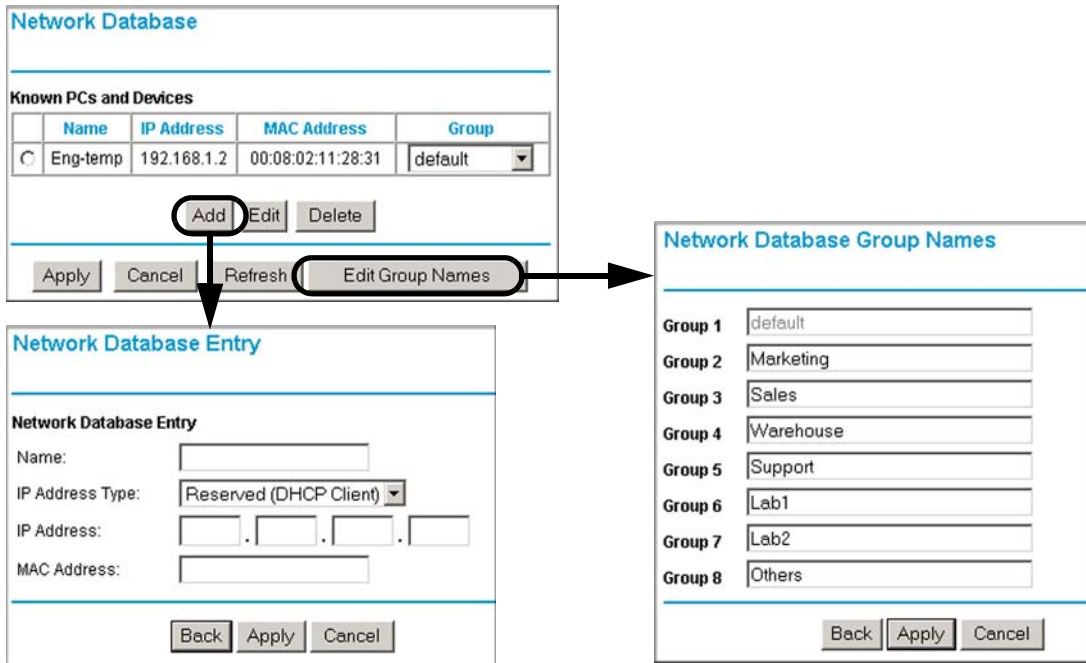


Figure 6-13: Groups and Hosts screens

Table 6-3. Groups and hosts

Item	Description
Known PCs and Devices	<p>This table lists all current entries in the Network Database. For each PC or device, the following data is displayed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Radio button—Use this to select a PC for editing or deletion. • Name—The name of the PC or device. Sometimes, this can not be determined, and will be listed as Unknown. In this case, you can edit the entry to add a meaningful name. • IP Address—The current IP address. For DHCP clients, where the IP address is allocated by the DHCP Server in this device, this IP address will not change. Where the IP address is set on the PC (as a fixed IP address), you may need to update this entry manually if the IP address on the PC is changed. • MAC Address—The MAC address of the PC. The MAC address is a low-level network identifier which is fixed at manufacture. • Group—Each PC or device must be in a single group. The Group column indicates which group each entry is in. By default, all entries are in the Default group (the D column.)
Operations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group Assignment —You can select a group for any entry by selecting the desired group from the drop down menu in the Group column. Click Apply • Adding a new Entry—If a PC is not connected, using a fixed IP, or a different LAN segment, it may not be listed. In this case, you can add it by clicking the Add button. • Editing an Entry—You can edit an entry by selecting its radio button, and clicking the Edit button. • Deleting an Entry—If a PC or device has been removed from your network, you can delete it from the database by selecting its radio button, and clicking the Delete button. • Edit Group Names—The Group names can be edited by clicking Edit Group Names button. By default the group names are Default, Marketing, Sales, Warehouse, Support, Lab1, Lab2, and Others.

Using a Schedule to Block or Allow Specific Traffic

If you enabled content filtering in the Block Sites menu, or if you defined an outbound rule to use a schedule, you can set up a schedule for when blocking occurs or when access is restricted. The firewall allows you to specify when blocking will be enforced by configuring the Schedule tab shown below:

Schedule

Schedule 1
 Schedule 2
 Schedule 3

Schedule 1 Configuration

Days:
 Every Day
 Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Time of day:
 All Day
Start Time: Hour Minute
End Time: Hour Minute

Date/Time

 Automatically Adjust for Daylight Savings Time
 Use Default NTP Servers
 Use Custom NTP Servers
Server 1 Name/IP Address:
Server 2 Name/IP Address:
Current Time: 2004-12-03 20:13:39

Figure 6-14: Schedule menu

To invoke rules and block keywords or Internet domains 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, if you want to limit access during certain times for the selected days, type a Start Blocking time and an End Blocking time.

Note: Note: Enter the values as 24-hour time. For example, 10:30 am would be 10 hours and 30 minutes and 10:30 pm would be 22 hours and 30 minutes.

Be sure to click Apply when you have finished configuring this menu.

Time Zone

The FVS124G VPN Firewall uses the Network Time Protocol (NTP) to obtain the current time and date from one of several Network Time Servers on the Internet. In order to localize the time for your log entries, you must specify your Time Zone:

- Time Zone. Select your local time zone. This setting will be used for the blocking schedule and for time-stamping log entries.
- Daylight Savings Time. Check this box for 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 unselect it at the end. Enabling Daylight Savings Time will add one hour to the standard time.

Be sure to click Apply when you have finished configuring this menu.

Block Sites

If you want to reduce incoming traffic by preventing access to certain sites on the Internet, you can use the VPN firewall's content and Web component filtering feature. By default, this feature is disabled; all requested traffic from any Web site is allowed. When users try to access a blocked site, they will get a message: Blocked by NETGEAR.

- Keyword (and domain name) blocking—You can specify up to 32 words that, should they appear in the website name (i.e., URL) or in a newsgroup name, will cause that site or newsgroup to be blocked by the VPN firewall.

You can apply the keywords to one or more groups. Requests from the PCs in the groups for which keyword blocking has been enabled will be blocked. Blocking does not occur for the PCs that are in the groups for which keyword blocking has not been enabled.

You can bypass keyword blocking for trusted domains by adding the exact matching domain to the list of Trusted Domains. Access to the domains on this list by PCs even in the groups for which keyword blocking has been enabled will still be allowed without any blocking.

- Web component blocking—You can block the following Web component types: Proxy, Java, ActiveX, and Cookies. Sites on the Trusted Domains list are still subject to Web component blocking when the blocking of a particular Web component has been enabled.

The Block Sites menu is shown in [Figure 6-15](#):

The screenshot shows the 'Block Sites' configuration page. It is divided into several sections:

- Block Sites** (Section Header)
- Web Components**: A section with four checkboxes: Proxy, ActiveX, Java, and Cookies. All are currently unchecked.
- Keyword Blocking**: A section with a checkbox 'Turn keyword blocking on' (unchecked). Below it is an empty text input field and an 'Add Keyword' button. A label reads 'Block sites containing these keywords or domain names:' followed by a large empty text area. At the bottom of this section are 'Delete Keyword' and 'Delete All' buttons.
- Apply Keyword Blocking to:**: A section with a list of checkboxes: default (checked), Marketing, Sales, Warehouse, Support, Lab1, Lab2, and Others.
- Trusted Domains**: A section with an empty text input field and an 'Add Trusted Domain' button. A label reads 'Allow these domains without any filtering:' followed by a large empty text area. At the bottom of this section are 'Delete Trusted Domain' and 'Delete All' buttons.
- At the very bottom of the page are 'Apply' and 'Cancel' buttons.

Figure 6-15: Block Sites menu

Table 6-4. Block Sites

Item	Description
Web Component Blocking	Select Proxy, Java, ActiveX and Cookies to enable respective content filtering. Example: By enabling Java filtering *.java files will be blocked. Note: Keywords are always blocked.
To block keywords or Internet domains:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select the Turn keyword blocking on check box. • Type a keyword or domain name in the Add Keyword box, click Add Keyword button. The word or domain name appears in the list below. Any number of domain names and keywords can be added to the list. • To delete a keyword or domain name: Select the word or domain name in the list, click Delete Keyword button. • To delete all keywords: Click Delete All button to delete all the Keywords from the list.
Groups	Select the groups specified below the Apply Keyword blocking to tab to enable keyword blocking for those groups. The Request from the PC's that are in the group for which Keyword filtering is enabled will undergo the Filtering process. Otherwise the filtering does not apply. See "Managing Groups and Hosts" on page 6-20 .
Trusted Domains	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the Trusted Domains box, enter the exact matching domain name for which the keyword filtering will be bypassed. Example: Enter www.netgear.com to bypass URL keyword filtering for this domain. The domains in this list will be allowed without any filtering, web component filtering still applies. Click on Add Trusted Domains button. The domain name appears in the list below. Any number of domain names can be added to the list. • To delete a Domain name: Select the word or domain name in the list. Click Delete Trusted Domain button. • To delete all domain names: Click Delete All button.

Keyword application examples:

- If the keyword "XXX" is specified, the URL <http://www.badstuff.com/xxx.html> is blocked, as is the newsgroup alt.pictures.XXX.
- If the keyword ".com" is specified, only websites with other domain suffixes (such as .edu or .gov) can be viewed.
- If you wish to block all Internet browsing access, enter the keyword ".".

Source MAC Filtering

Source MAC Filter will drop the Internet-bound traffic received from the PCs with the specified MAC address.

- By default, the source MAC address filter is disabled. All the traffic received from PCs with any MAC address is allowed by default.
- When enabled, Internet-bound traffic will be dropped from the PCs that have the configured MAC addresses.

Source MAC Filter

Enable Source MAC Address Filtering

MAC addresses to be Blocked

MAC Address

Add Delete

Apply Cancel Refresh

Source MAC to be Blocked

MAC Address:

Back Apply Cancel

Figure 6-16: Source MAC Filter screens



Note: For additional ways of restricting outbound traffic, see [“Outbound Rules \(Service Blocking\)”](#) on page 6-12.

Table 6-5. Source MAC address filter

Item	Description
Activation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Enable the source MAC filter by ticking the check box.• Press APPLY.
Add	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Now add the MAC Addresses from which the traffic should be dropped by clicking on ADD button. Each time one MAC Address entry can be added. MAC Address input should be entered with ':' separator. A valid MAC address will have 0 to 9 and A to F. Example: 00:e0:4c:69:0a:11• Press APPLY. Now the traffic from the specified MAC addresses will be dropped.
Disable	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To Disable Source MAC Filter, uncheck Source MAC Filter Enable check box. The list of the MAC Addresses can be kept in the database.• If the filter has to be avoided for a specific MAC address in the database, select the MAC address entry and click on Delete button.

Port Triggering

Port triggering allows some applications to function correctly that would otherwise be partially blocked by the firewall. Using this feature requires that you know the port numbers used by the Application.

Once configured, operation is as follows:

- A PC makes an outgoing connection using a port number defined in the Port Triggering table.
- This Router records this connection, opens the additional INCOMING port or ports associated with this entry in the Port Triggering table, and associates them with the PC.
- The remote system receives the PC's request and responds using the different port numbers that you have now opened.
- This Router matches the response to the previous request, and forwards the response to the PC.
Without Port Triggering, this response would be treated as a new connection request rather than a response. As such, it would be handled in accordance with the Port Forwarding rules.
- Only 1 PC can use a Port Triggering application at any time.

- After a PC has finished using a Port Triggering application, there is a Time-out period before the application can be used by another PC. This is required because this Router cannot be sure when the application has terminated.



Note: For additional ways of allowing inbound traffic, see “[Inbound Rules \(Port Forwarding\)](#)” on page 6-5.

The figure illustrates the Port Triggering configuration process through three interconnected screens:

- Port Triggering Rules:** A table with columns for #, Enable, Name, Outgoing Ports, and Incoming Ports. Below the table are buttons for Add, Edit, and Delete. The 'Add' button is circled, with an arrow pointing to the 'Port Triggering Rule' configuration screen.
- Port Triggering Rule:** A form for configuring a specific rule. It includes fields for Name, Outgoing (Trigger) Port Range (Start and End Port), and Incoming (Response) Port Range (Start and End Port). There are radio buttons for Enable and Disable (selected). 'Apply' and 'Cancel' buttons are at the bottom.
- Port Triggering Status:** A table showing the status of active rules. The table has columns for #, Rule, LAN IP Address, Open Ports, and Time Remaining. Below the table are 'Refresh' and 'Back' buttons. An arrow from the 'Status' button in the first screen points to this table.

Figure 6-17: Port Triggering screens

Table 6-6. Port Triggering

Item	Description
Port Triggering Rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Enable - Indicates if the rule is enabled or disabled. Generally, there is no need to disable a rule unless it interferes with some other function such as Port Forwarding.• Name - The name for this rule.• Outgoing Ports - The port or port range for outgoing traffic. An outgoing connection using one of these ports will trigger this rule.• Incoming Ports - The port or port range used by the remote system when it responds to the outgoing request. A response using one of these ports will be forwarded to the PC which triggered this rule.
Adding a new Rule	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To add a new rule, click the Add and enter the following data on the resulting screen.• Name - enter a suitable name for this rule (e.g., the name of the application)• Enable/Disable - select the desired option.• Outgoing (Trigger) Port Range - enter the range of port numbers used by the application when it generates an outgoing request.• Incoming (Response) Port Range - enter the range of port numbers used by the remote system when it responds to the PC's request.
Modifying or Deleting an existing Rule:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Select the desired rule by clicking the radio button beside the rule.• Click Edit or Delete as desired.
Checking Operation and Status	To see which rules are currently being used, click the Status button. The following data will be displayed: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rule - the name of the Rule.• LAN IP Address - The IP address of the PC currently using this rule.• Open Ports - the Incoming ports which are associated the this rule. Incoming traffic using one of these ports will be sent to the IP address above.• Time Remaining - The time remaining before this rule is released, and thus available for other PCs. This timer is restarted whenever incoming or outgoing traffic is received.

Getting E-Mail Notifications of Event Logs and Alerts

Your router will log security-related events such as denied incoming service requests, hacker probes, and administrator logins, according to your settings on this screen.

If you have set up content filtering on the Block Sites page (see [“Block Sites” on page 6-24](#)), you can also log when someone on your network tried to access a blocked site.

In order to receive logs and alerts by e-mail, you must provide your e-mail information in the E-Mail Logs subheading:

The figure displays two screenshots of the ProSafe VPN Firewall configuration interface. The left screenshot shows the 'Log' configuration screen, and the right screenshot shows the 'Logs and E-mail' configuration screen. Both screenshots have the 'Log Identifier' field set to 'FVX538'. In the left screenshot, the 'Email Logs' and 'Syslog' options are circled in red, with arrows pointing to the corresponding options in the right screenshot. In the right screenshot, the 'E-mail Logs' and 'Syslog' options are also circled in red.

Log Configuration (Left Screenshot):

- View Log button
- Log Identifier: FVX538
- Include in log:**
 - System Error Messages
 - Deny Policies
 - Allow Policies
 - Content Filtering
 - Data Inspection
 - General Attacks
 - Unavailable Policies
 - Admin Login
 - Configuration Changes
 - Access Statistics
 - All Websites and news groups visited
 - Verbose
- Include in Alerts:**
 - SYN Flood
 - Ping of Death
 - IP Spoofing
 - Login Failure
 - WinNuke
 - IP Option Attacks
- Email Logs:**
 - Disable
 - Enable
- Syslog:**
 - Disable
 - Enable
- Log Queue Length: 15
- Log Threshold Time: 15
- Alert Queue Length: 15
- Apply, Cancel buttons

Logs and E-mail Configuration (Right Screenshot):

- View Log button
- Log Identifier: FVX538
- Include in log:**
 - System Error Messages
 - Deny Policies
 - Allow Policies
 - Content Filtering
 - Data Inspection
 - General Attacks
 - Unavailable Policies
 - Admin Login
 - Configuration Changes
 - Access Statistics
 - All Websites and news groups visited
 - Verbose
- Include in Alerts:**
 - SYN Flood
 - Ping of Death
 - IP Spoofing
 - Login Failure
 - WinNuke
 - IP Option Attacks
- E-mail Logs:**
 - Disable
 - Enable
 - Respond to Identd from SMTP Server
 - E-mail Server Address:
 - Return Mail Address:
 - Send To Mail Address:
 - Authenticate with SMTP Server:
 - User Name:
 - Password:
- Syslog:**
 - Disable
 - Enable
 - Syslog Server:
 - SysLog Facility: Local0
- Log Queue Length: 64 (entries)
- Log Threshold Time: 24 (hours)
- Alert Queue Length: 8 (entries)
- Apply, Cancel buttons

Figure 6-18: Logs and E-mail screens

Click on View Log button to view various log messages generated by the Router.

- In view log window To delete all log entries: Click Clear Log.
- To see the most recent entries: Click Refresh.
- To E-mail the log messages now: Click Send Log.

Log Identifier is a mandatory field to identify the log messages. This ID appended to log messages.

Items to include in the log:

- Use these checkboxes to determine which events are included in the log. Selecting all events will increase the size of the log, so it is good practice to disable any events which are not really required.
- Selecting an event under Include In Log will enable logging of messages pertaining to that event. Ex: Selecting Admin Login, will enable generation of log messages whenever Admin logs in.
- Selecting an event under Include In Alerts will enable logging of messages pertaining to that event. This category typically contains Internet Attack events. Ex: Selecting SYN Flood, will enable generation of Alert messages whenever SYN Flood occurs.

Emailing logs:

- If you have Email Logs enabled, you'll receive these logs in an Email message.
- To receive alerts and logs by e-mail you have to enable Email Logs option.
 - In the Respond to Identd from SMTP Server check this box to respond to IDENT protocol.
 - In the Email Server address Enter E-mail outgoing SMTP mail server of your ISP (for example, 172.16.1.10).
 - If you leave this box blank, no alerts or logs will be sent to you.
 - In the Return Email Address box, type the user's e-mail address.
 - In the Log / Alert Email box, type the e-mail address where the logs and alerts will be sent. Use a full e-mail address (for example, ChrisXY@myISP.com).
 - In the Authenticate with SMTP server Check this box to enable authentication for alerts and logs.
 - In the User Name Box, fill the user name for SMTP authentication.
 - In the Password Box, fill the password for SMTP authentication.

Syslog—Enable or disable as required:

- Disable - Select this if you don't have a Syslog server.
- Enable - Syslog server IP address - If your Syslog server has a fixed IP address, select this option, and enter the IP address of your Syslog server and select appropriate syslog facility.

Message length and frequency:

- In the Log Queue Length box, set the logs queue length.

- In the Log Threshold Time box, set the logs Threshold time.
- In the Alert Queue Length box, set the alerts queue length.

Click Apply to have your changes take effect.

Syslog

You can configure the firewall to send system logs to an external PC that is running a syslog logging program. Enter the IP address of the logging PC and click the Enable Syslog checkbox.

Logging programs are available for Windows, Macintosh, and Linux computers.

Viewing Logs of Web Access or Attempted Web Access

The firewall will log security-related events such as denied incoming and outgoing service requests, hacker probes, and administrator logins.

- If you enable content filtering in the Block Sites menu, the Log page will also show you when someone on your network tried to access a blocked site.
- If you enabled e-mail notification, you'll receive these logs in an e-mail message.
- If you don't have e-mail notification enabled, you can view the logs here.

An example is shown in [Figure 6-19](#). Log entries are described in [Table 6-7](#) and log action buttons are described in [Table 6-8](#).

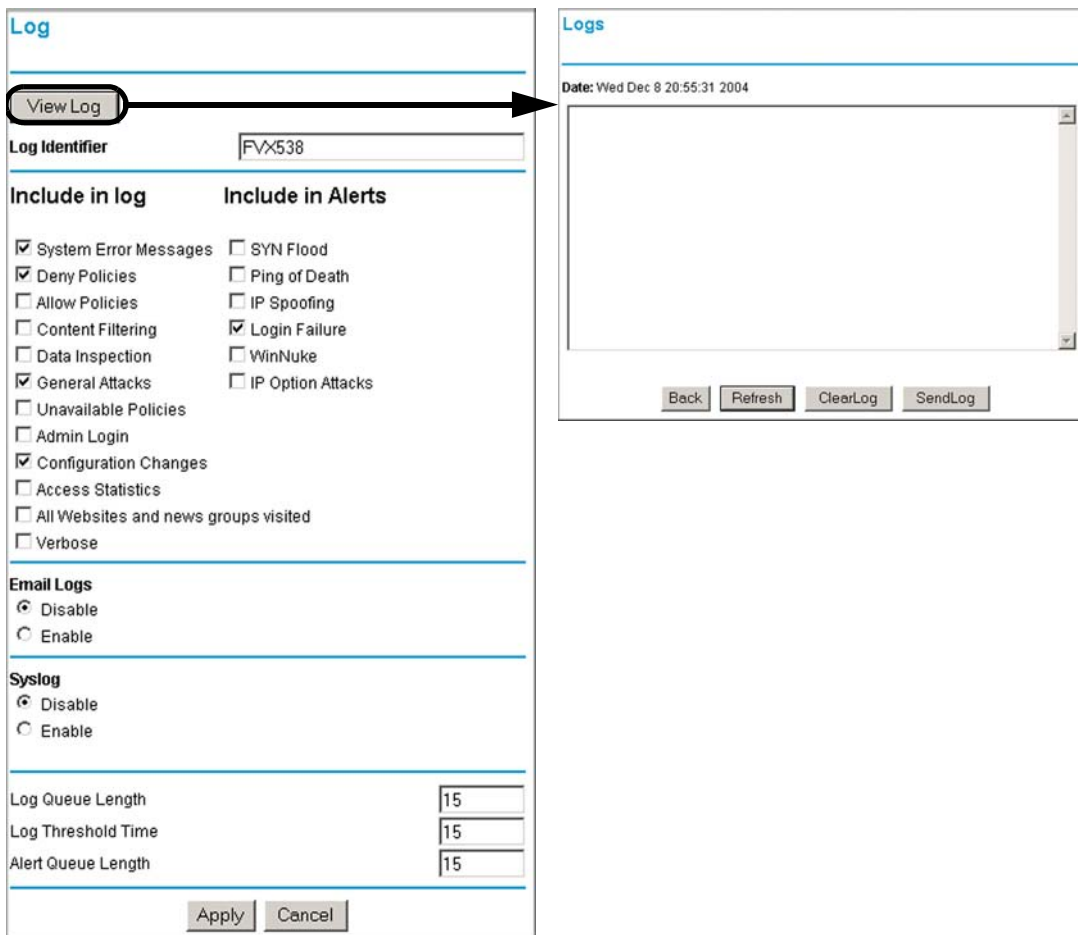


Figure 6-19: Firewall Logs menu

Table 6-7. 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.

Table 6-7. Log entry descriptions

Field	Description
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's on the LAN or WAN.

Table 6-8. Log action buttons

Field	Description
Refresh	Click this button to refresh the log screen.
Clear Log	Click this button to clear the log entries.
Send Log	Click this button to email the log immediately.

Administrator Information

Consider the following operational items:

1. As an option, you can enable remote management if you have to manage distant sites from a central location (see [“Enabling Remote Management Access”](#) on page 8-9).
2. Although rules (see [“Using Rules to Block or Allow Specific Kinds of Traffic”](#) on page 6-1) is the basic way of managing the traffic through your system, you can further refine your control with the following optional features of the FVS124G VPN Firewall:
 - Groups and hosts (see [“Managing Groups and Hosts”](#) on page 6-20)
 - Services (see [“Services-Based Rules”](#) on page 6-4)
 - Schedules (see [“Using a Schedule to Block or Allow Specific Traffic”](#) on page 6-22)
 - Block sites (see [“Block Sites”](#) on page 6-24)
 - Source MAC filtering (see [“Source MAC Filtering”](#) on page 6-27)
 - Port triggering (see [“Port Triggering”](#) on page 6-28)

Chapter 7

Virtual Private Networking

This chapter describes how to use the virtual private networking (VPN) features of the FVS124G VPN Firewall. VPN tunnels provide secure, encrypted communications between your local network and a remote network or computer.

Tip: When using dual WAN port networks, use the VPN Wizard to configure the basic parameters and then edit the VPN and IKE Policy screens for the various VPN scenarios.

Dual WAN Port Systems

The dual WAN ports in the FVS124G VPN Firewall can be configured for either rollover mode for increased system reliability or load balancing mode for optimum bandwidth efficiency. This WAN mode choice then impacts how the VPN features have to be configured.

Rollover vs. Load Balancing Mode

Refer to [“Virtual Private Networks \(VPNs\)” on page 3-5](#) for an overview of the IP addressing requirements for VPN in the two WAN modes.

Table 7-1. IP addressing requirements for VPNs in dual WAN port systems

Configuration and WAN IP address		Rollover Mode*	Load Balancing Mode
VPN Road Warrior (client-to-gateway)	Fixed	FQDN required	Allowed (FQDN optional)
	Dynamic	FQDN required	FQDN required
VPN Gateway-to-Gateway	Fixed	FQDN required	Allowed (FQDN optional)
	Dynamic	FQDN required	FQDN required
VPN Telecommuter (client-to-gateway through a NAT router)	Fixed	FQDN required	Allowed (FQDN optional)
	Dynamic	FQDN required	FQDN required

*All tunnels must be re-established after a rollover using the new WAN IP address.

Figure 7-1 shows the setup screens for the selected WAN mode. This setup is accomplished in “Step 4: Configure the WAN Mode (Required for Dual WAN)” on page 4-15.

Rollover Mode Setup Screen

WAN Mode

NAT (Network Address Translation)
 NAT Classical Routing

Auto-Rollover
 Load Balancing

Detect WAN failure by DNS lookup using:
 ISP's DNS Server
 Public DNS Server [] . [] . [] . []

Test Period is seconds
 Failover after failures

Auto-Rollover
 Primary WAN Port
 WAN 1
 WAN 2

Load Balancing Mode Setup Screen

WAN Mode

NAT (Network Address Translation)
 NAT Classical Routing

Auto-Rollover
 Load Balancing

Detect WAN failure by DNS lookup using:
 ISP's DNS Server
 Public DNS Server [] . [] . [] . []

Test Period is seconds
 Failover after failures

Protocol Binding

WAN1

#	Service	Source Network	Destination Network	Enable

WAN2

#	Service	Source Network	Destination Network	Enable

Figure 7-1: WAN Mode Setup screens

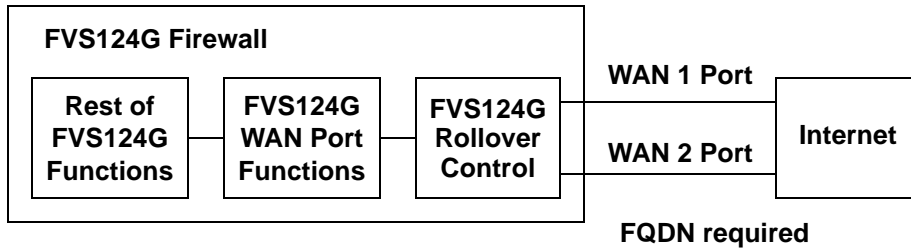
Fully Qualified Domain Names

The use of fully qualified domain names is:

- Mandatory when the WAN ports are in rollover mode (Figure 7-2)
- Mandatory when the WAN port are in load balancing mode and the IP addresses are dynamic (Figure 7-3)
- Optional when the WAN ports are in load balancing mode the IP addresses are static (Figure 7-3)

See “[Step 5: Configure Dynamic DNS \(If Needed\)](#)” on page 4-20 for how to select and configure the Dynamic DNS service.

FVS124G Functional Block Diagram



Dynamic DNS screen

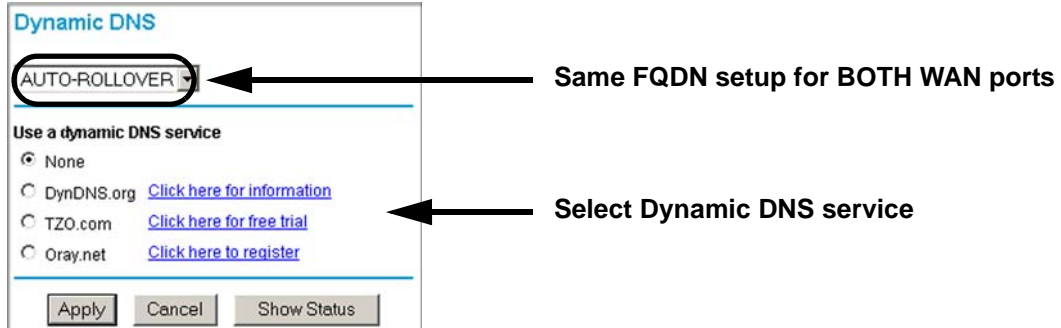
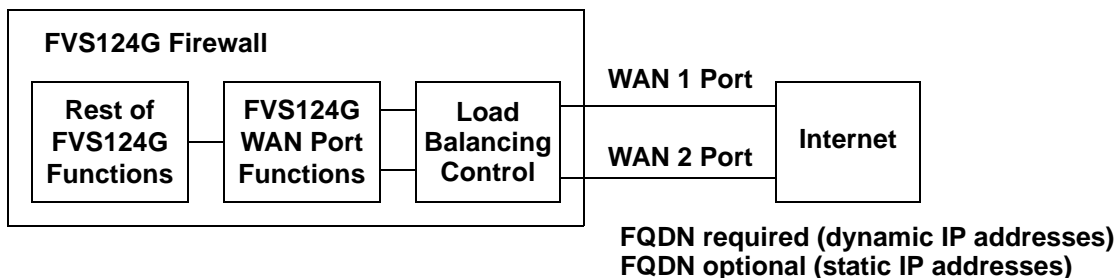


Figure 7-2: Functional operation of FVS124G WAN ports for rollover mode

FVS124G Functional Block Diagram



Dynamic DNS screens

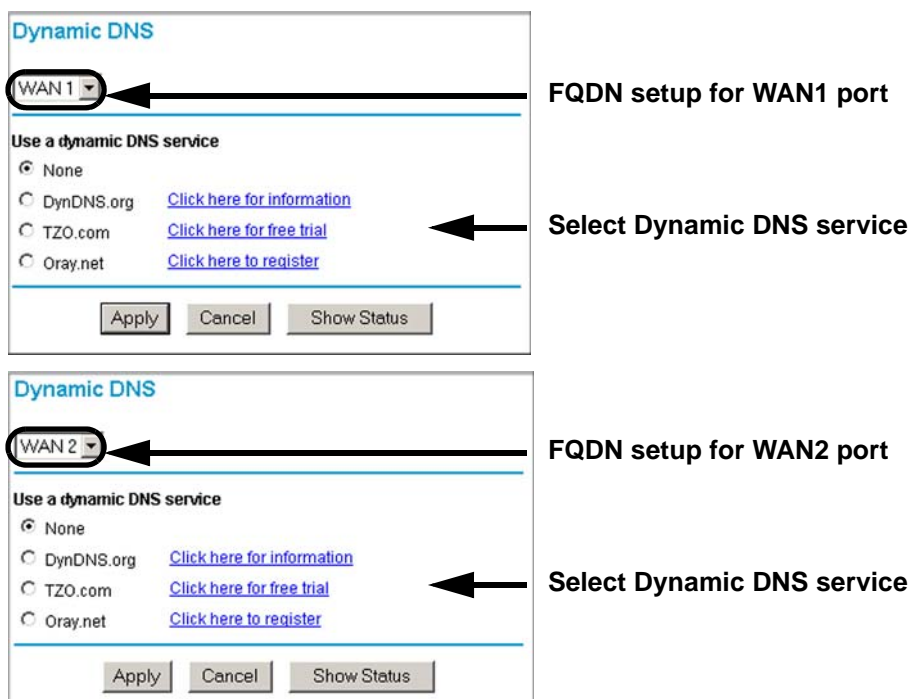


Figure 7-3: Functional operation of FVS124G WAN ports for load balancing mode

Creating a VPN Connection: Between FVX538 and FVS124G

This section describes how to configure a VPN connection between a NETGEAR FVX538 VPN Firewall and a NETGEAR FVS124G VPN Firewall.

Using each firewall's VPN Wizard, we will create a set of policies (IKE and VPN) that will allow the two firewalls to connect from locations with fixed IP addresses. Either firewall can initiate the connection.

This procedure was developed and tested using:

- Netgear FVX538 VPN Firewall with version 1.6.11 firmware
 - WAN1 IP address is 10.1.0.118
 - LAN IP address subnet is 192.168.1.1 255.255.255.0
- Netgear FVS124g VPN Firewall with version 1.0 firmware
 - WAN IP address is 10.1.1.150
 - LAN IP address subnet is 192.168.2.1 255.255.255.0

Configuring the FVX538

1. Select the VPN Wizard
2. Give the client connection a name, such as **to_fvs**.
3. Enter a value for the pre-shared key.
4. Select 'a remote VPN gateway'.

VPN Wizard
Step 1 of 3: Connection Name and Remote IP Type

What is the new Connection Name?

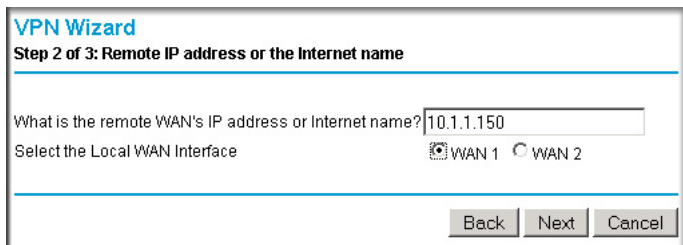
What is the pre-shared key?

This VPN tunnel will connect to:

A remote VPN Gateway
 A remote VPN client

Figure 7-4: VPN Wizard start page

5. Click Next.
6. Enter the WAN IP address of the remote FVS124G.
7. Click WAN1 to bind this connection to the WAN1 port.



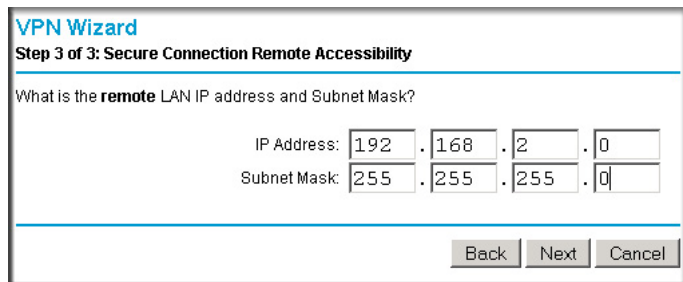
VPN Wizard
Step 2 of 3: Remote IP address or the Internet name

What is the remote WAN's IP address or Internet name?

Select the Local WAN Interface WAN 1 WAN 2

Figure 7-5: WAN IP address of remote FVS124G

8. Click Next.
9. Enter the LAN IP address and subnet mask of the remote FVS124G.



VPN Wizard
Step 3 of 3: Secure Connection Remote Accessibility

What is the **remote** LAN IP address and Subnet Mask?

IP Address: . . .

Subnet Mask: . . .

Figure 7-6: LAN IP address and subnet mask of remote FVS124G

10. Click Next.

11. Click Done to create the 'to_fvs' IKE and VPN policies.

In the IKE Policies menu, the 'to_fvs' IKE policy will appear in the table.


IKE Policies								
Policy Table								
	#	Name	Mode	Local ID	Remote ID	Encr	Auth	DH
	1	to_fvs	Main	10.1.0.118	10.1.1.150	3DES	SHA1	Group 2 (1024 Bit)

Figure 7-7: IKE Policies

12. You can view the IKE parameters by selecting 'to_fvs' and clicking Edit. It should not be necessary to make any changes.

IKE Policy Configuration	
General	
Policy Name	to_fvs
Direction/Type	Both Directions
Exchange Mode	Main Mode
Local	
Select Local Gateway	<input checked="" type="radio"/> WAN 1 <input type="radio"/> WAN 2
Local Identity Type	WAN IP Address
Local Identity Data	10.1.0.118
Remote	
Remote Identity Type	Remote WAN IP
Remote Identity Data	10.1.1.150
IKE SA Parameters	
Encryption Algorithm	3DES
AES Key Length	256
Authentication Algorithm	SHA-1
Authentication Method	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Pre-shared Key 12345678
	<input type="radio"/> RSA Signature (requires Certificate)
Diffie-Hellman (DH) Group	Group 2 (1024 Bit)
SA Life Time	28800 (secs)
<input type="button" value="Back"/> <input type="button" value="Apply"/> <input type="button" value="Cancel"/>	

Figure 7-8: FVX538-to-FVS124G IKE screen

13. In the VPN Policies menu, the 'to_fvs' VPN policy will appear in the table.

VPN Policies

Policy Table

	#	Enable	Name	Type	Local	Remote	AH	ESP
	1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	to_fvs	Auto	192.168.1.0/255.255.255.0	192.168.2.0/255.255.255.0	Disabled	Enabled

VPN Client Policies

Policy Table

	#	Enable	Name	Type	Local	Remote	AH	ESP
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Figure 7-9: FVX538 VPN Policies screen

14. You can view the VPN parameters by selecting 'to_fvs' and clicking Edit. It should not be necessary to make any changes.

VPN - Auto Policy

General

Policy Name: to_fvs

IKE policy: to_fvs

Remote VPN Endpoint: Address Type: IP Address, Address Data: 10.1.1.150

SA Life Time: 86400 (Seconds), 0 (Kbytes)

IPsec PFS, PFS Key Group:

Traffic Selector

Local IP: Subnet address, Start IP address: 192.168.1.0, Finish IP address: 0.0.0.0, Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0

Remote IP: Subnet address, Start IP address: 192.168.2.0, Finish IP address: 0.0.0.0, Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0

AH Configuration

Enable Authentication, Authentication Algorithm: SHA-1

ESP Configuration

Enable Encryption, Encryption Algorithm: 3DES, AES Key Length: 256

Enable Authentication, Authentication Algorithm: SHA-1

Back Apply Cancel

Figure 7-10: FVX538-to-FVS124G VPN screen

Configuring the FVS124G

1. Select the VPN Wizard
2. Give the client connection a name, such as **to_fvx**.
3. Enter a value for the pre-shared key.

4. Select 'a remote VPN gateway'.

VPN Wizard
Step 1 of 3: Connection Name and Remote IP Type

What is the new Connection Name?

What is the pre-shared key?

This VPN tunnel will connect to:

A remote VPN Gateway
 A remote VPN client

Figure 7-11: VPN Wizard start page

5. Click Next.
6. Enter the WAN IP address of the remote FVX538.

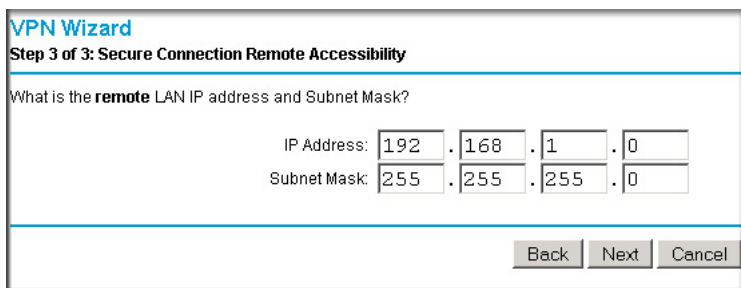
VPN Wizard
Step 2 of 3: Remote IP address or the Internet name

What is the remote WAN's IP address or Internet name?

Figure 7-12: WAN IP address of remote FVX538

7. Click Next.

8. Enter the LAN IP address and subnet mask of the remote FVX538.



VPN Wizard
Step 3 of 3: Secure Connection Remote Accessibility

What is the **remote** LAN IP address and Subnet Mask?

IP Address: 192 . 168 . 1 . 0
Subnet Mask: 255 . 255 . 255 . 0

Back Next Cancel

Figure 7-13: LAN IP address and subnet mask of remote FVX538

9. Click Next.
10. Click Done to create the 'to_fvx' IKE and VPN policies.

Testing the Connection

1. From a PC on either firewall's LAN, try to ping a PC on the other firewall's LAN. Establishing the VPN connection may take several seconds.
2. For additional status and troubleshooting information, view the VPN log and status menu in the FVX538 or FVS124G.

Creating a VPN Connection: Netgear VPN Client to FVS124G

This section describes how to configure a VPN connection between a Windows PC and the FVS124G VPN Firewall.

Using the FVS124G's VPN Wizard, we will create a single set of policies (IKE and VPN) that will allow up to 50 remote PCs to connect from locations in which their IP addresses are unknown in advance. The PCs may be directly connected to the Internet or may be behind NAT routers. If more PCs are to be connected, an additional policy or policies must be created.

Each PC will use Netgear's VPN Client. Since the PC's IP address is assumed to be unknown, the PC must always be the Initiator of the connection.

This procedure was developed and tested using:

- Netgear FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports with version 1.0 firmware
- Netgear VPN Client version 10.3.5 (Build 6)
- NAT router: Netgear FR114P with version 1.5_09 firmware

Configuring the FVS124G

1. Select the VPN Wizard
2. Give the client connection a name, such as **home**.
3. Enter a value for the pre-shared key.
4. Select 'a remote VPN client'.

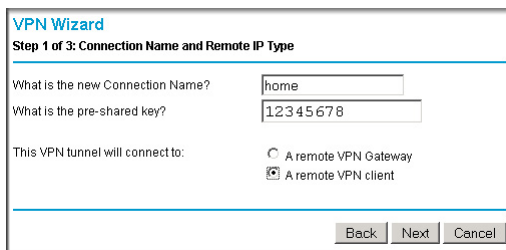



Figure 7-14: VPN Wizard

5. Click Next to go to the summary page.
6. Click Done to create the 'home' IKE and VPN policies.

Configuring the VPN Client

1. Right-click on the VPN client icon  in your Windows toolbar and select the Security Policy Editor.

2. In the upper left of the Policy Editor window, click the New Document icon to open a New Connection.

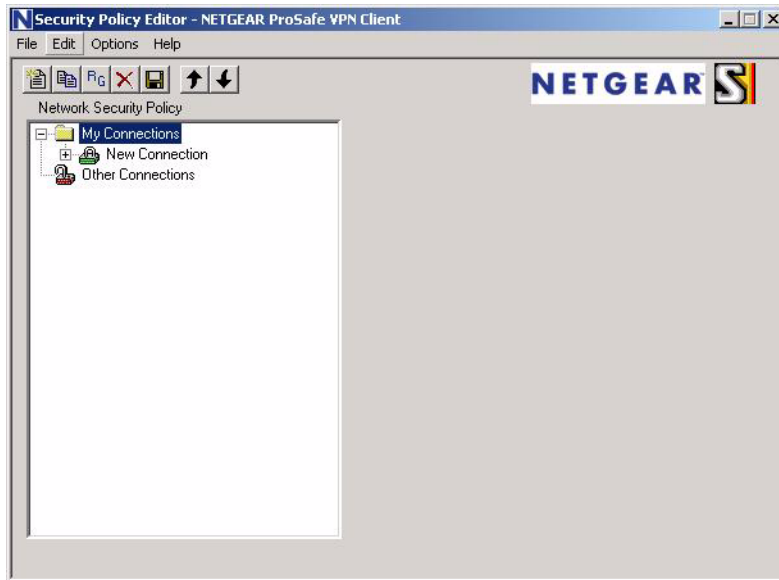


Figure 7-15: New Client Connection screen

3. Give the New Connection a name, such as **to_FVS**.

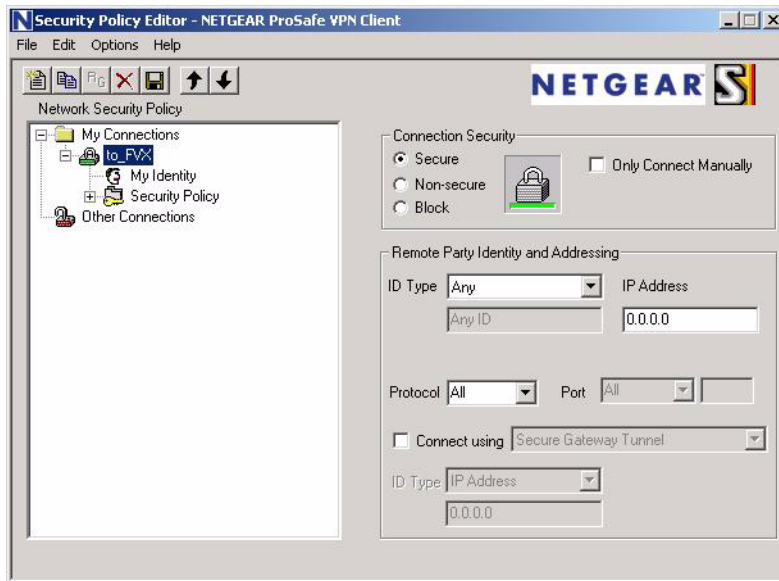


Figure 7-16: New connection named

4. In the Remote Party Identity section, select ID Type of IP Subnet.
5. Enter the LAN IP Subnet Address and Subnet Mask of the FVS124G's LAN.
6. Select 'Connect using Secure Gateway Tunnel'.
7. Under ID Type, select 'Domain Name' and 'Gateway IP Address'.

- For Domain Name, enter 'fvs_local.com' and enter the WAN IP Address of the FVS124G.

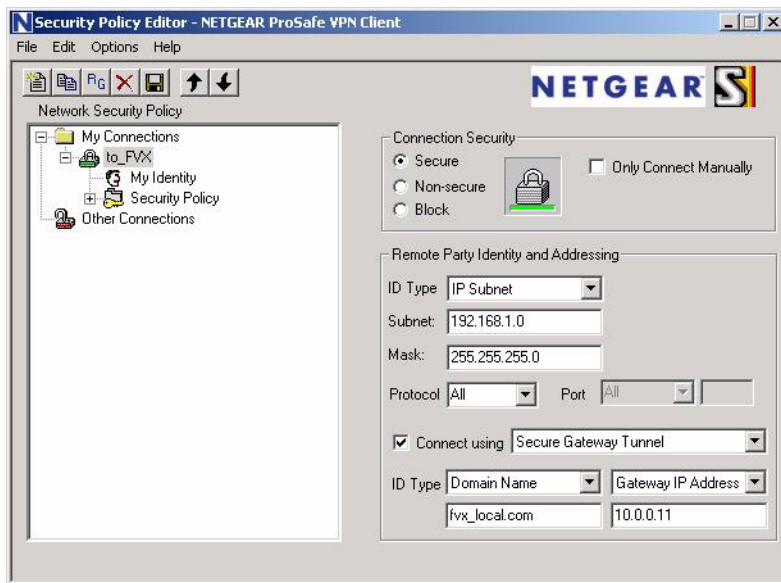


Figure 7-17: Remote client info

- In the left frame, click on My Identity.
- Select Certificate = None.
- Under ID Type, select 'Domain Name'.

The value entered under Domain Name will be of the form '<name><XY>.fvs_remote.com', where each user must use a different variation on the Domain Name entered here. The <name> is the policy name used in the FVS124G configuration. In this example, it is 'home'. X and Y are an arbitrary pair of numbers chosen for each user.

Note: X may not be zero!

In this example, we have entered home11.fvs_remote.com. Up to fifty user variations can be served by one policy.

12. Leave Virtual Adapter disabled, and select your computer's Network Adapter. Your current IP address will appear.

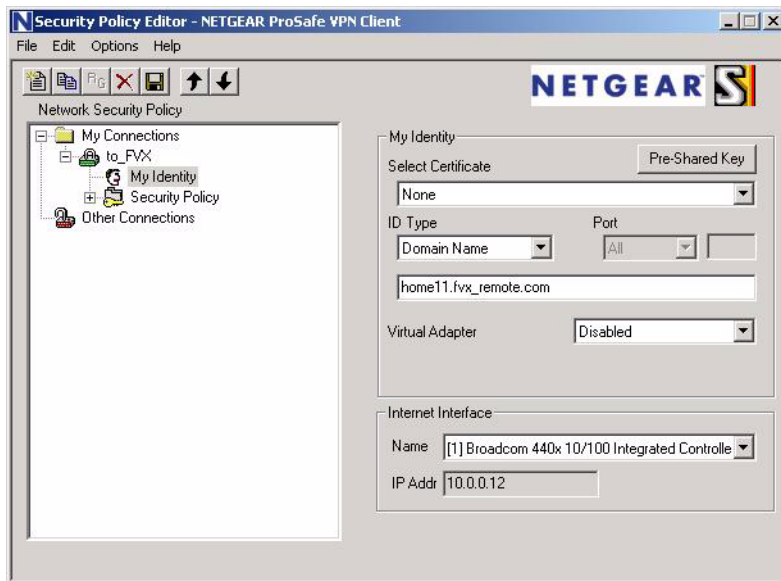


Figure 7-18: My Identity screen

13. Before leaving the My Identity menu, click the Pre-Shared Key button.

14. Click Enter Key, type your preshared key, and click OK.

This key will be shared by all users of the FVS124G policy "home".

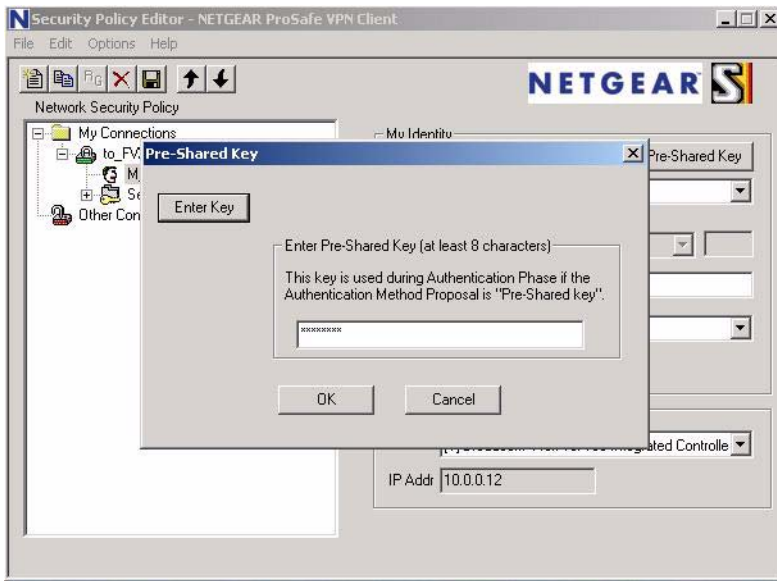


Figure 7-19: Pre-shared key

15. In the left frame, click on Security Policy.

16. Select Phase 1 Negotiation Mode = Aggressive Mode.

PFS should be disabled, and Replay Detection should be enabled.

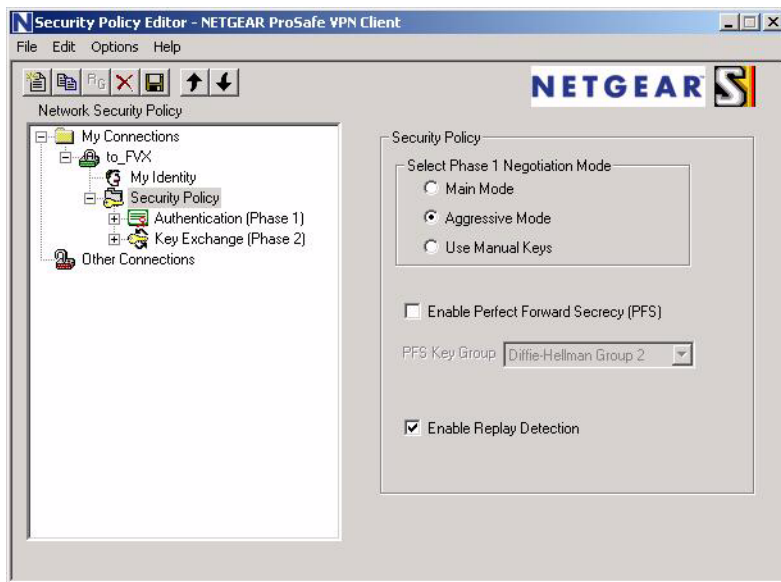


Figure 7-20: Client Security Policy screen

17. In the left frame, expand Authentication and select Proposal 1.
Compare with the figure below. No changes should be necessary.

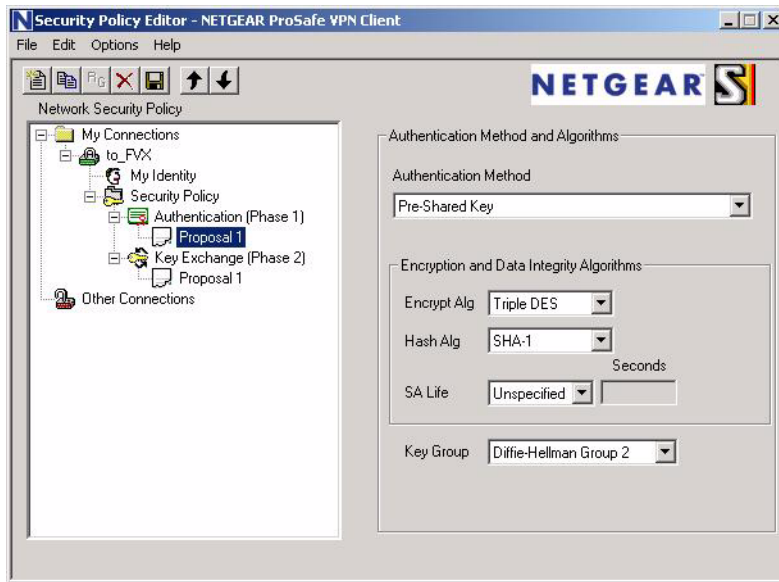


Figure 7-21: Client Authorization screen

18. In the left frame, expand Key Exchange and select Proposal 1.
Compare with the figure below. No changes should be necessary.

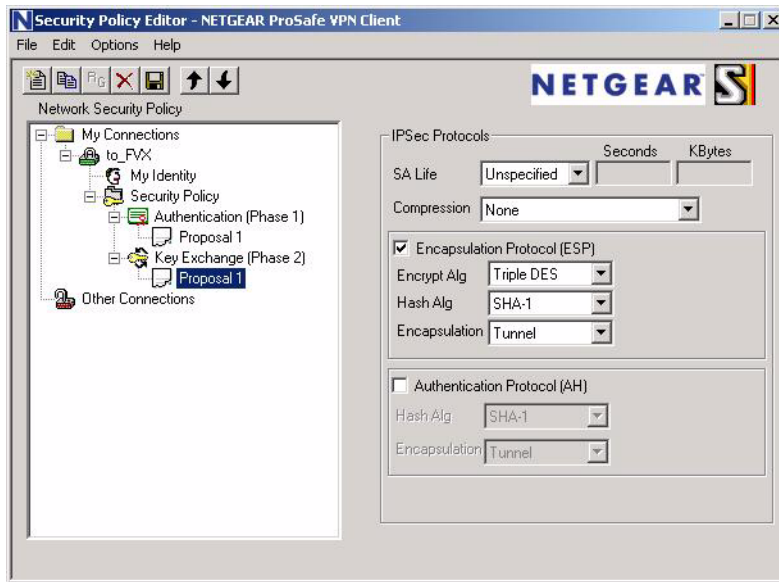





Figure 7-22: Client Key Exchange screen

19. In the upper left of the window, click the disk icon to save the policy.

Testing the Connection

20. Right-click on the VPN client icon  in your Windows toolbar and select "Connect...", then "My Connections\to_FVS".

Within 30 seconds you should receive a message "Successfully connected to My Connections\to_FVS" and the VPN client icon in the toolbar should say On: .

- For additional status and troubleshooting information, right-click on the VPN client icon  in your Windows toolbar and select "Connection Monitor" or "Log Viewer", or view the VPN log and status menu in the FVS124G.

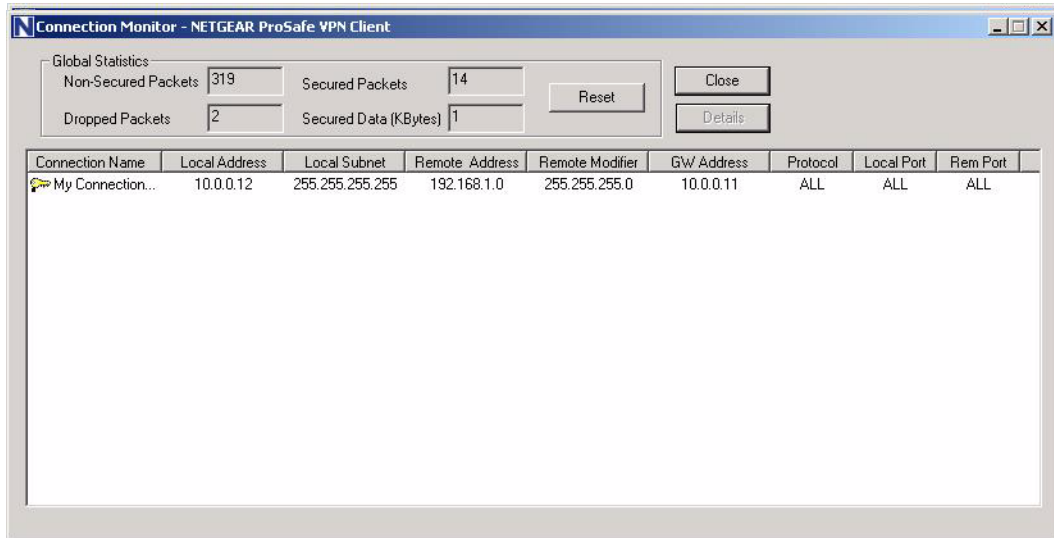


Figure 7-23: Client Connection Monitor screen

Chapter 8

Router and Network Management

This chapter describes how to use the network management features of your FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports. These features can be found by clicking on the appropriate heading in the Main Menu of the browser interface.

The FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports offers many tools for managing the network traffic to optimize its performance. You can also control administrator access, be alerted to important events requiring prompt action, monitor the firewall status, perform diagnostics, and manage the firewall configuration file.

Performance Management

Performance management consists of controlling the traffic through the FVS124G VPN Firewall so that the necessary traffic gets through when there is a bottleneck and either reducing unnecessary traffic or rescheduling some traffic to low-peak times to prevent bottlenecks from occurring in the first place. The FVS124G VPN Firewall has the necessary features and tools to help the network manager accomplish these goals.

Bandwidth Capacity

At 1.5 Mbps, the WAN ports will support the following traffic rates:

- Load balancing mode: 3 Mbps (two WAN ports at 1.5 Mbps each)
- Rollover mode: 1.5 Mbps (one active WAN port at 1.5 Mbps)

As a result and depending on the traffic being carried, the WAN side of the firewall will be the limiting factor to throughput for most installations.

Using the dual WAN ports in load balancing mode increases the bandwidth capacity of the WAN side of the FVS124G VPN Firewall. But there is no backup in case one of the WAN ports fail. In such an event and with one exception, the traffic that would have been sent on the failed WAN port gets diverted to the WAN port that is still working, thus increasing its loading. The exception is traffic that is bound by protocol to the WAN port that failed. This protocol-bound traffic is not diverted.

VPN Firewall Features That Reduce Traffic

Features of the VPN firewall that can be called upon to decrease WAN-side loading are as follows:

- Service blocking
- Block sites
- Source MAC filtering

Service Blocking

Note: This feature is for Advanced Administrators only! Incorrect configuration will cause serious problems.

You can control specific outbound traffic (i.e., from LAN to WAN). Outbound Services lists all existing rules for outbound traffic. If you have not defined any rules, only the default rule will be listed. The default rule allows all outgoing traffic.

Each rule lets you specify the desired action for the connections covered by the rule:

- BLOCK always
- BLOCK by schedule, otherwise Allow
- ALLOW always
- ALLOW by schedule, otherwise Block

As you define your firewall rules, you can further refine their application according to the following criteria:

- LAN users—These settings determine which computers on your network are affected by this rule. Select the desired options:
 - Any: All PCs and devices on your LAN.
 - Single address: The rule will be applied to the address of a particular PC.
 - Address range: The rule is applied to a range of addresses.
 - Groups: The rule is applied to a Group (you use the Network Database to assign PCs to Groups—see [“Groups and Hosts” on page 8-3](#)).
- WAN Users—These settings determine which Internet locations are covered by the rule, based on their IP address.
 - Any: The rule applies to all Internet IP address.
 - Single address: The rule applies to a single Internet IP address.

- Address range: The rule is applied to a range of Internet IP addresses.
- Services—You can specify the desired Services or applications to be covered by this rule. If the desired service or application does not appear in the list, you must define it using the Services menu (see [“Services” on page 8-3](#)).
- Schedule—You can specify whether the rule is to be applied on the Schedule 1, Schedule 2, or Schedule 3 time schedule (see [“Schedule” on page 8-3](#)).

See [“Using Rules to Block or Allow Specific Kinds of Traffic” on page 6-1](#) for the procedure on how to use this feature.

Services

The Rules menu contains a list of predefined Services for creating firewall rules. If a service does not appear in the predefined Services list, you can define the service. The new service will then appear in the Rules menu's Services list.

See [“Services-Based Rules” on page 6-4](#) for the procedure on how to use this feature.

Groups and Hosts

You can apply these rules selectively to groups of PCs to reduce the outbound or inbound traffic. The Network Database is an automatically-maintained list of all known PCs and network devices. PCs and devices become known by the following methods:

- DHCP Client Request—By default, the DHCP server in this Router is enabled, and will accept and respond to DHCP client requests from PCs and other network devices. These requests also generate an entry in the Network Database. Because of this, leaving the DHCP Server feature (on the LAN screen) enabled is strongly recommended.
- Scanning the Network—The local network is scanned using standard methods such as arp. This will detect active devices which are not DHCP clients. However, sometimes the name of the PC or device cannot be accurately determined, and will be shown as Unknown.

See [“Managing Groups and Hosts” on page 6-20](#) for the procedure on how to use this feature.

Schedule

If you have set firewall rules on the Rules screen, you can configure three different schedules (i.e., schedule 1, schedule 2, and schedule 3) for when a rule is to be applied. Once a schedule is configured, it affects all Rules that use this schedule. You specify the days of the week and time of day for each schedule.

See [“Using a Schedule to Block or Allow Specific Traffic”](#) on page 6-22 for the procedure on how to use this feature.

Block Sites

If you want to reduce traffic by preventing access to certain sites on the Internet, you can use the VPN firewall's filtering feature. By default, this feature is disabled; all requested traffic from any Web site is allowed.

- Keyword (and domain name) blocking—You can specify up to 32 words that, should they appear in the website name (i.e., URL) or in a newsgroup name, will cause that site or newsgroup to be blocked by the VPN firewall.

You can apply the keywords to one or more groups. Requests from the PCs in the groups for which keyword blocking has been enabled will be blocked. Blocking does not occur for the PCs that are in the groups for which keyword blocking has not been enabled.

You can bypass keyword blocking for trusted domains by adding the exact matching domain to the list of Trusted Domains. Access to the domains on this list by PCs even in the groups for which keyword blocking has been enabled will still be allowed without any blocking.

- Web component blocking—You can block the following Web component types: Proxy, Java, ActiveX, and Cookies. Sites on the Trusted Domains list are still subject to Web component blocking when the blocking of a particular Web component has been enabled.

See [“Block Sites”](#) on page 6-24 for the procedure on how to use this feature.

Source MAC Filtering

If you want to reduce outgoing traffic by preventing Internet access by certain PCs on the LAN, you can use the source MAC filtering feature to drop the traffic received from the PCs with the specified MAC addresses. By default, this feature is disabled; all traffic received from PCs with any MAC address is allowed.

See [“Source MAC Filtering”](#) on page 6-27 for the procedure on how to use this feature.

VPN Firewall Features That Increase Traffic

Features that tend to increase WAN-side loading are as follows:

- Port forwarding
- Port triggering
- Exposed hosts

- VPN tunnels

Port Forwarding

The firewall always blocks DoS (Denial of Service) attacks. A DoS attack does not attempt to steal data or damage your PCs, but overloads your Internet connection so you can not use it (i.e., the service is unavailable). You can also create additional firewall rules that are customized to block or allow specific traffic.

Note: This feature is for Advanced Administrators only! Incorrect configuration will cause serious problems.

You can control specific inbound traffic (i.e., from WAN to LAN). Inbound Services lists all existing rules for inbound traffic. If you have not defined any rules, only the default rule will be listed. The default rule blocks all inbound traffic.

Each rule lets you specify the desired action for the connections covered by the rule:

- BLOCK always
- BLOCK by schedule, otherwise Allow
- ALLOW always
- ALLOW by schedule, otherwise Block

You can also enable a check on special rules:

- VPN Passthrough—Enable this to pass the VPN traffic without any filtering, specially used when this firewall is between two VPN tunnel end points.
- Drop fragmented IP packets—Enable this to drop the fragmented IP packets.
- UDP Flooding—Enable this to limit the number of UDP sessions created from one LAN machine.
- TCP Flooding—Enable this to protect the router from Syn flood attack.
- Enable DNS Proxy—Enable this to allow the incoming DNS queries.
- Enable Stealth Mode—Enable this to set the firewall to operate in stealth mode.

As you define your firewall rules, you can further refine their application according to the following criteria:

- LAN users—These settings determine which computers on your network are affected by this rule. Select the desired IP Address in this field.

- WAN Users—These settings determine which Internet locations are covered by the rule, based on their IP address.
 - Any: The rule applies to all Internet IP address.
 - Single address: The rule applies to a single Internet IP address.
 - Address range: The rule is applied to a range of Internet IP addresses.
- Destination Address—These settings determine the destination IP address for this rule which will be applicable to incoming traffic, this rule will be applied only when the destination IP address of the incoming packet matches the IP address of the WAN interface selected or Specific IP address entered in this field. Selecting ANY enables the rule for any IP in destination field. Similarly WAN1 and WAN2 corresponds to respective wan interfaces.
- Services—You can specify the desired Services or applications to be covered by this rule. If the desired service or application does not appear in the list, you must define it using the Services menu (see “Services” on page 8-3).
- Schedule—You can specify whether the rule is to be applied on the Schedule 1, Schedule 2, or Schedule 3 time schedule (see “Schedule” on page 8-3).

See “Using Rules to Block or Allow Specific Kinds of Traffic” on page 6-1 for the procedure on how to use this feature.

Port Triggering

Port triggering allows some applications to function correctly that would otherwise be partially blocked by the firewall. Using this feature requires that you know the port numbers used by the Application.

Once configured, operation is as follows:

- A PC makes an outgoing connection using a port number defined in the Port Triggering table.
- This Router records this connection, opens the additional INCOMING port or ports associated with this entry in the Port Triggering table, and associates them with the PC.
- The remote system receives the PC's request and responds using the different port numbers that you have now opened.
- This Router matches the response to the previous request and forwards the response to the PC. Without Port Triggering, this response would be treated as a new connection request rather than a response. As such, it would be handled in accordance with the Port Forwarding rules.
 - Only one PC can use a Port Triggering application at any time.

- After a PC has finished using a Port Triggering application, there is a time-out period before the application can be used by another PC. This is required because the firewall cannot be sure when the application has terminated.

See [“Port Triggering” on page 6-28](#) for the procedure on how to use this feature.

VPN Tunnels

The VPN firewall permits up to 200 VPN tunnels at a time. Each tunnel requires extensive processing for encryption and authentication.

See [Chapter 7, “Virtual Private Networking”](#) for the procedure on how to use this feature.

Using QoS to Shift the Traffic Mix

The QoS priority settings determine the priority and, in turn, the quality of service for the traffic passing through the firewall. The QoS is set individually for each service.

- You can accept the default priority defined by the service itself by observing its QoS setting.
- You can override its default setting to give the service higher or lower priority than it otherwise would have.

You will not change the WAN bandwidth used by changing any QoS priority settings. But you will change the mix of traffic through the WAN ports by granting some services a higher priority than others. The quality of a service is impacted by its QoS setting, however.

See [“Quality of Service \(QoS\) Priorities” on page 6-18](#) for the procedure on how to use this feature.

Tools for Traffic Management

The FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports includes several tools that can be used to monitor the traffic conditions of the firewall and control who has access to the Internet and the types of traffic they are allowed to have. See [“Monitoring” on page 8-14](#) for a discussion of the tools.

Administrator and Guest Access Authorization

You can change the administrator and guest passwords, administrator login timeout, and enable remote management. Administrator access is read/write and guest access is read-only.

Changing the Passwords and Login Timeout

The default passwords for the firewall's Web Configuration Manager is **password**. Netgear recommends that you change this password to a more secure password.

From the main menu of the browser interface, under the Management heading, select Set Password to bring up this menu.

Set Password

User Name is Admin

Old Full Access Password

New Full Access Password

Repeat New Full Access Password

User Name is Guest

Old Read Only Password

New Read Only Password

Repeat New Read Only Password

Administrator login times out after idle for minutes.

Change administrator password

Change guest read-only password

Change administrator login timeout

Figure 8-1: Set Password menu

To change the password, first enter the old password, and then enter the new password twice. Click Apply. To change the login idle timeout, change the number of minutes and click Apply.

Note: If you make the administrator login timeout value too large, you will have to wait a long time before you are able to log back into the router if your previous login was disrupted (i.e., you did not click **Logout** on the Main Menu bar to log out).

The password and timeout value you enter will be changed back to **password** and **5** minutes, respectively, after a factory defaults reset.

Enabling Remote Management Access

Using the Remote Management page, you can allow an administrator on the Internet to configure, upgrade, and check the status of your FVS124G VPN Firewall. You must be logged in locally to enable remote management (see “[Step 2: Log in to the VPN Firewall \(Required\)](#)” on page 4-7).


	<p>Note: Be sure to change the firewall's default configuration 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 and lower case), numbers, and symbols. Your password can be up to 30 characters. See “Changing the Passwords and Login Timeout” on page 8-8 for the procedure on how to do this.</p>
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Figure 8-2 shows the **Remote Management** screen that is invoked by clicking **Remote Management** under **Management** on the Main Menu bar.

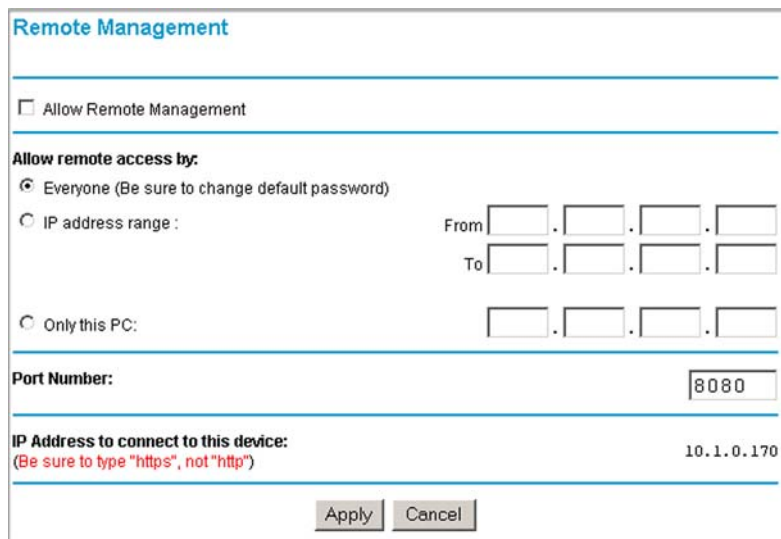


Figure 8-2: Remote Management screen

To configure your firewall for Remote Management:

1. Select the Turn Remote Management On check box.
2. Specify what external addresses will be allowed to access the firewall’s remote management.

Note: For enhanced security, restrict access to as few external IP addresses as practical.

- a. To allow access from any IP address on the Internet, select Everyone.
 - b. 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.
 - c. To allow access from a single IP address on the Internet, select Only this PC. Enter the IP address that will be allowed access.
3. Specify the Port Number that will be used for accessing the management interface.
- Web browser access normally 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 box 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.
4. Click Apply to have your changes take effect.
5. When accessing your firewall from the Internet, the Secure Sockets Layer (SSL) will be enabled. You will enter *https://* and type your firewall's WAN IP address into your browser, followed by a colon (:) and the custom port number. For example, if your WAN IP address is 134.177.0.123 and you use port number 8080, type the following in your browser:

https://134.177.0.123:8080

The router's remote login URL is *https://IP_address:port_number* or *https://FullyQualifiedDomainName:port_number*.

If you do not use the SSL *https://address*, but rather use *http://address*, the FVS124G will automatically attempt to redirect to *https://address*.

Note: The first time you remotely connect the FVS124G with a browser via SSL, you may get a message regarding the SSL certificate. If you are using a Windows computer with Internet Explorer 5.5 or higher, simply click Yes to accept the certificate.

Tip: If you are using a dynamic DNS service such as TZO, you can always identify the IP address of your FVS124G by running TRACERT from the Windows Start menu Run option. For example, **tracert yourFVS124G.mynetwork.net** and you will see the IP address your ISP assigned to the FVS124G.

Command Line Interface

Note: The command line interface is not supported at this time. Check the Netgear Web site for the latest status.

You can access the command line interface (CLI) either by using telnet or by connecting a terminal to the console port on the front of the unit.

To access the CLI from a communications terminal when the FVS124G VPN Firewall is still set to its factory defaults (or use your own settings if you have changed them), do the following:

1. From the command line prompt, enter the following command:

telnet 192.168.1.1

2. Enter **admin** and **password** when prompted for the login and password information (or enter **guest** and **password** to log in as a read-only guest).

Note: No password protection exists when using the console port to access the unit.

Any configuration changes made via the CLI are not preserved after a reboot or power cycle unless the user issues the CLI save command after making the changes.

Event Alerts

You can be alerted to important events such as WAN port rollover, WAN traffic limits reached, and login failures and attacks.

WAN Port Rollover

You can request an email alert when the WAN port rolls over if the WAN mode is configured for rollover.

Traffic Limits Reached

[Figure 8-3](#) shows the **Internet Traffic** screen that is invoked by clicking **Internet Traffic** under **WAN Setup** on the Main Menu bar. The WAN1 and WAN2 ports are programmed separately. A WAN port shuts down once its traffic limit is reached when this feature is enabled.

Traffic Meter

WAN1

Internet Traffic Meter

Enable Traffic Meter

No limit

Download only

Both Directions

Monthly Limit (MBytes)

Increase this month's limit by (MBytes)

This month's limit: (MBytes)

Traffic counter

Restart traffic counter at : am on the day of each month

Send E-mail Report before restarting counter

When Limit is reached:

Block all traffic

Block all traffic except E-mail

Send E-mail alert

Internet Traffic Statistics

Start Date/Time: 00:00:00 00:00:00

Outgoing Traffic Volume: (MBytes)

Incoming Traffic Volume: (MBytes)

Total Traffic Volume: (MBytes)

Average per day

% of Standard Limit:

% of this Month's Limit:

Each WAN port is programmed separately.

WAN port shuts down once the traffic limit is reached. An email alert can be sent when this shutdown happens.

Figure 8-3: Traffic Limit Reached alert

Login Failures and Attacks

Figure 8-3 shows the **Log** screen that is invoked by clicking **Logs and Email** under **Security** on the Main Menu bar.

Logs and E-mail

View Log

Log Identifier: FVX538

Include in log	Include in Alerts
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> System Error Messages <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deny Policies <input type="checkbox"/> Allow Policies <input type="checkbox"/> Content Filtering <input type="checkbox"/> Data Inspection <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General Attacks <input type="checkbox"/> Unavailable Policies <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Admin Login <input type="checkbox"/> Configuration Changes <input type="checkbox"/> Access Statistics <input type="checkbox"/> All Websites and news groups visited <input type="checkbox"/> Verbose	<input type="checkbox"/> SYN Flood <input type="checkbox"/> Ping of Death <input type="checkbox"/> IP Spoofing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Login Failure <input type="checkbox"/> WinNuke <input type="checkbox"/> IP Option Attacks

E-mail Logs

Disable
 Enable

Respond to Identd from SMTP Server

E-mail Server Address:

Return Mail Address:

Send To Mail Address:

Authenticate with SMTP Server:

User Name:

Password:

Syslog

Disable
 Enable

Syslog Server:

SysLog Facility: Local0

Log Queue Length: 64 (entries)

Log Threshold Time: 24 (hours)

Alert Queue Length: 8 (entries)

Apply Cancel

Select the types of alerts to email.

Enable email alerts.

Accumulate 64 messages before sending a log email.

Wait 24 hours before sending sending an email.

Accumulate 8 messages before sending an alert email.

Figure 8-4: Logs and email screen

Monitoring

You can view status information about the firewall, WAN ports, LAN ports, and VPN tunnels and program SNMP connections.

Viewing VPN Firewall Status and Time Information

Firewall Status

The Router Status menu provides status and usage information. From the main menu of the browser interface, click on Management, then select Router Status to view this screen.

Router Status

System Name FVS124G
Firmware Version
 Primary
 Secondary

LAN Port
MAC Address 00:03:47:DF:32:67
IP Address 192.168.1.1
DHCP enable
IP Subnet Mask 255.255.255.0

WAN1 Configuration
WAN Mode rollover-primary
WAN State Up
NAT (Network Address Translation) enabled
Connection Type DHCP
Connection State Connected
IP Address 10.1.0.31
Subnet Mask 255.255.254.0
Gateway 10.1.1.13
Primary DNS 10.1.1.7
Secondary DNS 10.1.1.6
MAC Address 00:E0:4C:69:0A:C8

WAN2 Configuration
WAN Mode rollover-secondary
WAN State Down
NAT (Network Address Translation) enabled
Connection Type DHCP
Connection State
IP Address 0.0.0.0
Subnet Mask 0.0.0.0
Gateway
Primary DNS 10.1.1.7
Secondary DNS 10.1.1.6
MAC Address 00:00:84:88:50:56

Show Statistics

System Up Time 0 Days 2:32:08

Port	Status	TxPkts	RxPkts	Collisions	Tx B/s	Rx B/s	Up Time
WAN1	Up	223365	488536	0	24856844	502866347	0 Days 2:32:08
WAN2	Up	402	0	0	131052	0	0 Days 2:32:08
LAN	Up	380551	222308	0	494760415	24898751	0 Days 2:32:08

Poll Interval : (secs)

Figure 8-5: Router Status screen

Table 8-1. Router Status

Item	Description
System Name	This is the Account Name that you entered in the Basic Settings page.
Firmware Version	This is the current software the router is using. This will change if you upgrade your router.
LAN Port Information	These are the current settings for MAC address, IP address, DHCP role and Subnet Mask that you set in the LAN IP Setup page. DHCP can be either Server or None.
WAN Port Information	This indicates whether NAT is Enabled or Disabled. It also displays the current settings for MAC address, IP address, DHCP role and Subnet Mask that you set in the Basic Settings page. DHCP can be either Client or None.

Note: The Router Status page displays current settings and statistics for your router. As this information is read-only, any changes must be made on other pages.

Time Information

Time information is found on the Schedules screen.

Schedule

Schedule 1
 Schedule 2
 Schedule 3

Schedule 1 Configuration

Days:

Every Day

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Time of day:

All Day

Start Time: Hour Minute

End Time: Hour Minute

Date/Time

(GMT) Greenwich Mean Time : Edinburgh, London

Automatically Adjust for Daylight Savings Time

Use Default NTP Servers
 Use Custom NTP Servers

Server 1 Name/IP Address:

Server 2 Name/IP Address:

Current Time: 2004-12-03 20:13:39

**Automatic adjustment
enable for daylight
savings time**

Current date and time

Figure 8-6: Time information on the Schedule screen

If supported for your region, you can check Automatically adjust for Daylight Savings Time.

Table 8-1. Current date and time

Item	Description
Use Default NTP Servers (Network Time Protocol)	If enabled, the system clock is updated regularly by contacting a Default Netgear NTP Server on the Internet.
Use Custom NTP Servers	If you prefer to use a particular NTP server, enable this and enter the name or IP address of an NTP Server in the Server 1 Name/IP Address field. If required, you can also enter the address of another NTP server in the Server 2 Name/IP Address field. If you select this option and leave either Server 1 or Server 2 fields empty, they get set to Default Netgear NTP servers

WAN Ports

You can monitor the status of the WAN connections, Dynamic DNS services, and Internet traffic information.

WAN Port Connection Status

Invoke the Connection Status screen from WAN ISP Basic Settings screens by clicking on WAN Status to view the current connection state of the WAN port.

The screenshot shows a window titled "Connection Status" with a table of network parameters and control buttons. The table lists the following information:

IP Address	10.1.1.148
Subnet Mask	255.255.254.0
Default Gateway	10.1.1.13
DHCP Server	10.1.1.7
DNS Server	10.1.1.6
Lease Obtained	Wed Dec 8 19:31:39 2004
Lease Duration	0 Days 4:00:00

Below the table are two buttons: "Release" and "Renew". At the bottom of the window is a "Close Window" button.

Figure 8-7: Connection Status screen

Dynamic DNS Status

Invoke the Dynamic DNS Status screen from Dynamic DNS screen by clicking Show Status to see the current DDNS Status in a sub-window.

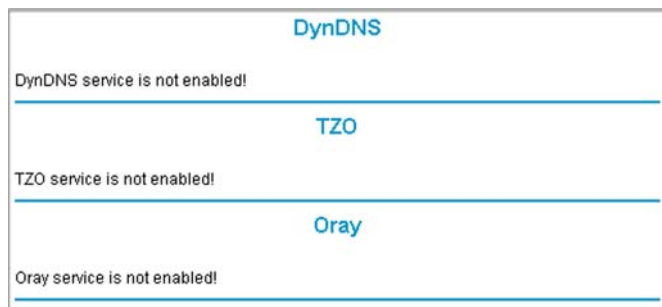


Figure 8-8: Dynamic DNS Status screen

Internet Traffic Information

The Internet Traffic screen provides the following information:

- Internet Traffic Statistics—This displays statistics on Internet Traffic via the WAN port. If you have not enabled the Traffic Meter, these statistics are not available.
- Traffic by Protocol —Click this button if you want to know more details of the Internet Traffic. The volume of traffic for each protocol will be displayed in a sub-window. Traffic counters are updated in MBytes scale and the counter starts only when traffic passed is at least 1 MB

Traffic Meter

WAN2

Internet Traffic Meter

Enable Traffic Meter

No limit

Download only

Both Directions

Monthly Limit: (MBytes)

Increase this month's limit by: (MBytes)

This month's limit: (MBytes)

Traffic counter

Restart traffic counter at : am on the day of each month

Send E-mail Report before restarting counter

When Limit is reached:

Block all traffic

Block all traffic except E-mail

Send E-mail alert

Internet Traffic Statistics

Start Date/Time: 00:00:00 00:00:00

Outgoing Traffic Volume: (MBytes)

Incoming Traffic Volume: (MBytes)

Total Traffic Volume: (MBytes)

Average per day

% of Standard Limit:

% of this Month's Limit:

WAN1

Start Date: 00:00:00 00:00:00

End Date: 00:00:00 05:34:07

Protocol	Incoming Traffic		Outgoing Traffic	
	Total (MBytes)	MBytes Per Day	Total (MBytes)	MBytes Per Day
HTTP	0	0	0	0
E_mail	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0

Figure 8-9: Internet Traffic information

LAN Ports and Attached Devices

Known PCs and Devices

The Attached Devices menu contains a table of all IP devices that the firewall has discovered on the local network. From the Main Menu of the browser interface, under the Security heading, select Groups and Hosts to view the table, shown below.

Network Database

Known PCs and Devices

	Name	IP Address	MAC Address	Group
C	Eng-temp	192.168.1.2	00:08:02:11:28:31	default

Add Edit Delete

Apply Cancel Refresh Edit Group Names

Figure 8-10: Network Database screen

The Network Database is an automatically-maintained list of all known PCs and network devices. PCs and devices become known by the following methods:

- **DHCP Client Requests**—By default, the DHCP server in this Router is enabled, and will accept and respond to DHCP client requests from PCs and other network devices. These requests also generate an entry in the Network Database. Because of this, leaving the DHCP Server feature (on the LAN screen) enabled is strongly recommended.
- **Scanning the Network**—The local network is scanned using standard methods such as arp. This will detect active devices which are not DHCP clients. However, sometimes the name of the PC or device cannot be accurately determined and will be shown as Unknown.

The Known PCs and Devices table lists all current entries in the Network Database. For each PC or device, the following data is displayed.

Table 8-1. Known PCs and Devices table

Item	Description
Name	The name of the PC or device. Sometimes, this can not be determined, and will be listed as Unknown. In this case, you can edit the entry to add a meaningful name.
IP Address	The current IP address. For DHCP clients, where the IP address is allocated by the DHCP Server in this device, this IP address will not change. Where the IP address is set on the PC (as a fixed IP address), you may need to update this entry manually if the IP address on the PC is changed.
MAC Address	The MAC address of the PC. The MAC address is a low-level network identifier which is fixed at manufacture.
Group	Each PC or device must be in a single group. The Group column indicates which group each entry is in. By default, all entries are in the Default group.

Note: If the firewall is rebooted, the table data is lost until the firewall rediscovers the devices. To force the firewall to look for attached devices, click the Refresh button.

DHCP Log

You can view the DHCP log. Invoke the DHCP Log from LAN IP Setup screen.

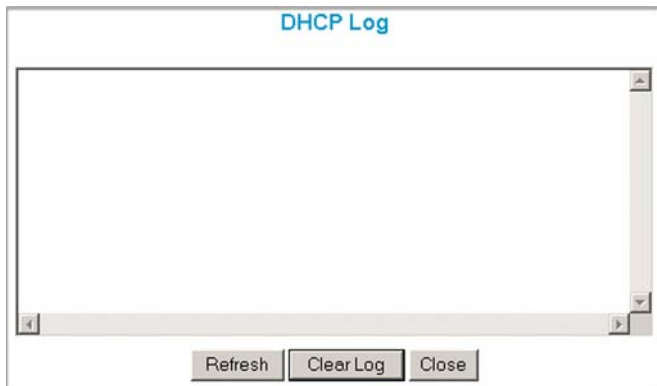


Figure 8-11: DHCP Log

Port Triggering Status

You can view the status of port triggering. Invoke the Port Triggering Status screen from Port Triggering screen.

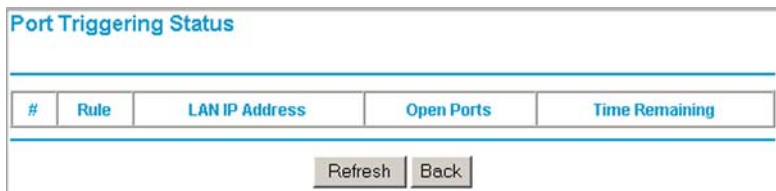


Figure 8-12: Port Triggering Status screen

Table 8-1. Port Triggering Status data

Item	Description
Rule	The name of the Rule.
LAN IP Address	The IP address of the PC currently using this rule.
Open Ports	The Incoming ports which are associated the this rule. Incoming traffic using one of these ports will be sent to the IP address above.
Time Remaining	The time remaining before this rule is released, and thus available for other PCs. This timer is restarted whenever incoming or outgoing traffic is received.

Firewall

You can view the log of the firewall activities.

[Figure 8-3](#) shows the **Log** screen that is invoked by clicking **Logs and Email** under **Security** on the Main Menu bar.

Logs and E-mail

View Log

Log Identifier: FVx538

Include in log

- System Error Messages
- Deny Policies
- Allow Policies
- Content Filtering
- Data Inspection
- General Attacks
- Unavailable Policies
- Admin Login
- Configuration Changes
- Access Statistics
- All Websites and news groups visited
- Verbose

Include in Alerts

- SYN Flood
- Ping of Death
- IP Spoofing
- Login Failure
- WinNuke
- IP Option Attacks

E-mail Logs

Disable

Enable

Respond to Identd from SMTP Server

E-mail Server Address:

Return Mail Address:

Send To Mail Address:

Authenticate with SMTP Server:

User Name:

Password:

Syslog

Disable

Enable

Syslog Server:

SysLog Facility: Local0

Log Queue Length: 64 (entries)

Log Threshold Time: 24 (hours)

Alert Queue Length: 8 (entries)

Apply Cancel

Annotations:

- Select the types of logs to email. (points to IP Spoofing)
- Enable emailing of logs. (points to Enable radio button)
- Enable system logs. (points to Enable radio button)
- Accumulate 64 messages before sending a log email. (points to Log Queue Length)
- Wait 24 hours before sending sending an email. (points to Log Threshold Time)
- Accumulate 8 messages before sending an alert email. (points to Alert Queue Length)

Figure 8-13: Logs and email screen

Invoke the Firewall Log screen from Logs and Email screen.

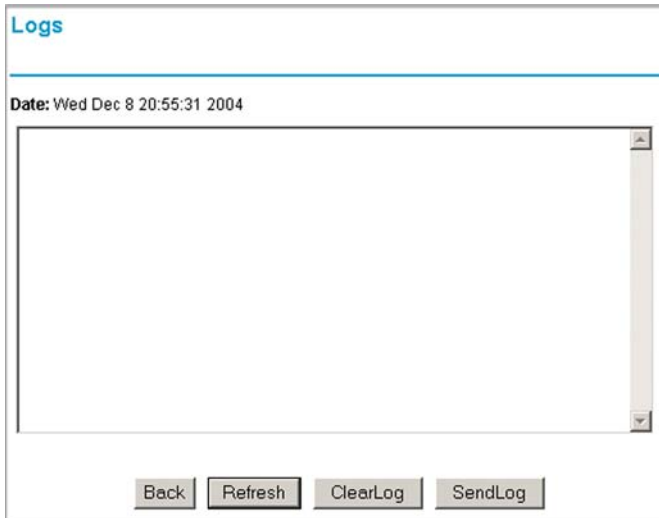


Figure 8-14: Firewall Log screen (invoked from Logs and Email screen)

VPN Tunnels

You can view the status of the VPN tunnels.

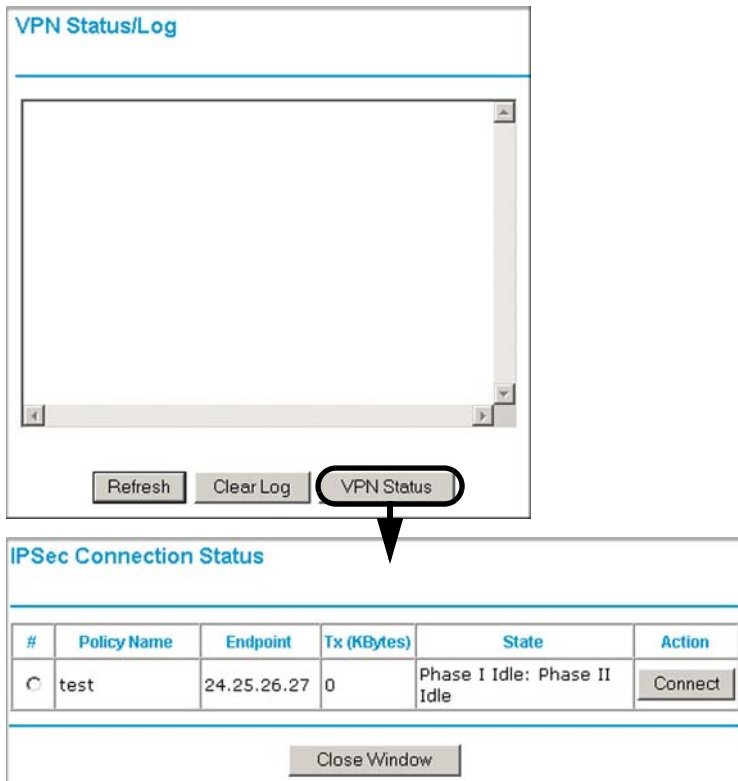


Figure 8-15: VPN Status/Log and IPSec Connection Status screens

Table 8-1. VPN Status data

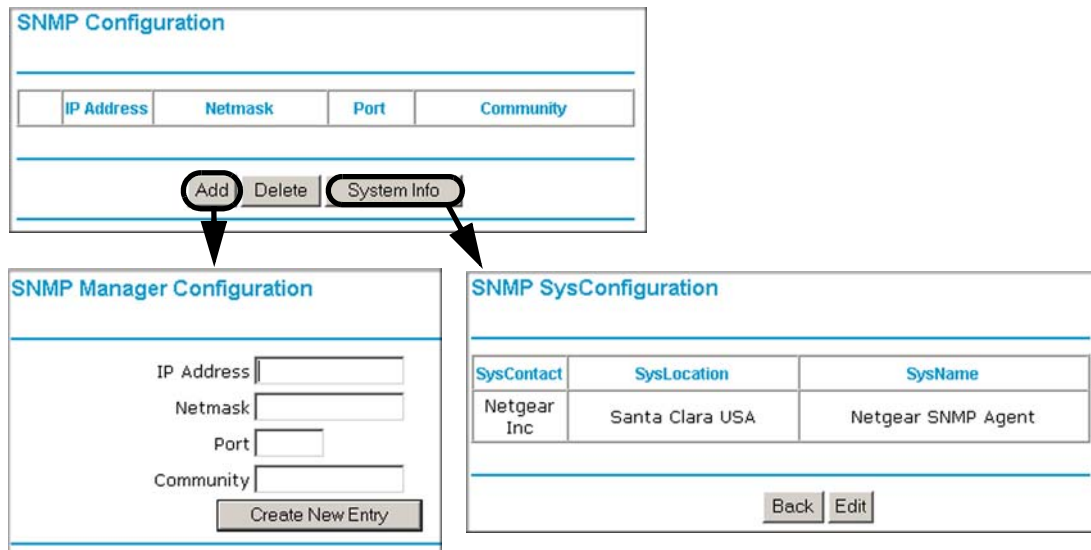
Item	Description
Policy Name	The name of the VPN policy associated with this SA.
Endpoint	The IP address on the remote VPN Endpoint.
Tx (KBytes)	The amount of data transmitted over this SA.

Table 8-1. VPN Status data

Item	Description
State	The current status of the SA. Phase 1 is Authentication phase and Phase 2 is Key Exchange phase.
Action	Use this button to terminate/build the SA (connection) if required.

SNMP

SNMP lets you monitor and manage log resources from an SNMP-compliant system manager. SNMP system configuration lets you change the system variables for MIB2.

**Figure 8-16: SNMP Configuration screens**

Diagnostics

You can perform diagnostics such as pinging an IP address, perform a DNS lookup, display the routing table, reboot the firewall, and capture packets.

Note: For normal operation, diagnostics are not required.

Diagnostics

Ping or Trace an IP address

IP Address . . .

Perform a DNS Lookup

Internet Name

IP address

Display the Routing Table

Reboot the Router

Capture Packets

Figure 8-17: Diagnostics screen

Table 8-1. Diagnostics

Item	Description
Ping or Trace an IP address	Ping—Use this to send a ping packet request to the specified IP address. This is often used to test a connection. If the request times out (no reply is received), this usually means the destination is unreachable. However, some network devices can be configured not to respond to a ping. The ping results will be displayed in a new screen; click Back to return to the Diagnostics screen.
	Trace—Often called Trace Route, this will list all Routers between the source (this device) and the destination IP address. The Trace Route results will be displayed in a new screen; click Back to return to the Diagnostics screen.
Perform a DNS Lookup	A DNS (Domain Name Server) converts the Internet name (e.g. www.netgear.com) to an IP address. If you need the IP address of a Web, FTP, Mail or other Server on the Internet, you can do a DNS lookup to find the IP address.
Display the Routing Table	This operation will display the internal routing table. This information is used by Technical Support and other staff who understand Routing Tables.

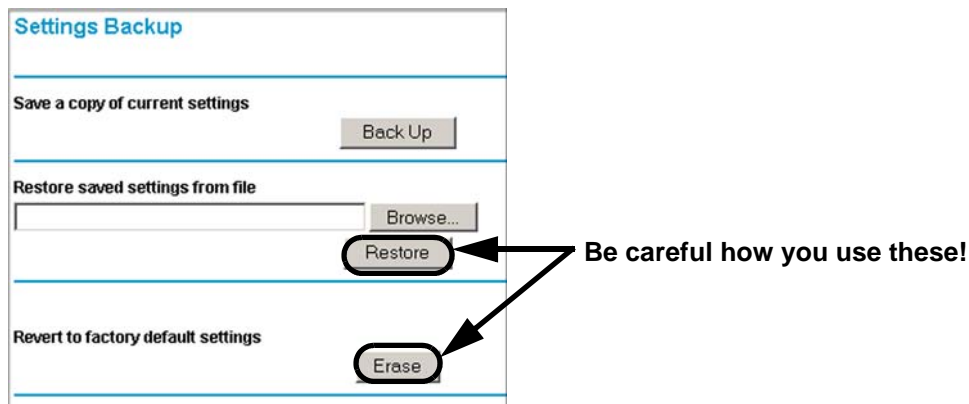
Table 8-1. Diagnostics

Item	Description
Reboot the Router	Use this button to perform a remote reboot (restart). You can use this if the Router seems to have become unstable or is not operating normally. Note: Rebooting will break any existing connections either to the Router (such as this one) or through the Router (for example, LAN users accessing the Internet). However, connections to the Internet will automatically be re-established when possible.
Packet Trace	Click Packet Trace button to Select the interface and start the packet capture on that interface.

Configuration File Management

The configuration settings of the FVS124G VPN Firewall are stored within the firewall in a configuration file. This file can be saved (backed up) to a user's PC, retrieved (restored) from the user's PC, or cleared to factory default settings. You can also upgrade the firewall software with the latest version from Netgear.

From the Main Menu of the browser interface, under the Management heading, select the Settings Backup heading to bring up the menu shown below.

**Figure 8-18: Settings Backup menu**

The options are described in the following sections.

Restoring and Backing Up the Configuration

IMPORTANT! Once you start restoring settings or erasing the router, do NOT try to go online, turn off the router, shutdown the computer or do anything else to the router until it finishes restarting! This should only take a minute or so. When the Test light turns off, wait a few more seconds before doing anything with the router.

The Restore and Backup options in the Settings Backup menu allow you to save and retrieve a file containing your firewall's configuration settings.

- To save your settings, select the Backup tab. Click the Backup button. Your browser will extract the configuration file from the firewall and will prompt you for a location on your PC to store the file. You can give the file a meaningful name at this time, such as pacbell.cfg.
- To restore your settings from a saved configuration file, enter the full path to the file on your PC or click the Browse button to browse to the file. When you have located it, click the Restore button to send the file to the firewall. The firewall will then reboot automatically.

An Alert page appears showing the status of restore operation. You need to manually restart the router to make the restored settings effective.

IMPORTANT! Do not try to go online, turn off the router, shutdown the computer or do anything else to the router until it finishes restarting! When the Test light turns off, wait a few more seconds before doing anything with the router.

Upgrading the Firewall Software

The routing software of the FVS124G VPN Firewall is stored in FLASH memory, and can be upgraded as new software is released by NETGEAR. Upgrade files can be downloaded from Netgear's website. If the upgrade file is compressed (.ZIP file), you must first extract the binary (.TRX) file before sending it to the firewall. The upgrade file can be sent to the firewall using your browser.

Note: The Web browser used to upload new firmware into the FVS124G VPN Firewall must support HTTP uploads. NETGEAR recommends using Microsoft Internet Explorer or Netscape Navigator 3.0 or above.

From the Main Menu of the browser interface, under the Management heading, select the Router Upgrade heading to display the menu shown below.

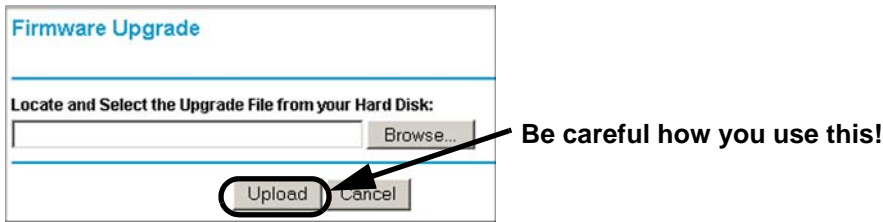


Figure 8-19: Router Upgrade menu

To upload new firmware:

1. Download and unzip the new software file from NETGEAR.
2. In the Router Upgrade menu, click the Browse button and browse to the location of the binary image (.IMG) upgrade file
3. Click Upload.

Note: When uploading software to the FVS124G VPN Firewall, 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 may corrupt the software. When the upload is complete, your firewall will automatically restart. The upgrade process will typically take about one minute.

In some cases, you may need to reconfigure the firewall after upgrading.

Erasing the Configuration (Factory Defaults Reset)

It is sometimes desirable to restore the firewall to a known blank condition. This can be done by using the Erase function, which will restore all factory settings. After an erase, the firewall's password will be **password**, the LAN IP address will be 192.168.1.1, and the firewall's DHCP client will be enabled.

- To erase the configuration and reset the router to the original factory default settings, click the Erase button (see [Figure 8-18](#)).

IMPORTANT! Do not try to go online, turn off the router, shutdown the computer or do anything else to the router until the router finishes restarting! When the Test light turns off, wait a few more seconds before doing anything with the router.

You need to manually restart the router to make the default settings effective. After rebooting, the router's password will be password, the LAN IP address will be 192.168.1.1 and the router will act as a DHCP server on the LAN and act as a DHCP client to the Internet.

- To restore the factory default configuration settings without knowing the login password or IP address, you must use the Default Reset button on the front panel of the firewall (see [“The Router’s Front Panel”](#) on page 2-6). Also see [“Restoring the Default Configuration and Password”](#) on page 9-7.

Chapter 9

Troubleshooting

This chapter gives information about troubleshooting your FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports. After each problem description, instructions are provided to help you diagnose and solve the problem.

Basic Functioning

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

1. When power is first applied, verify that the PWR LED is on.
2. After approximately 10 seconds, verify that:
 - a. The TEST LED is not lit.
 - b. The LAN port LEDs are lit for any local ports that are connected.
 - c. The Internet port 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 will be amber.

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

Power LED Not On

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

- Make sure that the power cord is properly connected to your firewall 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.

LEDs Never Turn Off

When the firewall is turned on, the LEDs turn on for about 10 seconds and then turn off. If all the LEDs stay on, there is a fault within the firewall.

If all LEDs are still on one minute after power up:

- Cycle the power to see if the firewall recovers.
- Clear the firewall's configuration to factory defaults. This will set the firewall's IP address to 192.168.1.1. This procedure is explained in [“Restoring the Default Configuration and Password” on page 9-7](#).

If the error persists, you might have a hardware problem and should contact technical support.

LAN or Internet Port LEDs Not On

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

- Make sure that the Ethernet cable connections are secure at the firewall and at the hub or workstation.
- Make sure that power is turned on to the connected hub or workstation.
- Be sure you are using the correct cable:

When connecting the firewall's Internet port to a cable or DSL modem, use the cable that was supplied with the cable or DSL modem. This cable could be a standard straight-through Ethernet cable or an Ethernet crossover cable.

Troubleshooting the Web Configuration Interface

If you are unable to access the firewall's Web Configuration interface from a PC on your local network, check the following:

- Check the Ethernet connection between the PC and the firewall as described in the previous section.
- Make sure your PC's IP address is on the same subnet as the firewall. If you are using the recommended addressing scheme, your PC's address should be in the range of 192.168.0.2 to 192.168.0.254.

Note: If your PC'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 PC to the firewall and reboot your PC.

- If your firewall's IP address has been changed and you don't know the current IP address, clear the firewall's configuration to factory defaults. This will set the firewall's IP address to 192.168.1.1. This procedure is explained in [“Restoring the Default Configuration and Password” on page 9-7](#).
- Make sure your browser has Java, JavaScript, or ActiveX enabled. If you are using Internet Explorer, click Refresh to be sure 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 entering this information.

If the firewall 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 menu or tab, or your changes are lost.
- Click the Refresh or Reload button in the Web browser. The changes may have occurred, but the Web browser may be caching the old configuration.

Troubleshooting the ISP Connection

If your firewall is unable to access the Internet, you should first determine whether the firewall is able to obtain a WAN IP address from the ISP. Unless you have been assigned a static IP address, your firewall must request an IP address from the ISP. You can determine whether the request was successful using the Web Configuration Manager.

To check the WAN IP address:

1. Launch your browser and select an external site such as www.netgear.com
2. Access the Main Menu of the firewall's configuration at <http://192.168.1.1>
3. Under the Management heading, select Router Status
4. Check that an IP address is shown for the WAN Port
If 0.0.0.0 is shown, your firewall has not obtained an IP address from your ISP.

If your firewall is unable to obtain an IP address from the ISP, you may need to force your cable or DSL modem to recognize your new firewall by performing the following procedure:

1. Turn off power to the cable or DSL modem.
2. Turn off power to your firewall.
3. Wait five minutes and reapply power to the cable or DSL modem.
4. When the modem's LEDs indicate that it has reacquired sync with the ISP, reapply power to your firewall.

If your firewall is still unable to obtain an IP address from the ISP, the problem may be one of the following:

- Your ISP may require a login program.
Ask your ISP whether they require PPP over Ethernet (PPPoE) or some other type of login.
- If your ISP requires a login, you may have incorrectly set the login name and password.
- Your ISP may check for your PC's host name.
Assign the PC Host Name of your ISP account as the Account Name in the Basic Settings menu.
- Your ISP only allows one Ethernet MAC address to connect to Internet, and may check for your PC's MAC address. In this case:

Inform your ISP that you have bought a new network device, and ask them to use the firewall's MAC address.

OR

Configure your firewall to spoof your PC's MAC address. This can be done in the Basic Settings menu. Refer to [“Manually Configuring Your Internet Connection”](#) on page 4-12.

If your firewall can obtain an IP address, but your PC is unable to load any web pages from the Internet:

- Your PC may 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 will provide the addresses of one or two DNS servers for your use. You may configure your PC manually with DNS addresses, as explained in your operating system documentation.
- Your PC may not have the firewall configured as its TCP/IP gateway.

Troubleshooting a TCP/IP Network Using a Ping Utility

Most TCP/IP terminal devices and firewalls contain a ping utility that sends an echo request packet to the designated device. The device then responds with an echo reply. Troubleshooting a TCP/IP network is made very easy by using the ping utility in your PC or workstation.

Testing the LAN Path to Your Firewall

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

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

1. From the Windows toolbar, click on the Start button and select Run.
2. In the field provided, type Ping followed by the IP address of the firewall, as in this example:
`ping 192.168.1.1`
3. Click on OK.

You should see a message like this one:

```
Pinging <IP address> with 32 bytes of data
```

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 the LAN port LED is on. If the LED is off, follow the instructions in “[LAN or Internet Port LEDs Not On](#)” on page 9-2.
 - 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 firewall.
- 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 firewall and your workstation are correct and that the addresses are on the same subnet.

Testing the Path from Your PC to a Remote Device

After verifying that the LAN path works correctly, test the path from your PC to a remote device. From the Windows run menu, 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 firewall listed as the default gateway. If the IP configuration of your PC is assigned by DHCP, this information will not be visible in your PC’s Network Control Panel.
- 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 menu.

- Your ISP could be rejecting the Ethernet MAC addresses of all but one of your PCs. Many broadband ISPs restrict access by only allowing traffic 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 firewall to “clone” or “spoof” the MAC address from the authorized PC. Refer to [“Manually Configuring Your Internet Connection” on page 4-12.](#)

Restoring the Default Configuration and Password

This section explains how to restore the factory default configuration settings, changing the firewall’s administration password to **password** and the IP address to 192.168.1.1. You can erase the current configuration and restore factory defaults in two ways:

- Use the Erase function of the firewall (see [“Erasing the Configuration \(Factory Defaults Reset\)” on page 8-31.](#))
- Use the Default Reset button on the rear panel of the firewall. Use this method for cases when the administration password or IP address is not known.

To restore the factory default configuration settings without knowing the administration password or IP address, you must use the Default Reset button on the rear panel of the firewall.

1. Press and hold the Default Reset button until the Test LED turns on and begins to blink (about 10 seconds).
2. Release the Default Reset button and wait for the firewall to reboot.

Problems with Date and Time

The E-Mail menu in the Content Filtering section displays the current date and time of day. The FVS124G VPN Firewall 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 firewall has not yet successfully reached a Network Time Server. Check that your Internet access settings are configured correctly. If you have just completed configuring the firewall, wait at least five minutes and check the date and time again.

- Time is off by one hour. Cause: The firewall does not automatically sense Daylight Savings Time. In the E-Mail menu, check or uncheck the box marked “Adjust for Daylight Savings Time”.

Appendix A

Technical Specifications

This appendix provides technical specifications for the FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports.

Network Protocol and Standards Compatibility

Data and Routing Protocols: TCP/IP, RIP-1, RIP-2, DHCP
PPP over Ethernet (PPPoE)

Power Adapter

Voltage and amperage: 12 VDC, 1.2A

Physical Specifications

Dimensions: 1.15 x 7.5 x 4.75 in.

Weight:

Environmental Specifications

Operating temperature: 0° to 40° C (32° to 104° F)

Operating humidity: 90% maximum relative humidity, noncondensing

Electromagnetic Emissions

Meets requirements of: FCC Part 15 Class B

VCCI Class B

EN 55 022 (CISPR 22), Class B

Interface Specifications

LAN: 10BASE-T or 100BASE-Tx, RJ-45

WAN: 10BASE-T or 100BASE-Tx

Appendix B

Network, Routing, Firewall, and Basics

This chapter provides an overview of IP networks, routing, and networking.

Related Publications

As you read this document, you may be directed to various RFC documents for further information. An RFC is a Request For Comment (RFC) published by the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF), an open organization that defines the architecture and operation of the Internet. The RFC documents outline and define the standard protocols and procedures for the Internet. The documents are listed on the World Wide Web at www.ietf.org and are mirrored and indexed at many other sites worldwide.

Basic Router Concepts

Large amounts of bandwidth can be provided easily and relatively inexpensively in a local area network (LAN). However, providing high bandwidth between a local network and the Internet can be very expensive. Because of this expense, Internet access is usually provided by a slower-speed wide-area network (WAN) link such as a cable or DSL modem. In order to make the best use of the slower WAN link, a mechanism must be in place for selecting and transmitting only the data traffic meant for the Internet. The function of selecting and forwarding this data is performed by a router.

What is a Router?

A router is a device that forwards traffic between networks based on network layer information in the data and on routing tables maintained by the router. In these routing tables, a router builds up a logical picture of the overall network by gathering and exchanging information with other routers in the network. Using this information, the router chooses the best path for forwarding network traffic.

Routers vary in performance and scale, number of routing protocols supported, and types of physical WAN connection they support. The FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports is a small office router that routes the IP protocol over a single-user broadband connection.

Routing Information Protocol

One of the protocols used by a router to build and maintain a picture of the network is the Routing Information Protocol (RIP). Using RIP, routers periodically update one another and check for changes to add to the routing table.

The FVS124G VPN Firewall supports both the older RIP-1 and the newer RIP-2 protocols. Among other improvements, RIP-2 supports subnet and multicast protocols. RIP is not required for most home applications.

IP Addresses and the Internet

Because TCP/IP networks are interconnected across the world, every machine on the Internet must have a unique address to make sure that transmitted data reaches the correct destination. Blocks of addresses are assigned to organizations by the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA). Individual users and small organizations may obtain their addresses either from the IANA or from an Internet service provider (ISP). You can contact IANA at www.iana.org.

The Internet Protocol (IP) uses a 32-bit address structure. The address is usually written in dot notation (also called dotted-decimal notation), in which each group of eight bits is written in decimal form, separated by decimal points.

For example, the following binary address:

```
11000011 00100010 00001100 00000111
```

is normally written as:

195.34.12.7

The latter version is easier to remember and easier to enter into your computer.

In addition, the 32 bits of the address are subdivided into two parts. The first part of the address identifies the network, and the second part identifies the host node or station on the network. The dividing point may vary depending on the address range and the application.

There are five standard classes of IP addresses. These address classes have different ways of determining the network and host sections of the address, allowing for different numbers of hosts on a network. Each address type begins with a unique bit pattern, which is used by the TCP/IP software to identify the address class. After the address class has been determined, the software can correctly identify the host section of the address. The follow figure shows the three main address classes, including network and host sections of the address for each address type.

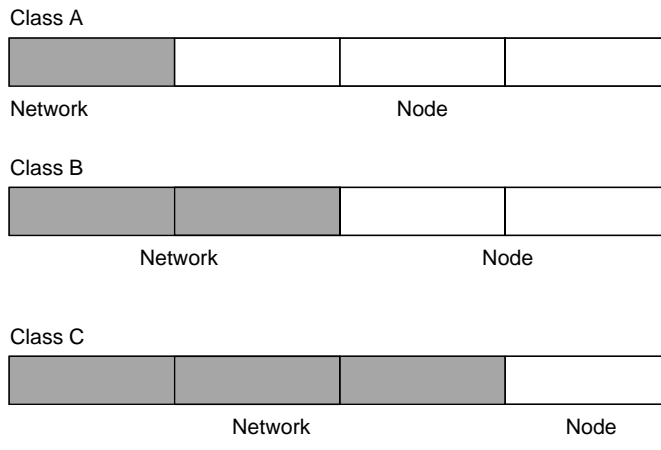


Figure 9-1: Three Main Address Classes

The five address classes are:

- **Class A**
Class A addresses can have up to 16,777,214 hosts on a single network. They use an eight-bit network number and a 24-bit node number. Class A addresses are in this range:
 $1.x.x.x$ to $126.x.x.x$.
- **Class B**
Class B addresses can have up to 65,354 hosts on a network. A Class B address uses a 16-bit network number and a 16-bit node number. Class B addresses are in this range:

128.1.x.x to 191.254.x.x.

- Class C

Class C addresses can have 254 hosts on a network. Class C addresses use 24 bits for the network address and eight bits for the node. They are in this range:

192.0.1.x to 223.255.254.x.

- Class D

Class D addresses are used for multicasts (messages sent to many hosts). Class D addresses are in this range:

224.0.0.0 to 239.255.255.255.

- Class E

Class E addresses are for experimental use.

This addressing structure allows IP addresses to uniquely identify each physical network and each node on each physical network.

For each unique value of the network portion of the address, the base address of the range (host address of all zeros) is known as the network address and is not usually assigned to a host. Also, the top address of the range (host address of all ones) is not assigned, but is used as the broadcast address for simultaneously sending a packet to all hosts with the same network address.

Netmask

In each of the address classes previously described, the size of the two parts (network address and host address) is implied by the class. This partitioning scheme can also be expressed by a netmask associated with the IP address. A netmask is a 32-bit quantity that, when logically combined (using an AND operator) with an IP address, yields the network address. For instance, the netmasks for Class A, B, and C addresses are 255.0.0.0, 255.255.0.0, and 255.255.255.0, respectively.

For example, the address 192.168.170.237 is a Class C IP address whose network portion is the upper 24 bits. When combined (using an AND operator) with the Class C netmask, as shown here, only the network portion of the address remains:

```
11000000 10101000 10101010 11101101 (192.168.170.237)
```

combined with:

```
11111111 11111111 11111111 00000000 (255.255.255.0)
```

Equals:

```
11000000 10101000 10101010 00000000 (192.168.170.0)
```

As a shorter alternative to dotted-decimal notation, the netmask may also be expressed in terms of the number of ones from the left. This number is appended to the IP address, following a backward slash (/), as “/n.” In the example, the address could be written as 192.168.170.237/24, indicating that the netmask is 24 ones followed by 8 zeros.

Subnet Addressing

By looking at the addressing structures, you can see that even with a Class C address, there are a large number of hosts per network. Such a structure is an inefficient use of addresses if each end of a routed link requires a different network number. It is unlikely that the smaller office LANs would have that many devices. You can resolve this problem by using a technique known as subnet addressing.

Subnet addressing allows us to split one IP network address into smaller multiple physical networks known as subnetworks. Some of the node numbers are used as a subnet number instead. A Class B address gives us 16 bits of node numbers translating to 64,000 nodes. Most organizations do not use 64,000 nodes, so there are free bits that can be reassigned. Subnet addressing makes use of those bits that are free, as shown below.



Figure 9-2: Example of Subnetting a Class B Address

A Class B address can be effectively translated into multiple Class C addresses. For example, the IP address of 172.16.0.0 is assigned, but node addresses are limited to 255 maximum, allowing eight extra bits to use as a subnet address. The IP address of 172.16.97.235 would be interpreted as IP network address 172.16, subnet number 97, and node number 235. In addition to extending the number of addresses available, subnet addressing provides other benefits. Subnet addressing allows a network manager to construct an address scheme for the network by using different subnets for other geographical locations in the network or for other departments in the organization.

Although the preceding example uses the entire third octet for a subnet address, note that you are not restricted to octet boundaries in subnetting. To create more network numbers, you need only shift some bits from the host address to the network address. For instance, to partition a Class C network number (192.68.135.0) into two, you shift one bit from the host address to the network address. The new netmask (or subnet mask) is 255.255.255.128. The first subnet has network number 192.68.135.0 with hosts 192.68.135.1 to 192.68.135.126, and the second subnet has network number 192.68.135.128 with hosts 192.68.135.129 to 192.68.135.254.



Note: The number 192.68.135.127 is not assigned because it is the broadcast address of the first subnet. The number 192.68.135.128 is not assigned because it is the network address of the second subnet.

The following table lists the additional subnet mask bits in dotted-decimal notation. To use the table, write down the original class netmask and replace the 0 value octets with the dotted-decimal value of the additional subnet bits. For example, to partition your Class C network with subnet mask 255.255.255.0 into 16 subnets (4 bits), the new subnet mask becomes 255.255.255.240.

Table 9-1. Netmask Notation Translation Table for One Octet

Number of Bits	Dotted-Decimal Value
1	128
2	192
3	224
4	240
5	248
6	252
7	254
8	255

The following table displays several common netmask values in both the dotted-decimal and the masklength formats.

Table 9-2. Netmask Formats

Dotted-Decimal	Masklength
255.0.0.0	/8
255.255.0.0	/16

Table 9-2. Netmask Formats

255.255.255.0	/24
255.255.255.128	/25
255.255.255.192	/26
255.255.255.224	/27
255.255.255.240	/28
255.255.255.248	/29
255.255.255.252	/30
255.255.255.254	/31
255.255.255.255	/32

Configure all hosts on a LAN segment to use the same netmask for the following reasons:

- So that hosts recognize local IP broadcast packets
When a device broadcasts to its segment neighbors, it uses a destination address of the local network address with all ones for the host address. In order for this scheme to work, all devices on the segment must agree on which bits comprise the host address.
- So that a local router or bridge recognizes which addresses are local and which are remote

Private IP Addresses

If your local network is isolated from the Internet (for example, when using NAT), you can assign any IP addresses to the hosts without problems. However, the IANA has reserved the following three blocks of IP addresses specifically for private networks:

10.0.0.0 - 10.255.255.255
172.16.0.0 - 172.31.255.255
192.168.0.0 - 192.168.255.255

Choose your private network number from this range. The DHCP server of the FVS124G VPN Firewall is preconfigured to automatically assign private addresses.

Regardless of your particular situation, do not create an arbitrary IP address; always follow the guidelines explained here. For more information about address assignment, refer to RFC 1597, *Address Allocation for Private Internets*, and RFC 1466, *Guidelines for Management of IP Address Space*. The Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) publishes RFCs on its Web site at www.ietf.org.

Single IP Address Operation Using NAT

In the past, if multiple PCs on a LAN needed to access the Internet simultaneously, you had to obtain a range of IP addresses from the ISP. This type of Internet account is more costly than a single-address account typically used by a single user with a modem, rather than a router. The FVS124G VPN Firewall employs an address-sharing method called Network Address Translation (NAT). This method allows several networked PCs to share an Internet account using only a single IP address, which may be statically or dynamically assigned by your ISP.

The router accomplishes this address sharing by translating the internal LAN IP addresses to a single address that is globally unique on the Internet. The internal LAN IP addresses can be either private addresses or registered addresses. For more information about IP address translation, refer to RFC 1631, *The IP Network Address Translator (NAT)*.

The following figure illustrates a single IP address operation.

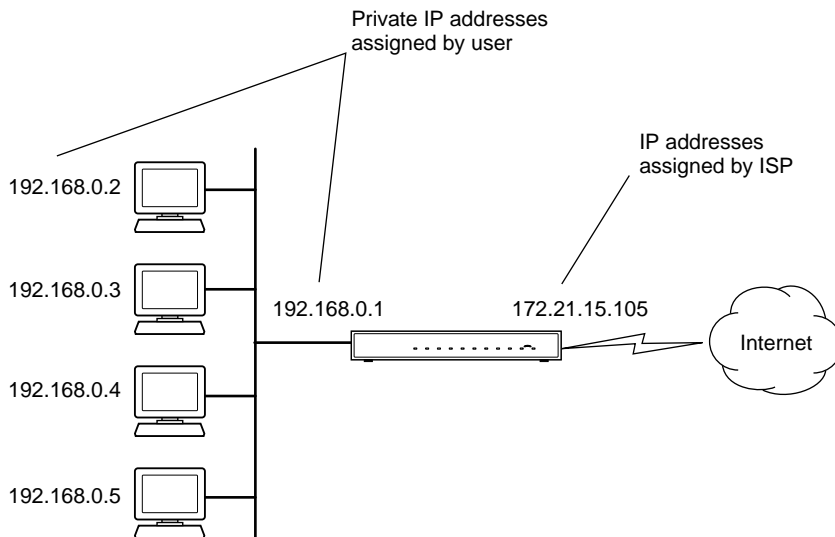


Figure 9-3: Single IP Address Operation Using NAT

This scheme offers the additional benefit of firewall-like protection because the internal LAN addresses are not available to the Internet through the translated connection. All incoming inquiries are filtered out by the router. This filtering can prevent intruders from probing your system. However, using port forwarding, you can allow one PC (for example, a Web server) on your local network to be accessible to outside users.

MAC Addresses and Address Resolution Protocol

An IP address alone cannot be used to deliver data from one LAN device to another. To send data between LAN devices, you must convert the IP address of the destination device to its media access control (MAC) address. Each device on an Ethernet network has a unique MAC address, which is a 48-bit number assigned to each device by the manufacturer. The technique that associates the IP address with a MAC address is known as address resolution. Internet Protocol uses the Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) to resolve MAC addresses.

If a device sends data to another station on the network and the destination MAC address is not yet recorded, ARP is used. An ARP request is broadcast onto the network. All stations on the network receive and read the request. The destination IP address for the chosen station is included as part of the message so that only the station with this IP address responds to the ARP request. All other stations discard the request.

Related Documents

The station with the correct IP address responds with its own MAC address directly to the sending device. The receiving station provides the transmitting station with the required destination MAC address. The IP address data and MAC address data for each station are held in an ARP table. The next time data is sent, the address can be obtained from the address information in the table.

For more information about address assignment, refer to the IETF documents RFC 1597, *Address Allocation for Private Internets*, and RFC 1466, *Guidelines for Management of IP Address Space*.

For more information about IP address translation, refer to RFC 1631, *The IP Network Address Translator (NAT)*.

Domain Name Server

Many of the resources on the Internet can be addressed by simple descriptive names such as *www.NETGEAR.com*. This addressing is very helpful at the application level, but the descriptive name must be translated to an IP address in order for a user to actually contact the resource. Just as a telephone directory maps names to phone numbers, or as an ARP table maps IP addresses to MAC addresses, a domain name system (DNS) server maps descriptive names of network resources to IP addresses.

When a PC accesses a resource by its descriptive name, it first contacts a DNS server to obtain the IP address of the resource. The PC sends the desired message using the IP address. Many large organizations, such as ISPs, maintain their own DNS servers and allow their customers to use the servers to look up addresses.

IP Configuration by DHCP

When an IP-based local area network is installed, each PC must be configured with an IP address. If the PCs need to access the Internet, they should also be configured with a gateway address and one or more DNS server addresses. As an alternative to manual configuration, there is a method by which each PC on the network can automatically obtain this configuration information. A device on the network may act as a Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) server. The DHCP server stores a list or pool of IP addresses, along with other information (such as gateway and DNS addresses) that it may assign to the other devices on the network. The FVS124G VPN Firewall has the capacity to act as a DHCP server.

The FVS124G VPN Firewall also functions as a DHCP client when connecting to the ISP. The firewall can automatically obtain an IP address, subnet mask, DNS server addresses, and a gateway address if the ISP provides this information by DHCP.

Internet Security and Firewalls

When your LAN connects to the Internet through a router, an opportunity is created for outsiders to access or disrupt your network. A NAT router provides some protection because by the very nature of the process, the network behind the router is shielded from access by outsiders on the Internet. However, there are methods by which a determined hacker can possibly obtain information about your network or at the least can disrupt your Internet access. A greater degree of protection is provided by a firewall router.

What is a Firewall?

A firewall is a device that protects one network from another, while allowing communication between the two. A firewall incorporates the functions of the NAT router, while adding features for dealing with a hacker intrusion or attack. Several known types of intrusion or attack can be recognized when they occur. When an incident is detected, the firewall can log details of the attempt, and can optionally send email to an administrator notifying them of the incident. Using information from the log, the administrator can take action with the ISP of the hacker. In some types of intrusions, the firewall can fend off the hacker by discarding all further packets from the hacker's IP address for a period of time.

Stateful Packet Inspection

Unlike simple Internet sharing routers, a firewall uses a process called stateful packet inspection to ensure secure firewall filtering to protect your network from attacks and intrusions. Since user-level applications such as FTP and Web browsers can create complex patterns of network traffic, it is necessary for the firewall to analyze groups of network connection states. Using Stateful Packet Inspection, an incoming packet is intercepted at the network layer and then analyzed for state-related information associated with all network connections. A central cache within the firewall keeps track of the state information associated with all network connections. All traffic passing through the firewall is analyzed against the state of these connections in order to determine whether or not it will be allowed to pass through or rejected.

Denial of Service Attack

A hacker may be able to prevent your network from operating or communicating by launching a Denial of Service (DoS) attack. The method used for such an attack can be as simple as merely flooding your site with more requests than it can handle. A more sophisticated attack may attempt to exploit some weakness in the operating system used by your router or gateway. Some operating systems can be disrupted by simply sending a packet with incorrect length information.

Ethernet Cabling

Although Ethernet networks originally used thick or thin coaxial cable, most installations currently use unshielded twisted pair (UTP) cabling. The UTP cable contains eight conductors, arranged in four twisted pairs, and terminated with an RJ45 type connector. A normal straight-through UTP Ethernet cable follows the EIA568B standard wiring as described below in [Table B-1](#)

Table B-1. UTP Ethernet cable wiring, straight-through

Pin	Wire color	Signal
1	Orange/White	Transmit (Tx) +
2	Orange	Transmit (Tx) -
3	Green/White	Receive (Rx) +
4	Blue	
5	Blue/White	
6	Green	Receive (Rx) -
7	Brown/White	
8	Brown	

Category 5 Cable Quality

Category 5 distributed cable that meets ANSI/EIA/TIA-568-A building wiring standards can be a maximum of 328 feet (ft.) or 100 meters (m) in length, divided as follows:

20 ft. (6 m) between the hub and the patch panel (if used)

295 ft. (90 m) from the wiring closet to the wall outlet

10 ft. (3 m) from the wall outlet to the desktop device

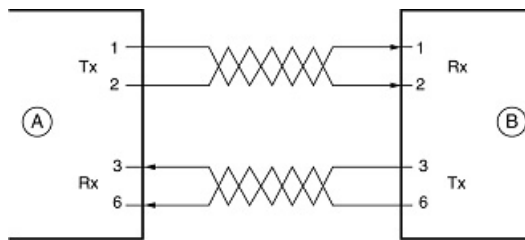
The patch panel and other connecting hardware must meet the requirements for 100 Mbps operation (Category 5). Only 0.5 inch (1.5 cm) of untwist in the wire pair is allowed at any termination point.

A twisted pair Ethernet network operating at 10 Mbits/second (10BASE-T) will often tolerate low quality cables, but at 100 Mbits/second (10BASE-Tx) the cable must be rated as Category 5, or Cat 5, by the Electronic Industry Association (EIA). This rating will be printed on the cable jacket. A Category 5 cable will meet specified requirements regarding loss and crosstalk. In addition, there are restrictions on maximum cable length for both 10 and 100 Mbits/second networks.

Inside Twisted Pair Cables

For two devices to communicate, the transmitter of each device must be connected to the receiver of the other device. The crossover function is usually implemented internally as part of the circuitry in the device. Computers and workstation adapter cards are usually media-dependent interface ports, called MDI or uplink ports. Most repeaters and switch ports are configured as media-dependent interfaces with built-in crossover ports, called MDI-X or normal ports. Auto Uplink technology automatically senses which connection, MDI or MDI-X, is needed and makes the right connection.

Figure B-1 illustrates straight-through twisted pair cable.



Key:

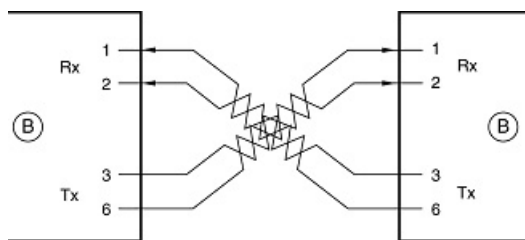
A = UPLINK OR MDI PORT (as on a PC)

B = Normal or MDI-X port (as on a hub or switch)

1, 2, 3, 6 = Pin numbers

Figure B-1: Straight-Through Twisted-Pair Cable

Figure B-2 illustrates crossover twisted pair cable.



Key:

B = Normal or MDI-X port (as on a hub or switch)

1, 2, 3, 6 = Pin numbers

Figure B-2: Crossover Twisted-Pair Cable

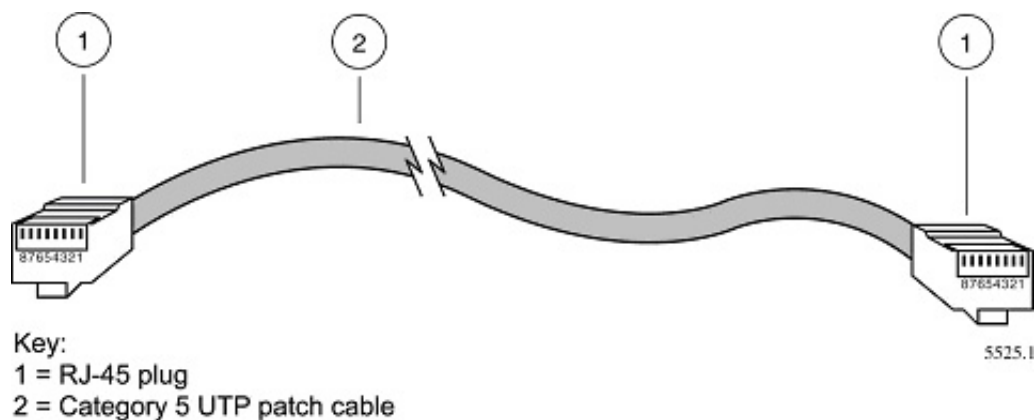


Figure B-3: Category 5 UTP Cable with Male RJ-45 Plug at Each End

Note: Flat “silver satin” telephone cable may have the same RJ-45 plug. However, using telephone cable results in excessive collisions, causing the attached port to be partitioned or disconnected from the network.

Uplink Switches, Crossover Cables, and MDI/MDIX Switching

In the wiring table above, the concept of transmit and receive are from the perspective of the PC, which is wired as Media Dependant Interface (MDI). In this wiring, the PC transmits on pins 1 and 2. At the hub, the perspective is reversed, and the hub receives on pins 1 and 2. This wiring is referred to as Media Dependant Interface - Crossover (MDI-X).

When connecting a PC to a PC, or a hub port to another hub port, the transmit pair must be exchanged with the receive pair. This exchange is done by one of two mechanisms. Most hubs provide an Uplink switch which will exchange the pairs on one port, allowing that port to be connected to another hub using a normal Ethernet cable. The second method is to use a crossover cable, which is a special cable in which the transmit and receive pairs are exchanged at one of the two cable connectors. Crossover cables are often unmarked as such, and must be identified by comparing the two connectors. Since the cable connectors are clear plastic, it is easy to place them side by side and view the order of the wire colors on each. On a straight-through cable, the color order will be the same on both connectors. On a crossover cable, the orange and blue pairs will be exchanged from one connector to the other.

The FVS124G VPN Firewall incorporates Auto Uplink™ technology (also called MDI/MDIX). Each LOCAL Ethernet port will automatically sense whether the Ethernet cable plugged into the port should have a normal connection (e.g. connecting to a PC) or an uplink connection (e.g. connecting to a router, switch, or hub). That port will then configure itself to the correct configuration. This feature also eliminates the need to worry about crossover cables, as Auto Uplink™ will accommodate either type of cable to make the right connection.

Appendix C

Preparing Your Network

This appendix describes how to prepare your network to connect to the Internet through the FVS124G ProSafe VPN Firewall 25 with 4 Gigabit LAN and Dual WAN Ports and how to verify the readiness of broadband Internet service from an Internet service provider (ISP).



Note: If an ISP technician configured your computer during the installation of a broadband modem, or if you configured it using instructions provided by your ISP, you may need to copy the current configuration information for use in the configuration of your firewall. Write down this information before reconfiguring your computers. Refer to [“Obtaining ISP Configuration Information for Windows Computers”](#) on page C-19 or [“Obtaining ISP Configuration Information for Macintosh Computers”](#) on page C-20 for further information.

Preparing Your Computers for TCP/IP Networking

Computers access the Internet using a protocol called TCP/IP (Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol). Each computer on your network must have TCP/IP installed and selected as its networking protocol. If a Network Interface Card (NIC) is already installed in your PC, then TCP/IP is probably already installed as well.

Most operating systems include the software components you need for networking with TCP/IP:

- Windows® 95 or later includes the software components for establishing a TCP/IP network.
- Windows 3.1 does not include a TCP/IP component. You need to purchase a third-party TCP/IP application package such as NetManage Chameleon.
- Macintosh Operating System 7 or later includes the software components for establishing a TCP/IP network.
- All versions of UNIX or Linux include TCP/IP components. Follow the instructions provided with your operating system or networking software to install TCP/IP on your computer.

In your IP network, each PC and the firewall must be assigned a unique IP addresses. Each PC must also have certain other IP configuration information such as a subnet mask (netmask), a domain name server (DNS) address, and a default gateway address. In most cases, you should install TCP/IP so that the PC obtains its specific network configuration information automatically from a DHCP server during bootup. For a detailed explanation of the meaning and purpose of these configuration items, refer to “[Appendix B, “Network, Routing, Firewall, and Basics.”](#)”

The FVS124G VPN Firewall is shipped preconfigured as a DHCP server. The firewall assigns the following TCP/IP configuration information automatically when the PCs are rebooted:

- PC or workstation IP addresses—192.168.0.2 through 192.168.0.254
- Subnet mask—255.255.255.0
- Gateway address (the firewall)—192.168.1.1

These addresses are part of the IETF-designated private address range for use in private networks.

Configuring Windows 95, 98, and Me for TCP/IP Networking

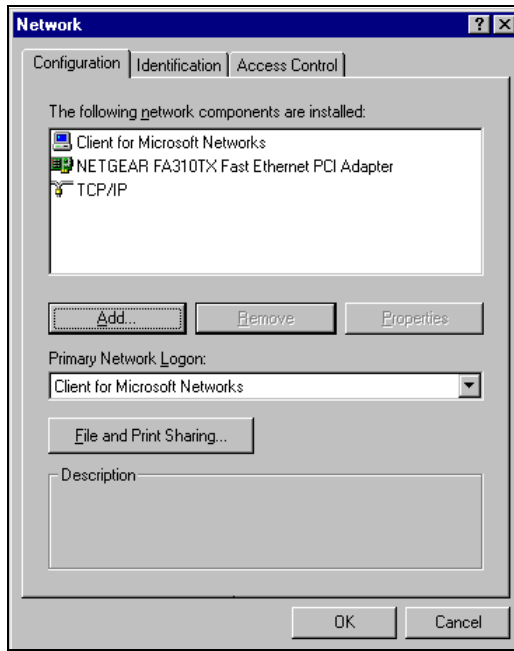
As part of the PC preparation process, you need to manually install and configure TCP/IP on each networked PC. Before starting, locate your Windows CD; you may need to insert it during the TCP/IP installation process.

Install or Verify Windows Networking Components

To install or verify the necessary components for IP networking:

1. On the Windows taskbar, click the Start button, point to Settings, and then click Control Panel.
2. Double-click the Network icon.

The Network window opens, which displays a list of installed components:



You must have an Ethernet adapter, the TCP/IP protocol, and Client for Microsoft Networks.



Note: It is not necessary to remove any other network components shown in the Network window in order to install the adapter, TCP/IP, or Client for Microsoft Networks.

If you need to install a new adapter, follow these steps:

- a. Click the Add button.
- b. Select Adapter, and then click Add.
- c. Select the manufacturer and model of your Ethernet adapter, and then click OK.

If you need TCP/IP:

- a. Click the Add button.
- b. Select Protocol, and then click Add.
- c. Select Microsoft.
- d. Select TCP/IP, and then click OK.

If you need Client for Microsoft Networks:

- a. Click the Add button.
 - b. Select Client, and then click Add.
 - c. Select Microsoft.
 - d. Select Client for Microsoft Networks, and then click OK.
3. Restart your PC for the changes to take effect.

Enabling DHCP to Automatically Configure TCP/IP Settings

After the TCP/IP protocol components are installed, each PC must be assigned specific information about itself and resources that are available on its network. The simplest way to configure this information is to allow the PC to obtain the information from a DHCP server in the network.

You will find there are many similarities in the procedures for different Windows systems when using DHCP to configure TCP/IP.

The following steps will walk you through the configuration process for each of these versions of Windows.

1

Locate your **Network Neighborhood** icon.

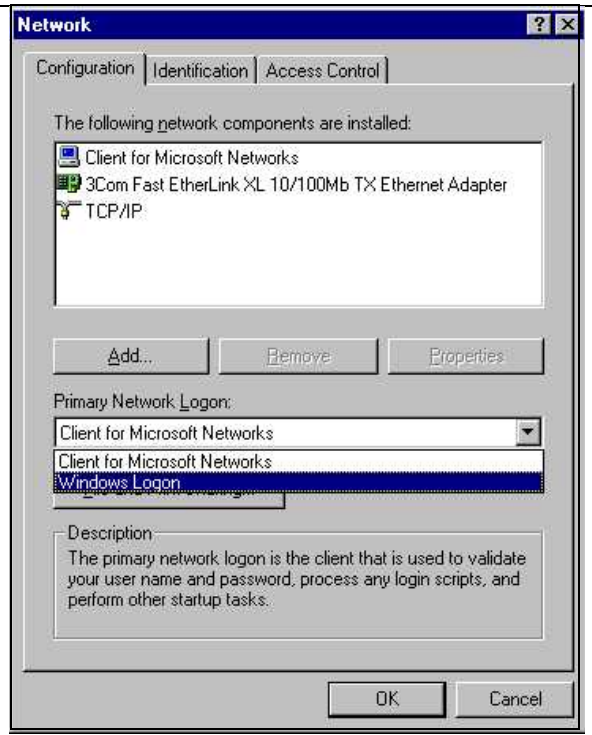
- If the Network Neighborhood icon is on the Windows desktop, position your mouse pointer over it and right-click your mouse button.
- If the icon is not on the desktop,
 - Click **Start** on the task bar located at the bottom left of the window.
 - Choose **Settings**, and then **Control Panel**.
 - Locate the **Network Neighborhood** icon and click on it. This will open the Network panel as shown below.

2

Verify the following settings as shown:

- Client for Microsoft Network exists
- Ethernet adapter is present
- TCP/IP is present
- **Primary Network Logon** is set to Windows logon

Click on the **Properties** button. The following TCP/IP Properties window will display.

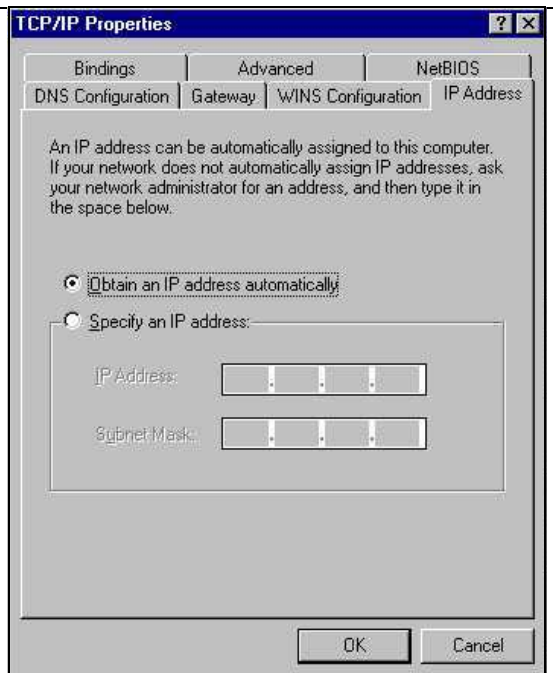


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- By default, the **IP Address** tab is open on this window.
- Verify the following:
 - **Obtain an IP address automatically** is selected. If not selected, click in the radio button to the left of it to select it. This setting is required to enable the DHCP server to automatically assign an IP address.
 - Click **OK** to continue.

Restart the PC.

Repeat these steps for each PC with this version of Windows on your network.



Selecting Windows' Internet Access Method

1. On the Windows taskbar, click the Start button, point to Settings, and then click Control Panel.
2. Double-click the Internet Options icon.
3. Select "I want to set up my Internet connection manually" or "I want to connect through a Local Area Network" and click Next.
4. Select "I want to connect through a Local Area Network" and click Next.
5. Uncheck all boxes in the LAN Internet Configuration screen and click Next.
6. Proceed to the end of the Wizard.

Verifying TCP/IP Properties

After your PC is configured and has rebooted, you can check the TCP/IP configuration using the utility *wiipcfg.exe*:

1. On the Windows taskbar, click the Start button, and then click Run.

2. Type `winiipcfg`, and then click OK.

The IP Configuration window opens, which lists (among other things), your IP address, subnet mask, and default gateway.

3. From the drop-down box, select your Ethernet adapter.

The window is updated to show your settings, which should match the values below if you are using the default TCP/IP settings that NETGEAR recommends for connecting through a router or gateway:

- The IP address is between 192.168.0.2 and 192.168.0.254
- The subnet mask is 255.255.255.0
- The default gateway is 192.168.1.1

Configuring Windows NT4, 2000 or XP for IP Networking

As part of the PC preparation process, you may need to install and configure TCP/IP on each networked PC. Before starting, locate your Windows CD; you may need to insert it during the TCP/IP installation process.

Install or Verify Windows Networking Components

To install or verify the necessary components for IP networking:

1. On the Windows taskbar, click the Start button, point to Settings, and then click Control Panel.
2. Double-click the Network and Dialup Connections icon.
3. If an Ethernet adapter is present in your PC, you should see an entry for Local Area Connection. Double-click that entry.
4. Select Properties.
5. Verify that 'Client for Microsoft Networks' and 'Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)' are present. If not, select Install and add them.
6. Select 'Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)', click Properties, and verify that "Obtain an IP address automatically is selected.
7. Click OK and close all Network and Dialup Connections windows.
8. Then, restart your PC.

Enabling DHCP to Automatically Configure TCP/IP Settings

You will find there are many similarities in the procedures for different Windows systems when using DHCP to configure TCP/IP.

The following steps will walk you through the configuration process for each of these versions of Windows.

DHCP Configuration of TCP/IP in Windows XP

1

Locate your **Network Neighborhood** icon.

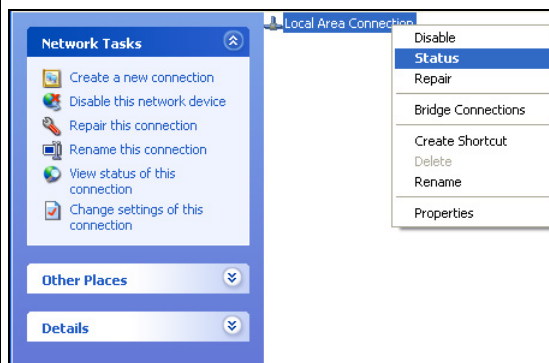
- Select **Control Panel** from the Windows XP new Start Menu.
- Select the **Network Connections** icon on the Control Panel. This will take you to the next step.

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- Now the Network Connection window displays.

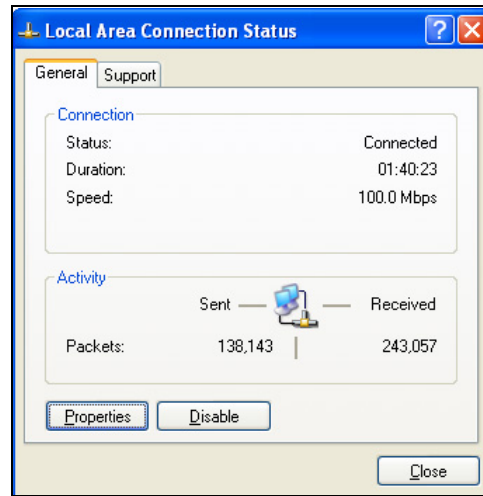
The Connections List that shows all the network connections set up on the PC, located to the right of the window.

- Right-click on the **Connection** you will use and choose **Status**.



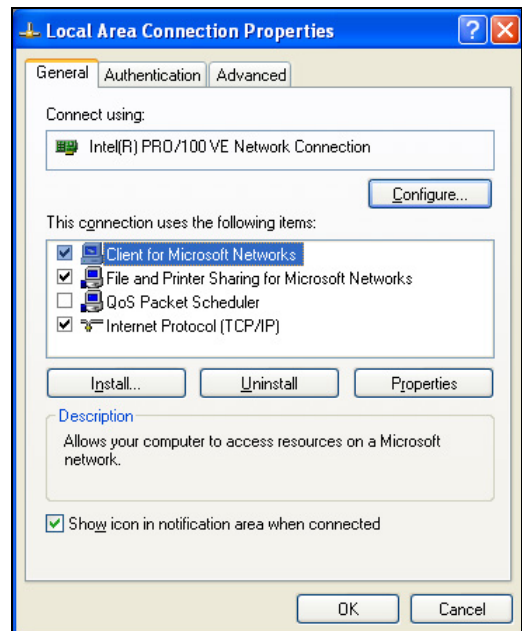
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- Now you should be at the Local Area Network Connection Status window. This box displays the connection status, duration, speed, and activity statistics.
- Administrator logon access rights are needed to use this window.
- Click the **Properties** button to view details about the connection.



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- The TCP/IP details are presented on the Support tab page.
- Select **Internet Protocol**, and click **Properties** to view the configuration information.

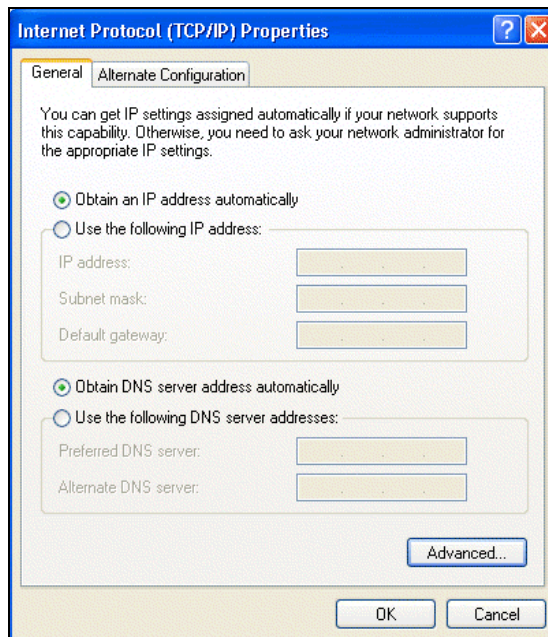


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- Verify that the **Obtain an IP address automatically** radio button is selected.
- Verify that **Obtain DNS server address automatically** radio button is selected.
- Click the **OK** button.

This completes the DHCP configuration of TCP/IP in Windows XP.

Repeat these steps for each PC with this version of Windows on your network.



DHCP Configuration of TCP/IP in Windows 2000

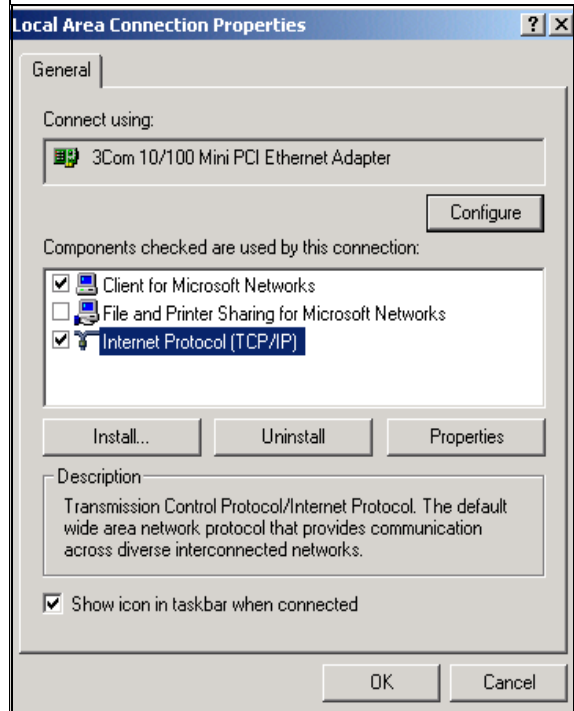
Once again, after you have installed the network card, TCP/IP for Windows 2000 is configured. TCP/IP should be added by default and set to DHCP without your having to configure it. However, if there are problems, follow these steps to configure TCP/IP with DHCP for Windows 2000.

1

- Click on the **My Network Places** icon on the Windows desktop. This will bring up a window called Network and Dial-up Connections.
- Right click on **Local Area Connection** and select **Properties**.

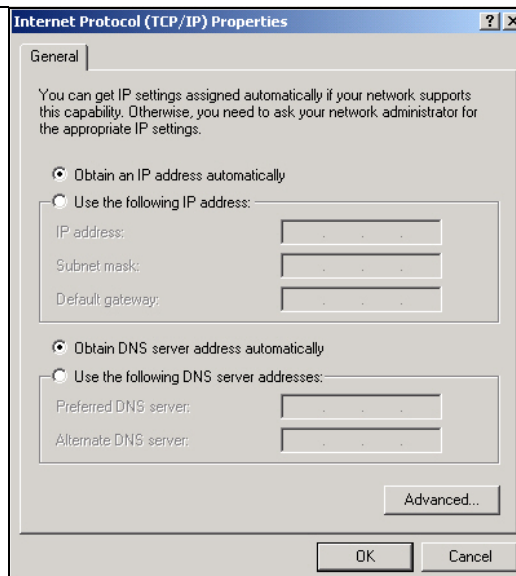
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- The **Local Area Connection Properties** dialog box appears.
- Verify that you have the correct Ethernet card selected in the **Connect using:** box.
- Verify that at least the following two items are displayed and selected in the box of “Components checked are used by this connection:”
 - Client for Microsoft Networks and
 - Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)
- Click **OK**.



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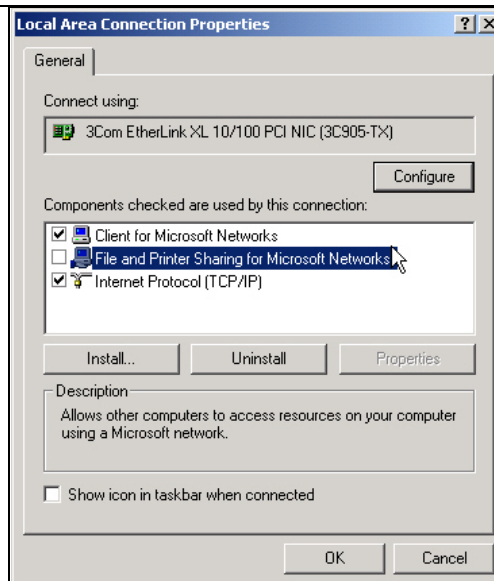
- With Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) selected, click on **Properties** to open the Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) Properties dialogue box.
- Verify that
 - **Obtain an IP address automatically** is selected.
 - **Obtain DNS server address automatically** is selected.
- Click **OK** to return to Local Area Connection Properties.

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- Click **OK** again to complete the configuration process for Windows 2000.

Restart the PC.

Repeat these steps for each PC with this version of Windows on your network.



DHCP Configuration of TCP/IP in Windows NT4

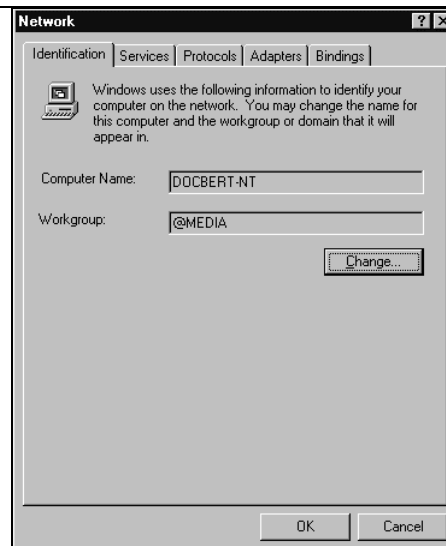
Once you have installed the network card, you need to configure the TCP/IP environment for Windows NT 4.0. Follow this procedure to configure TCP/IP with DHCP in Windows NT 4.0.

1

- Choose **Settings** from the Start Menu, and then select **Control Panel**.
This will display Control Panel window.

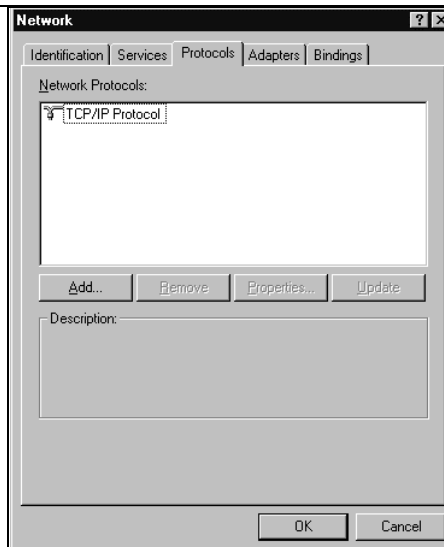
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- Double-click the **Network** icon in the Control Panel window.
The Network panel will display.
- Select the **Protocols** tab to continue.



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- Highlight the **TCP/IP Protocol** in the **Network Protocols** box, and click on the **Properties** button.

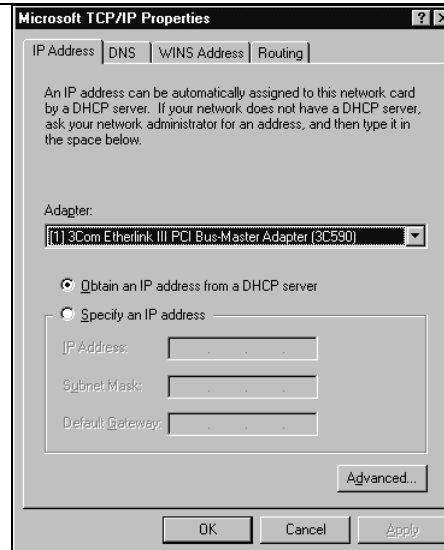


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- The **TCP/IP Properties** dialog box now displays.
- Click the **IP Address** tab.
- Select the radio button marked **Obtain an IP address from a DHCP server**.
- Click **OK**. This completes the configuration of TCP/IP in Windows NT.

Restart the PC.

Repeat these steps for each PC with this version of Windows on your network.



Verifying TCP/IP Properties for Windows XP, 2000, and NT4

To check your PC's TCP/IP configuration:

1. On the Windows taskbar, click the Start button, and then click Run.

The Run window opens.

2. Type `cmd` and then click OK.

A command window opens

3. Type `ipconfig /all`

Your IP Configuration information will be listed, and should match the values below if you are using the default TCP/IP settings that NETGEAR recommends for connecting through a router or gateway:

- The IP address is between 192.168.0.2 and 192.168.0.254
- The subnet mask is 255.255.255.0

- The default gateway is 192.168.1.1

4. Type `exit`

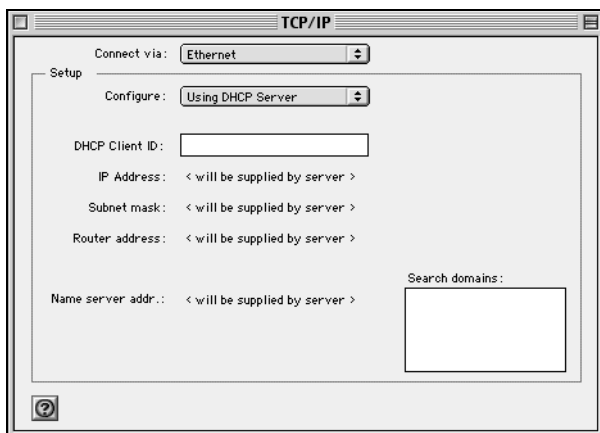
Configuring the Macintosh for TCP/IP Networking

Beginning with Macintosh Operating System 7, TCP/IP is already installed on the Macintosh. On each networked Macintosh, you will need to configure TCP/IP to use DHCP.

MacOS 8.6 or 9.x

1. From the Apple menu, select Control Panels, then TCP/IP.

The TCP/IP Control Panel opens:



2. From the “Connect via” box, select your Macintosh’s Ethernet interface.
3. From the “Configure” box, select Using DHCP Server.
You can leave the DHCP Client ID box empty.
4. Close the TCP/IP Control Panel.
5. Repeat this for each Macintosh on your network.

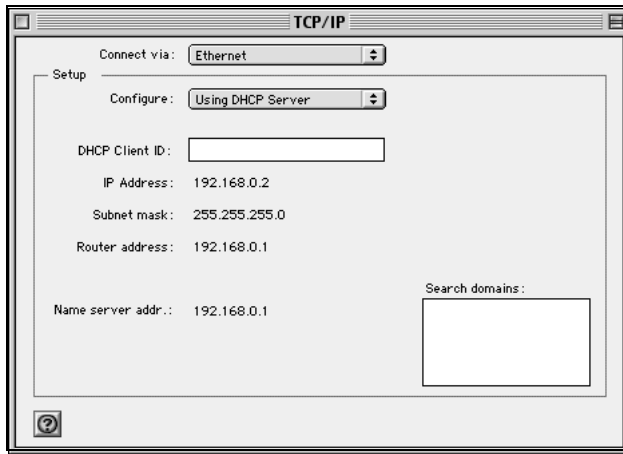
MacOS X

1. From the Apple menu, choose System Preferences, then Network.

2. If not already selected, select Built-in Ethernet in the Configure list.
3. If not already selected, Select Using DHCP in the TCP/IP tab.
4. Click Save.

Verifying TCP/IP Properties for Macintosh Computers

After your Macintosh is configured and has rebooted, you can check the TCP/IP configuration by returning to the TCP/IP Control Panel. From the Apple menu, select Control Panels, then TCP/IP.



The panel is updated to show your settings, which should match the values below if you are using the default TCP/IP settings that NETGEAR recommends:

- The IP Address is between 192.168.0.2 and 192.168.0.254
- The Subnet mask is 255.255.255.0
- The Router address is 192.168.1.1

If you do not see these values, you may need to restart your Macintosh or you may need to switch the “Configure” setting to a different option, then back again to “Using DHCP Server”.

Verifying the Readiness of Your Internet Account

For broadband access to the Internet, you need to contract with an Internet service provider (ISP) for a single-user Internet access account using a cable modem or DSL modem. This modem must be a separate physical box (not a card) and must provide an Ethernet port intended for connection to a Network Interface Card (NIC) in a computer. Your firewall does not support a USB-connected broadband modem.

For a single-user Internet account, your ISP supplies TCP/IP configuration information for one computer. With a typical account, much of the configuration information is dynamically assigned when your PC is first booted up while connected to the ISP, and you will not need to know that dynamic information.

In order to share the Internet connection among several computers, your firewall takes the place of the single PC, and you need to configure it with the TCP/IP information that the single PC would normally use. When the firewall's Internet port is connected to the broadband modem, the firewall appears to be a single PC to the ISP. The firewall then allows the PCs on the local network to masquerade as the single PC to access the Internet through the broadband modem. The method used by the firewall to accomplish this is called Network Address Translation (NAT) or IP masquerading.

Are Login Protocols Used?

Some ISPs require a special login protocol, in which you must enter a login name and password in order to access the Internet. If you normally log in to your Internet account by running a program such as WinPOET or EnterNet, then your account uses PPP over Ethernet (PPPoE).

When you configure your router, you will need to enter your login name and password in the router's configuration menus. After your network and firewall are configured, the firewall will perform the login task when needed, and you will no longer need to run the login program from your PC. It is not necessary to uninstall the login program.

What Is Your Configuration Information?

More and more, ISPs are dynamically assigning configuration information. However, if your ISP does not dynamically assign configuration information but instead used fixed configurations, your ISP should have given you the following basic information for your account:

- An IP address and subnet mask
- A gateway IP address, which is the address of the ISP's router
- One or more domain name server (DNS) IP addresses
- Host name and domain suffix

For example, your account's full server names may look like this:

`mail.xxx.yyy.com`

In this example, the domain suffix is `xxx.yyy.com`.

If any of these items are dynamically supplied by the ISP, your firewall automatically acquires them.

If an ISP technician configured your PC during the installation of the broadband modem, or if you configured it using instructions provided by your ISP, you need to copy the configuration information from your PC's Network TCP/IP Properties window or Macintosh TCP/IP Control Panel before reconfiguring your PC for use with the firewall. These procedures are described next.

Obtaining ISP Configuration Information for Windows Computers

As mentioned above, you may need to collect configuration information from your PC so that you can use this information when you configure the FVS124G VPN Firewall. Following this procedure is only necessary when your ISP does not dynamically supply the account information.

To get the information you need to configure the firewall for Internet access:

1. On the Windows taskbar, click the Start button, point to Settings, and then click Control Panel.
2. Double-click the Network icon.

The Network window opens, which displays a list of installed components.

3. Select TCP/IP, and then click Properties.

The TCP/IP Properties dialog box opens.

4. Select the IP Address tab.

If an IP address and subnet mask are shown, write down the information. If an address is present, your account uses a fixed (static) IP address. If no address is present, your account uses a dynamically-assigned IP address. Click "Obtain an IP address automatically".

5. Select the Gateway tab.

If an IP address appears under Installed Gateways, write down the address. This is the ISP's gateway address. Select the address and then click Remove to remove the gateway address.

6. Select the DNS Configuration tab.

If any DNS server addresses are shown, write down the addresses. If any information appears in the Host or Domain information box, write it down. Click Disable DNS.

7. Click OK to save your changes and close the TCP/IP Properties dialog box.

You are returned to the Network window.

8. Click OK.

9. Reboot your PC at the prompt. You may also be prompted to insert your Windows CD.

Obtaining ISP Configuration Information for Macintosh Computers

As mentioned above, you may need to collect configuration information from your Macintosh so that you can use this information when you configure the FVS124G VPN Firewall. Following this procedure is only necessary when your ISP does not dynamically supply the account information.

To get the information you need to configure the firewall for Internet access:

1. From the Apple menu, select Control Panels, then TCP/IP.

The TCP/IP Control Panel opens, which displays a list of configuration settings. If the "Configure" setting is "Using DHCP Server", your account uses a dynamically-assigned IP address. In this case, close the Control Panel and skip the rest of this section.

2. If an IP address and subnet mask are shown, write down the information.
3. If an IP address appears under Router address, write down the address. This is the ISP's gateway address.
4. If any Name Server addresses are shown, write down the addresses. These are your ISP's DNS addresses.
5. If any information appears in the Search domains information box, write it down.
6. Change the "Configure" setting to "Using DHCP Server".
7. Close the TCP/IP Control Panel.

Restarting the Network

Once you've set up your computers to work with the firewall, you must reset the network for the devices to be able to communicate correctly. Restart any computer that is connected to the FVS124G VPN Firewall.

After configuring all of your computers for TCP/IP networking and restarting them, and connecting them to the local network of your FVS124G VPN Firewall, you are ready to access and configure the firewall.

Appendix D

Virtual Private Networking

There have been many improvements in the Internet including Quality of Service, network performance, and inexpensive technologies, such as DSL. But one of the most important advances has been in Virtual Private Networking (VPN) Internet Protocol security (IPSec). IPSec is one of the most complete, secure, and commercially available, standards-based protocols developed for transporting data.

What is a VPN?

A VPN is a shared network where private data is segmented from other traffic so that only the intended recipient has access. The term VPN was originally used to describe a secure connection over the Internet. Today, however, VPN is also used to describe private networks, such as Frame Relay, Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM), and Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS).

A key aspect of data security is that the data flowing across the network is protected by encryption technologies. Private networks lack data security, which allows data attackers to tap directly into the network and read the data. IPSec-based VPNs use encryption to provide data security, which increases the network's resistance to data tampering or theft.

IPSec-based VPNs can be created over any type of IP network, including the Internet, Frame Relay, ATM, and MPLS, but only the Internet is ubiquitous and inexpensive.

VPNs are traditionally used for:

- **Intranets:** Intranets connect an organization's locations. These locations range from the headquarters offices, to branch offices, to a remote employee's home. Often this connectivity is used for e-mail and for sharing applications and files. While Frame Relay, ATM, and MPLS accomplish these tasks, the shortcomings of each limits connectivity. The cost of connecting home users is also very expensive compared to Internet-access technologies, such as DSL or cable. Because of this, organizations are moving their networks to the Internet, which is inexpensive, and using IPSec to create these networks.

- **Remote Access:** Remote access enables telecommuters and mobile workers to access e-mail and business applications. A dial-up connection to an organization's modem pool is one method of access for remote workers, but is expensive because the organization must pay the associated long distance telephone and service costs. Remote access VPNs greatly reduce expenses by enabling mobile workers to dial a local Internet connection and then set up a secure IPSec-based VPN communications to their organization.
- **Extranets:** Extranets are secure connections between two or more organizations. Common uses for extranets include supply-chain management, development partnerships, and subscription services. These undertakings can be difficult using legacy network technologies due to connection costs, time delays, and access availability. IPSec-based VPNs are ideal for extranet connections. IPSec-capable devices can be quickly and inexpensively installed on existing Internet connections.

What Is IPSec and How Does It Work?

IPSec is an Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) standard suite of protocols that provides data authentication, integrity, and confidentiality as data is transferred between communication points across IP networks. IPSec provides data security at the IP packet level. A packet is a data bundle that is organized for transmission across a network, and includes a header and payload (the data in the packet). IPSec emerged as a viable network security standard because enterprises wanted to ensure that data could be securely transmitted over the Internet. IPSec protects against possible security exposures by protecting data while in transit.

IPSec Security Features

IPSec is the most secure method commercially available for connecting network sites. IPSec was designed to provide the following security features when transferring packets across networks:

- **Authentication:** Verifies that the packet received is actually from the claimed sender.
- **Integrity:** Ensures that the contents of the packet did not change in transit.
- **Confidentiality:** Conceals the message content through encryption.

IPSec Components

IPSec contains the following elements:

- **Encapsulating Security Payload (ESP):** Provides confidentiality, authentication, and integrity.
- **Authentication Header (AH):** Provides authentication and integrity.
- **Internet Key Exchange (IKE):** Provides key management and Security Association (SA) management.

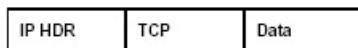
Encapsulating Security Payload (ESP)

ESP provides authentication, integrity, and confidentiality, which protect against data tampering and, most importantly, provide message content protection.

IPSec provides an open framework for implementing industry standard algorithms, such as SHA and MD5. The algorithms IPSec uses produce a unique and unforgeable identifier for each packet, which is a data equivalent of a fingerprint. This fingerprint allows the device to determine if a packet has been tampered with. Furthermore, packets that are not authenticated are discarded and not delivered to the intended receiver.

ESP also provides all encryption services in IPSec. Encryption translates a readable message into an unreadable format to hide the message content. The opposite process, called decryption, translates the message content from an unreadable format to a readable message. Encryption/decryption allows only the sender and the authorized receiver to read the data. In addition, ESP has an option to perform authentication, called ESP authentication. Using ESP authentication, ESP provides authentication and integrity for the payload and not for the IP header.

Original Packet



Packet with IPSec Encapsulating Security Payload (ESP)

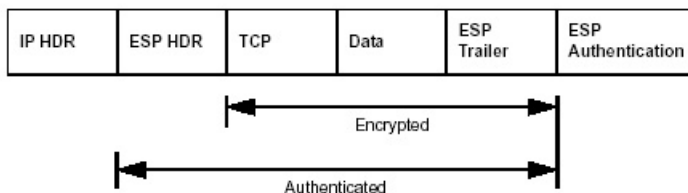


Figure 9-4: Original packet and packet with IPSec Encapsulated Security Payload

The ESP header is inserted into the packet between the IP header and any subsequent packet contents. However, because ESP encrypts the data, the payload is changed. ESP does not encrypt the ESP header, nor does it encrypt the ESP authentication.

Authentication Header (AH)

AH provides authentication and integrity, which protect against data tampering, using the same algorithms as ESP. AH also provides optional anti-replay protection, which protects against unauthorized retransmission of packets. The authentication header is inserted into the packet between the IP header and any subsequent packet contents. The payload is not touched.

Although AH protects the packet's origin, destination, and contents from being tampered with, the identity of the sender and receiver is known. In addition, AH does not protect the data's confidentiality. If data is intercepted and only AH is used, the message contents can be read. ESP protects data confidentiality. For added protection in certain cases, AH and ESP can be used together. In the following table, IP HDR represents the IP header and includes both source and destination IP addresses.

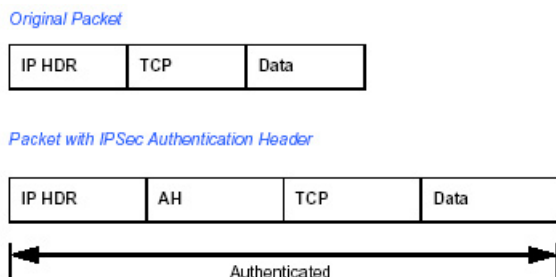


Figure 9-5: Original packet and packet with IPSec Authentication Header

IKE Security Association

IPSec introduces the concept of the Security Association (SA). An SA is a logical connection between two devices transferring data. An SA provides data protection for unidirectional traffic by using the defined IPSec protocols. An IPSec tunnel typically consists of two unidirectional SAs, which together provide a protected, full-duplex data channel.

The SAs allow an enterprise to control exactly what resources may communicate securely, according to security policy. To do this an enterprise can set up multiple SAs to enable multiple secure VPNs, as well as define SAs within the VPN to support different departments and business partners.

Mode

SAs operate using modes. A mode is the method in which the IPSec protocol is applied to the packet. IPSec can be used in tunnel mode or transport mode. Typically, the tunnel mode is used for gateway-to-gateway IPSec tunnel protection, while transport mode is used for host-to-host IPSec tunnel protection. A gateway is a device that monitors and manages incoming and outgoing network traffic and routes the traffic accordingly. A host is a device that sends and receives network traffic.

- Transport Mode:** The transport mode IPSec implementation encapsulates only the packet's payload. The IP header is not changed. After the packet is processed with IPSec, the new IP packet contains the old IP header (with the source and destination IP addresses unchanged) and the processed packet payload. Transport mode does not shield the information in the IP header; therefore, an attacker can learn where the packet is coming from and where it is going to. The previous packet diagrams show a packet in transport mode.
- Tunnel Mode:** The tunnel mode IPSec implementation encapsulates the entire IP packet. The entire packet becomes the payload of the packet that is processed with IPSec. A new IP header is created that contains the two IPSec gateway addresses. The gateways perform the encapsulation/decapsulation on behalf of the hosts. Tunnel mode ESP prevents an attacker from analyzing the data and deciphering it, as well as knowing who the packet is from and where it is going.

Note: AH and ESP can be used in both transport mode or tunnel mode.

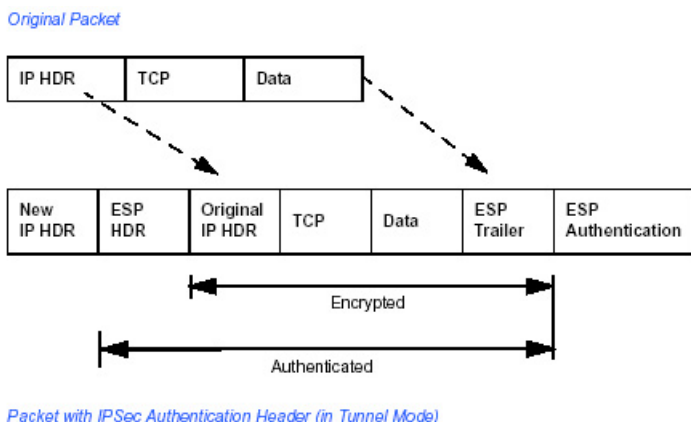


Figure 9-6: Original packet and packet with IPSec ESP in Tunnel mode

Key Management

IPSec uses the Internet Key Exchange (IKE) protocol to facilitate and automate the SA setup and the exchange of keys between parties transferring data. Using keys ensures that only the sender and receiver of a message can access it.

IPSec requires that keys be re-created, or refreshed, frequently so that the parties can communicate securely with each other. IKE manages the process of refreshing keys; however, a user can control the key strength and the refresh frequency. Refreshing keys on a regular basis ensures data confidentiality between sender and receiver.

Understand the Process Before You Begin

This TechNote provides case studies on how to configure a secure IPSec VPN tunnels. This document assumes the reader has a working knowledge of NETGEAR management systems.

NETGEAR is a member of the VPN Consortium, a group formed to facilitate IPSec VPN vendor interoperability. The VPN Consortium has developed specific scenarios to aid system administrators in the often confusing process of connecting two different vendor implementations of the IPSec standard. The case studies in this TechNote follow the addressing and configuration mechanics defined by the VPN Consortium. Additional information regarding inter-vendor interoperability may be found at <http://www.vpnc.org/interop.html>.

It is a good idea to gather all the necessary information required to establish a VPN before you begin the configuration process. You should understand whether the firmware is up to date, all of the addresses that will be necessary, and all of the parameters that need to be set on both sides. Try to understand any incompatibilities before you begin, so that you minimize any potential complications which may arise from normal firewall or WAN processes.

If you are not a full-time system administrator, it is a good idea to familiarize yourself with the mechanics of a VPN. The brief description in this TechNote will help. Other good sources include:

- The NETGEAR VPN Tutorial – http://www.netgear.com/planetvpn/pvpn_2.html
- The VPN Consortium – <http://www.vpnc.org/>
- The VPN bibliography in “Additional Reading” on page D-11.

VPN Process Overview

Even though IPSec is standards-based, each vendor has its own set of terms and procedures for implementing the standard. Because of these differences, it may be a good idea to review some of the terms and the generic processes for connecting two gateways before diving into to the specifics.

Network Interfaces and Addresses

The VPN gateway is aptly named because it functions as a “gatekeeper” for each of the computers connected on the Local Area Network behind it.

In most cases, each Gateway will have a “public” facing address (WAN side) and a “private” facing address (LAN side). These addresses are referred to as the “network interface” in documentation regarding the construction of VPN communication. Please note that the addresses used in the example.

Interface Addressing

This TechNote uses example addresses provided the VPN Consortium. It is important to understand that you will be using addresses specific to the devices that you are attempting to connect via IPSec VPN.

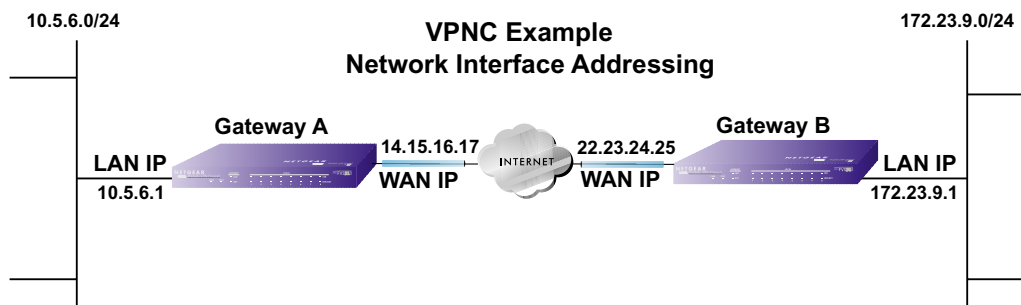


Figure 9-7: VPNC Example Network Interface Addressing

It is also important to make sure the addresses do not overlap or conflict. That is, each set of addresses should be separate and distinct.

Table 9-1. WAN (Internet/Public) and LAN (Internal/Private) Addressing

Gateway	LAN or WAN	VPNC Example Address
Gateway A	LAN (Private)	10.5.6.1
Gateway A	WAN (Public)	14.15.16.17
Gateway B	LAN (Private)	22.23.24.25
Gateway B	WAN (Public)	172.23.9.1

It will also be important to know the subnet mask of both gateway LAN Connections. Use the worksheet in Appendix A to gather the necessary address and subnet mask information to aid in the configuration and troubleshooting process.

Table 9-2. Subnet Addressing

Gateway	LAN or WAN	Interface Name	Example Subnet Mask
Gateway A	LAN (Private)	Subnet Mask A	255.255.255.0
Gateway B	LAN (Private)	Subnet Mask B	255.255.255.0

Firewalls

It is important to understand that many gateways are also firewalls. VPN tunnels cannot function properly if firewall settings disallow all incoming traffic. Please refer to the firewall instructions for both gateways to understand how to open specific protocols, ports, and addresses that you intend to allow.

Setting Up a VPN Tunnel Between Gateways

A SA, frequently called a tunnel, is the set of information that allows two entities (networks, PCs, routers, firewalls, gateways) to “trust each other” and communicate securely as they pass information over the Internet.

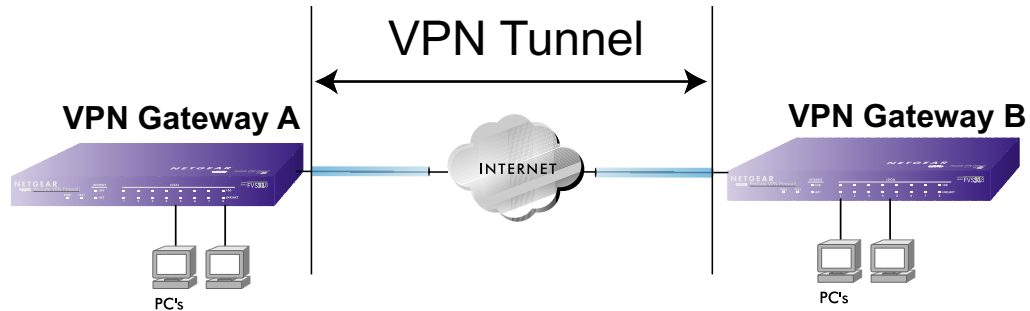


Figure 9-8: VPN Tunnel SA

The SA contains all the information necessary for gateway A to negotiate a secure and encrypted communication stream with gateway B. This communication is often referred to as a “tunnel.” The gateways contain this information so that it does not have to be loaded onto every computer connected to the gateways.

Each gateway must negotiate its Security Association with another gateway using the parameters and processes established by IPSec. As illustrated below, the most common method of accomplishing this process is via the Internet Key Exchange (IKE) protocol which automates some of the negotiation procedures. Alternatively, you can configure your gateways using manual key exchange, which involves manually configuring each parameter on both gateways.

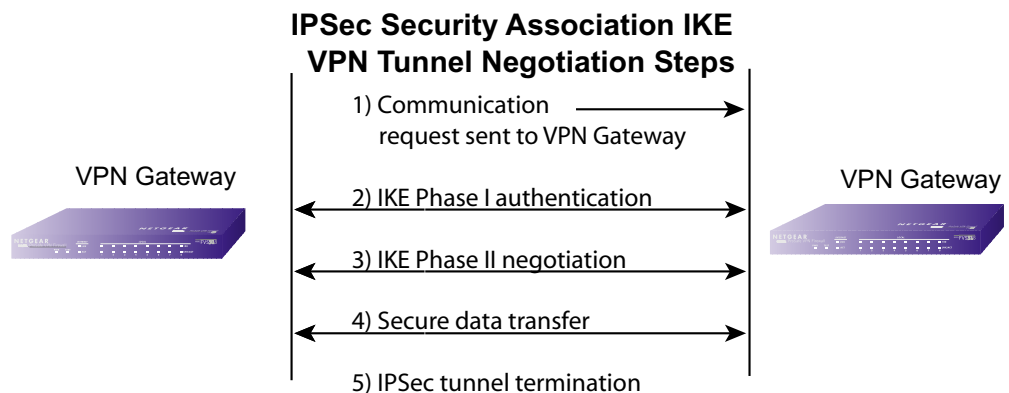


Figure 9-9: IPSec SA negotiation

1. **The IPSec software on Host A initiates the IPSec process in an attempt to communicate with Host B.** The two computers then begin the Internet Key Exchange (IKE) process.

2. IKE Phase I.

- a. The two parties negotiate the encryption and authentication algorithms to use in the IKE SAs.
- b. The two parties authenticate each other using a predetermined mechanism, such as preshared keys or digital certificates.
- c. A shared master key is generated by the Diffie-Hellman Public key algorithm within the IKE framework for the two parties. The master key is also used in the second phase to derive IPSec keys for the SAs.

3. IKE Phase II.

- a. The two parties negotiate the encryption and authentication algorithms to use in the IPSec SAs.
 - b. The master key is used to derive the IPSec keys for the SAs. Once the SA keys are created and exchanged, the IPSec SAs are ready to protect user data between the two VPN gateways.
4. **Data transfer.** Data is transferred between IPSec peers based on the IPSec parameters and keys stored in the SA database.
5. **IPSec tunnel termination.** IPSec SAs terminate through deletion or by timing out.

VPNC IKE Security Parameters

It is important to remember that both gateways must have the identical parameters set for the process to work correctly. The settings in these TechNote examples follow the examples given for Scenario 1 of the VPN Consortium.

VPNC IKE Phase I Parameters

The IKE Phase 1 parameters used:

- Main mode
- TripleDES
- SHA-1
- MODP group 1
- pre-shared secret of "hr5xb8416aa9r6"
- SA lifetime of 28800 seconds (eight hours)

VPNC IKE Phase II Parameters

The IKE Phase 2 parameters used in Scenario 1 are:

- TripleDES
- SHA-1
- ESP tunnel mode
- MODP group 1
- Perfect forward secrecy for rekeying
- SA lifetime of 28800 seconds (one hour)

Testing and Troubleshooting

Once you have completed the VPN configuration steps you can use PCs, located behind each of the gateways, to ping various addresses on the LAN-side of the other gateway.

You can troubleshoot connections using the VPN status and log details on the Netgear gateway to determine if IKE negotiation is working. Common problems encountered in setting up VPNs include:

- Parameters may be configured differently on Gateway A vs. Gateway B.
- Two LANs set up with similar or overlapping addressing schemes.
- So many required configuration parameters mean errors such as mistyped information or mismatched parameter selections on either side are more likely to happen.

Additional Reading

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List of Glossary Terms

Use the list below to find definitions for technical terms used in this manual.

Numeric

10BASE-T

IEEE 802.3 specification for 10 Mbps Ethernet over twisted pair wiring.

100BASE-Tx

IEEE 802.3 specification for 100 Mbps Ethernet over twisted pair wiring.

802.1x

802.1x defines port-based, network access control used to provide authenticated network access and automated data encryption key management. The IEEE 802.1x draft standard offers an effective framework for authenticating and controlling user traffic to a protected network, as well as dynamically varying encryption keys. 802.1x uses a protocol called EAP (Extensible Authentication Protocol) and supports multiple authentication methods, such as token cards, Kerberos, one-time passwords, certificates, and public key authentication. For details on EAP specifically, refer to IETF's RFC 2284.

802.11a

IEEE specification for wireless networking at 54 Mbps operating in unlicensed radio bands over 5GHz.

802.11b

IEEE specification for wireless networking at 11 Mbps using direct-sequence spread-spectrum (DSSS) technology and operating in the unlicensed radio spectrum at 2.4-2.5GHz.

802.11g

A soon to be ratified IEEE specification for wireless networking at 54 Mbps using direct-sequence spread-spectrum (DSSS) technology and operating in the unlicensed radio spectrum at 2.4GHz. 802.11g is backwards compatible with 802.11b.

A

Access Control List (ACL)

An ACL is a database that an Operating System uses to track each user's access rights to system objects (such as file directories and/or files).

Ad-hoc Mode

An 802.11 networking framework in which devices or stations communicate directly with each other, without the use of an access point (AP). Ad-hoc mode is also referred to as peer-to-peer mode or an Independent Basic Service Set (IBSS). Ad-hoc mode is useful for establishing a network where wireless infrastructure does not exist or where services are not required.

ADSL

Short for asymmetric digital subscriber line, a technology that allows data to be sent over existing copper telephone lines at data rates of from 1.5 to 9 Mbps when receiving data (known as the downstream rate) and from 16 to 640 Kbps when sending data (known as the upstream rate). ADSL requires a special ADSL modem. ADSL is growing in popularity as more areas around the world gain access.

ARP

Address Resolution Protocol, a TCP/IP protocol used to convert an IP address into a physical address (called a DLC address), such as an Ethernet address. A host wishing to obtain a physical address broadcasts an ARP request onto the TCP/IP network. The host on the network that has the IP address in the request then replies with its physical hardware address. There is also Reverse ARP (RARP) which can be used by a host to discover its IP address. In this case, the host broadcasts its physical address and a RARP server replies with the host's IP address.

Auto Uplink

Auto Uplink™ technology (also called MDI/MDIX) eliminates the need to worry about crossover vs. straight-through Ethernet cables. Auto Uplink™ will accommodate either type of cable to make the right connection.

B

Bandwidth

The information capacity, measured in bits per second, that a channel could transmit. Bandwidth examples include 10 Mbps for Ethernet, 100 Mbps for Fast Ethernet, and 1000 Mbps (1 Gbps) for Gigabit Ethernet.

Baud

The signaling rate of a line, that is, the number of transitions (voltage or frequency changes) made per second. Also known as line speed.

Broadcast

A packet sent to all devices on a network.

C

Class of Service

A term to describe treating different types of traffic with different levels of service priority. Higher priority traffic gets faster treatment during times of switch congestion

CA

A Certificate Authority is a trusted third-party organization or company that issues digital certificates used to create digital signatures and public-private key pairs.

Cat 5

Category 5 unshielded twisted pair (UTP) cabling. An Ethernet network operating at 10 Mbits/second (10BASE-T) will often tolerate low quality cables, but at 100 Mbits/second (10BASE-Tx) the cable must be rated as Category 5, or Cat 5 or Cat V, by the Electronic Industry Association (EIA). This rating will be printed on the cable jacket. Cat 5 cable contains eight conductors, arranged in four twisted pairs, and terminated with an RJ45 type connector. In addition, there are restrictions on maximum cable length for both 10 and 100 Mbits/second networks.

Certificate Authority

A Certificate Authority is a trusted third-party organization or company that issues digital certificates used to create digital signatures and public-private key pairs. The role of the CA in this process is to guarantee that the individual granted the unique certificate is, in fact, who he or she claims to be. Usually, this means that the CA has an arrangement with a financial institution, such as a credit card company, which provides it with information to confirm an individual's claimed identity. CAs are a critical component in data security and electronic commerce because they guarantee that the two parties exchanging information are really who they claim to be.

D

DHCP

An Ethernet protocol specifying how a centralized DHCP server can assign network configuration information to multiple DHCP clients. The assigned information includes IP addresses, DNS addresses, and gateway (router) addresses.

DNS

Short for Domain Name System (or Service), an Internet service that translates domain names into IP addresses. Because domain names are alphabetic, they're easier to remember. The Internet however, is really

based on IP addresses. Every time you use a domain name, therefore, a DNS service must translate the name into the corresponding IP address. For example, the domain name `www.example.com` might translate to `198.105.232.4`. The DNS system is, in fact, its own network. If one DNS server doesn't know how to translate a particular domain name, it asks another one, and so on, until the correct IP address is returned.

Domain Name

A descriptive name for an address or group of addresses on the Internet. Domain names are of the form of a registered entity name plus one of a number of predefined top level suffixes such as `.com`, `.edu`, `.uk`, etc. For example, in the address `mail.NETGEAR.com`, `mail` is a server name and `NETGEAR.com` is the domain.

DSL

Short for digital subscriber line, but is commonly used in reference to the asymmetric version of this technology (ADSL) that allows data to be sent over existing copper telephone lines at data rates of from 1.5 to 9 Mbps when receiving data (known as the downstream rate) and from 16 to 640 Kbps when sending data (known as the upstream rate).

ADSL requires a special ADSL modem. ADSL is growing in popularity as more areas around the world gain access.

DSLAM

DSL Access Multiplexor. The piece of equipment at the telephone company central office that provides the ADSL signal.

Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol

DHCP. An Ethernet protocol specifying how a centralized DHCP server can assign network configuration information to multiple DHCP clients. The assigned information includes IP addresses, DNS addresses, and gateway (router) addresses.

E

EAP

Extensible Authentication Protocol is a general protocol for authentication that supports multiple authentication methods. EAP, an extension to PPP, supports such authentication methods as token cards, Kerberos, one-time passwords, certificates, public key authentication and smart cards. In wireless communications using EAP, a user requests connection to a WLAN through an AP, which then requests the identity of the user and transmits that identity to an authentication server such as RADIUS. The server asks the AP for proof of identity, which the AP gets from the user and then sends back to the server to complete the authentication. EAP is defined by RFC 2284.

ESSID

The Extended Service Set Identification (ESSID) is a thirty-two character (maximum) alphanumeric key identifying the wireless local area network.

Ethernet

A LAN specification developed jointly by Xerox, Intel and Digital Equipment Corporation. Ethernet networks transmit packets at a rate of 10 Mbps.

G

Gateway

A local device, usually a router, that connects hosts on a local network to other networks.

I

ICMP

See “Internet Control Message Protocol”

IEEE

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers. This American organization was founded in 1963 and sets standards for computers and communications.

IETF

Internet Engineering Task Force. An organization responsible for providing engineering solutions for TCP/IP networks. In the network management area, this group is responsible for the development of the SNMP protocol.

IKE

Internet Key Exchange. An automated method for exchanging and managing encryption keys between two VPN devices.

Infrastructure Mode

An 802.11 networking framework in which devices communicate with each other by first going through an Access Point (AP). In infrastructure mode, wireless devices can communicate with each other or can communicate with a wired network. When one AP is connected to wired network and a set of wireless stations it is referred to as a Basic Service Set (BSS). An Extended Service Set (ESS) is a set of two or more BSSs that form a single subnetwork. Most corporate wireless LANs operate in infrastructure mode because they require access to the wired LAN in order to use services such as file servers or printers.

Internet Control Message Protocol

ICMP is an extension to the Internet Protocol (IP) that supports packets containing error, control, and informational messages. The PING command, for example, uses ICMP to test an Internet connection.

Internet Protocol

The method or protocol by which data is sent from one computer to another on the Internet. Each computer (known as a host) on the Internet has at least one IP address that uniquely identifies it among all other computers on the Internet. When you send or receive data (for example, an e-mail note or a Web page), the message gets divided into little chunks called packets. Each of these packets contains both the sender's Internet address and the receiver's address. Any packet is sent first to a gateway computer that understands a small part of the Internet. The gateway computer reads the destination address and forwards the packet to an adjacent gateway that in turn reads the destination address and so forth across the Internet until one gateway recognizes the packet as belonging to a computer within its immediate neighborhood or domain. That gateway then forwards the packet directly to the computer whose address is specified.

Because a message is divided into a number of packets, each packet can, if necessary, be sent by a different route across the Internet. Packets can arrive in a different order than they were sent. The Internet Protocol just delivers them. It's up to another protocol, the Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) to put them back in the right order. IP is a connectionless protocol, which means that there is no continuing connection between the end points that are communicating. Each packet that travels through the Internet is treated as an independent unit of data without any relation to any other unit of data. (The reason the packets do get put in the right order is because of TCP, the connection-oriented protocol that keeps track of the packet sequence in a message.) In the Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) communication model, IP is in Layer 3, the Networking Layer. The most widely used version of IP today is IP version 4 (IPv4). However, IP version 6 (IPv6) is also beginning to be supported. IPv6 provides for much longer addresses and therefore for the possibility of many more Internet users. IPv6 includes the capabilities of IPv4 and any server that can support IPv6 packets can also support IPv4 packets.

IP

See "Internet Protocol"

IP Address

A four-byte number uniquely defining each host on the Internet, usually written in dotted-decimal notation with periods separating the bytes (for example, 134.177.244.57). Ranges of addresses are assigned by Internic, an organization formed for this purpose.

ISP

Internet service provider.

L

LAN

See "Local Area Network"

Local Area Network

A communications network serving users within a limited area, such as one floor of a building. A LAN typically connects multiple personal computers and shared network devices such as storage and printers. Although many technologies exist to implement a LAN, Ethernet is the most common for connecting personal computers and is limited to a distance of 1,500 feet. LANs can be connected together, but if modems and telephones connect two or more LANs, the larger network constitutes what is called a WAN or Wide Area Network.

M

MAC

(1) Medium Access Control. In LANs, the sublayer of the data link control layer that supports medium-dependent functions and uses the services of the physical layer to provide services to the logical link control (LLC) sublayer. The MAC sublayer includes the method of determining when a device has access to the transmission medium. (2) Message Authentication Code. In computer security, a value that is a part of a message or accompanies a message and is used to determine that the contents, origin, author, or other attributes of all or part of the message are as they appear to be. (*IBM Glossary of Computing Terms*)

MAC address

The Media Access Control address is a unique 48-bit hardware address assigned to every network interface card. Usually written in the form 01:23:45:67:89:ab.

Maximum Receive Unit

The size in bytes of the largest packet that can be sent or received.

Maximum Transmit Unit

The size in bytes of the largest packet that can be sent or received.

Mbps

Megabits per second.

MDI/MDIX

In cable wiring, the concept of transmit and receive are from the perspective of the PC, which is wired as a Media Dependant Interface (MDI). In MDI wiring, a PC transmits on pins 1 and 2. At the hub, switch, router, or access point, the perspective is reversed, and the hub receives on pins 1 and 2. This wiring is referred to as Media Dependant Interface - Crossover (MDI-X).

MTU

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P

packet

A block of information sent over a network. A packet typically contains a source and destination network address, some protocol and length information, a block of data, and a checksum.

Point-to-Point Protocol

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PPTP

Point-to-Point Tunneling Protocol. A method for establishing a virtual private network (VPN) by embedding Microsoft's network protocol into Internet packets.

Protocol

A set of rules for communication between devices on a network.

PSTN

Public Switched Telephone Network.

Q

QoS

See “Quality of Service”

Quality of Service

QoS is a networking term that specifies a guaranteed level of throughput. Throughput is the amount of data transferred from one device to another or processed in a specified amount of time - typically, throughputs are measured in bytes per second (Bps).

R

RADIUS

Short for Remote Authentication Dial-In User Service, RADIUS is an authentication system. Using RADIUS, you must enter your user name and password before gaining access to a network. This information is passed to a RADIUS server, which checks that the information is correct, and then authorizes access. Though not an official standard, the RADIUS specification is maintained by a working group of the IETF.

RFC

Request For Comment. Refers to documents published by the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) proposing standard protocols and procedures for the Internet. RFCs can be found at www.ietf.org.

router

A device that forwards data between networks. An IP router forwards data based on IP source and destination addresses.

S

SSID

A Service Set Identification 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. *See also* Wireless Network Name and ESSID.

Segment

A section of a LAN that is connected to the rest of the network using a switch, bridge, or repeater.

Subnet Mask

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 router.

T

TCP/IP

The main internetworking protocols used in the Internet. The Internet Protocol (IP) used in conjunction with the Transfer Control Protocol (TCP) form TCP/IP.

U

Universal Plug and Play

UPnP. A networking architecture that provides compatibility among networking technology. UPnP compliant routers provide broadband users at home and small businesses with a seamless way to participate in online games, videoconferencing and other peer-to-peer services.

UTP

Unshielded twisted pair is the cable used by 10BASE-T and 100BASE-Tx Ethernet networks.

W

WAN

See “Wide Area Network”

Web

Also known as World-Wide Web (WWW) or W3. An Internet client-server system to distribute information, based upon the hypertext transfer protocol (HTTP).

WEB Proxy Server

A Web proxy server is a specialized HTTP server that allows clients access to the Internet from behind a firewall. The proxy server listens for requests from clients within the firewall and forwards these requests to remote Internet servers outside the firewall. The proxy server reads responses from the external servers and then sends them to internal client clients.

WEP

Wired Equivalent Privacy is a data encryption protocol for 802.11b wireless networks. All wireless nodes and access points on the network are configured with a 64-bit or 128-bit Shared Key for data encryption.

Wide Area Network

A WAN is a computer network that spans a relatively large geographical area. Typically, a WAN consists of two or more local-area networks (LANs).

Wi-Fi

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

Windows Internet Naming Service

WINS. Windows Internet Naming Service is a server process for resolving Windows-based computer names to IP addresses.

If a remote network contains a WINS server, your Windows PCs can gather information from that WINS server about its local hosts. This allows your PCs to browse that remote network using the Windows Network Neighborhood feature.

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Wireless Network Name (SSID)

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WPA

Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA) is a specification of standards-based, interoperable security enhancements that increase the level of data protection and access control for existing and future wireless LAN systems.

