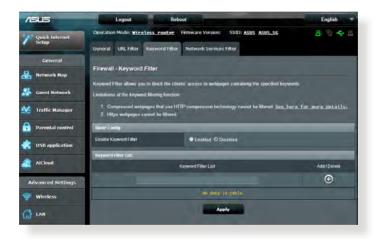
To set up a URL filter:

- From the navigation panel, go to Advanced Settings > Firewall > URL Filter tab.
- 2. On the Enable URL Filter field, select **Enabled**.
- 3. Enter a URL and click the
 button.
- 4. Click Apply.

4.6.3 Keyword filter

Keyword filter blocks access to webpages containing specified keywords.



To set up a keyword filter:

- 1. From the navigation panel, go to **Advanced Settings** > **Firewall** > **Keyword Filter** tab.
- 2. On the Enable Keyword Filter field, select **Enabled**.

- 3. Enter a word or phrase and click the **Add** button.
- 4. Click Apply.

NOTES:

- The Keyword Filter is based on a DNS query. If a network client has already accessed a website such as http://www.abcxxx.com, then the website will not be blocked (a DNS cache in the system stores previously visited websites). To resolve this issue, clear the DNS cache before setting up the Keyword Filter.
- Web pages compressed using HTTP compression cannot be filtered.
 HTTPS pages also cannot be blocked using a keyword filter.

4.6.4 Network Services Filter

The Network Services Filter blocks LAN to WAN packet exchanges and restricts network clients from accessing specific web services such as Telnet or FTP.



To set up a Network Service filter:

- From the navigation panel, go to Advanced Settings > Firewall > Network Service Filter tab.
- 2. On the Enable Network Services Filter field, select Yes.
- 3. Select the Filter table type. **Black List** blocks the specified network services. **White List** limits access to only the specified network services.
- 4. Specify the day and time when the filters will be active.
- 5. To specify a Network Service to filter, enter the Source IP, Destination IP, Port Range, and Protocol. Click the button.
- 6. Click Apply.

4.7 Administration

4.7.1 Operation Mode

The Operation Mode page allows you to select the appropriate mode for your network.



To set up the operating mode:

- From the navigation panel, go to Advanced Settings > Administration > Operation Mode tab.
- 2. Select any of these operation modes:
 - Wireless router mode (default): In wireless router mode, the wireless router connects to the Internet and provides Internet access to available devices on its own local network.
 - Media Bridge: This setup requires two wireless routers.
 The second router serves as a media bridge where multiple devices such as Smart TVs and gaming consoles can be connected via ethernet.
 - Access Point mode: In this mode, the router creates a new wireless network on an existing network.
- 3. Click Apply.

NOTE: The router will reboot when you change the modes.

4.7.2 System

The **System** page allows you to configure your wireless router settings.

To set up the System settings:

- From the navigation panel, go to Advanced Settings > Administration > System tab.
- 2. You can configure the following settings:
 - Change router login password: You can change the password and login name for the wireless router by entering a new name and password.
 - WPS button behavior: The physical WPS button on the wireless router can be used to activate WPS.
 - **Time Zone**: Select the time zone for your network.
 - **NTP Server**: The wireless router can access a NTP (Network time Protocol) server in order to synchronize the time.
 - **Enable Telnet**: Click **Yes** to enable Telnet services on the network. Click **No** to disable Telnet.
 - **Authentication Method**: You can select HTTP, HTTPS, or both protocols to secure router access.
 - Enable Web Access from WAN: Select Yes to allow devices outside the network to access the wireless router GUI settings. Select No to prevent access.
 - Only allow specific IP: Click Yes if you want to specify the IP addresses of devices that are allowed access to the wireless router GUI settings from WAN.
 - Client List: Enter the WAN IP addresses of networking devices allowed to access the wireless router settings. This list will be used if you clicked Yes in the Only allow specific IP item.
- 3. Click Apply.

4.7.3 Firmware Upgrade

NOTE: Download the latest firmware from the ASUS website at http://www.asus.com

To upgrade the firmware:

- 1. From the navigation panel, go to **Advanced Settings** > **Administration** > **Firmware Upgrade** tab.
- In the New Firmware File field, click Browse to locate the downloaded file.
- 3. Click Upload.

NOTES:

- When the upgrade process is complete, wait for some time for the system to reboot.
- If the upgrade process fails, the wireless router automatically enters
 rescue mode and the power LED indicator on the front panel starts
 flashing slowly. To recover or restore the system, refer to section 5.2
 Firmware Restoration.

4.7.4 Restore/Save/Upload Setting

To restore/save/upload wireless router settings:

- From the navigation panel, go to Advanced Settings > Administration > Restore/Save/Upload Setting tab.
- 2. Select the tasks that you want to do:
 - To restore to the default factory settings, click **Restore**, and click **OK** in the confirmation message.
 - To save the current system settings, click **Save**, navigate to the folder where you intend to save the file and click **Save**.
 - To restore from a saved system settings file, click Browse to locate your file, then click Upload.

If issues occur, upload the latest firmware version and configure new settings. Do not restore the router to its default settings.

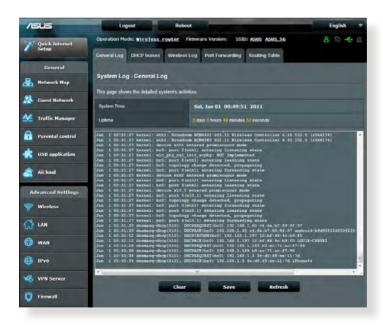
4.8 System Log

System Log contains your recorded network activities.

NOTE: System log resets when the router is rebooted or powered off.

To view your system log:

- From the navigation panel, go to Advanced Settings > System Log.
- 2. You can view your network activities in any of these tabs:
 - General Log
 - DHCP Leases
 - Wireless Log
 - · Port Forwarding
 - Routing Table



5 Utilities

NOTES:

- Download and install the wireless router's utilities from the ASUS website:
 - Device Discovery v1.4.7.1 at http://dlcdnet.asus.com/pub/ASUS/LiveUpdate/Release/Wireless/Discovery.zip
 - Firmware Restoration v1.9.0.4 at http://dlcdnet.asus.com/pub/ASUS/LiveUpdate/Release/Wireless/Rescue.zip
 - Windows Printer Utility v1.0.5.5 at http://dlcdnet.asus.com/pub/ASUS/LiveUpdate/Release/Wireless/Printer.zip
- The utilities are not supported on MAC OS.

5.1 Device Discovery

Device Discovery is an ASUS WLAN utility that detects an ASUS wireless router device, and allows you to configure the wireless networking settings.

To launch the Device Discovery utility:

From your computer's desktop, click
 Start > All Programs > ASUS Utility > RT-AC68U Wireless
 Router > Device Discovery.



NOTE: When you set the router to Access Point mode, you need to use Device Discovery to get the router's IP address.

5.2 Firmware Restoration

Firmware Restoration is used on an ASUS Wireless Router that failed during its firmware upgrading process. It uploads the firmware that you specify. The process takes about three to four minutes.



IMPORTANT: Launch the rescue mode on the router before using the Firmware Restoration utility.

NOTE: This feature is not supported on MAC OS.

To launch the rescue mode and use the Firmware Restoration utility:

- 1. Unplug the wireless router from the power source.
- 2. Hold the Reset button at the rear panel and simultaneously replug the wireless router into the power source. Release the Reset button when the Power LED at the front panel flashes slowly, which indicates that the wireless router is in the rescue mode.

3. Set a static IP on your computer and use the following to set up your TCP/IP settings:

IP address: 192.168.1.x

Subnet mask: 255.255.255.0

4. From your computer's desktop, click
Start > All Programs > ASUS Utility RT-AC68U Wireless
Router > Firmware Restoration.

5. Specify a firmware file, then click **Upload**.

NOTE: This is not a firmware upgrade utility and cannot be used on a working ASUS Wireless Router. Normal firmware upgrades must be done through the web interface. Refer to **Chapter 4: Configuring the Advanced Settings** for more details.

5.3 Setting up your printer server

5.3.1 ASUS EZ Printer Sharing

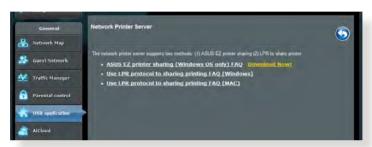
ASUS EZ Printing Sharing utility allows you to connect a USB printer to your wireless router's USB port and set up the print server. This allows your network clients to print and scan files wirelessly.



NOTE: The print server function is supported on Windows® XP, Windows® Vista, and Windows® 7.

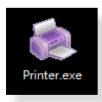
To set up the EZ Printer sharing mode:

- From the navigation panel, go to General > USB Application > Network Printer Server.
- 2. Click **Download Now!** to download the network printer utility.



NOTE: Network printer utility is supported on Windows® XP, Windows® Vista, and Windows® 7 only. To install the utility on Mac OS, select **Use LPR protocol for sharing printer**.

3. Unzip the downloaded file and click the Printer icon to run the network printer setup program.





4. Follow the onscreen instructions to set up your hardware, then click **Next**.



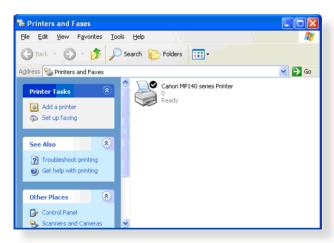
- 5. Wait a few minutes for the initial setup to finish. Click **Next**.
- 6. Click **Finish** to complete the installation.



7. Follow the Windows® OS instructions to install the printer driver.



8. After the printer's driver installation is complete, network clients can now use the printer.

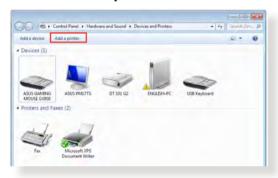


5.3.2 Using LPR to Share Printer

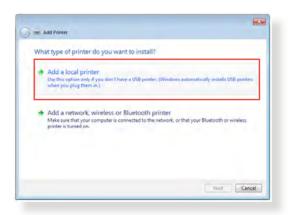
You can share your printer with computers running on Windows® and MAC operating system using LPR/LPD (Line Printer Remote/ Line Printer Daemon).

Sharing your LPR printer To share your LPR printer:

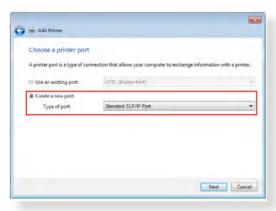
 From the Windows® desktop, click Start > Devices and Printers > Add a printer to run the Add Printer Wizard.



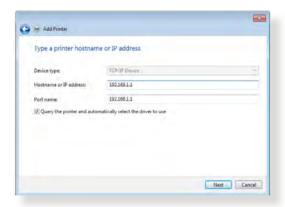
2. Select **Add a local printer** and then click **Next**.



3. Select Create a new port then set Type of Port to Standard TCP/IP Port. Click New Port.



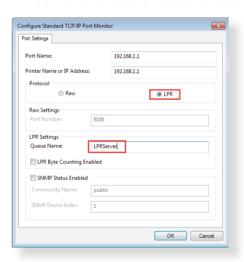
4. In the **Hostname or IP address** field, key in the IP address of the wireless router then click **Next**.



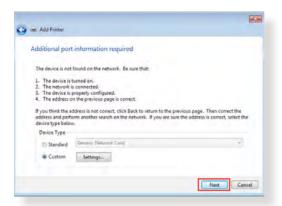
5. Select **Custom** then click **Settings**.



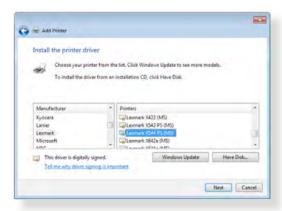
6. Set **Protocol** to **LPR**. In the **Queue Name** field, key in **LPRServer** then click **OK** to continue.



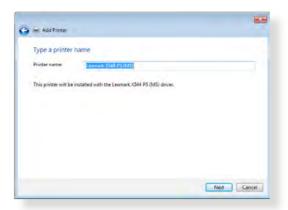
7. Click Next to finish setting up the standard TCP/IP port.



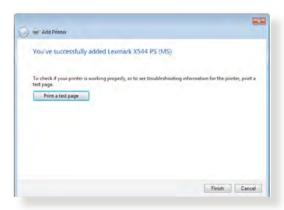
8. Install the printer driver from the vendor-model list. If your printer is not in the list, click **Have Disk** to manually install the printer drivers from a CD-ROM or file.



9. Click **Next** to accept the default name for the printer.



10. Click **Finish** to complete the installation.



5.4 Download Master

Download Master is a utility that helps you download files even while your laptops or other devices are switched off.

NOTE: You need a USB device connected to the wireless router to use Download Master.

To use Download Master:

 Click General > USB application > Download Master to download and install the utility automatically.

NOTE: If you have more than one USB drive, select the USB device you want to download the files to.

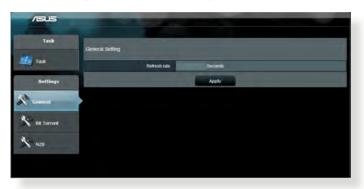
- 2. After the download process is finished, click the Download Master icon to start using the utility.
- 3. Click Add to add a download task.



4. Select a download type such as BitTorrent, HTTP, or FTP. Provide a torrent file or a URL to begin downloading.

NOTE: For details on Bit Torrent, refer to section **5.4.1 Configuring the Bit Torrent download settings**.

5. Use the navigation panel to configure the advanced settings.



5.4.1 Configuring Bit Torrent download settings



To configure BitTorrent download settings:

- 1. From Download Master's navigation panel, click **Bit Torrent** to launch the **Bit Torrent Setting** page.
- 2. Select a specific port for your download task.
- 3. To prevent network congestion, you can limit the maximum upload and download speeds under **Speed Limits**.
- 4. You can limit the maximum number of allowed peers and enable or disable file encryption during downloads.

5.4.2 NZB settings

You can set up a USENET server to download NZB files. After entering USENET settings, **Apply**.



6 Troubleshooting

This chapter provides solutions for issues you may encounter with your router. If you encounter problems that are not mentioned in this chapter, visit the ASUS support site at:

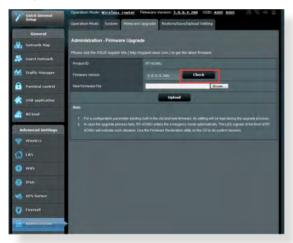
https://www.asus.com/support/ for more product information and contact details of ASUS Technical Support.

6.1 Basic Troubleshooting

If you are having problems with your router, try these basic steps in this section before looking for further solutions.

Upgrade Firmware to the latest version.

Launch the Web GUI. Go to Advanced Settings >
 Administration > Firmware Upgrade tab. Click Check to verify if the latest firmware is available.



- 2. If the latest firmware is available, visit the ASUS global website at http://www.asus.com/Networks/Wireless_Routers/RTAC68U/ #download to download the latest firmware.
- 3. From the **Firmware Upgrade** page, click **Browse** to locate the firmware file.
- 4. Click **Upload** to upgrade the firmware.

Restart your network in the following sequence:

- 1. Turn off the modem.
- 2. Unplug the modem.
- 3. Turn off the router and computers.
- 4. Plug in the modem.
- 5. Turn on the modem and then wait for 2 minutes.
- 6. Turn on the router and then wait for 2 minutes.
- 7. Turn on computers.

Check if your Ethernet cables are plugged properly.

- When the Ethernet cable connecting the router with the modem is plugged in properly, the WAN LED will be on.
- When the Ethernet cable connecting your poweredon computer with the router is plugged in properly, the corresponding LAN LED will be on.

Check if the wireless setting on your computer matches that of your computer.

 When you connect your computer to the router wirelessly, ensure that the SSID (wireless network name), encryption mehtod, and password are correct.

Check if your network settings are correct.

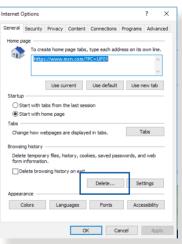
 Each client on the network should have a valid IP address. ASUS recommends that you use the wireless router's DHCP server to assign IP addresses to computers on your network. Some cable modem service providers require you to use the MAC address of the computer initially registered on the account. You can view the MAC address in the web GUI, Network Map > Clients page, and hover the mouse pointer over your device in Client Status.



6.2 Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

I cannot access the router GUI using a web browser

- If your computer is wired, check the Ethernet cable connection and LED status as described in the previous section.
- Ensure that you are using the correct login information. The default factory login name and password is "admin/admin".
 Ensure that the Caps Lock key is disabled when you enter the login information.
- Delete the cookies and files in your web browser. For Internet Explorer, follow these steps:
 - Launch Internet Explorer, then click Tools > Internet Options.
 - In the General tab, under Browsing history, click Delete..., select Temporary Internet files and website files and Cookies and website data then click Delete.



NOTES:

- The commands for deleting cookies and files vary with web browsers.
- Disable proxy server settings, cancel the dial-up connection, and set the TCP/IP settings to obtain IP addresses automatically.
 For more details, refer to Chapter 1 of this user manual.
- Ensure that you use CAT5e or CAT6 ethernet cables.

The client cannot establish a wireless connection with the router.

NOTE: If you are having issues connecting to 5Ghz network, make sure that your wireless device supports 5Ghz or features dual band capabilities.

· Out of Range:

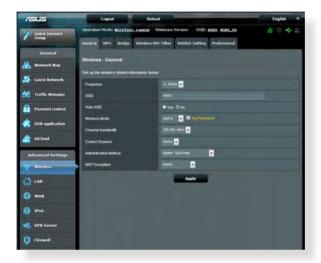
- Move the router closer to the wireless client.
- Try to adjust antennas of the router to the best direction as described in section 1.4 Positioning your router.

DHCP server has been disabled:

- Launch the web GUI. Go to General > Network Map>
 Clients and search for the device that you want to connect to the router.
- 2. If you cannot find the device in the **Network Map**, go to **Advanced Settings** > **LAN** > **DHCP Server**, **Basic Config** list, select **Yes** on the **Enable the DHCP Server**.



 SSID has been hidden. If your device can find SSIDs from other routers but cannot find your router's SSID, go to Advanced Settings > Wireless > General, select No on Hide SSID, and select Auto on Control Channel.



- If you are using a wireless LAN adapter, check if the wireless channel in use conforms to the channels available in your country/area. If not, adjust the channel, channel bandwidth, and wireless mode.
- If you still cannot connect to the router wirelessly, you can reset your router to factory default settings. In the router GUI, click Administration > Restore/Save/Upload Setting and click Restore.



Internet is not accessible.

- Check if your router can connect to your ISP's WAN IP address.
 To do this, launch the web GUI and go to General > Network Map, and check the Internet Status.
- If your router cannot connect to your ISP's WAN IP address, try restarting your network as described in the section Restart your network in following sequence under Basic Troubleshooting.



 The device has been blocked via the Parental Control function. Go to General > Parental Control and see if the device is in the list. If the device is listed under Client Name, remove the device using the Delete button or adjust the Time Management Settings.



- If there is still no Internet access, try to reboot your computer and verify the network's IP address and gateway address.
- Check the status indicators on the ADSL modem and the wireless router. If the WAN LED on the wireless router is not ON, check if all cables are plugged properly.

You forgot the SSID (network name) or network password

- Setup a new SSID and encryption key via a wired connection (Ethernet cable). Launch the web GUI, go to **Network Map**, click the router icon, enter a new SSID and encryption key, and then click **Apply**.
- Reset your router to the default settings. Launch the web GUI, go to Administration > Restore/Save/Upload Setting, and click Restore. The default login account and password are both "admin".

How to restore the system to its default settings?

 Go to Administration > Restore/Save/Upload Setting, and click Restore.

The following are the factory default settings:

User Name: admin admin

Enable DHCP: Yes (if WAN cable is plugged in)

IP address: 192.168.1.1

Domain Name: (Blank)

Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0

DNS Server 1: 192.168.1.1

DNS Server 2: (Blank) **SSID (2.4GHz):** ASUS

SSID (5GHz): ASUS_5G

Firmware upgrade failed.

Launch the rescue mode and run the Firmware Restoration utility. Refer to section **5.2 Firmware Restoration** on how to use the Firmware Restoration utility.

Cannot access Web GUI

Before configuring your wireless router, do the steps described in this section for your host computer and network clients.

A. Disable the proxy server, if enabled.

Windows[®]

- Click Start > Internet Explorer to launch the browser.
- Click Tools > Internet options > Connections tab > LAN settings.



- From the Local Area Network (LAN) Settings screen, untick Use a proxy server for your LAN.
- 4. Click **OK** when done.



MAC OS

- From your Safari browser, click Safari > Preferences > Advanced > Change Settings...
- From the Network screen, deselect FTP Proxy and Web Proxy (HTTP).
- 3. Click **Apply Now** when done.

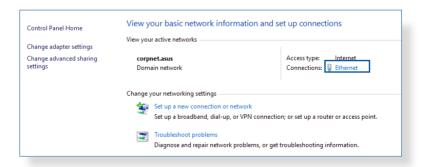


NOTE: Refer to your browser's help feature for details on disabling the proxy server.

B. Set the TCP/IP settings to automatically obtain an IP address.

Windows®

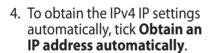
 Click Start > Control Panel > Network and Sharing Center, then click the network connection to display its status window.



Click **Properties** to display the Ethernet Properties window.

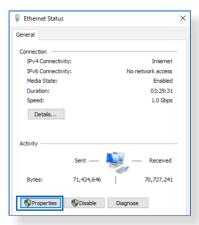
 Select Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4) or Internet Protocol Version 6 (TCP/IPv6), then click

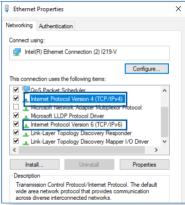
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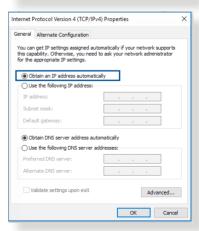


To obtain the IPv6 IP settings automatically, tick **Obtain an IPv6 address automatically**.

5. Click **OK** when done.

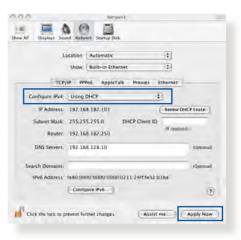






MAC OS

- Click the Apple icon solution located on the top left of your screen.
- Click System
 Preferences > Network
 Configure...
- From the TCP/IP tab, select Using DHCP in the Configure IPv4 dropdown list.
- 4. Click **Apply Now** when done.



NOTE: Refer to your operating system's help and support feature for details on configuring your computer's TCP/IP settings.

C. Disable the dial-up connection, if enabled.

Windows®

- Click Start > Internet Explorer to Jaunch the browser.
- Click Tools > Internet options > Connections tab.
- 3. Tick Never dial a connection.
- 4. Click **OK** when done.



NOTE: Refer to your browser's help feature for details on disabling the dial-up connection.

Appendices

Notices

This device is an Energy Related Product (ErP) with High Network Availability (HiNA), the power consumption will be less than 12watts when the system is in network standby mode (idle mode).

ASUS Recycling/Takeback Services

ASUS recycling and takeback programs come from our commitment to the highest standards for protecting our environment. We believe in providing solutions for you to be able to responsibly recycle our products, batteries, other components, as well as the packaging materials. Please go to http://csr.asus.com/english/Takeback.htm for the detailed recycling information in different regions.

REACH

Complying with the REACH (Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation, and Restriction of Chemicals) regulatory framework, we published the chemical substances in our products at ASUS REACH website at

http://csr.asus.com/english/index.aspx

Federal Communications Commission Statement

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

- This device may not cause harmful interference.
- This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC

Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation.

This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

IMPORTANT! This device within the $5.15 \sim 5.25$ GHz is restricted to indoor operations to reduce any potential for harmful interference to co-channel MSS operations.

CAUTION: Any changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

Prohibition of Co-location

This device and its antenna(s) must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter except in accordance with FCC multi-transmitter product procedures. For product available in the USA/Canada market, only channel 1~11 can be operated. Selection of other channels in not possible.

Safety Information

To maintain compliance with FCC's RF exposure guidelines, this equipment should be installed and operated with minimum distance 22cm between the radiator and your body. Use on the supplied antenna.

Declaration of Conformity for R&TTE directive 1999/5/EC

Essential requirements - Article 3

Protection requirements for health and safety – Article 3.1a

Testing for electric safety according to EN 60950-1 has been conducted. These are considered relevant and sufficient.

Protection requirements for electromagnetic compatibility – Article 3.1b

Testing for electromagnetic compatibility according to EN 301 489-1 and EN 301 489-17 has been conducted. These are considered relevant and sufficient.

Effective use of the radio spectrum – Article 3.2

Testing for radio test suites according to EN 300 328 & EN 301 893 have been conducted. These are considered relevant and sufficient.

Operate the device in 5150-5250 MHz frequency band for indoor use only.

CE Mark Warning

This is a Class B product, in a domestic environment, this product may cause radio interference, in which case the user may be required to take adequate measures.

This equipment may be operated in AT, BE, CY, CZ, DK, EE, FI, FR, DE, GR, HU, IE, IT, LU, MT, NL, PL, PT, SK, SL, ES, SE, GB, IS, LI, NO, CH, BG, RO, RT.

Canada, Industry Canada (IC) Notices

This Class B digital apparatus complies with Canadian ICES-003 and RSS-210.

Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

Radio Frequency (RF) Exposure Information

The radiated output power of the ASUS Wireless Device is below the Industry Canada (IC) radio frequency exposure limits. The ASUS Wireless Device should be used in such a manner such that the potential for human contact during normal operation is minimized.

This device has been evaluated for and shown compliant with the IC Specific Absorption Rate ("SAR") limits when installed in specific host products operated in portable exposure conditions (antennas are less than 22 centimeters of a person's body).

This device has been certified for use in Canada. Status of the listing in the Industry Canada's REL (Radio Equipment List) can be found at the following web address: http://www.ic.gc.ca/app/sitt/reltel/srch/nwRdSrch.do?lang=eng

Additional Canadian information on RF exposure also can be found at the following web: http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/smt-gst.nsf/eng/sf08792.html

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