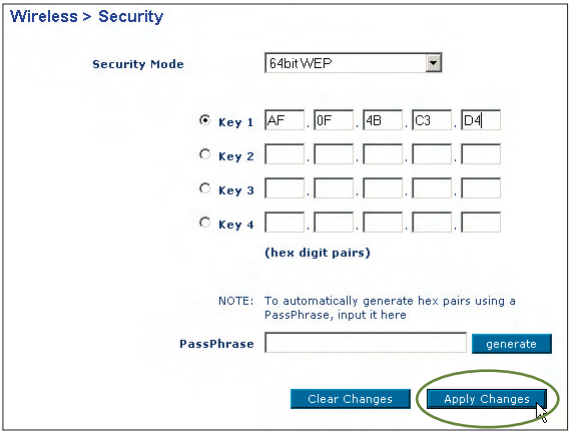
WEP Setup

64-Bit WEP Encryption

1. Select “64-bit WEP” from the drop-down menu.
2. After selecting your WEP encryption mode, you can enter your key by typing in the hex key manually, or you can type in a passphrase in the “Passphrase” field and click “Generate” to create a key.

   A hex (hexadecimal) key is a combination of numbers and letters from A–F and 0–9. For 64-bit WEP, you need to enter 10 hex keys.

   For instance: AF 0F 4B C3 D4 = 64-bit WEP key



3. Click “Apply Changes” to finish. Encryption in the Router is now set. Each of your computers on your wireless network will now need to be configured with the same security settings.

WARNING: If you are configuring the Wireless G Plus Router from a computer with a wireless client, you will need to ensure that security is turned ON for this wireless client. If this is not done, your client will lose its wireless connection.

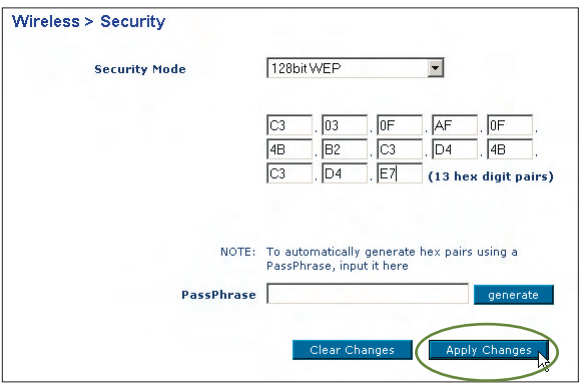
128-Bit WEP Encryption

Note to Mac users: The Passphrase option will not operate with Apple AirPort. To configure encryption for your Mac computer, set the encryption using the manual method described in the next section.

1. Select “128-bit WEP” from the drop-down menu.
2. After selecting your WEP encryption mode, you can enter your key manually by typing in the hex key, or you can type in a passphrase in the “Passphrase” field and click “Generate” to create a key.

   A hex (hexadecimal) key is a combination of numbers and letters from A–F and 0–9. For 128-bit WEP, you need to enter 26 hex keys.

   For instance: C3 03 0F AF 0F 4B B2 C3 D4 4B C3 D4 E7 = 128-bit WEP key



3. Click “Apply Changes” to finish. Encryption in the Router is now set. Each of your computers on your wireless network will now need to be configured with the same security settings.

WARNING: If you are configuring the Wireless G Plus Router from a computer with a wireless client, you will need to ensure that security is turned ON for this wireless client. If this is not done, your client will lose its wireless connection.

Changing the Wireless Security Settings
Your Router is equipped with WPA (Wi-Fi Protected Access), the latest wireless security standard. It also supports the legacy security standard, WEP (Wired Equivalent Privacy). By default, wireless security is disabled. To enable security, you must first determine which standard you want to use. To access the security settings, click "Security" on the "Wireless" tab.

WPA Setup

Note: To use WPA security, all your clients must be upgraded to drivers and software that support it. At the time of this User Manual's publication, a security patch download is available, for free, from Microsoft. This patch works only with the Windows XP operating system. You also need to download the latest driver for your Belkin Wireless G Desktop or Notebook Network Card from the Belkin support site. Other operating systems are not supported at this time. Microsoft's patch only supports devices with WPA-enabled drivers such as Belkin 802.11g products.

WPA-PSK (no server) uses a so-called pre-shared key as the security key. A pre-shared key is a password that is between eight and 63 characters long. It can be a combination of letters, numbers, and other characters. Each client uses the same key to access the network. Typically, this mode will be used in a home environment.

WPA2 is the second generation of WPA, offering a more advanced encryption technique over WPA.

Setting WPA-PSK (no server)

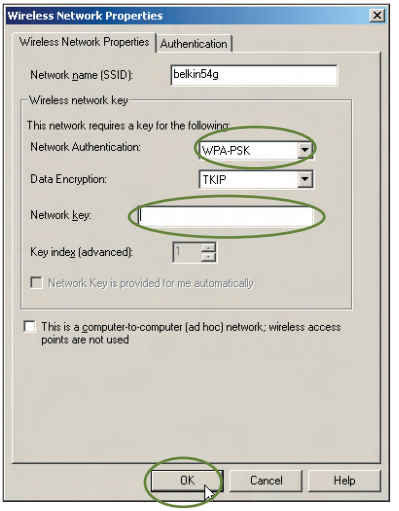
1. From the “Security Mode” drop-down menu, select “WPA-PSK (no server)”.
2. For “Encryption Technique”, select “TKIP” or “AES”. This setting will have to be identical on the clients that you set up.
3. Enter your pre-shared key. This can be from eight to 63 characters and can be letters, numbers, or symbols. This same key must be used on all of the clients that you set up. For example, your PSK might be something like: “Smith family network key”.
4. Click “Apply Changes” to finish. You must now set all clients to match these settings.

WPA2 Setup

1. From the “Security Mode” drop-down menu, select “WPA2”.
2. For “Encryption Technique”, select “AES”. This setting will have to be identical on the clients that you set up.
3. Enter your pre-shared key. This can be from eight to 63 characters and can be letters, numbers, or symbols. This same key must be used on all of the clients that you set up. For example, your PSK might be something like: “Smith family network key”.
4. Click “Apply Changes” to finish. You must now set all clients to match these settings.

Connecting your computer to a wireless network that requires WPA-PSK (no server):

1. Double-click the “Signal Indicator” icon to bring up the “Wireless Network” screen. The “Advanced” button will allow you to view and configure more of your Router’s options.
2. Under the “Wireless Network Properties” tab, select a network name from the “Available Networks” list and click “Configure”.
3. Under “Network Authentication”, select “WPA-PSK”.
4. Type your WPA key in the “Network key” box.

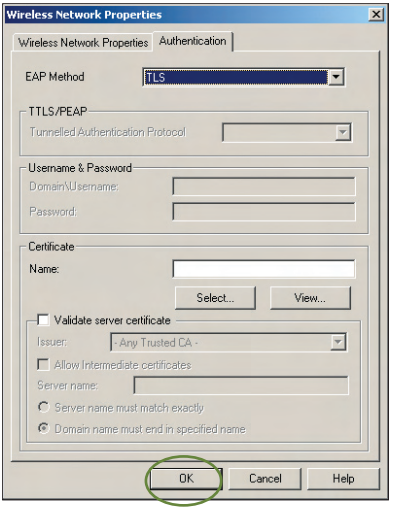


Important: WPA-PSK is a combination of numbers and letters from A–Z and 0–9. For WPA-PSK, you can enter eight to 63 keys. This network key needs to match the key you assign to your Wireless G Plus Router.

5. Click “OK” to save the settings.

Connecting your computer to a wireless network that requires WPA (with radius server):

1. Double-click the “Signal Indicator” icon to bring up the “Wireless Network Properties” screen. The “Advanced” button will allow you to view and configure more of your Router’s options.
2. Under the “Wireless Network Properties” tab, select a network name from the “Available Networks” list and click “Configure”.
3. Under “Network Authentication”, select WPA.
4. Under the “Authentication” tab, select the settings that are indicated by your network administrator.
5. Click “OK” to save the settings.



Setting up WPA for Wireless Desktop and Wireless Notebook Cards that are NOT Manufactured by Belkin

If you do NOT have a Belkin WPA Wireless Desktop or Wireless Notebook Card and it is not equipped with WPA-enabled software, a file from Microsoft called "Windows XP Support Patch for Wireless Protected Access" is available for free download.

Please Note: The file that Microsoft has made available works only with Windows XP. Other operating systems are not supported at this time.

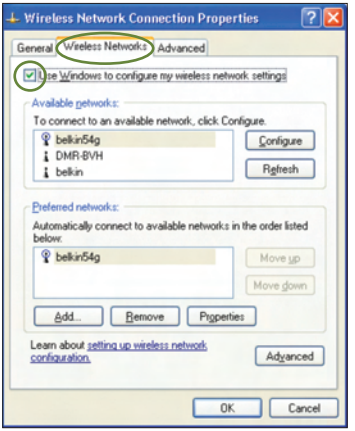
Important: You also need to ensure that the wireless card manufacturer supports WPA and that you have downloaded and installed the latest driver from their support site.

Supported Operating Systems:
- Windows XP Professional
- Windows XP Home Edition

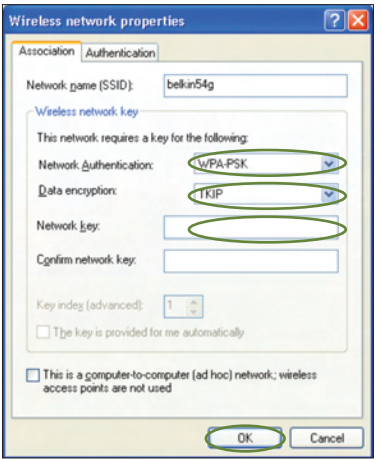
Setting up Windows XP Wireless Network Utility to use WPA-PSK

In order to use WPA-PSK, ensure you are using the Windows Wireless Network Utility by doing the following:

1. Under Windows XP, click “Start > Control Panel > Network Connections”.
2. Right-click on “Wireless Network Connection Properties”, and select “Properties”.
3. Clicking on the “Wireless Networks” tab will display the following screen. Ensure the “Use Windows to configure my wireless network settings” box is checked.



4. Under the “Wireless Networks” tab, click the “Configure” button and you will see the following screen.



5. For a home or small business user, select “WPA-PSK” under “Network Authentication”.

   Note: Select “WPA” if you are using this computer to connect to a corporate network that supports an authentication server such as a radius server. Please consult your network administrator for further information.

6. Select “TKIP” or “AES” under “Data Encryption”. This setting will have to be identical to the Router that you set up.

7. Type in your encryption key in the “Network key” box.

Important: Enter your pre-shared key. This can be from eight to 63 characters and can be letters, numbers, or symbols. This same key must be used on all of the clients that you set up.

8. Click “OK” to apply settings.

Using the Access Point Mode

Note: This advanced feature should be employed by advanced users only. The Router can be configured to work as a wireless network access point. Using this mode will defeat the NAT IP sharing feature and DHCP server. In Access Point (AP) mode, the Router will need to be configured with an IP address that is in the same subnet as the rest of the network that you will bridge to. The default IP address is 192.168.2.254 and subnet mask is 255.255.255.0. These can be customized for your need.

1. Enable the AP mode my selecting “Enable” in the “Use as Access Point only” page. When you select this option, you will be able to change the IP settings.
2. Set your IP settings to match your network. Click “Apply Changes”.
3. Connect a cable from the WAN port on the Router to your existing network.

The Router is now acting as an access point. To access the Router’s Web-Based Advanced User Interface again, type the IP address you specified into your browser’s navigation bar. You can set the encryption settings, MAC address filtering, SSID, and channel normally.

Configuring the Firewall

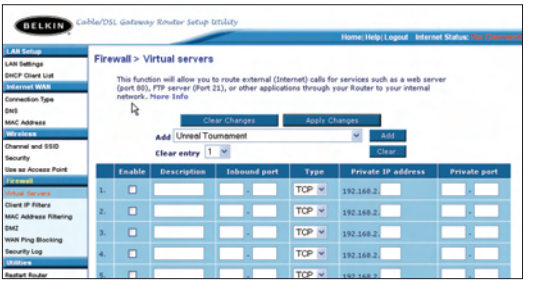
Your Router is equipped with a firewall that will protect your network from a wide array of common hacker attacks including:

- IP Spoofing
- SYN flood
- Land Attack
- UDP flooding
- Ping of Death (PoD)
- Tear Drop Attack
- Denial of Service (DoS)
- ICMP defect
- IP with zero length
- RIP defect
- Smurf Attack
- Fragment flooding
- TCP Null Scan

The firewall also masks common ports that are frequently used to attack networks. These ports appear to be “Stealth”, meaning that for all intents and purposes, they do not exist to a would-be hacker. You can turn the firewall function off if needed; however, it is recommended that you leave the firewall enabled. Disabling the firewall protection will not leave your network completely vulnerable to hacker attacks, but it is recommended that you leave the firewall enabled.

Configuring Internal Forwarding Settings

The “Virtual Servers” function will allow you to route external (Internet) calls for services such as a web server (port 80), FTP server (Port 21), or other applications through your Router to your internal network. Since your internal computers are protected by a firewall, computers outside your network (over the Internet) cannot get to them because they cannot be “seen.” A list of common applications has been provided in case you need to configure the “Virtual Server” function for a specific application. If your application is not listed, you will need to contact the application vendor to find out which port settings you need.



Choosing an Application

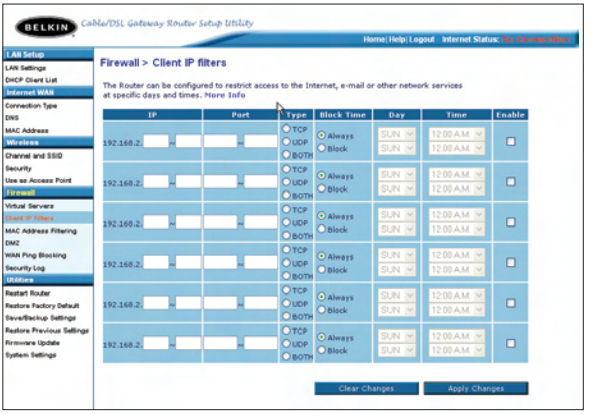
Select your application from the drop-down list. Click “Add”. The settings will be transferred to the next available space in the screen. Click “Apply Changes” to save the setting for that application. To remove an application, select the number of the row that you want to remove, then click “Clear”.

Manually Entering Settings into the Virtual Server

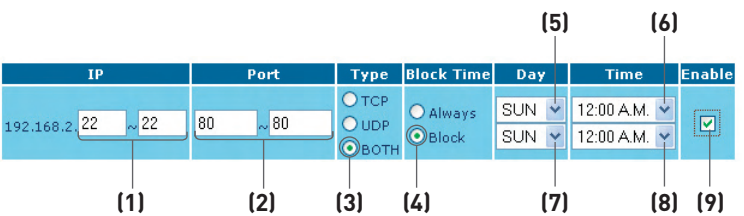
To manually enter settings, enter the IP address in the space provided for the internal (server) machine, the port(s) required to pass, select the port type (TCP or UDP), and click “Apply Changes”. Each inbound port entry has two fields with five characters maximum per field that allows a start and end port range, e.g. [xxxxx]-[xxxxx]. For each entry, you can enter a single port value by filling in the two fields with the same value (e.g. [7500]-[7500]) or a wide range of ports (e.g. [7500]-[9000]). If you need multiple single port values or a combination of ranges and a single value, you must use multiple entries up to the maximum of 20 entries (e.g. 1. [7500]-[7500], 2. [8023]-[8023], 3. [9000]-[9000]). You can only pass one port per internal IP address. Opening ports in your firewall can pose a security risk. You can enable and disable settings very quickly. It is recommended that you disable the settings when you are not using a specific application.

Setting Client IP Filters

The Router can be configured to restrict access to the Internet, email, or other network services at specific days and times. Restriction can be set for a single computer, a range of computers, or multiple computers.

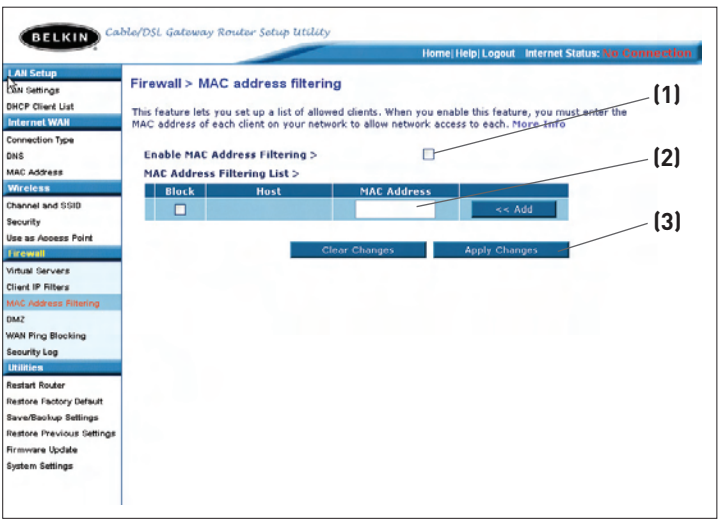


To restrict Internet access to a single computer, for example, enter the IP address of the computer you wish to restrict access to in the IP fields **(1)**. Next, enter “80” in both the port fields **(2)**. Select “Both” **(3)**. Select “Block” **(4)**. You can also select “Always” to block access all of the time. Select the day to start on top **(5)**, the time to start on top **(6)**, the day to end on the bottom **(7)**, and the time to stop **(8)** on the bottom. Select “Enable” **(9)**. Click “Apply Changes”. The computer at the IP address you specified will now be blocked from Internet access at the times you specified. **Note:** Be sure you have selected the correct time zone under “Utilities> System Settings> Time Zone”.



Setting MAC Address Filtering

The MAC address filter is a powerful security feature that allows you to specify which computers are allowed on the network. Any computer attempting to access the network that is not specified in the filter list will be denied access. When you enable this feature, you must enter the MAC address of each client (computer) on your network to allow network access to each. The “Block” feature lets you turn on and off access to the network easily for any computer without having to add and remove the computer’s MAC address from the list.

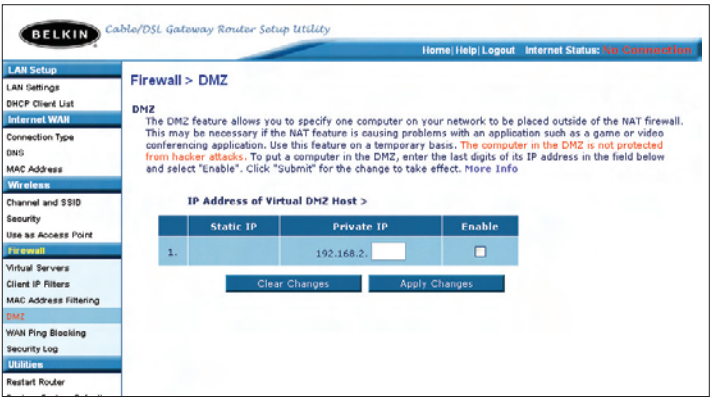


To enable this feature, select “Enable MAC Address Filtering” **(1)**. Next, enter the MAC address of each computer on your network by clicking in the space provided **(2)** and entering the MAC address of the computer you want to add to the list. Click “Add” **(3)**, then “Apply Changes” to save the settings. To delete a MAC address from the list, simply click “Delete” next to the MAC address you wish to delete. Click “Apply Changes” to save the settings.

Note: You will not be able to delete the MAC address of the computer you are using to access the Router’s administrative functions (the computer you are using now).

Enabling the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ)

The DMZ feature allows you to specify one computer on your network to be placed outside of the firewall. This may be necessary if the firewall is causing problems with an application such as a game or video conferencing application. Use this feature on a temporary basis. The computer in the DMZ is NOT protected from hacker attacks.



To put a computer in the DMZ, enter the last digits of its IP address in the IP field and select “Enable”. Click “Apply Changes” for the change to take effect.

Blocking an ICMP Ping

Computer hackers use what is known as “pinging” to find potential victims on the Internet. By pinging a specific IP address and receiving a response from the IP address, a hacker can determine that something of interest might be there. The Router can be set up so it will not respond to an ICMP ping from the outside. This heightens the level of security of your Router.

To turn off the ping response, select “Block ICMP Ping” **(1)** and click “Apply Changes”. The Router will not respond to an ICMP ping.