IEEE 802.11 g 54Mbps Wireless LAN Mini-PCI Module User's Manual

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Regulatory Compliance FCC Warning

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules.

Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) 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.

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void your authority to operate the equipment.

- 1) To comply with FCC RF exposure compliance requirements, a separation distance of at least 20 cm must be maintained between the antenna of this device and all persons.
- 2) This transmitter must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.

This device is intended only for OEM integrators under the following conditions:

- 1) The antenna must be installed such that 20 cm is maintained between the antenna and users, and
- 2) The transmitter module may not be co-located with any other transmitter or antenna.

As long as 2 conditions above are met, further transmitter test will not be required. However, the

OEM integrator is still responsible for testing their end-product for any additional compliance requirements required with this module installed (for example, digital device emissions, PC peripheral requirements, etc.).

IMPORTANT NOTE: In the event that these conditions can not be met (for example certain laptop

configurations or co-location with another transmitter), then the FCC authorization is no longer considered valid and the FCC ID can not be used on the final product. In these circumstances, the

OEM integrator will be responsible for re-evaluating the end product (including the transmitter) and

obtaining a separate FCC authorization.

End Product Labeling

This transmitter module is authorized only for use in device where the antenna may be installed

such that 20 cm may be maintained between the antenna and users (for example access points,

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routers, wireless ADSL modems, and similar equipment). The final end product must be labeled in

a visible area with the following: "Contains TX FCC ID: FCC IDGQVZ20100000".

Manual Information for End Users

The end user must not have manual instructions to remove or install the device.

The user manual for end users must include the following information in a prominent location:

"IMPORTANT NOTE: To comply with FCC RF exposure compliance requirements, the antenna

used for this transmitter must be installed to provide a separation distance of at least 20 cm from all

persons and must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter."

Chapter1 Introduction

This 802.11g Mini-PCI module offers high-speed wireless connection up to 54Mbps. It shares the same 2.4GHz radio band with 80.11b products so it can interoperate with existing 802.11b networking products. With the wireless network adapter installed, you can connect to wireless-B (802.11b) and Wireless-G (draft 802.11g) networks.

With this module and appropriate drivers and utility installed, you can transform your wired device into wireless station easily and thus access your wireless and wired network quickly. Fully compliant to Wired Equivalent Privacy (WEP) with 64-bit and 128-bit encryption, so it can offer a reliable and secure wireless communication.

This wireless network adapter provides a fast and convenient way to connect your laptop or desktop to a wireless station or as an integral part of a wired local area network with a wireless network segment. You can configure this network card in Ad-Hoc mode (without an access point) or Infrastructure mode (with an access point).

1.1 System Requirement

To properly use your wireless Mini-PCI module, please make sure that your laptop or desktop meets the following minimum system requirements:

- The laptop or desktop must have one of the operating systems, i.e: MS Windows 98SE, ME, 2000 and WinXP
- CD-ROM drive
- Desktop PC: Mini-PCI slot in case of desktop PC
- Laptop: Mini-PCI slot

1.2 Wireless LAN Mini-PCI Module Features

This wireless Mini-PCI module offers compliance with IEEE 802.11g standard so it allows communicate with other manufacturers' wireless devices that support this standard. The followings are the main distinguishing features of this wireless adapter.

- Compatible with IEEE 802.11g high rate standard to provide wireless speeds of 54Mbps data rate with OFDM modulation.
- Backward compatible with IEEE 802.11b high rate standard to provide wireless speeds of 11Mbps data rate with CCK modulation
- Dynamic date rate scaling at 54, 48, 36, 24, 18, 12, 9 Mbps in OFDM mode
- Dynamic date rate scaling at 11, 5.5 Mbps in CCK mode; 2 and 1Mbps in DQPSK and DBPSK mode.
- Maximum reliability, throughput and connectivity with automatic fallback, auto-switch between OFDM and CCK.
- Supports wireless data encryption with 128-bit WEP and WPA standard for security
- Drivers support Windows 98SE, 2000, ME, XP



Chapter2 Installation and Configuration Procedures

2.1 Installation Procedures In Windows2000

The Wireless LAN Mini-PCI Module Windows driver ships with the Wireless Adapter Configuration Utility.

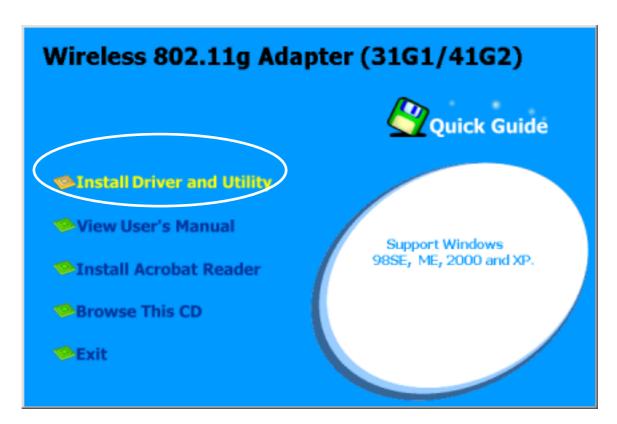
Before you start:

- ✓ Obtain this Utility CD.
- ✓ Turn off your notebook or computer. Insert the Mini-PCI module into the slot on your computer's motherboard.

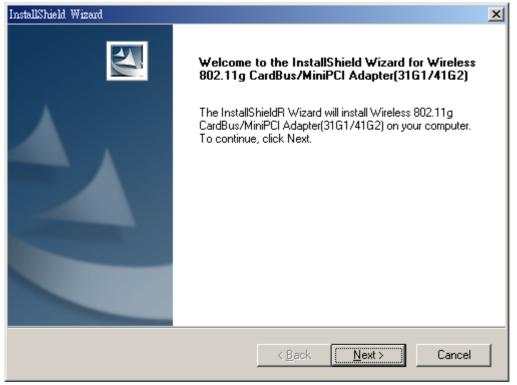
2.1.1 Installing the Wireless LAN Mini-PCI Module Driver and Configuration Utility

Turn on your computer or notebook, there will be a hardware found screen. Click **Cancel** from the Hardware Found Wizard.

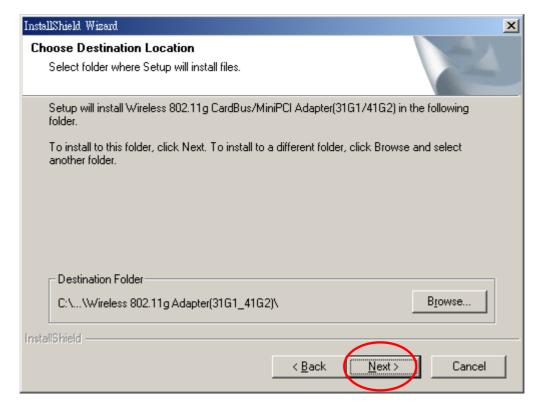
Close any open programs and insert the utility CD into your CD-ROM Drive. The Autorun function will automatically start and the following main screen will be pop-up. Double-click on the **Install Driver and Utility** item to start the software installation. (If the Autorun function does not automatically start, please open the Installation CD to find the Setup.exe file and double click the Setup.exe icon to continue.) Click the "**View User's Manual**" to view the user's manual and click "**Install Acrobat Reader**" to install software to view the user's manual. If you don't want to install right now you can click "**Browse This CD**" to view the CD files and click **Exit** to close the main screen.



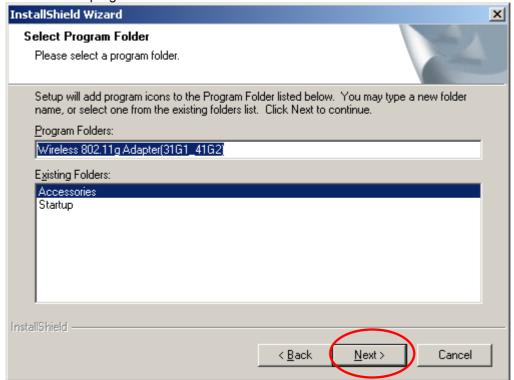
 The InstallShield Wizard is preparing to install the configuration utility and drivers. Click Next.



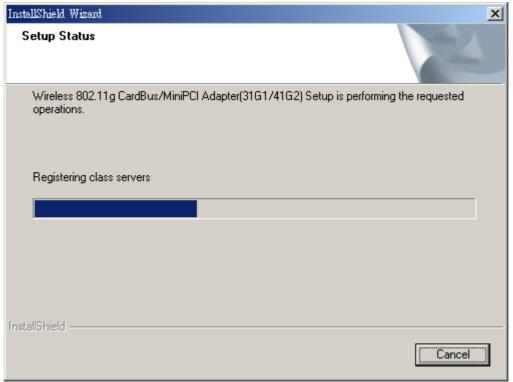
2. In the *Destination Folder* screen you are asked to confirm the *Destination Folder* for the application software. If you would like, you may change the destination folder to another location as the directory. Click **Next**.



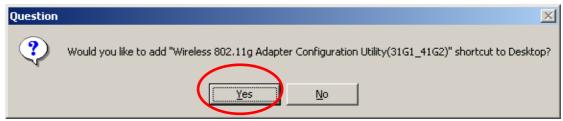
3. Select a program folder and click Next.



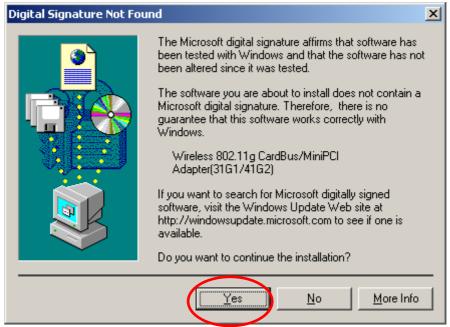
4. The InstallShield Wizard is installing utility.



5. Click **YES** button, if you want to create a shortcut icon on your Windows desktop.

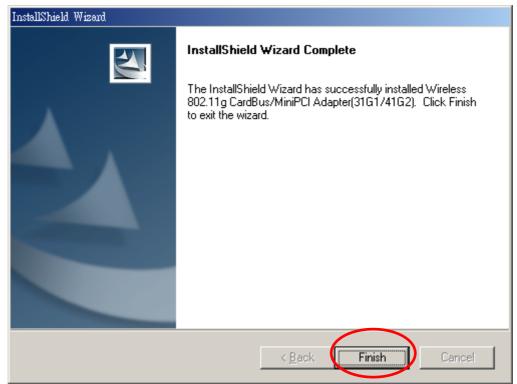


6. Click **Yes** from the **Digital Signature** dialog box. A Microsoft digital signature is not required at this moment.



7. Click **Finish** to finish the driver and utility installation.

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The wireless adapter utility will launch automatically and the utility icon will reside on the system tray.

2.1.2 Verifying Your Installation In Windows2000

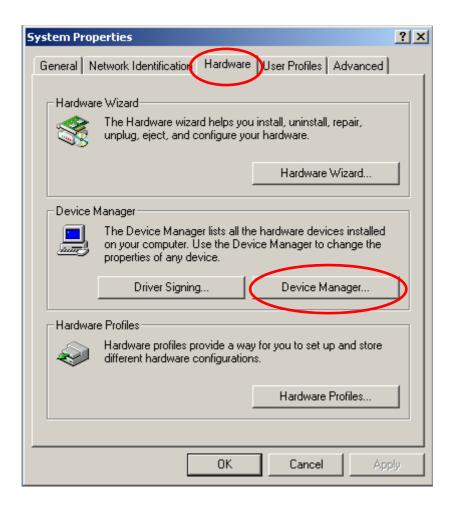
Verify the driver has installed successful

If you want to check if the driver's installation is successful or not, follow the next steps.

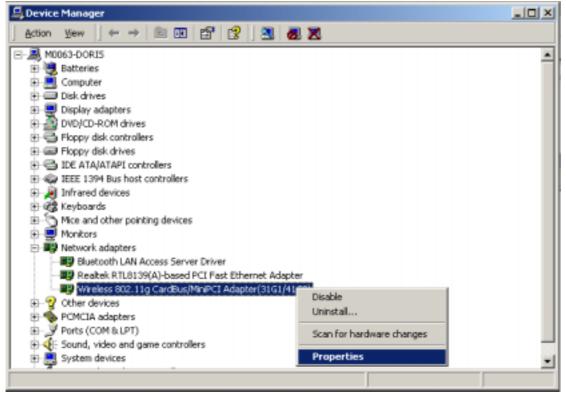
1. Right-click mouse button on the **My Computer** icon on your Windows desktop, and highlight **Properties** from the pop-up menu.



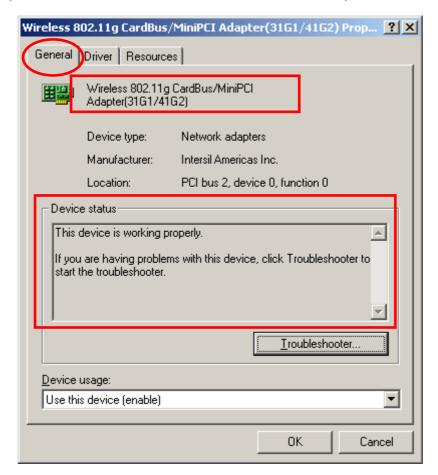
2. The **System Properties** screen will be pop-up. Under **Hardware** tab, click **Device Manager...**.



3. After clicking Device Manager..., the following screen will be shown. Click on the + symbol in front of "Network adapters" and see if an item labeled Wireless 802.11g CardBus/MiniPCI Adapter (34G1/41G2) is visible. If you don't see the item below the network adapter icon but a"?" or "!" symbol is displayed, it means that the driver installation was unsuccessful. Highlight "Wireless 802.11g CardBus/MiniPCI Adapter (34G1/41G2)", right-click mouse button and select "Properties".



4. Click the **General** tab, if the Device Status field reports that "**This device is working properly**", it means that the driver has been installed successfully.



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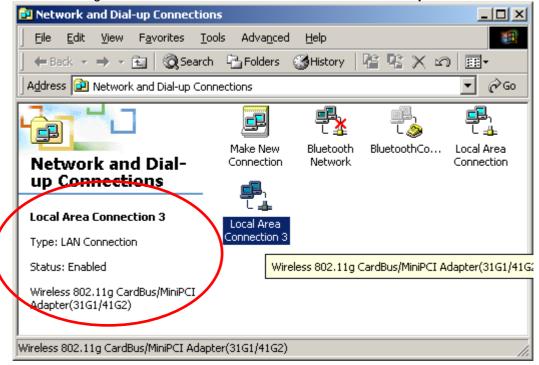
2.1.3 TCP/IP Setup In Windows 2000

Configuring the TCP/IP setup allows the desktop or laptop equipped with a wireless LAN adapter to operate in infrastructure mode and to have the Internet access. So after the configuration utility and WLAN adapter driver are installed, the TCP/IP address for the wireless LAN card must be configured.

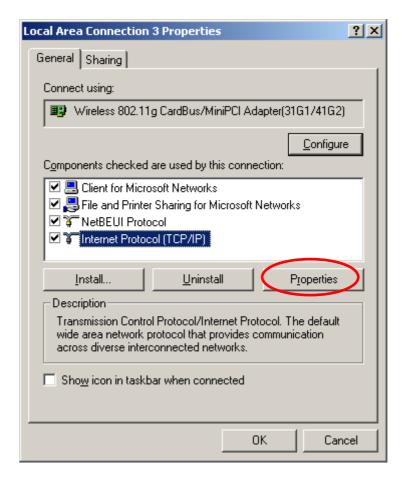
1. Right-click mouse button on the **My Network Places** and highlight **Properties** from the pop-up menu.



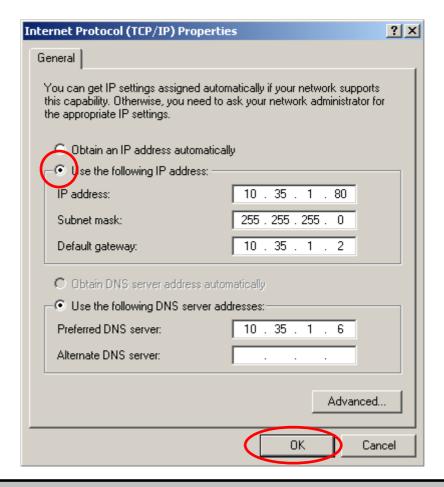
2. Find the "Local Area Connection" that is associated with the wireless LAN Mini-PCI module. Right-click mouse button on the connection and click **Properties**.



3. Select "Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)" and click Properties.



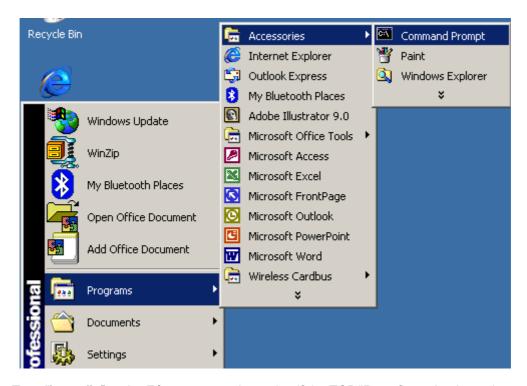
4. Click "Use the following IP address" and input an IP address and subnet mask. Assigning an IP address and Subnet mask allows stations to operate in infrastructure mode and to have Internet access. "Default gateway" and "DNS server" information is also required. IP configuration information (DHCP or assigned IP address, Gateway and DNS server IP addresses) is usually obtained from the corporate IT staff.



Note:

The IP Address you assign for all computers must be in the same IP Address range, and the Subnet Mask must be the same for all computers on your network. For example: If the first computer is assigned an IP Address of 10.35.1.3 with a Subnet Mask of 255.255.255.0, then the second computer can be assigned an IP Address of 10.35.1.4 with a Subnet Mask of 255.255.255.0,... etc.

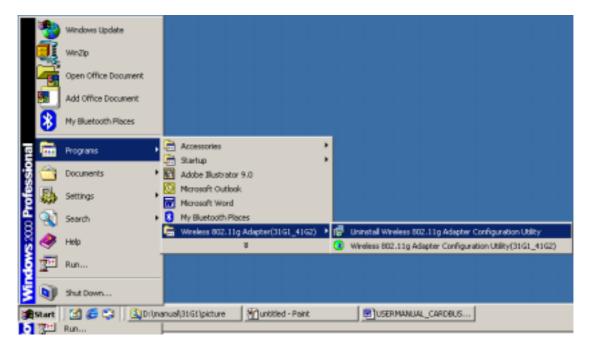
- 5. After obtaining IP configuration information from the appropriate IT staff, click **OK** in both "Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) Properties" and "Local Area Connection Properties" to complete the IP configuration.
- 6. Choose **Start > Programs > Accessories > Command Prompt** to open the DOS command prompt window.



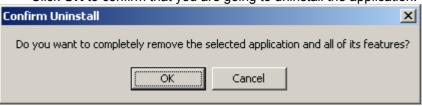
7. Type "**ipconfig**" at the **F:\>** prompt to determine if the TCP/IP configuration has taken effect. To test IP connectivity in ad hoc or infrastructure mode, use the "ping <ipaddress>" command.

2.1.4 Uninstalling the Wireless LAN Mini-PCI Module Utility And Driver In Windows 2000

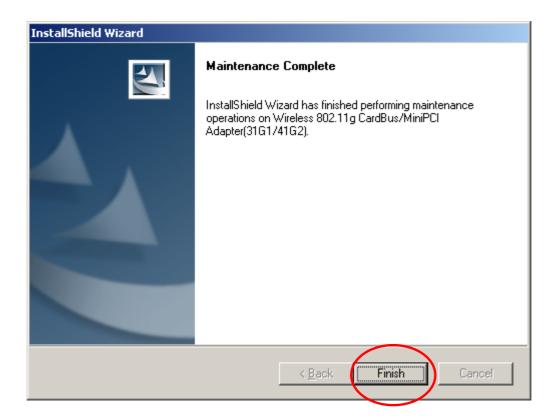
From Windows Start menu -> Programs -> Wireless 802.11g Adapter(31G1_41G2) -> Uninstall Wireless 802.11g Adapter Configuration Utility to remove the configuration utility from the OS.



• Click **OK** to confirm that you are going to uninstall the application.



Click Finish to complete the un-installation.



2. 2 Installation Procedures In Windows XP

The Windows XP provides a built-in wireless LAN configuration application. No matter you want to use the Windows Zero Configuration utility or the utility we provide, you still have to click the **Install Driver and Utility** icon below to install the necessary drivers and the utility.

Before you start:

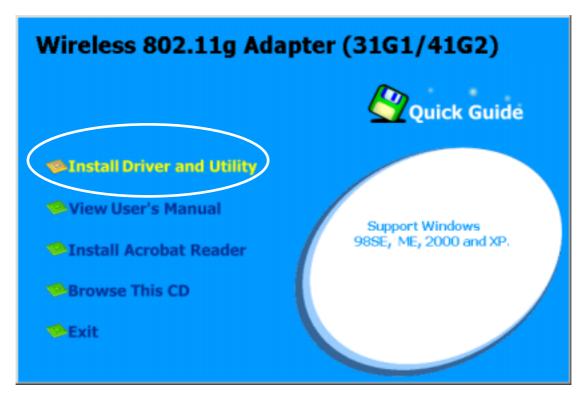
- ✓ Obtain this Utility CD.
- ✓ Turn off your notebook or computer. Insert the mini-PCI module into the slot on your computer's motherboard.

2. 2.1 Installing the Wireless LAN Mini-PCI Module Driver and Utility

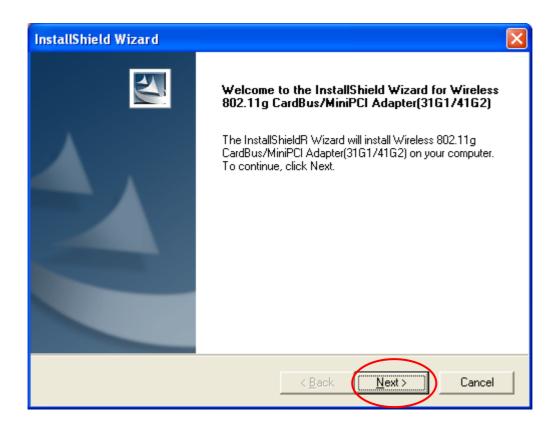
Turn on your computer or notebook. Click Cancel from the Found New Hardware Wizard.



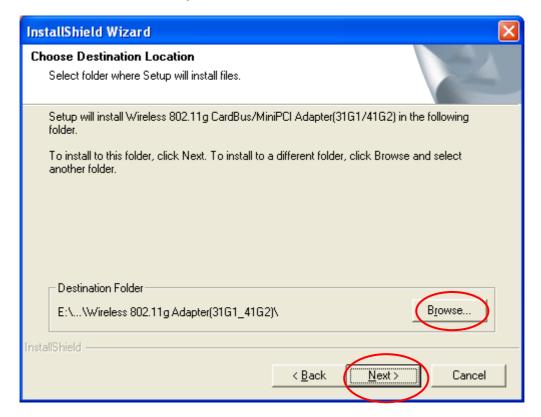
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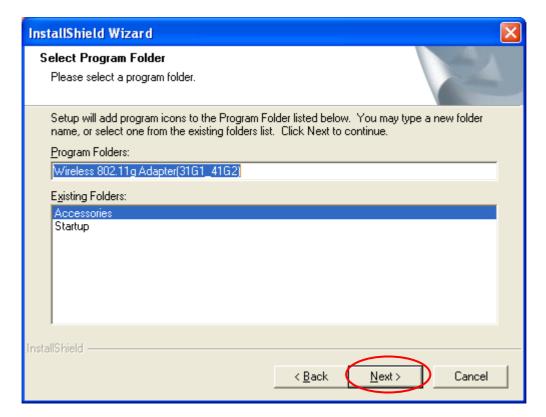
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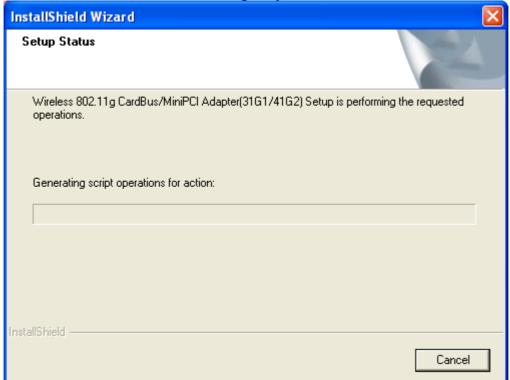
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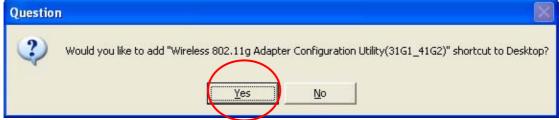
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The InstallShield Wizard is installing utility.



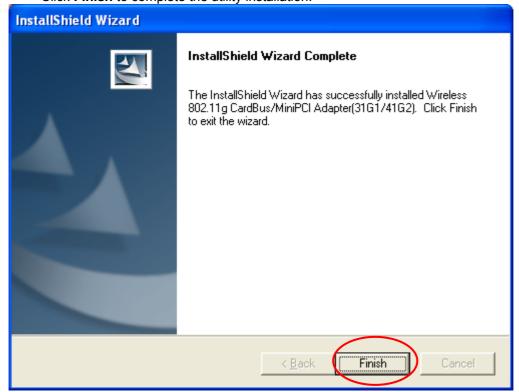
• Click **Yes** if you want to create the shortcut on your Windows desktop.



Click Continue Anyway to continue the installation.



• Click **Finish** to complete the utility installation.



The bubble message on the system tray indicates that the network adapter is ready to use. You can click on the bubble message and start to configure the network adapter.



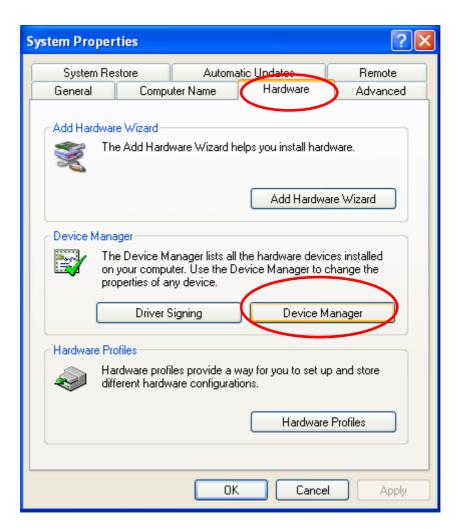
2.2.2 Verifying Your Installation In Windows XP

To check if you have installed the driver successfully, please follow the following steps.

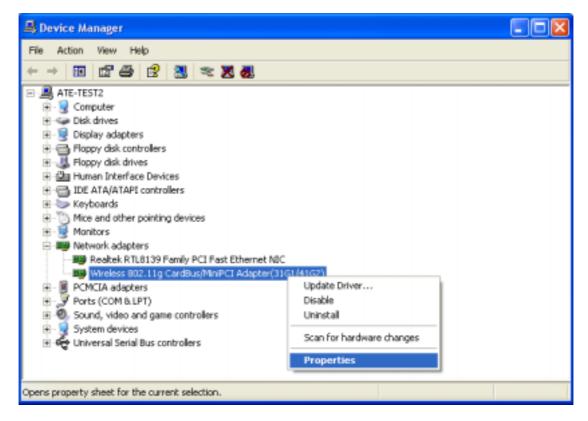
• Right-click mouse button on the **My computer** icon on your windows desktop and select **Properties** from the pop-up menu.



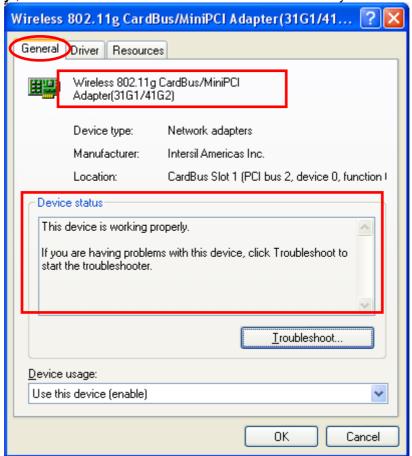
• Under Hardware tab, click Device Manager.



 Double-click Network adapters. Right-click mouse button on "Wireless 802.11g CardBus/MiniPCI Adapter (31G1/41G2)" and select "Properties".



 Click the General tab, if the Device Status field reports that "This device is working properly", it means that the driver has been installed successfully.



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Note

As for how to do TCP/IP setup in Windows XP, please refer to the TCP/IP setup procedure in Windows 2000 section.

2.2.3 Uninstalling the Wireless LAN Mini-PCI Module Utility And Driver In Windows XP

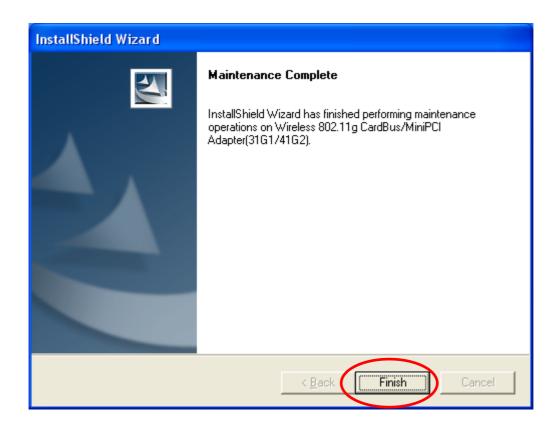
From the Windows Start menu -> Programs -> Wireless 802.11g
Adapter(31G1_41G2) -> Uninstall Wireless 802.11g Adapter Configuration
Utility to remove the configuration utility.



■ Click **OK** to confirm that you are going to uninstall the utility.



■ Click **Finish** to complete the un-installation.



Chapter3 Wireless Adapter Utility

3.1 Wireless Adapter Utility

The user-friendly wireless adapter configuration Utility helps you to configure this WLAN Mini-PCI module and monitor its connection status. You can change configuration parameters while the adapter is active. You can open the utility for the utility from the **Windows Start menu -> Programs -> Wireless 802.11g Adapter (31G1_41G2) -> Wireless 802.11g**

Adapter Configuration Utility (31G1_41G2) or double-click the utility icon

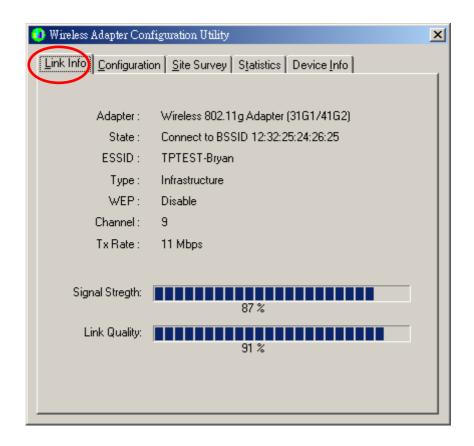
on your Windows desktop and there will be a WLAN icon resides on the system tray. This WLAN utility icon will reside on the system tray when you reboot your PC. Double-click on this icon and the wireless LAN adapter utility window will be pop-up on screen. Right-click mouse button on the utility icon and you can select option from the pop-up menu.



- Open Utility Open the utility main window.
- Exit Close the Wireless Adapter utility and the icon will exit from the system tray.

3.2 Wireless LAN Card Utility - Link Info Tab

Click WLAN Utility icon once and the wireless adapter Utility window will be shown on screen displaying the related information of Link Info tab. From the **Link Info Tab**, you can know the adapter's name, get the adapter's configuration and connection information. This page is intended to provide the adapter's information only so you can view the information listed here but can't change any item. You may change several parameters from the **Configuration** Tab.



Link Info Tab

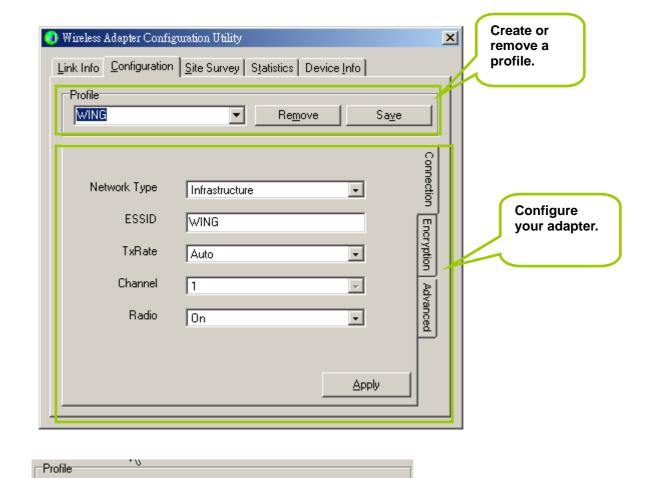
Item	Description	Figure
Adapter	Displaying the name of the adapter.	Adapter: Wireless 802.11g Adapter (31G1/41G2)
State	Displaying the working status of the adapter. Scanning: Indicating the adapter is searching other wireless devices in service range. Not Associated: Indicating that the adapter is not connected with any wireless device yet. Connect to BSSID: xx:xx:xx:xx:xx:xx Indicating the adapter is connected with an access point or other wireless LAN adapter and the associated device's MAC address is displayed in the form of hex digits.	State: Connect to BSSID 00:05:5D:AA:D1:EE
ESSID	Indicating the ESSID of the connected wireless device.	ESSID: WING
Type	Indicating the current network type the adapter uses. It could be Ad hoc or Infrastructure .	Type: Infrastructure
WEP	Indicating whether the connected device enable WEP function or not. Disable : It means that the	WEP: Disable

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	connected device doesn't enable WEP function. Enable: It means that the connected device uses WEP function.	
	In infrastructure mode, it indicates the channel number the associated access point uses. In Ad hoc mode, it indicates the channel number the adapter uses.	Channel: 1
Strength	The blue bar indicates the signal is weak or strong. The longer the blue bar is, the stronger the signal is.	Signal Stregth:
Quality	The blue bar indicates the link quality is good or bad. The longer the blue bar is, the better link quality is.	Signal Stregth:
	Click this button and then the card will start to re-scan other wireless devices in service range.	Re-Scan

3.3 Wireless LAN Adapter Utility – Configuration Tab

Click the **Configuration Tab** and the following information will be displayed. The top pane of this page is to remove or save configuration settings. You can configure the wireless network adapter through the bottom pane of this page. The bottom pane includes three sub-tabs locating on the right side. Click each sub-tab, and the corresponding items will be displayed on the bottom pane of Configuration tab. Remember to click **Apply** button after your configuration; otherwise, the changes you make won't take effect.



Profile: Creating a profile will save your time to re-configure network links you have established.

Remove

Remove – Click the Remove button, and then the selected profile will be deleted.

Save – Click the Save button, and then the profile will be saved for further use.

Click the drop-down menu, select one profile you have created and click Save, then the profile you select will be applied to the current connection.

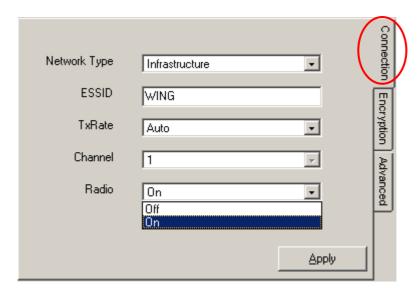
Save

3.3.1 Configuration Tab - Connection

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From the **Configuration tab**, click the **Connection tab** on the right side of the bottom pane and the following screen will be displayed.



Connection Tab

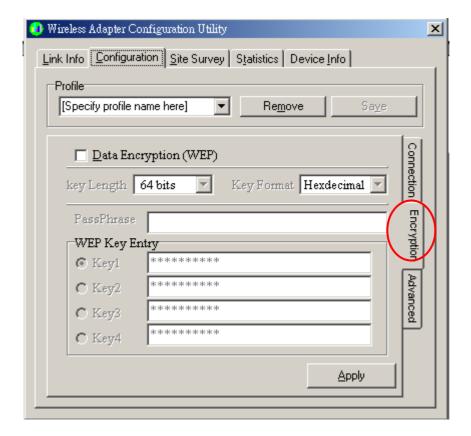
Item	Description	Figure
Network	This wireless LAN adapter	
Type	supports two network types –	THI deliacide
	Infrastructure and Ad hoc. You	Ad hoc ESSID Infrastructure
	can click the down-arrow button to select one network	
	type.	
	Infrastructure – This type of	
	network connection needs an	
	access point in range. All	
	communication is done	
	through this access point.	
	Ad hoc – A peer-to-peer mode	
	of operation. This type of link is established from client to client	
	without any access point.	
ESSID	You can type a specific ESSID	ECCID
	in this field in order to establish	ESSID WING
	the link with an access point or	
	other computer equipped with	
	a wireless LAN adapter. If you	
	leave this field blank, and then	
	the wireless LAN adapter will try to build the link with an	
	access point or other computer	
	equipped with a wireless LAN	
	adapter that has the better	
	signal and link quality.	
TxRate	This field provides options for	TxRate Auto
	selecting data-transmitting rate	Adio
	of the wireless LAN adapter.	Auto Channel 11 Mbps
	There are five options – Auto, 1 Mbps, 2 Mbps, 5.5 Mbps and	5.5Mbps
	11 Mbps. You can click the	∠ MDPS
	down-arrow button to select	1 Mbps
	one option. By default, the data	
	rate is set to Auto allowing the	
	wireless LAN adapter to	
	adaptively set the Tx rate to	

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	the highest possible rate for the WLAN condition. It's recommended that you select the Auto option. If there is an 802.11g access point in the radio range, the Tx Rate will be changed to 54, 48, 36, 24, 18, 12, 9 and Auto.	
Channel	This field shows the channel number the current link uses. In infrastructure mode, this field shows the channel that the connected access point uses. So you can't modify this field in infrastructure mode. In Ad hoc mode, this function is available and you can click the pull-down menu to select one channel. There are 14 channels available for communication with a Wireless Access Point, but there may be	Channel 2
	restrictions on which channel can be used in some countries. 11 channels for United States 13 channels for Europe countries 14 channels for Japan	
Radio	Click the drop-down menu to enable or disable the wireless LAN adapter. When you select the Off option and the utility icon resides on the system tray will be changed to	Radio On Off On
Apply	Click Apply button to make your parameters take effect.	

3.3.2 Configuration Tab – Encryption

From the **Configuration tab**, click the **Encryption tab** on the right side of the bottom pane and the following screen will be displayed. The Encryption tab provides WEP (Wired Equivalent Privacy) function to ensure a more secure networking communication and prevent unauthorized access to your wireless network. The WEP keys configured for your wireless device must be the same as the WEP keys configured for the access point or wireless LAN adapter it associates.



Encryption tab

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Item	Description	Figure
Data Encryption (WEP)	Click the box in front of Data Encryption (WEP) to enable the WEP function. You can set four different WEP keys in WEP Key Entry and specify one of them to use. If the box is not checked, then you can't change WEP related parameters.	▼ Data Encryption (WEP)
Key Length		

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	automatically.	
17		
Key Format PassPhrase	This utility supports both Hexadecimal and ASCII key formats. Click the drop-down menu to choose one format. Only digits 0-9 and letters A-F are valid entries if you select hexadecimal format. PassPhrase function is used as a seed to	Key Format Hexdecimal PassPhrase
	randomly generate the WEP encryption keys. If you use a key generated from a PassPhrase, you must use the same PassPhrase and keys on each station.	
WEP Key Entry	These four fields allow you to set four different 64-bit or 128-bit alphanumeric keys for encryption. This item is a very convenient and useful function when you want to match the WEP keys with different vendor's products. After you have set the WEP keys for specific AP or wireless LAN card, instead of entering the WEP key every time, you just click the radio button in front of the WEP key to enable the WEP key of the associated device.	WEP Key Entry (************** (******************

3.3.3 Configuration Tab – Advanced

From the **Configuration tab**, click the **Advanced tab** on the right side of the bottom pane and the following screen will be displayed. In this page, this utility gives you more flexibility to manage the wireless LAN adapter. You can change advanced configurations, such as fragmentation threshold, RTS/CTS threshold, Preamble type, Power Save mode and Authentication Type.

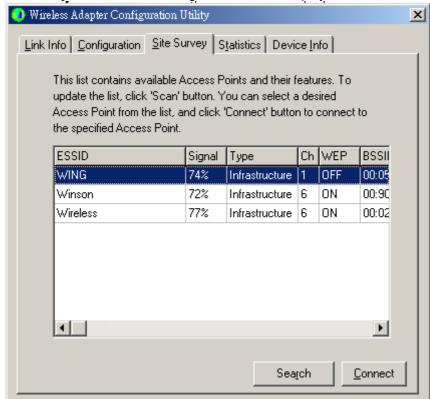
Advanced tab

Item	Description	Figure
Threshold	This field is to define	
	the maximum data	Threshold Fragmentation 0 (256 - 2432)
	frame size this	
	wireless LAN adapter	
	will transmit and to	
	improve the	
	efficiency of data	
	transmitting.	
Threshold	This field is to define	Threshold RTS/CTS 0 (0 - 2432)
RTS/CTS	when will the wireless	
	LAN adapter send	
	out RTS/CTS frames to reserve bandwidth	
	for transmission.	
	Type the value in this	
	field and the effective	
	range is from 0 to	
	3000.	
Preamble	There are two	Preamable Long V
	options in this field.	Long L
	The Short Preamble	Long
	option improves	Power Save Short
	throughput	
	performance. The	
	default setting is	
Power Save	Long.	
Power Save	This field provides three options for the	Power Save CAM
	configuration of	OAINI _
	power management.	Authentication Type MAY
	There are three	Authentication Type MAX FAST
	power saving modes.	[FAST
	Click the pull-down	
	menu to select the	
	mode you desire.	
	• CAM – It	
	represents	
	<u>C</u> ontinuous Access Mode.	
	Select this	
	option and the	
	wireless LAN	
	adapter is	
	always on.	
	 MAX – It 	
	represents the	
	maximum	
	(MAX) power	
	saving mode. Select this	
	option to save	
	the maximum	
	power of the	
	wireless LAN	
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	adapter.	
	● FAST – It	
	represents the	
	fast power	
	saving mode.	
	This power	
	mode provides	
	the best	
	combination of	
	network	
	performance	
	and power	
	usage.	
	Click the pull-down menu to select Auto	
Туре	menu to select Auto,	
	Shared or Open type.	
	The authentication Shared	
	function is invoked Auto	
	when associated to	
	access point. The	
	authentication type you select should be	
	the same between	
	these connected	
	devices. If you select	
	Auto mode, the driver	
	will auto detect the	
	authentication type of	
	the access point you	
	are going to	
	associate.	
	Open: With this	
	setting any	
	station in the	
	Wireless LAN	
	devices can	
	associate with	
	an Access Point	
	to receive and	
	to transmit data.	
	Shared: With	
	this setting only	
	stations using a	
	shared key	
	encryption	
	identified by the	
	Access Point	
	are allowed to	
	associate with	
	it.	
	Auto: With this actting stations	
	setting stations	
	can communicate	
	with or without	
	data encryption.	
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3.4 Wireless LAN Adapter Utility – Site Survey Tab

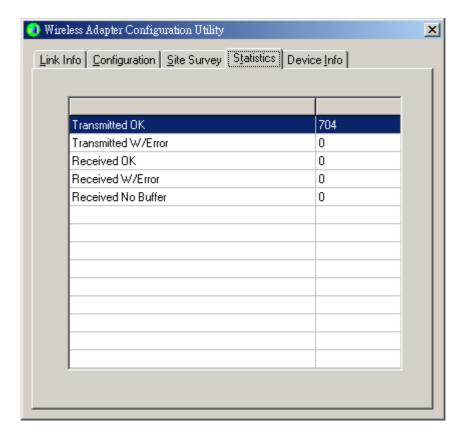


Click the Site Survey tab and the following screen will be displayed.

From the Site Survey page, you can search all access points and wireless LAN adapters that are within the service range of the wireless LAN adapter. The service range the wireless LAN card supports is up to 100 meters indoor or 300 meters outdoors. Click **Search** button, and the wireless LAN card will start to search access points and WLAN adapters and show the result in the list. The list includes information about the ESSID and BSSID of the access point and WALN adapter, the signal strength, the channel where the access point and WLAN adapter operates, and whether or not WEP encryption is used. You can highlight the access point or WLAN adapter you want to associate and click **Connect** or double click on your choice, and the system will take you back to the **Link Info** tab showing you the parameters of the connection newly established. If the wireless device you attempt to connect uses WEP function, then the system will take you to the Configuration tab/Encryption page. In the above figure, you can see there are three access points within the service range of the wireless LAN card. You may click the **Search** button to update this list and click the scroll bar to right to see more information the list provides.

3.5 Wireless LAN Card Utility – Statistics Tab

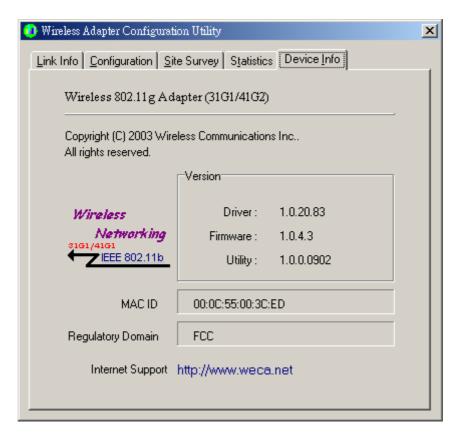
Click the **Statistics tab** and the following screen will be displayed.



From the Statistics tab page, you can view the instantaneous wireless receive and transmit data information.

3.6 Wireless LAN Adapter Utility – Device Info Tab

Click the **Device Info** tab and the following screen will be displayed.



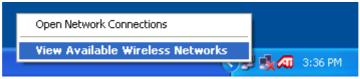
From the **Device Info (information)** page, you can view the copyright and the product version including the diver version and utility version. The MAC address of the wireless LAN adapter and the regulatory domain are also shown on this page.

Chapter4 Using WinXP Built-in Wireless Network Configuration Utility

There are two ways to configure the wireless LAN adapter under Windows XP operating system. One is wireless LAN utility we provide and the other one is the Windows wireless network configuration utility Windows XP provides. If you want to use the configuration utility we provide, please refer to Chapter 3. The following section guides you how to use the wireless network configuration utility Windows XP provides.

4.1 Open the Local Area connection dialog box

 Right-click mouse button on the network connection icon resides on the system tray, and click "View Available Wireless Networks".



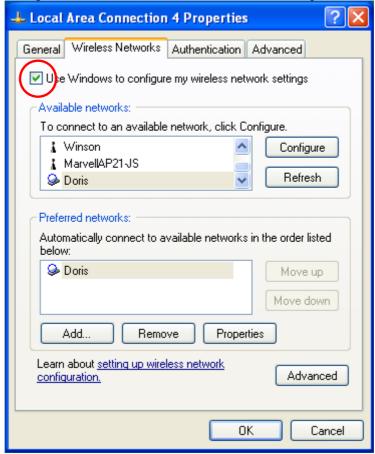
 The following Connect to Wireless Network dialog box will be displayed. You can click Connect to start the wireless connection or click Advanced button to do further configuration.



 Click the Advanced button and the Local Area Connection Properties dialog box will be displayed. Click the Wireless Networks tab from the Wireless Network Connection

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Properties dialog box. Select the box of "Use Windows to configure my wireless network settings" to enable automatic wireless network configuration.

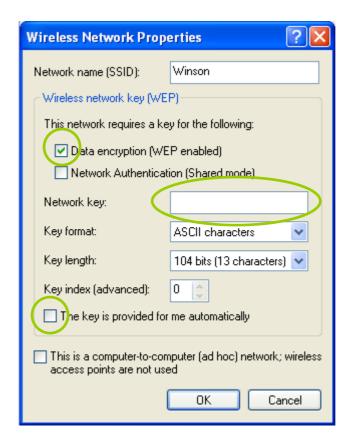


Note:

If you want to use the configuration utility we provide, you have to clear the check of "Use Windows to configure my wireless network settings" item.

4.2 Infrastructure Mode Setup Procedure

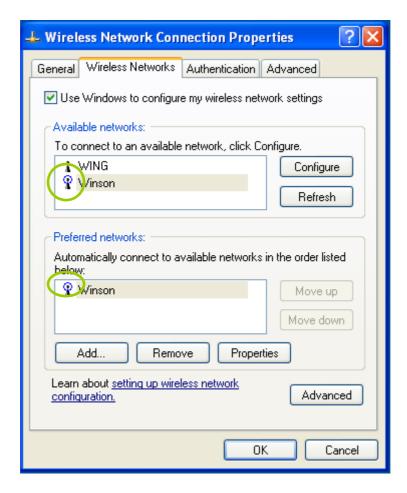
- From the **Wireless Network tab**, click **Refresh** button to update all the available network devices in range.
- Click the network name under the "Available networks" and click Configure. The Wireless Network Properties dialog box will be displayed.



- If the network you select requires WEP key, then the "Data encryption (WEP enabled)" check box is selected by default. Select the "The key is provided for me automatically" check box if the WEP key is automatically provided for you. The driver will then use the Default Encryption key. If not, you have to clear the check and manually enter the network key. In this example, you have to type the WEP keys. After you enter the WEP keys, you can click **OK** to close the Wireless Network Properties dialog box and the system will take you back to Wireless Network Connection Properties dialog box.
- Click **OK** to save your configuration and the Wireless Network Connection Properties will be closed.
- When the network connection you have configured is available, the following bubble message will be shown on the system tray.



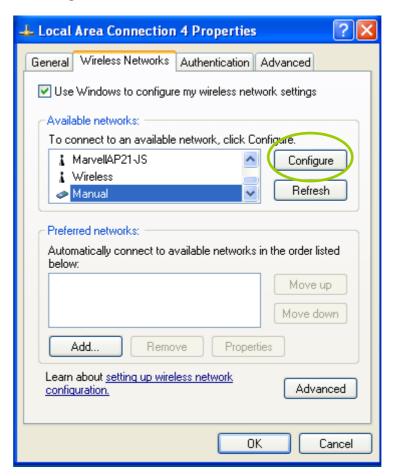
Right-click mouse button on the network icon and select "View Available Wireless Network". Click Advanced button from the Connect to Wireless Network dialog box and you can find that there is a blue circle on the ESSID: Winson you have configured in Wireless Network Connection Properties dialog box. It means that you have successfully built the connection. You may refer to how to do TCP/IP setup in Windows 2000 section to configure you wireless LAN adapter in Windows XP. After the TCP/CP configuration is done, you can access the Internet through the wireless connection you have built.



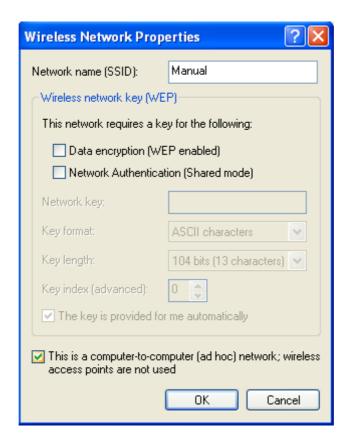
• Furthermore, you can highlight a network connection and click Move up or Move down to change the order of the wireless networks in the Preferred networks. For Windows XP, it will always choose the first one in the Preferred networks to connect. To remove a wireless network from the list of preferred networks, select the wireless network that you want to remove, and then click Remove.

4.3 Ad-hoc Mode Setup Procedure

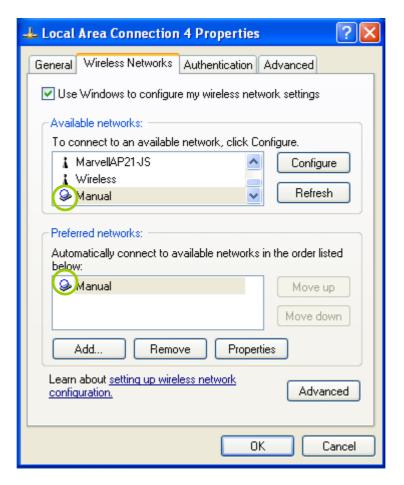
- Click Refresh button to update all available devices in range from Wireless Network Connection.
- Select the ad hoc network name under "Available networks" in the Wireless Networks tab, and click Configure.



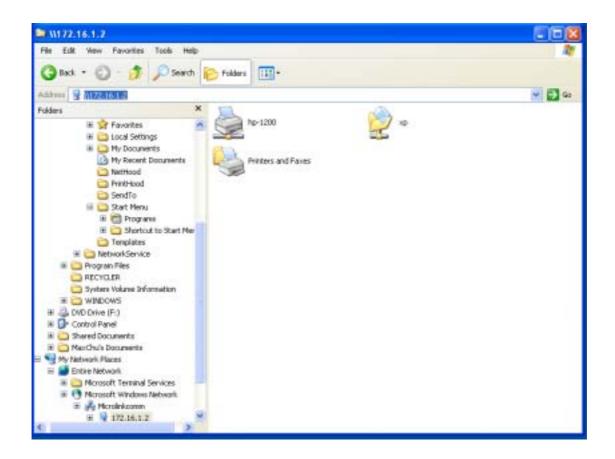
- In the Wireless Network Properties dialog box, the "This is a computer-to-computer (ad hoc) network; wireless access points are not used" check box is selected by default.
- If the network adapter you want to connect has enabled the WEP function and then the "Data encryption (WEP enabled)" check box is checked. You can select the "The key is provided for me automatically" check box if the WEP key is automatically provided for you. The driver will then use the Default Encryption key. If not, you have to clear the check and manually enter the network key. After you enter the WEP keys, you can click OK to close the Wireless Network Properties dialog box and will go back to Wireless Network Connection Properties dialog box.



Click **OK** to save your configuration and close the Local Area Connection Properties
dialog box. Right-click mouse button on the network icon on the system tray and open the
Connect to Wireless Network dialog box again. Click **Advanced** button, and you can see
that there is a blue circle on the wireless network adapter icon.

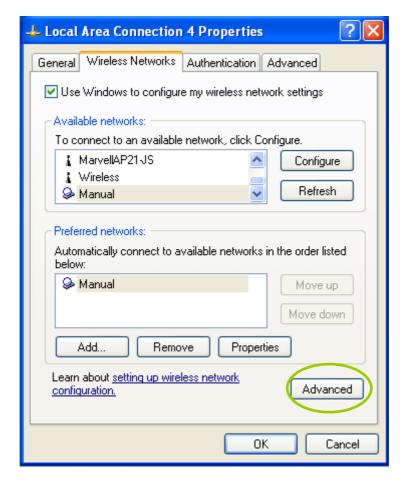


- You may refer to how to do TCP/IP setup in Windows 2000 section to configure you
 wireless LAN adapter in Windows XP. After the TCP/CP configuration is done, you can
 share data between these wireless devices.
- Open Windows Explorer and type the connected wireless network adapter IP address in the Address field. The folder that remote WLAN adapter share will be displayed. Now, you can share data between these two desktop or laptop equipped with a wireless network adapter.



4.4 Network Operating Mode Selection

Click "**Advanced**" button from the Local Area Connection dialog box, and you can select network operating mode you want to use.



If you want to connect to an ad hoc network only, you can click the radio button of "Computer-to-computer (ad hoc) networks only". Click the radio button of "Access point (infrastructure) networks only", and only the available access points in range will be displayed in the available networks box. You can click the radio button of "Any available network (access point preferred)", and then both access points and wireless network adapters will be displayed in the available networks box.

