Chapter 6 Network Map

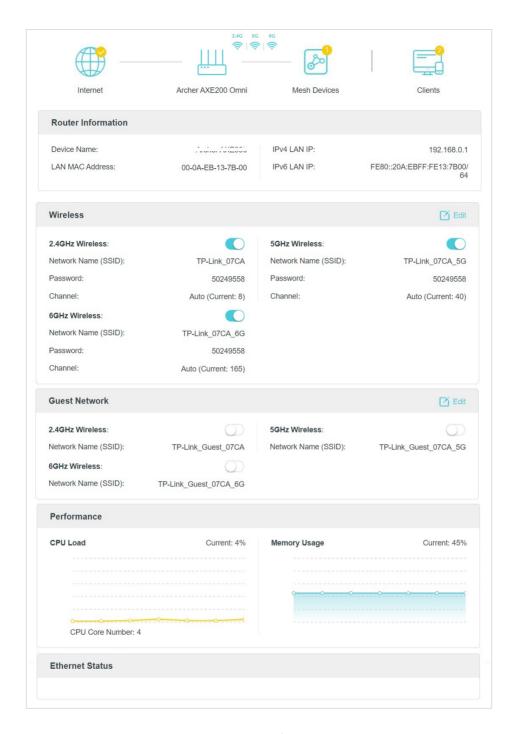
Network Map outlines device connectivity of your network visually and helps you manage general settings of the network.

- 1. Visit http://tplinkwifi.net, and log in with your TP-Link ID or the password you set for the router.
- 2. Go to Network Map.
- 3. Click each network device icon to check and manage general network settings.
- Click Internet to check internet status.



• Click the router to check device status and network settings. You can turn on or off the wireless network or guest network, or click Edit to change related settings.

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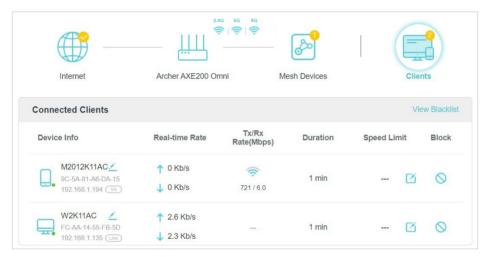


• Click Mesh Devices to view the devices that form a mesh network with the router.

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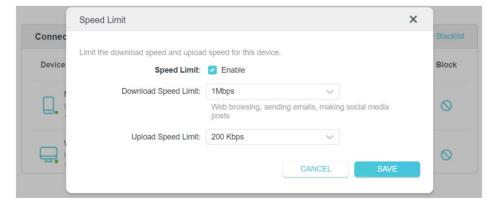


Click Clients to view the client devices in your network. You can block devices so they
cannot access your network, or set Speed Limit to limit their upload and download
speeds.



To limit the speeds of a device:

- 1. Click in the Speed Limit column.
- 2. Enable Speed Limit.
- 3. Set the download and upload speed limit according to your needs.
- 4. Click SAVE. The speeds of the device will be limited.



Chapter 7

Use Motorized Antennas

Archer AXE200 Omni can auto adjust its antennas to boost Wi-Fi signals throughout your whole home or to a specific device or area. You are recommended to use TP-Link Tether app to use the motorized antennas for a better experience.

This chapter introduces how to configure the motorized antennas to boost Wi-Fi signals.

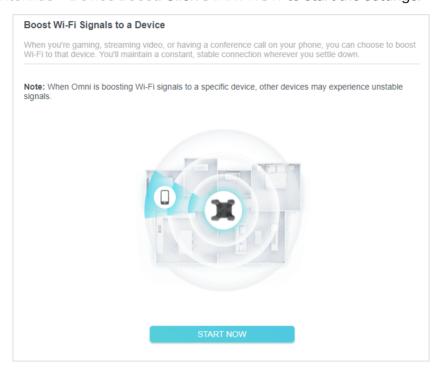
It contains the following sections:

- Device Boost
- Area Boost
- Whole Home Boost
- Advanced Settings

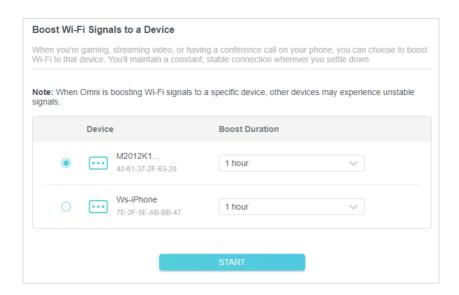
7. 1. Device Boost

When you're gaming, streaming video, or having a conference call on your phone, you can choose to boost Wi-Fi to that device. You'll maintain a constant, stable connection wherever you settle down.

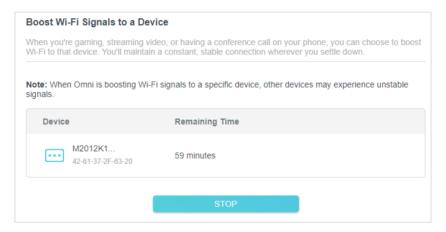
- 1. Visit http://tplinkwifi.net, and log in with your TP-Link ID or the password you set for the router.
- 2. Go to Antennas > Device Boost. Click START NOW to start the settings.



3. Select the specific device you want to improve its Wi-Fi quality, and set the boost duration. Click START, then you will see the antennas will move to boost signals to the direction of the specific device.



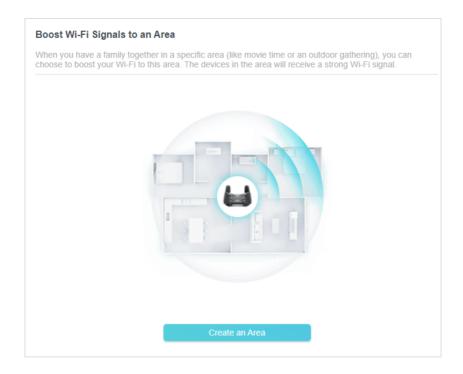
4. You can check the remaining time, or you can click STOP to stop this mode to restore to whole home boost mode.



7. 2. Area Boost

When you have a family together in a specific area (like movie time or an outdoor gathering), you can choose to boost your Wi-Fi to this area. The devices in the area will receive a strong Wi-Fi signal.

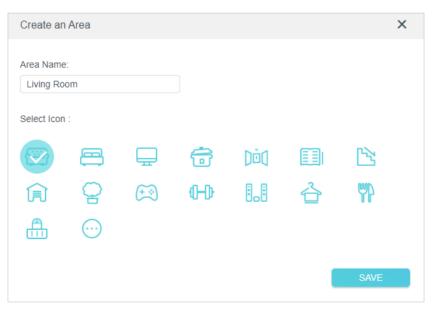
- 1. Visit http://tplinkwifi.net, and log in with your TP-Link ID or the password you set for the router.
- 2. Go to Antennas > Area Boost. Click Create an Area to start the settings.



3. Wait for detecting the area.



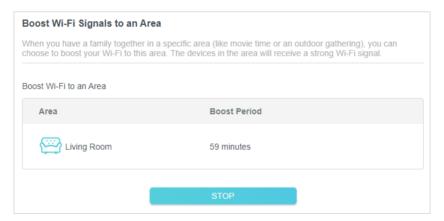
4. Name the area and choose an icon. Click SAVE.



5. Set the boost duration. Click BOOST to boost the signal to the direction of specific area.



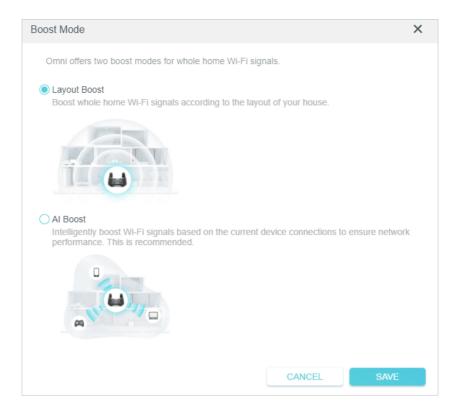
6. You can check the remaining time, or you can click STOP to stop this mode to restore to whole home boost mode.



7.3. Whole Home Boost

Omni offers two boost modes for whole home Wi-Fi signals, Layout Boost and Al Boost. You can choose to boost whole home Wi-Fi signals according to the layout of your house, or choose to intelligently boost Wi-Fi signals based on the current device connections to ensure network performance. This is recommended.

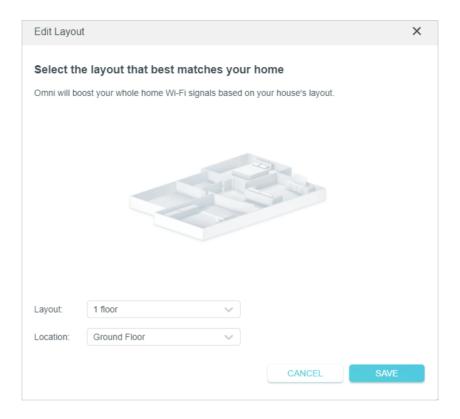
- To set the Layout Boost mode
- 1. Visit http://tplinkwifi.net, and log in with your TP-Link ID or the password you set for the router.
- 2. Go to Antennas > Whole Home Boost. Select the Layout Boost mode.



3. Click START.

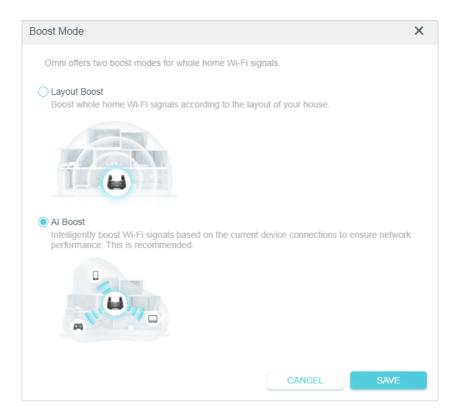


4. Set the layout of your house. Click SAVE.

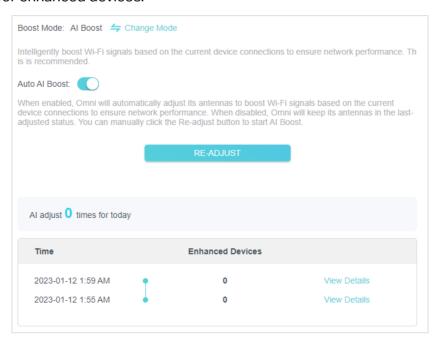


• To set the Al Boost mode

- 1. Visit http://tplinkwifi.net, and log in with your TP-Link ID or the password you set for the router.
- 2. Go to Antennas > Whole Home Boost. Click Change Mode, then select the Al Boost mode.



3. Enable Auto Al Boost. When enabled, Omni will automatically adjust its antennas to boost Wi-Fi signals based on the current device connections to ensure network performance. When disabled, Omni will keep its antennas in the last-adjusted status. You can manually click the RE-ADJUST button to start Al Boost. You can check the details for enhanced devices.



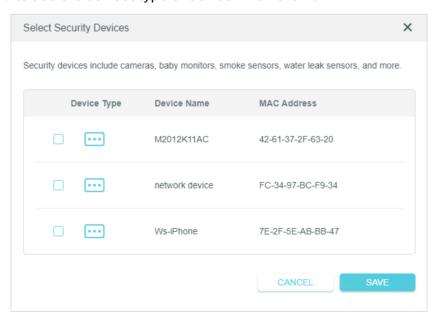
7. 4. Advanced Settings

Identify all of your security and IoT devices to improve the performance of the whole network. We recommend that you identify all of your security and IoT devices, such as baby monitors and security cameras. This helps Omni adopt advanced boost strategies to improve the performance of the whole network, providing a better Wi-Fi boost.

- 1. Visit http://tplinkwifi.net, and log in with your TP-Link ID or the password you set for the router.
- Go to Antennas > Advanced Settings. Select the Security Devices or IoT Devices mode.



3. Click Add to add the correct type of device. Then click SAVE.



Chapter 8

Wireless Settings

This chapter guides you on how to configure the wireless settings.

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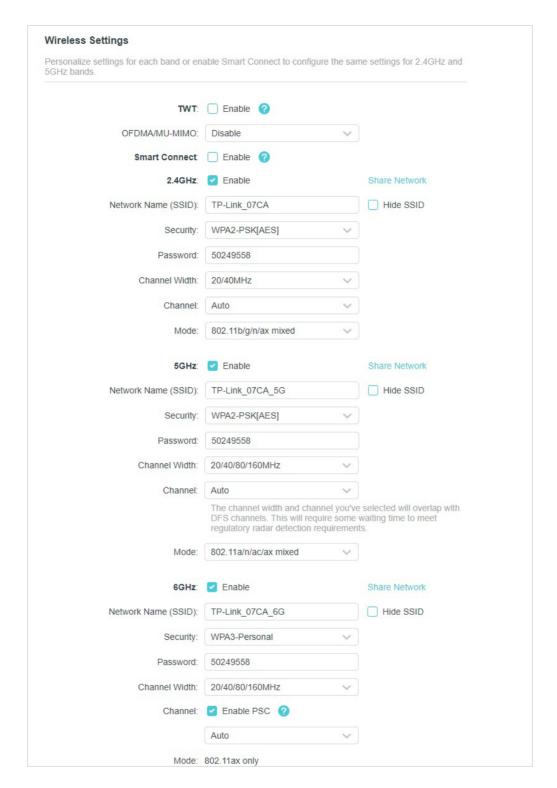
- Specify Wireless Settings
- Schedule Your Wireless Function
- Use WPS for Wireless Connection
- Advanced Wireless Settings

8. 1. Specify Wireless Settings

The router's wireless network names (SSIDs), password, and security option are preset in the factory. The preset SSIDs and password can be found on the label of the router. You can customize the wireless settings according to your needs.

1. Visit http://tplinkwifi.net, and log in with your TP-Link ID or the password you set for the router.

2. Go to Wireless or Advanced > Wireless > Wireless Settings.



• To enable or disable OFDMA:

OFDMA enables multiple users to transmit data simultaneously, and thus greatly improves speed and efficiency. Noted that only when your clients also support OFDMA, can you fully enjoy the benefits. It is disabled by default.

Go to Advanced > Wireless > Wireless Settings.

2. Enable OFDMA+MU-MIMO or OFDMA only.

To enable or disable TWT:

TWT (Target Wake Time) allows 802.11ax routers and clients to negotiate their periods to transmit and receive data packets. Clients only wake up at TWT sessions and remain in sleep mode for the rest of the time, which significantly extend their battery life. It is disabled by default.

- 1. Go to Advanced > Wireless > Wireless Settings.
- 2. Enable TWT.

To use the Smart Connect function:

Smart Connect combines the 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz bands and assigns your devices between them to balance network demands, while leaving the brand-new 6 GHz band exclusive for your Wi-Fi 6E devices to unleash the most out of the latest Wi-Fi.

- 1. Go to Advanced > Wireless > Wireless Settings.
- 2. Enable Smart Connect.



3. Keep the default values or set a new SSID and password, and click SAVE. This SSID and password will be applied for the 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz wireless networks. If you want to configure the wireless settings separately for each band, deselect the checkbox to disable this feature.

To enable or disable the wireless function:

- 1. Go to Wireless or Advanced > Wireless > Wireless Settings.
- 2. The wireless bands are enabled by default. If you want to disable a wireless band, just deselect its Enable checkbox.

To change the wireless network name (SSID) and wireless password:

- 1. Go to Wireless or Advanced > Wireless > Wireless Settings.
- 2. Create a new SSID in Network Name (SSID) and customize the password for the network in Password. The value is case-sensitive.

Note: If you change the wireless settings with a wireless device, you will be disconnected when the settings are effective. Please write down the new SSID and password for future use.

To hide SSID:

- 1. Go to Wireless or Advanced > Wireless > Wireless Settings.
- 2. Select Hide SSID, and your SSID won't display when you scan for local wireless networks on your wireless device and you need to manually join the network.

To change the security option:

- 1. Go to Advanced > Wireless > Wireless Settings.
- 2. Select an option from the Security drop-down list. We recommend you don't change the default settings unless necessary.

To change the transmit power:

- 1. Go to Advanced > Wireless > Wireless Settings.
- 2. Select an option from the Transmit Power drop-down list: High, Middle or Low. The default and recommended setting is High.

To change channel settings:

- 1. Go to Advanced > Wireless > Wireless Settings.
- 2. Select a Channel Width (bandwidth) for the wireless network. It is recommended to just leave it as default.
- 3. Select an operating Channel for the wireless network. It is recommended to leave the channel to Auto if you are not experiencing the intermittent wireless connection issue.

For the 6 GHz network, you can select the Enable PSC checkbox. When PSC (Preferred Scanning Channel) is enabled, only channels with higher connectivity will be reserved to ensure 6 GHz device connections.

To change the transmission mode:

- 1. Go to Advanced > Wireless > Wireless Settings.
- 2. For the 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz networks, disable Smart Connect, then select a transmission Mode according to your wireless client devices. It is recommended to just leave it as default.

The 6 GHz network only supports 802.11ax mode, which cannot be changed.

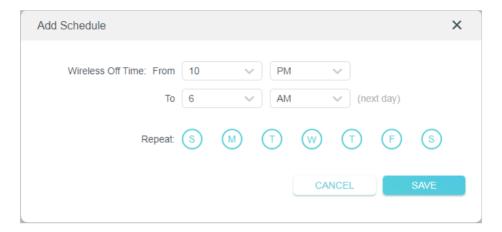
8. 2. Schedule Your Wireless Function

The wireless network can be automatically off at a specific time when you do not need the wireless connection.

- 1. Visit http://tplinkwifi.net, and log in with your TP-Link ID or the password you set for the router.
- 2. Go to Advanced > Wireless > Wireless Schedule.
- 3. Enable the Wireless Schedule feature.



4. Click Add to specify a wireless off period during which you need the wireless off automatically, and click SAVE.



Note:

- The Effective Time Schedule is based on the time of the router. You can go to Advanced > System > Time & Language to modify the time.
- The wireless network will be automatically turned on after the time period you set.

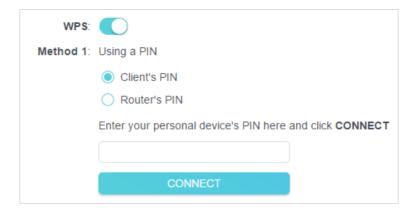
8. 3. Use WPS for Wireless Connection

Wi-Fi Protected Setup (WPS) provides an easier approach to set up a security-protected Wi-Fi connection.

- 1. Visit http://tplinkwifi.net, and log in with your TP-Link ID or the password you set for the router.
- 2. Make sure the Wi-Fi of your router is on and go to Advanced > Wireless > WPS.

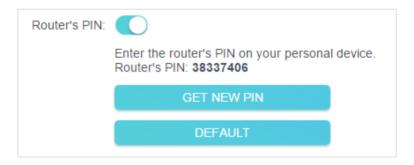
8. 3. 1. Connect via the Client's PIN

Enter the PIN of your device and click Connect. Then your device will get connected to the router.



8. 3. 2. Connect via the Router's PIN

Select Router's PIN in Method 1 to enable Router's PIN. You can use the default PIN or generate a new one.



Note:

PIN (Personal Identification Number) is an eight-character identification number preset to each router. WPS supported devices can connect to your router with the PIN. The default PIN is printed on the label of the router.

8. 3. 3. Push the WPS Button

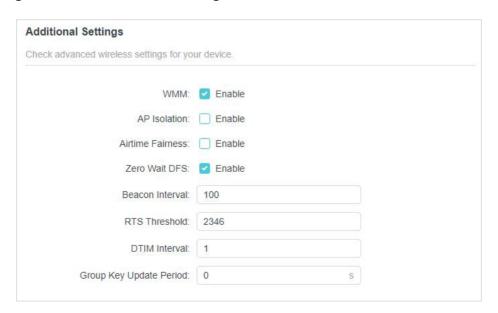
Click Start on the screen or directly press the router's WPS button. Within two minutes, enable WPS on your personal device. Success will appear on the screen and the WPS LED of the router should change from flashing to solid on, indicating successful WPS connection.



8. 4. Advanced Wireless Settings

Check advanced wireless settings for your device.

- 1. Visit http://tplinkwifi.net, and log in with your TP-Link ID or the password you set for the router.
- 2. Go to Advanced > Wireless > Additional Settings.
- 3. Configure advanced wireless settings.



 WMM - WMM function can guarantee the packets with high-priority messages being transmitted preferentially.

• AP Isolation - This function isolates all connected wireless stations so that wireless stations cannot access each other through WLAN.

- Airtime Fairness This function can improve the overall network performance by sacrificing a little bit of network time on your slow devices.
- Zero Wait DFS Zero Wait DFS (Dynamic Frequency Selection) allows the router to immediately reselect a new channel once the radar signal is detected on a channel allocated to radar devices to ensure lag-free network experience.
- Beacon Interval Enter a value between 40 and 1000 in milliseconds to determine the duration between beacon packets that are broadcasted by the router to synchronize the wireless network. The default value is 100 milliseconds.
- RTS Threshold- Enter a value between 1 and 2346 to determine the packet size of data transmission through the router. By default, the RTS (Request to Send) Threshold size is 2346. If the packet size is greater than the preset threshold, the router will send RTS frames to a particular receiving station and negotiate the sending of a data frame.
- DTIM Interval The value determines the interval of DTIM (Delivery Traffic Indication Message). Enter a value between 1 and 15 intervals. The default value is 1, which indicates the DTIM Interval is the same as Beacon Interval.
- Group Key Update Period Enter a number of seconds (minimum 30) to control the time interval for the encryption key automatic renewal. The default value is 0, meaning no key renewal.

Chapter 9

Guest Network

This function allows you to provide Wi-Fi access for guests without disclosing your main network. When you have guests in your house, apartment, or workplace, you can create a guest network for them. In addition, you can customize guest network options to ensure network security and privacy.

It contains the following sections:

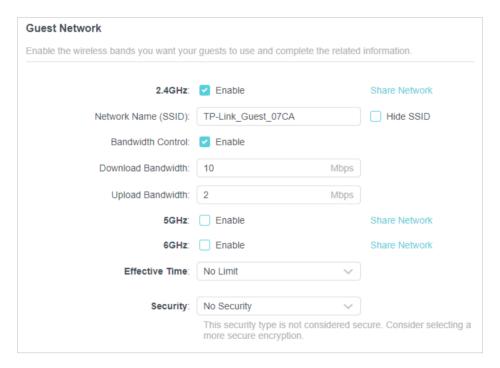
- Create a Network for Guests
- Customize Guest Network Options

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9. 1. Create a Network for Guests

1. Visit http://tplinkwifi.net, and log in with your TP-Link ID or the password you set for the router.

- 2. Go to Advanced > Wireless > Guest Network or click Wireless on the top page. Locate the Guest Network section.
- 3. Create a guest network as needed.
 - 1) Tick the Enable checkbox for the 2.4GHz, 5 GHz-1, 5GHz-2 or 6GHz wireless network.
 - 2) Customize the SSID. Don't select Hide SSID unless you want your guests to manually input the SSID for guest network access.
 - 3) Enable Bandwidth Control if you want to limit the network speed of your guests. Then enter the limited bandwidth value.
 - 4) Set the effective time to keep the guest network.
 - 5) Select the Security type and customize your own password. If No security is selected, no password is needed to access your guest network.



- 4. Click SAVE. Now your guests can access your guest network using the SSID and password you set!
- 5. You can also click Sharing Network to share the SSID and password to your guests.

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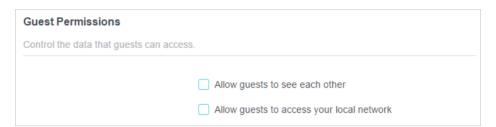


@ Tips

To view guest network information, go to Network Map and locate the Guest Network section. You can turn on or off the guest network function conveniently.

9. 2. Customize Guest Network Options

- 1. Visit http://tplinkwifi.net, and log in with your TP-Link ID or the password you set for the router.
- 2. Go to Advanced > Wireless > Guest Network, Locate the Guest Permissions section.
- 3. Customize guest network options according to your needs.



Allow guests to see each other

Tick this checkbox if you want to allow the wireless clients on your guest network to communicate with each other via methods such as network neighbors and Ping.

Allow guests to access your local network

Tick this checkbox if you want to allow the wireless clients on your guest network to communicate with the devices connected to your router's LAN ports or main network via methods such as network neighbors and Ping.

4. Click SAVE. Now you can ensure network security and privacy!

Chapter 10

USB Settings

This chapter describes how to use the USB ports to share files and media from the USB storage devices over your home network locally, or remotely through the internet.

The router supports USB external flash drives and hard drives.

It contains the following sections:

- Access the USB Storage Device
- Media Sharing
- Time Machine

10. 1. Access the USB Storage Device

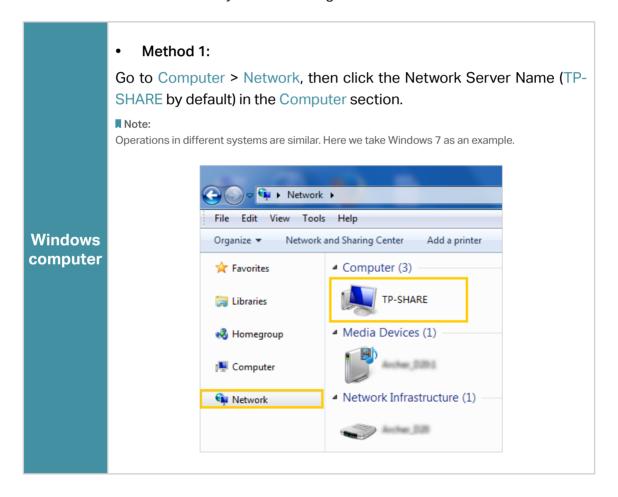
Insert your USB storage device into the router's USB port and then access files stored there locally or remotely.

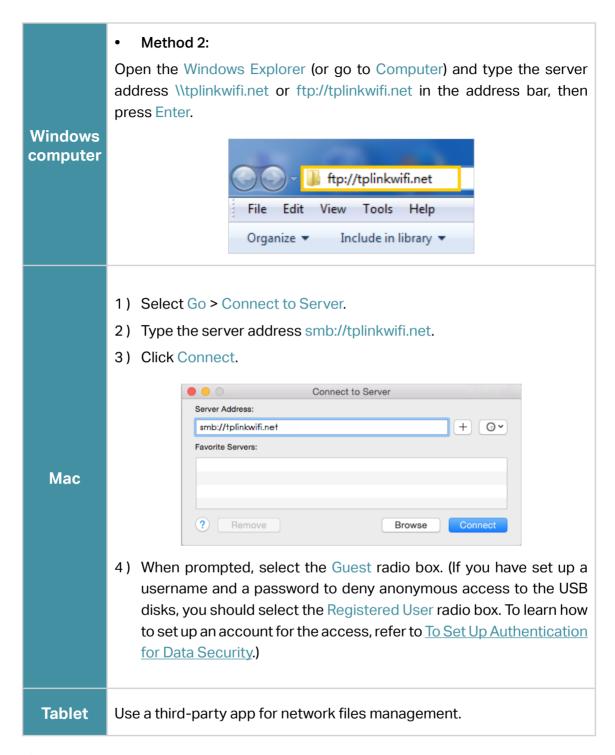
Tips:

- If you use USB hubs, make sure no more than 4 devices are connected to the router.
- If the USB storage device requires using bundled external power, make sure the external power has been connected.
- If you use a USB hard drive, make sure its file system is FAT32, exFat, NTFS or HFS+.
- Before you physically disconnect a USB device from the router, safely remove it to avoid data damage: Go to Advanced > USB > USB Storage Device and click Remove.

10. 1. 1. Access the USB Device Locally

Insert your USB storage device into the router's USB port and then refer to the following table to access files stored on your USB storage device.





Tips

You can also access your USB storage device by using your Network/Media Server Name as the server address. Refer to <u>To Customize the Address of the USB Storage Device</u> to learn more.

10. 1. 2. Access the USB Device Remotely

You can access your USB disk outside the local area network. For example, you can:

• Share photos and other large files with your friends without logging in to (and paying for) a photo-sharing site or email system.

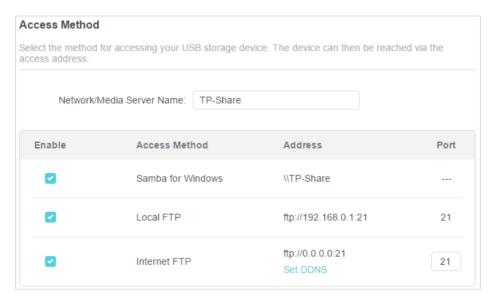
- Get a safe backup for the materials for a presentation.
- Remove the files on your camera's memory card from time to time during the journey.

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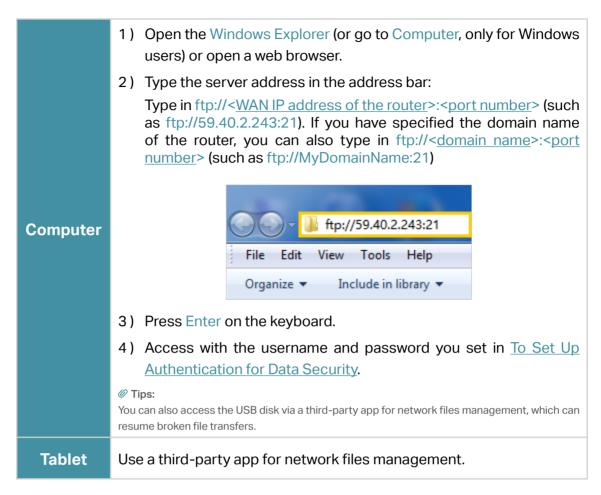
If your ISP assigns a private WAN IP address (such as 192.168.x.x or 10.x.x.x), you cannot use this feature because private addresses are not routed on the internet.

Follow the steps below to configure remote access settings.

- Visit http://tplinkwifi.net, and log in with your TP-Link ID or the password you set for the router.
- 2. Go to Advanced > USB > USB Storage Device.
- 3. Tick the Internet FTP checkbox, and then click SAVE.



4. Refer to the following table to access your USB disk remotely.



Tips:

Click Set Up a Dynamic DNS Service Account to learn how to set up a domain name for you router.

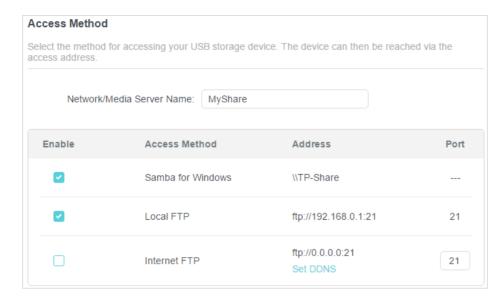
10. 1. 3. Customize the Access Settings

By default, all the network clients can access all folders on your USB disk. You can customize your sharing settings by setting a sharing account, sharing specific contents and setting a new sharing address on the router's web management page.

- 1. Visit http://tplinkwifi.net, and log in with your TP-Link ID or the password you set for the router.
- 2. Go to Advanced > USB > USB Storage Device.
- To Customize the Address of the USB Storage Device

You can customize the server name and use the name to access your USB storage device.

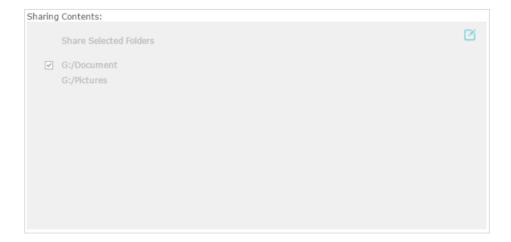
1. In the Access Method session, make sure Samba for Windows is ticked, and enter a Network/Media Server Name as you like, such as MyShare, then click SAVE.



2. Now you can access the USB storage device by visiting \\MyShare (for Windows) or smb://MyShare (for Mac).

• To Only Share Specific Content

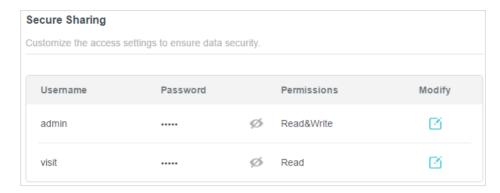
Focus on the File Sharing section. Specify sharing folders that you want to share and click SAVE.



To Set Up Authentication for Data Security

You can set up authentication for your USB storage device so that network clients will be required to enter username and password when accessing the USB storage device.

1. In the File Sharing section, enable Secure Sharing.



2. Click ☑ to modify the access account. The username and password are both admin for default administrator account, and both visit for default visitor account. Accessing as an administrator can read and modify the shared folders while visitors can only read the shared folders.

Note:

- 1. For Windows users, do not set the sharing username the same as the Windows username. Otherwise, Windows credential mechanism may cause the following problems:
 - If the sharing password is also the same as the Windows password, authentication will not work since the Windows
 will automatically use its account information for USB access.
 - If the sharing password is different from the Windows password, the Windows will be unable to remember your credentials and you will always be required to enter the sharing password for USB access.
- 2. Due to Windows credential mechanism, you might be unable to access the USB disk after changing Authentication settings. Please log out from the Windows and try to access again. Or you can change the address of the USB disk by referring to To Customize the Address of the USB Storage Device.

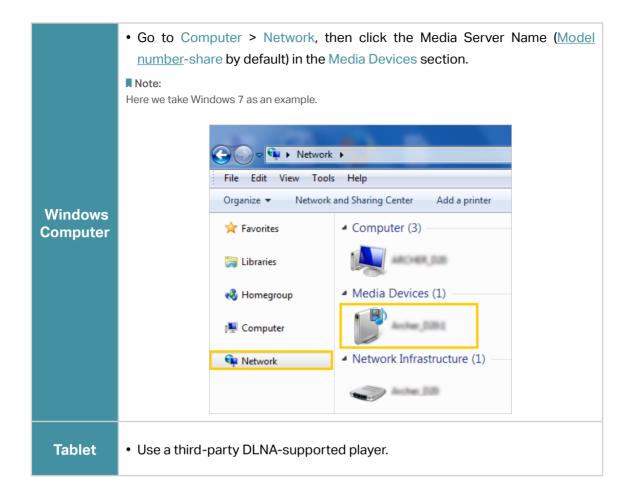
10. 2. Media Sharing

The feature of Media Sharing allows you to view photos, play music and watch movies stored on the USB storage device directly from DLNA-supported devices, such as your computer, tablet and PS2/3/4.

- 1. Visit http://tplinkwifi.net, and log in with your TP-Link ID or the password you set for the router.
- 2. Go to Advanced > USB > USB Storage Device.
- 3. Enable Media Sharing.



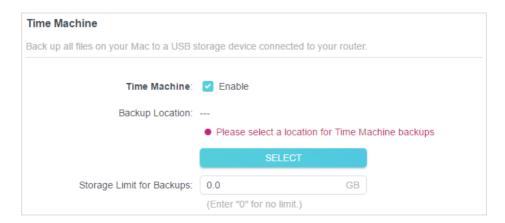
- **4.** When your USB storage device is inserted into the router, your DLNA-supported devices (such as your computer and pad) connected to the router can detect and play the media files on the USB storage devices.
- **5.** Refer to the following table for detailed instructions.



10.3. Time Machine

Time Machine backs up all files on your Mac computer to a USB storage device connected to your router.

- Visit http://tplinkwifi.net, and log in with your TP-Link ID or the password you set for the router.
- 2. Go to Advanced > USB > Time Machine.



- 3. Tick the checkbox to enable Time Machine.
- 4. Click Select to select a location for Time Machine backups.
- 5. Set the Size Limit for Backups.

Note: 0 means no limit for the space.

6. Click SAVE.

Chapter 11

HomeShield

Customize your home network with enhanced security using a kit of features built in TP-Link HomeShield. Whether protecting your sensitive data or limiting the access of kids and guests, TP-Link HomeShield provides you the tools you need to fully manage your network.

It contains the following sections:

- Network Check
- Parental Controls
- QoS
- More Features

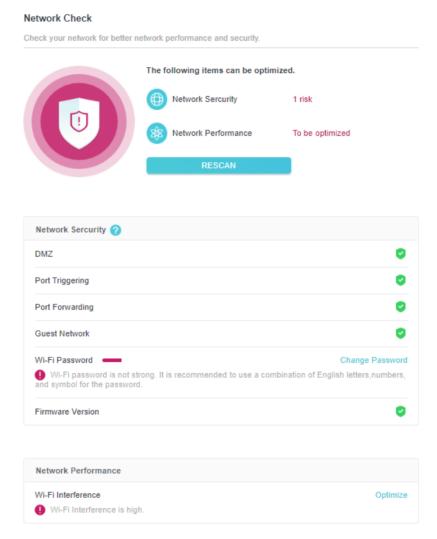
*For an easier way to check your home network protection system, you can download the Tether app to enjoy full Homeshield Pro feature.

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11. 1. Network Check

Scan your whole network to help analyze and optimize your network.

- 1. Visit http://tplinkwifi.net, and log in with your TP-Link ID or the password you set for the router.
- 2. Go to Advanced > HomeShield > Network Check.
- 3. Click SCAN.
- 4. Optimize your network according to the tips.



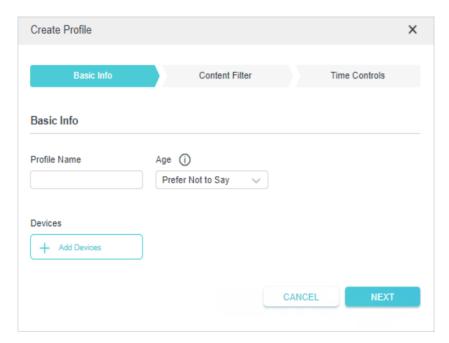
11. 2. Parental Controls

Parental Controls allows you to set up unique restrictions on internet access for each member of your family. You can block inappropriate content, set daily limits for the total time spent online and restrict internet access to certain times of the day.

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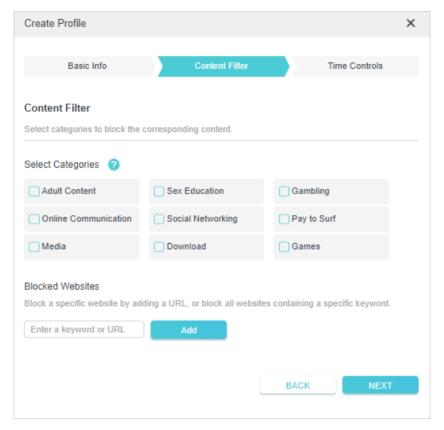
1. Visit http://tplinkwifi.net, and log in with your TP-Link ID or the password you set for the router.

- 2. Go to Advanced > HomeShield > Parental Controls.
- 3. Click Add to create a profile for a family member.
- 4. Add basic profile information.



- 1) Enter a Name for the profile to make it easier to identify. Set the age to get the corresponding filter level.
- 2) Under Devices, click + .
- 3) Select the devices that belong to this family member. Access restrictions will be applied to these devices. Click Add when finished.
- Note: Only devices that have previously been connected to your router's network are listed here. If you are unable to find the device you want to add, connect it to your network and then try again.
- 4) Click NEXT
- 5. Block content for this profile.

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- 1) Select the content categories to block in the Content Filter list.
- 2) You can also block a specific website. Enter a keyword (for example, "Facebook") or a URL (for example, "www.facebook.com"), then click Add.
- 3) Click NEXT.
- 6. Set time restrictions on internet access.