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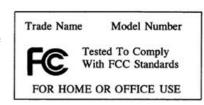
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Preface

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Your ZyXEL Device is easy to install and configure. This User's Guide is designed to guide you through the configuration of your ZyXEL Device using the web configurator.

Related Documentation

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Refer to the included CD for support documents.

· Quick Start Guide

The Quick Start Guide is designed to help you get up and running right away. It contains hardware installation/connection information.

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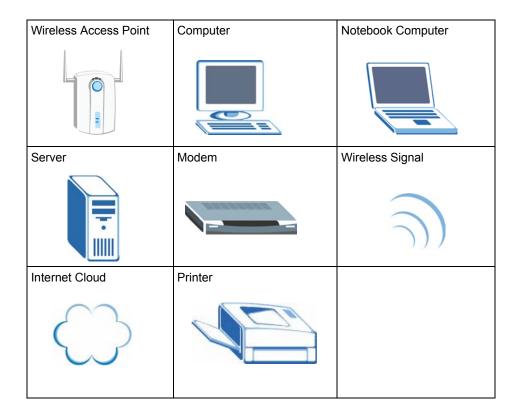
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- "Enter" means for you to type one or more characters. "Select" or "Choose" means for you to use one predefined choice.
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- "e.g.," is a shorthand for "for instance", and "i.e.," means "that is" or "in other words".
- The G-470 802.11g Wireless Ethernet Adapter may be referred to as the ZyXEL Device in this user's guide.

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CHAPTER 1 Getting Started

This chapter introduces the ZyXEL Device and prepares you to use the Web Configurator.

1.1 About Your ZyXEL Device

The G-470 is an IEEE 802.11g compliant wireless LAN Ethernet adapter.

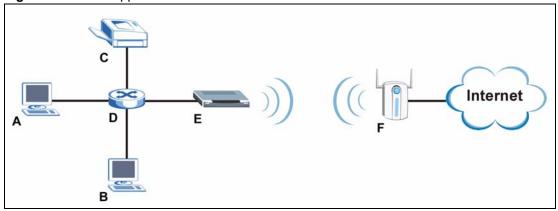
It acts as a bridge between your computer and a wireless network access point (AP) as in the following diagram, where **A** is your computer, **B** is the ZyXEL Device and **C** is the access point.

Figure 1 Device application: Basic



You can also use the ZyXEL Device to connect your home or small office network to a wireless network access point (AP) as in the following diagram, where **A** and **B** are your computers, **C** is your network printer, **D** is your Ethernet switch, **E** is the ZyXEL Device and **F** is the access point. When using a switch or router, up to sixteen network devices can access the Internet through the ZyXEL Device at any one time.

Figure 2 Device Application: Home Network



With the ZyXEL Device, you can enjoy wireless mobility within the coverage area.

The following lists the main features of your ZyXEL Device. See the product specifications in the appendix for detailed features.

Hardware

An external antenna.

Lights to indicate power, device status, LAN status, WLAN status and link quality.

Easy, driver-free installation.

Wireless LAN

Your device can communicate with other IEEE 802.11b/g compliant wireless devices.

Automatic data rate selection.

Roaming capability.

Ethernet

A built-in RJ-45 Ethernet port that connects to any Ethernet device.

DHCP client support.

Power over Ethernet (PoE) support.

Management

The ZyXEL Device allows you to locate and configure the device from any computer on the network.

Embedded web-based configurator.

Firmware upgradeable.

Security

Offers 64-bit and 128-bit WEP (Wired Equivalent Privacy) data encryption for network security.

Supports IEEE802.1x, Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA) and WPA2.

Password-protected management interface.

1.1.1 ZyXEL Device Hardware Installation

• Follow the instructions in the Quick Start Guide to make hardware connections.

Figure 3 The ZyXEL Device: Front Panel



The following table describes the front panel of the ZyXEL Device.

 Table 1
 The ZyXEL Device: Front Panel Lights.

LIGHT	STATUS	DESCRIPTION
POWER	The light is on.	The power is on.
	The light is off.	The power is off.
STATUS	The light is off.	The device is ready.
	The light is blinking orange.	The device is not ready, or is rebooting.
LAN	The light is on.	Ethernet is connected.
	The light is blinking.	Ethernet is connected, and is sending or receiving data.
	The light is off.	Ethernet is not connected.
WLAN	The light is on.	The device is connected to the wireless network.
	The light is blinking.	The device is scanning for an access point (AP).
	The light is off.	The device is not connected to the wireless network.
SIGNAL	The blinking frequency of the SIGNA	L light indicates the quality of the wireless signal.
	The light is steady on.	Signal strength is 80% or more.
	The light is blinking once a second.	Signal strength is between 60 and 79%.
	The light is blinking twice a second.	Signal strength is between 30 and 59%.
	The light is blinking four times a	Signal strength is below 29%.
	second.	
	The light is off.	The wireless network is not connected.

Figure 4 The ZyXEL Device: Rear Panel



The following table describes the rear panel of the ZyXEL Device.

Table 2 The ZyXEL Device: Rear Panel Connections

LABEL	DESCRIPTION
1	External antenna connector (R-SMA type)
2	Reset button
3	ETHERNET port
4	POWER socket

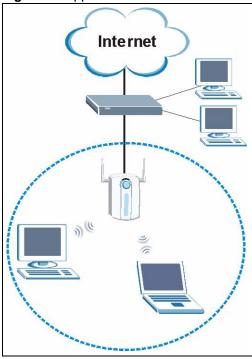
1.1.2 Application Overview

This section describes some network applications for the ZyXEL Device.

1.1.2.1 Infrastructure

Infrastructure mode allows your ZyXEL Device to connect to a network via an access point (AP). Through the AP, you can access the Internet or the wired network behind the AP.

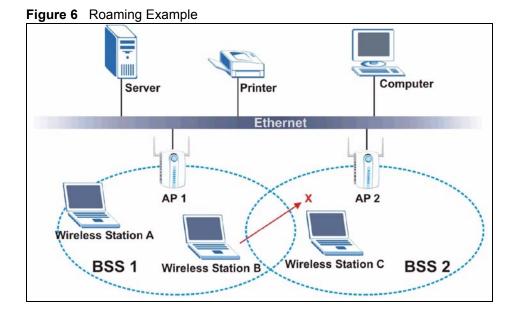
Figure 5 Application: Infrastructure



1.1.2.2 Roaming

In an infrastructure network, wireless stations are able to switch from one BSS to another as they move between the coverage areas. During this period, the wireless stations maintain uninterrupted connection to the network. This is known as roaming. As the wireless station moves from place to place, it is responsible for choosing the most appropriate AP depending on the signal strength, network utilization or other factors.

The following figure depicts a roaming example. When Wireless Station **B** moves to position **X**, its wireless device automatically switches the channel to the one used by access point **AP 2** in order to stay connected to the network.



CHAPTER 2 Tutorial

2.1 Connecting to an Access Point

This example shows you how to connect your ZyXEL Device to an access point (AP) configured for WPA-PSK security, in order to access the Internet.

In the following diagram, your computer is labeled A, the ZyXEL Device is labeled B and the access point is labeled C.



2.1.1 Before You Start

Before you connect to the AP, you must know its Service Set IDentity (SSID) and WPA-PSK pre-shared key.

In this example, the AP's SSID is "AP6" and its pre-shared key is "ThisismyWPA-PSKpre-sharedkey".

Connect your ZyXEL Device to your computer's Ethernet port and set your computer's IP address as shown in the Quick Start Guide.

2.1.2 The Web Configurator

Use the following steps to set up your Internet connection using the Web Configurator.

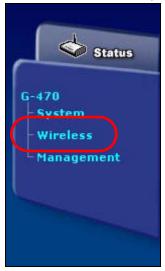
1 Open your Internet browser and enter 192.168.1.11 in the Address (URL) bar.

Address 192.168.1.11

2 The **Login** screen appears. Enter **admin** as the username and **1234** as the password, then click **Login**.



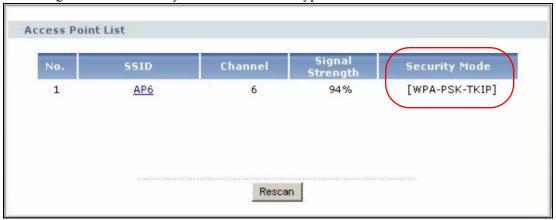
3 In the Status screen, click on Wireless.



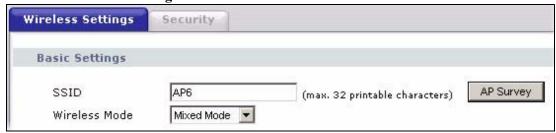
Wireless Settings Security **Basic Settings** SSID AP Survey (max. 32 printable characters) Wireless Mode Mixed Mode 💌 Clone Mac Address G Disable C Auto-Single C Auto-Multi C Manual Clone MAC Address **Advanced Settings** Radio Enable € Yes C No Output Power Management Data Rate Management best Preamble Type RTS/CTS Threshold 2345 $(0 \sim 2345)$ Fragmentation Threshold (256~2340) Apply Reset

4 The **Wireless Settings** screen appears. Click **AP Survey** to search for available wireless access points.

The **Access Point List** screen displays. The **Security Mode** entry shows that AP6 is using WPA-PSK security with TKIP data encryption.



5 Click on the **AP6** entry. The **AP Survey** window closes, and the entry **AP6** now appears in the **Wireless Settings** screen's **SSID** field.

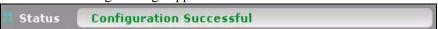


6 In the Wireless Settings screen's Advanced Settings section, ensure that Radio Enable is checked Yes.

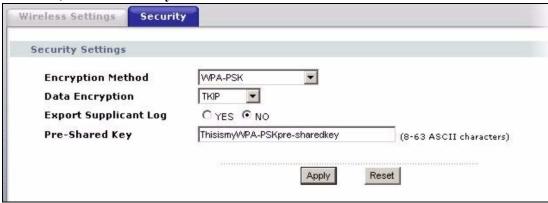


7 Click **Apply** to save your wireless settings.

The following message appears in the Status bar.



8 Next, click the **Security** tab.



In the **Security** screen, select **WPA-PSK** from the **Encryption Method** menu. Select **TKIP** from the **Data Encryption** menu. Enter your PSK "ThisismyWPA-pre-sharedkey" in the **Pre-Shared Key** box and click **Apply**.

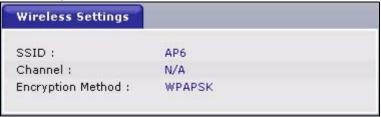
The following message appears in the **Status** bar.



The ZyXEL Device automatically tries to connect to the AP using your settings. The following message then appears in the **Link Status** bar.



9 Go back to the **Status** screen, and check that your wireless settings are correctly configured.



Enter a web site's URL in your Internet browser's address bar.



If you are able to access the web site, your wireless connection is successfully configured. Go back to the Web Configurator and log out ().

If you cannot access the web site, check the Troubleshooting section of this User's Guide or contact your network administrator.

CHAPTER 3 Wireless LAN Network

This chapter provides background information on wireless LAN networks.

3.1 Wireless LAN Overview

The following figure provides an example of a wireless network with an AP.

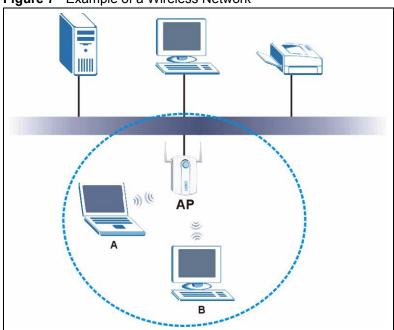


Figure 7 Example of a Wireless Network

The wireless network is the part in the blue circle. In this wireless network, devices **A** and **B** are called wireless clients. The wireless clients use the access point (AP) to interact with other devices (such as the printer) or with the Internet

Every wireless network must follow these basic guidelines.

- Every device in the same wireless network must use the same SSID.
 The SSID is the name of the wireless network. It stands for Service Set IDentity.
- If two wireless networks overlap, they should use a different channel.
 Like radio stations or television channels, each wireless network uses a specific channel, or frequency, to send and receive information.

• Every device in the same wireless network must use security compatible with the AP or peer computer.

Security stops unauthorized devices from using the wireless network. It can also protect the information that is sent in the wireless network.

3.2 Wireless LAN Security

Wireless LAN security is vital to your network to protect wireless communications.

If you do not enable any wireless security on your ZyXEL Device, the ZyXEL Device's wireless communications are accessible to any wireless networking device that is in the coverage area. See Section 6.4 on page 61 for more information on configuring wireless security for your device.

3.2.1 User Authentication and Encryption

User authentication is when every user must log in to the wireless network before they can use it. However, every wireless client in the wireless network has to support IEEE 802.1x to do this.

Wireless networks can use encryption to protect the information that is sent in the wireless network. Encryption is like a secret code. If you do not know the secret code, you cannot understand the message.

3.2.1.1 Certificates

Your ZyXEL Device can use certificates (also called digital IDs) for user authentication. Certificates are based on public-private key pairs. A certificate contains the certificate owner's identity and public key. Certificates provide a way to exchange public keys for use in authentication.

A Certification Authority (CA) issues certificates and guarantees the identity of each certificate owner. There are commercial certification authorities like CyberTrust or VeriSign and government certification authorities.

In public-key encryption and decryption, each host has two keys. One key is public and can be made openly available; the other key is private and must be kept secure. Public-key encryption in general works as follows.

- 1 Tim wants to send a private message to Jenny. Tim generates a public key pair. What is encrypted with one key can only be decrypted using the other.
- **2** Tim keeps the private key and makes the public key openly available.
- **3** Tim uses his private key to encrypt the message and sends it to Jenny.
- **4** Jenny receives the message and uses Tim's public key to decrypt it.

5 Additionally, Jenny uses her own private key to encrypt a message and Tim uses Jenny's public key to decrypt the message.

The certification authority uses its private key to sign certificates. Anyone can then use the certification authority's public key to verify the certificates.

3.2.1.2 WEP

3.2.1.2.1 Data Encryption

WEP (Wired Equivalent Privacy) encryption scrambles all data packets transmitted between the ZyXEL Device and the AP or other wireless stations to keep network communications private. Both the wireless stations and the access points must use the same WEP key for data encryption and decryption.

There are two ways to create WEP keys in your ZyXEL Device.

- Automatic WEP key generation based on a "password phrase" called a passphrase. The passphrase is case sensitive. You must use the same passphrase for all WLAN adapters with this feature in the same WLAN.
 - For WLAN adapters without the passphrase feature, you can still take advantage of this feature by writing down the four automatically generated WEP keys from the Security Settings screen of the ZyXEL utility and entering them manually as the WEP keys in the other WLAN adapter(s).
- Enter the WEP keys manually.
 - Your ZyXEL Device allows you to configure up to four 64-bit or 128-bit WEP keys. Only one key is used as the default key at any one time.

3.2.1.2.2 Authentication Type

The IEEE 802.11b/g standard describes a simple authentication method between the wireless stations and AP. Three authentication types are defined: **Auto**, **Open System** and **Shared Kev**.

- Open System mode is implemented for ease-of-use and when security is not an issue. The wireless station and the AP or peer computer do not share a secret key (WEP key). Thus the wireless stations can associate with any AP or peer computer and listen to any transmitted data that is not encrypted.
- Shared Key mode involves a shared secret key (WEP key) to authenticate the wireless station to the AP or peer computer. This requires you to enable the wireless LAN security and use same settings on both the wireless station and the AP or peer computer.
- Auto authentication mode allows the ZyXEL Device to switch between the open system and shared key modes automatically. Use the auto mode if you do not know the authentication mode of the other wireless stations.

3.2.1.3 IEEE 802.1x

The IEEE 802.1x standard outlines enhanced security methods for both the authentication of wireless stations and encryption key management. Authentication can be done using an external RADIUS server.

3.2.1.3.1 EAP Authentication

EAP (Extensible Authentication Protocol) is an authentication protocol that runs on top of the IEEE 802.1x transport mechanism in order to support multiple types of user authentication. By using EAP to interact with an EAP-compatible RADIUS server, an access point helps a wireless station and a RADIUS server perform authentication.

The type of authentication you use depends on the RADIUS server and an intermediary AP(s) that supports IEEE 802.1x. The ZyXEL Device supports EAP-TLS, EAP-TTLS and EAP-PEAP. Refer to the Wireless Security appendix for descriptions.

For EAP-TLS authentication type, you must first have a wired connection to the network and obtain the certificate(s) from a certificate authority (CA). A certificate (also called a digital ID) can be used to authenticate users, and a CA issues certificates and guarantees the identity of each certificate owner.

3.2.1.4 WPA

Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA) is a subset of the IEEE 802.11i standard.

WPA improves data encryption by using Temporal Key Integrity Protocol (TKIP), Message Integrity Check (MIC) and IEEE 802.1x. WPA and WPA2 use Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) in the Counter mode with Cipher block chaining Message authentication code Protocol (CCMP) to offer stronger encryption than TKIP.

Select WEP only when the AP does not support WPA. WEP is less secure than WPA.

3.2.1.5 WPA2

WPA 2 (IEEE 802.11i) is a wireless security standard that defines stronger encryption, authentication and key management than WPA.

CHAPTER 4 Introducing the Web Configurator

This chapter shows you how to configure the ZyXEL Device using the embedded web configurator.

4.1 Web Configurator Overview

The embedded web configurator allows you to manage the ZyXEL Device from anywhere through a browser such as Microsoft Internet Explorer or Netscape Navigator. Use Internet Explorer 6.0 and later or Netscape Navigator 7.0 and later versions with JavaScript enabled. It is recommended that you set your screen resolution to 1024 by 768 pixels.

In order to use the web configurator you need to allow:

- Web browser pop-up windows from your device. Web pop-up blocking is enabled by default in Windows XP SP (Service Pack) 2.
- JavaScripts (enabled by default).
- Java permissions (enabled by default).

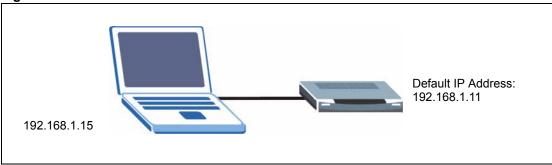
See the chapter on troubleshooting if you need to make sure these functions are allowed in Internet Explorer.

4.1.1 Setting Up Your Computer's IP Address

You must prepare your computer / computer network to connect to the ZyXEL Device. Your computer's IP address and subnet mask must be on the same subnet as the ZyXEL Device. This can be done by setting up your computer's IP address.

The following figure shows you an example of accessing your ZyXEL Device via a wired connection with an Ethernet cable.

Figure 8 Wired Connection



Note: Skip this section if your computer's IP address is already between 192.168.1.12 and 192.168.1.254 with subnet mask 255.255.255.0.

Your computer must have a network card and TCP/IP installed. TCP/IP should already be installed on computers using Windows NT/2000/XP, Macintosh OS 7 and later operating systems. Refer to the appendix about setting up your computer's IP address for other operating systems.

4.1.1.1 Windows 2000/NT/XP

The following example figures use the default Windows XP GUI theme. For details on setting up your computer's IP address using other operating systems, refer to the appendices.

- 1 Click start (Start in Windows 2000/NT) > Settings > Control Panel.
- 2 In the Control Panel, double-click Network Connections (Network and Dial-up Connections in Windows 2000/NT).

Figure 9 Control Panel



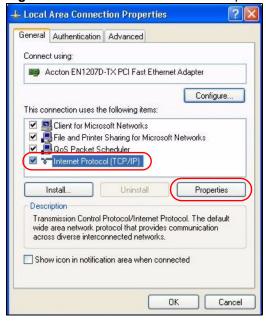
3 Right-click Local Area Connection and then Properties.

Figure 10 Network Connection



4 Select **Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)** and then click **Properties**.

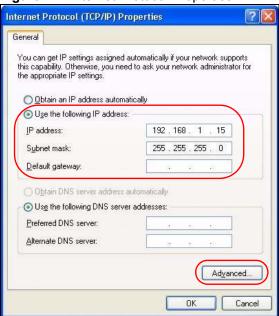
Figure 11 Local Area Connection Properties



- **5** Select **Use the following IP Address** and fill in an **IP address** (between 192.168.1.12 and 192.168.1.254).
- Type 255.255.255.0 as the **Subnet mask**.
- Click Advanced¹.

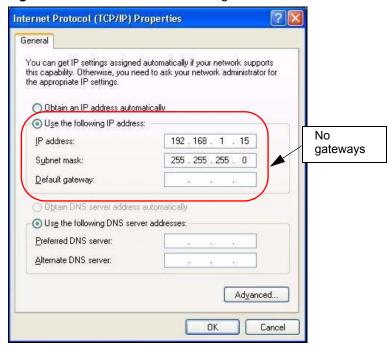
^{1.} See the appendices for information on configuring DNS server addresses.

Figure 12 Internet Protocol Properties



6 Remove any previously installed gateways in the **IP Settings** tab and click **OK** to go back to the **Internet Protocol TCP/IP Properties** screen.

Figure 13 Advanced TCP/IP Settings



- 7 Click OK to close the Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) Properties window.
- **8** Click Close (OK in Windows 2000/NT) to close the Local Area Connection Properties window.

Close the **Network Connections** window (**Network and Dial-up Connections** in Windows 2000/NT).

4.2 Accessing the Web Configurator

Follow the steps below to access the web configurator using a web browser.

- **1** Make sure your ZyXEL Device is properly connected and prepare your computer/ network to connect to the G-470.
- **2** Launch your web browser.
- **3** Type http://192.168.1.11 (default) as the URL and press [ENTER].



4 A login screen displays as shown.

Figure 14 Web Configurator: Login Screen



5 Enter **admin** (default) as the username and **1234** (default) as the password and click **Login**.

The **Status** screen displays.

4.2.1 The Status Screen

The **Status** screen displays every time you access the web configurator and can also be accessed by clicking on the **Status** icon. The Status screen displays a snapshot of your device's settings. You can also view network statistics and a list of wireless stations currently associated with your device. Note that these labels are READ-ONLY and are meant to be used for diagnostic purposes.

Figure 15 Web Configurator: the Status icon



This screen shows the current configuration of your ZyXEL Device.

ZyXEL > Status Refresh Interval : None • Status Device Information IP Settir Click the Logout icon at any time IP Addres to exit the web configurator. ZyXELG-470 Operation Mode : MAC Address : Client 00:03:7F:BE:F0:18 Subnet M Gateway IP Address : 0.0.0.0 V1.00 (ZK0) b2.0 Wireless Settings Summary View Statistics 🖏 SSID: ZyXEL Use Channel: submenus Encryption Method: Disabled to configure the ZyXEL Device Status Ready Link Status Connect Successfully!!

Figure 16 Web Configurator: the Status screen

The following table describes the labels in this screen.

 Table 3
 Web Configurator: the Status screen

LINK/ICON		FUNCTION	
Wizard 💎		Use these screens for initial configuration including general setup, wireless and security settings.	
About		Click this icon to see details about your ZyXEL Device.	
Logout 🔃		Click this icon to exit the web configurator.	
Status		Use this screen to look at the ZyXEL Device's general device, system and interface status information.	
System		Use this screen to change the name of the device and change IP address settings.	
Wireless	Wireless Settings	Use this screen to check for available access points and configure basic and advanced wireless network setup.	
	Security	Use this screen to configure encryption settings.	
Management	Password	Use this screen to change your password.	
	Configuration File	Use this screen to backup and restore configuration files and reset the ZyXEL Device to its factory default settings.	
	F/W Upload	Use this screen to upload new firmware.	
Device Information	Device Name	This is the same as the device name you entered in the first wizard screen if you entered one there. It is for identification purposes.	

LINK/ICON		FUNCTION
	MAC Address	This field displays the MAC address of the device. The MAC (Media Access Control) or Ethernet address on a LAN (Local Area Network) is unique to your computer. A network interface device such as an Ethernet adapter has a hardwired address that is assigned at the factory. This address follows an industry standard that ensures no other adapter has a similar address.
	Firmware Version	This is the ZyNOS Firmware version and the date created. ZyNOS is ZyXEL's proprietary Network Operating System design.
Wireless Settings	SSID	This is the name used to identify the ZyXEL Device in the wireless LAN. The default SSID is "ZyXEL".
	Channel	This is the channel number used by the ZyXEL Device now.
	Encryption Method	This displays the type of wireless security used by the ZyXEL Device now.
IP Settings	IP Address	This field displays the IP address of the device.
	Subnet Mask	This field displays the subnet mask of the device.
	Gateway IP Address	This field displays the IP address of the gateway device.
Summary	View Statistics	Click View Statistics to see performance statistics such as number of packets sent and number of packets received.
Status		This field shows messages about the ZyXEL Device's current condition.
Link Status		This field shows messages about the quality of the ZyXEL Device's wireless connection.
Refresh Interval		Use the drop-down list box to select how often you want the device to renew the information on this screen.
Refresh Now		Click this button to have the device renew the information on this screen.

4.3 Navigating the Web Configurator

The following section summarizes how to navigate the web configurator from the **Status** screen.

4.3.1 Change Your Password

After you log in for the first time, it is strongly recommended that you change the default administrator password.

Click **Management** on the left of the **Status** screen to access the following screen.

Figure 17 Web Configurator: Change Administrator Login Password

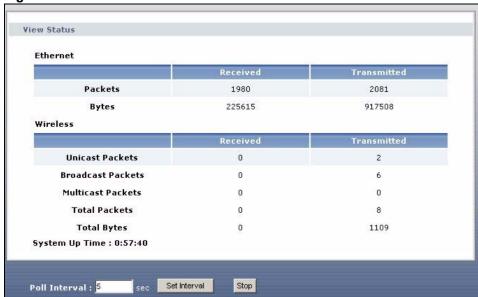


Enter a new password between 1 and 19 characters, retype it to confirm and click **Apply**. Click on **Reset** to clear all fields.

4.3.2 Statistics

Click **View Statistics** in the **Status** screen. This screen displays read-only information including port status and packet specific statistics. Also provided are "system up time" and "poll interval". The **Poll Interval** field is configurable.

Figure 18 View Statistics



The following table describes the labels in this screen.

Table 4 Status: View Statistics

LABEL	DESCRIPTION
Ethernet	
Packets	This row displays the numbers of packets received and transmitted by the Ethernet port.

Table 4 Status: View Statistics

LABEL		DESCRIPTION
Bytes		This row displays the numbers of bytes received and transmitted by the Ethernet port.
Wireless		
	Unicast Packets	This row displays the numbers of unicast packets received and transmitted by the wireless adapter.
	Broadcast Packets	This row displays the numbers of broadcast packets received and transmitted by the wireless adapter.
	Multicast Packets	This row displays the numbers of multicast packets received and transmitted by the wireless adapter.
	Total Packets	This row displays the numbers of all types of packets received and transmitted by the wireless adapter.
	Total Bytes	This row displays the numbers of bytes received and transmitted by the wireless adapter.
System Up Time		This is the total time the device has been on.
Poll Interval(s)		Enter the time interval for refreshing statistics.
Set Interval		Click this button to apply the new poll interval you entered above.
Stop		Click this button to stop refreshing statistics.

4.4 Configuring the ZyXEL Device Using the Wizard

The wizard consists of a series of screens to help you configure your ZyXEL Device to access the wireless network.

Use the following buttons to navigate the Wizard:

Back	Click Back to return to the previous screen.
Next	Click Next to continue to the next screen.

No configuration changes will be saved to the ZyXEL Device until you click **Finish**.

4.4.1 Wizard: Basic Settings

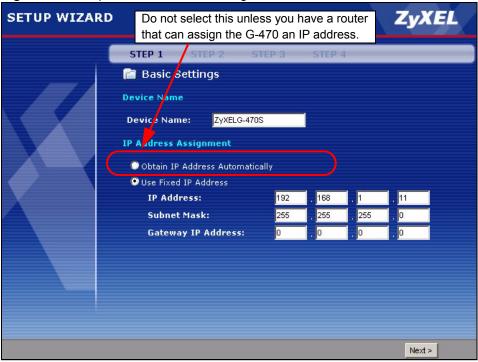
Click on the **Wizard** icon in the **Status** screen to start the setup wizard (**\tilde{X}**). The **Basic Settings** screen appears.

- **1** Enter a descriptive name to identify the device in the Ethernet network.
- **2** Select **Obtain IP Address Automatically** only if you want to put the device behind a router that assigns an IP address.

Warning: If you select **Obtain IP Address Automatically** you will not be able to access the ZyXEL Device through the Web Configurator unless you have a router that assigns an IP address. If you select this by mistake, use the **RESET** button to restore the factory default IP address.

- **3** Select **Use fixed IP Address** to give the device a static IP address. The IP address you configure here is used for management of the device (accessing the web configurator).
- **4** Enter a **Subnet Mask** appropriate to your network and the **Gateway IP Address** of the neighboring device, if you know it. If you do not, leave the **Gateway IP Address** field as **0.0.0.0**.

Figure 19 Setup Wizard 1: Basic Settings



Click Next to continue.

4.4.2 Wizard: Wireless Settings

Use this wizard screen to set up the wireless LAN. See the chapter on the wireless screens for background information.

1 The SSID is a unique name to identify the device in a wireless network. Enter up to 32 printable characters. Spaces are allowed. If you change the SSID on the device, make sure all wireless stations use the same SSID in order to access the network.

Note: The wireless AP and your ZyXEL Device must use the same SSID, channel and wireless security settings for wireless communication.



Figure 20 Setup Wizard 2: Wireless Settings.

Click **Next** to continue, or **Back** to return to the **Basic Settings** screen.

4.4.3 Wizard: Security Settings

Use this screen to configure security for your wireless LAN connection. The screen varies depending on what you select in the **Encryption Method** field. Select **Disable** to have no wireless security configured, select **WEP**, or select **WPA-PSK** if your wireless AP supports WPA-PSK.

In the **Status** page, go to **Wireless > Security** if you want to use WPA2, WPA or 802.1x. See Chapter 6 on page 55 for background information.

4.4.3.1 Disable

Select **Disable** to have no wireless LAN security configured. If you do not enable any wireless security on your device, your network is accessible to any wireless networking device that is within range.

Note: With no wireless security a neighbor can access and see traffic in your network.

SETUP WIZARD

STEP 1 STEP 2 STEP 3 STEP 4

Security Settings
Select your desired encryption method to secure your wireless network
Encryption Method: Disable

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Figure 21 Setup Wizard 3: Disable

4.4.3.2 WEP

- 1 WEP (Wired Equivalent Privacy) encrypts data frames before transmitting them over the wireless network. Select **64-bit** or **128-bit** from the **WEP Encryption** drop-down list box and then follow the on-screen instructions to set up the WEP keys.
- **2** Choose an encryption level from the drop-down list. The higher the WEP encryption, the higher the security but the slower the throughput.
- **3** You can generate or manually enter a WEP key.
- If you selected 64-bit or 128-bit WEP, you can enter a **Passphrase** (up to 16 printable characters) and click **Generate**. The device automatically generates WEP keys. One key displays in the **Key 1** field. Go to **Wireless** > **Security** if you want to see the other WEP keys.

or

• Enter a manual key in the **Key 1** field.

Figure 22 Wizard 3: WEP



4.4.3.3 WPA-PSK

Select WPA-PSK only if your wireless AP supports it.

Type a pre-shared key from 8 to 63 ASCII characters (including spaces and symbols). This field is case-sensitive.



Figure 23 Wizard 3: WPA(2)-PSK

4.4.4 Wizard: Confirm Your Settings

This read-only screen shows the status of the current settings. Use the summary table to check whether what you have configured is correct. Click **Finish** to complete the wizard configuration and save your settings.



Figure 24 Wizard: Confirm Your Settings

4.5 Using the AP Survey tool

To scan for available wireless access points in your network, click **AP Survey** in the **Wireless** screen. Wait for the scan process to complete. A screen displays showing the scan results. Click on an entry in the **SSID** column to select that device for the **Basic Settings SSID** field in your **Wireless** page. See Section 6.3.1 on page 60 for more information on using the AP Survey screen.

4.6 Resetting the ZyXEL Device

If you forget your password or cannot access the ZyXEL Device you will need to reset the ZyXEL Device to the factory defaults. This means that you will lose all configurations that you had previously saved. The username will be reset to **admin** and the password to **1234**.

4.6.1 Restoring Factory Defaults

You can erase the current configuration and restore factory defaults in two ways:

- Use the RESET button on the ZyXEL Device to reset to the factory defaults. Use this method for cases when the password or IP address of the ZyXEL Device is not known.
- Use the web configurator to restore defaults.

4.6.1.1 Using the RESET Button

Make sure the POWER light is steady on.

- **1** Press the RESET button for about 10 seconds, then release it and press the button in once.
- **2** If the POWER light begins to blink, the defaults have been restored and the ZyXEL Device restarts.

Wait for the ZyXEL Device to finish restarting before accessing it again.

CHAPTER 5 System Screen

This chapter provides information on the **System** screen.

5.1 TCP/IP Parameters

5.1.1 IP Address Assignment

Every computer on the Internet must have a unique IP address. If your networks are isolated from the Internet (for instance, only between your two branch offices) you can assign any IP addresses to the hosts without problems. However, the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) has reserved the following three blocks of IP addresses specifically for private networks.

Table 5 Private IP Address Ranges

10.0.0.0	-	10.255.255.255
172.16.0.0	-	172.31.255.255
192.168.0.0	-	192.168.255.255

You can obtain your IP address from the IANA, from an ISP or have it assigned by a private network. If you belong to a small organization and your Internet access is through an ISP, the ISP can provide you with the Internet addresses for your local networks. On the other hand, if you are part of a much larger organization, you should consult your network administrator for the appropriate IP addresses.

Note: Regardless of your particular situation, do not create an arbitrary IP address; always follow the guidelines above. For more information on address assignment, please refer to RFC 1597, Address Allocation for Private Internets and RFC 1466, Guidelines for Management of IP Address Space.

5.1.2 IP Address and Subnet Mask

Similar to the way houses on a street share a common street name, computers on a LAN share one common network number.

Where you obtain your network number depends on your particular situation. If the ISP or your network administrator assigns you a block of registered IP addresses, follow their instructions in selecting the IP addresses and the subnet mask.

If the ISP did not explicitly give you an IP network number, then most likely you have a single user account and the ISP will assign you a dynamic IP address when the connection is established. The Internet Assigned Number Authority (IANA) reserved this block of addresses specifically for private use; please do not use any other number unless you are told otherwise. Let's say you select 192.168.1.0 as the network number; which covers 254 individual addresses, from 192.168.1.1 to 192.168.1.254 (zero and 255 are reserved). In other words, the first three numbers (in this case, 192, 168 and 1) specify the network number while the last number identifies an individual computer on that network.

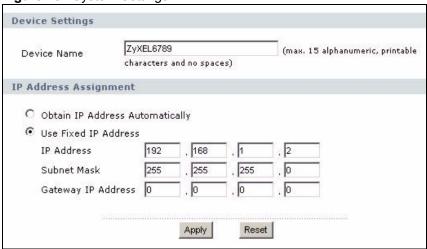
Once you have decided on the network number, pick an IP address that is easy to remember, for instance, 192.168.1.2, for your device, but make sure that no other device on your network is using that IP address.

The subnet mask specifies the network number portion of an IP address. Your device will compute the subnet mask automatically based on the IP address that you entered. You don't need to change the subnet mask computed by the device unless you are instructed to do otherwise.

5.2 System Settings

Click System to open the System Settings screen.

Figure 25 System Settings



The following table describes the labels in this screen.

Table 6 System Settings

LABEL	DESCRIPTION	
Device Name	This name can be up to 15 printable characters long. Spaces are allowed.	
IP Address Assignment		

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LABEL	DESCRIPTION	
Obtain IP Address Automatically	Select this option to have your device use a dynamically assigned IP address from a router each time.	
	Warning: If you select Obtain IP Address Automatically you will not be able to access the ZyXEL Device through the Web Configurator unless you have a router that assigns an IP address. If you select this by mistake, use the RESET button to restore the factory default IP address.	
Use fixed IP address	Select this option to have your device use a static IP address. When you select this option, fill in the fields below.	
IP Address	Enter the IP address of your device in dotted decimal notation.	
Subnet Mask	Enter the subnet mask.	
Gateway IP Address	Type the IP address of the gateway. The gateway is a router or switch on the same network segment as the device. The gateway helps forward packets to their destinations. Leave this field as 0.0.0.0 if you do not know it.	
Apply	Click Apply to save your changes to the device. The ZyXEL Device will restart using the new settings and you will need to log in again.	
	Note: If you have changed the IP address, you will need to use the new address to log in to the ZyXEL Device.	
Reset	Click Reset to clear any unsaved changes to this screen.	