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(for Windows XP, Windows Vista, Mac OSx)

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This guide will take you through the process of configuring, changing or checking the wireless security settings on an existing wireless network.

This guide **will not** assist you to setup a new wireless network. Please refer to the wireless setup document for your model available from the support section of the [NetComm](#)* or [Dynalink](#)** website.



Any changes to your wireless security settings will require you to reconfigure wirelessly connected devices to use the new security settings. Please ensure that you have your wireless setup guide handy for this.

* NetComm Support - <http://www.netcomm.com.au/support>

** Dynalink Support - <http://www.dynalink.co.nz/cms/index.php?page=how-to>

Step 1: Selecting a wireless security type:

There are a number of different types of wireless security to select from.

Before changing your settings, check the types of security available on your modem/router and then consult your wireless adapter manufacturer to ensure your wireless adapter is compatible with your chosen security type.

The most commonly used security types are:

- WEP (64bit or 128bit)
- WPA (Radius)
- WPA-PSK
- WPA2 (Radius)
- WPA2-PSK

The majority of wireless adapters should support one (or all) of the above security types.



You will be unable to utilise Radius server authentication without having a Radius server in place and configured on your network.

Step 2: Selecting a wireless security key:

Once you have chosen which wireless security type you want to use on your network, you will then need to create your wireless security key or wireless password.

Depending on the security type you choose, you will have the option of using either an ASCII or HEX format key.

ASCII refers to any letter or number you can see on your keyboard.

HEX refers to the letters A to F and the numbers 0 to 9.

You will need to ensure that your security key is the correct length. Your modem/router will display the required number of characters (letters and/or numbers) you need.

Step 3: Setting up your wireless security:

Please ensure that your modem/router is connected to your computer using an ethernet cable before continuing.

1. Open your web browser and go to the address <http://192.168.1.1>, using admin as the username and password when prompted.
2. Select **"Wireless"** from the menu at the top of the page and then **"Security"** from the menu on the lefthandside.



Wireless security is disabled by default on Dynalink routers.

3. If you would like to use wireless security, click the drop down menu in the **"Wireless Security:"** section and select the desired security type.

The screenshot shows the Dynalink router's web interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Dynalink logo and several menu items: Quick Start, Status, Advanced, Wireless (highlighted with a red box), and Management. Below the navigation bar, on the left, is a sidebar with a list of settings categories: Basic Settings, Security (highlighted with a red box), Access Control, Repeater, and Quality of Service. The main content area is titled "Wireless Security". It contains a paragraph explaining that this page allows users to protect their wireless network by specifying WEP, 802.1x, WPA, or WPA2 wireless security. Below the paragraph, there is a label "Wireless Security:" followed by a dropdown menu currently set to "Disabled" (highlighted with a red box). At the bottom of the main content area, there are two buttons: "Apply" and "Cancel". To the right of these buttons, there is a warning message: "After enabling security and clicking Apply, you will lose the connection with your wireless router. You should now set-up security on your wireless adapters in order to re-establish the connection."

- After selecting your desired security type (we're using WPA2-PSK for the example), enter the wireless security key you would like to use into the **"Pre-Shared Key:"** section and click **"Apply"**.

Dynalink Quick Start | Status | Advanced | **Wireless** | Management

Language: English

Basic Settings
Security
Access Control
Repeater
Quality of Service

Wireless Security

This page allows you to protect your wireless network by specifying WEP, 802.1x, WPA, or WPA2 wireless security. Before setting up security, ensure that your wireless adaptors support the same type of security. Most support WEP, but not all support WPA, WPA2, or 802.1x.

Wireless Security: WPA2-PSK

Data Encryption: AES

WPA Pre-Shared Key

Enter the key to be between 8 and 63 ASCII characters, or 64 hexadecimal digits

Format: ☐ Hexadecimal digits
(0-9,A-F,and a-f are valid)

☒ ASCII characters
(any printable characters are valid except: & < \$, \)

Pre-Shared Key:

WPA Group Rekey Interval: 0 seconds

After enabling security and clicking Apply, you will lose the connection with your wireless router. You should now set-up security on your wireless adapters in order to re-establish the connection.

Firmware: 3.64y
ADSL2+: A2p8025c.d20h
Wireless: 3.131.35.6

Any changes to your wireless security settings will require you to reconfigure any wirelessly connected devices to use the new security settings. This is done by removing any stored wireless settings and then reconnecting to your wireless network.

Please ensure you have your wireless setup guide handy for this.