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Chapter 1 Product Introduction

Thank you for choosing our wireless adapter!

The wireless adapter supports IEEE wireless standards, and is able to quickly process file transfer, video, multi-media and other applications that require higher bandwidth.

This wireless adapter also integrates wireless configuration program, which makes it easy and quick to set up the wireless client. Besides, Soft AP is supported for fast wireless network establishment, and WPS encryption supported for you to quickly encrypt and secure your wireless network.

All in all, the wireless adapter is easy-to-use, and of robust signal, long transmitting distance.

1.1 Package Contents

- One Wireless network adapter
- > One Software CD (includes user guide and driver)

The above list is for your reference only; the actual contents may differ according to the product you purchase.

1.2 Product Features

- Supports soft AP feature
- Detects wireless network and adjusts transmitting rate automatically
- Provides two working modes: Infrastructure and Ad-Hoc
- Supports WEP data encryption and WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK encryption methods
- Supports WPS (Wi-Fi Protected Setup) encryption to secure your wireless network
- Complies with Windows 7/Windows 8/XP/ 2000/Vista, Linux, MAC OS, etc.

1.3 Product Usage

This Wireless Adapter offers a fast, reliable and extendable solution for wireless access.

It is mostly used in the following circumstances:

- 1. Enables staff members who require higher mobility, to have access to the wireless network anywhere inside their company.
- Enables wireless communication for companies or places which are not suitable for wired LAN installation because of budget or building environment restrictions, such as historical buildings, rentals, or places for short-term usage.
- 3. Suitable for Enterprises or individuals requiring to regularly alter the networking topology
- 4. Helps enterprises or individuals who would like to use wireless to establish wireless network quickly and frees them from the trouble of cable distribution.

1.4 Before Installation

1. Please read through the whole user guide before you install and use this product.

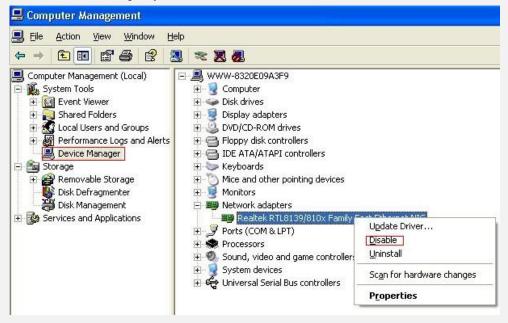
- 2. Please close or uninstall the configuration programs of other manufacturers' before you install the configuration programs of the network adapters to avoid possible UI (user interface) conflict.
- 3. To avoid possible network conflicts between this the network adapter and those of other manufactures', we recommend that you first disable the network adapters of other manufacturers before installing the driver.

1.5 Disable other manufacturers' wireless network adapters

1. Right click "My Computer" and select "Manage"



2. On the Computer Management screen ,select "Device Manager" — "Network adapters", and right click the network adapter you want to disable and click "Disable"



3. Click the "Yes" button on the dialogue box to disable the network adapter.



1.6 Product Maintenance

- 1. Please keep the product away from water and humid environment to guarantee its normal performance
- 2. Protect it against hazardous substances (such as acids, alkalis etc).
- 3. Please don't directly expose the adapter to the sunlight or excessive heat.
- 4. Please contact our tech support if any problems occur.

Chapter 2 Installation Guide

This chapter will guide you through the process of installing the network adapter software package, with the included software CD. The package integrates driver and configuration software. Thus, when you are installing the driver, the configuration software will be installed automatically as well.

The software installation steps and operating guide in this user guide are explained under Windows XP, Installation steps for other operating systems are similar.

Before you proceed with the installation, please notice the following descriptions.

Note 1: The following installation was operated under Windows XP. (Procedures are similar for Windows 98SE/Me/2000.) Note 2: If you have installed the WLAN USB driver & utility before, please uninstall the old version first.

2.1 Install the USB network adapter

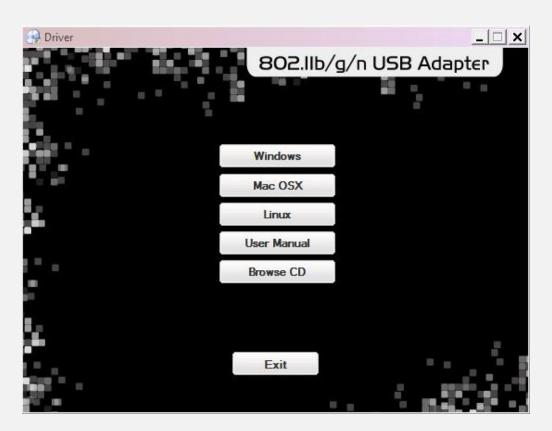
2.1.1 Please insert the Wireless USB Adapter into the USB port of your computer.



2.1.2 Ignore the following dialog. Please click "Cancel".



2.1.3 Put the software program CD, then auto installation window pops up on following. Just click **Windows**, the driver should run automatically. (Double click "**Setup.exe**" in the software CD and manually install when it doesn't auto-run).



2.1.4 The following window will show up.

REALTEK Wireless LAN Software - InstallShield Wizard	
Preparing Setup Please wait while the InstallShield Wizard prepares the setup.	Z
REALTEK Wireless LAN Software Setup is preparing the InstallShield Wizard, whi you through the rest of the setup process. Please wait.	ch will guide
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nstallShield	Cancel

2.1.5 Click "Next" to process the installation.

REALTEK USB Wireless LAN	Driver and Utility	×
	REALTEK USB Wireless LAN Driver and Utility	
	The InstallShield Wizard will install REALTEK USB Wireless LAN Driver and Utility on your computer. To continue, click Next.	
	< <u>B</u> ack <u>N</u> ext > Cancel	

2.1.6 It shows that it is installing.

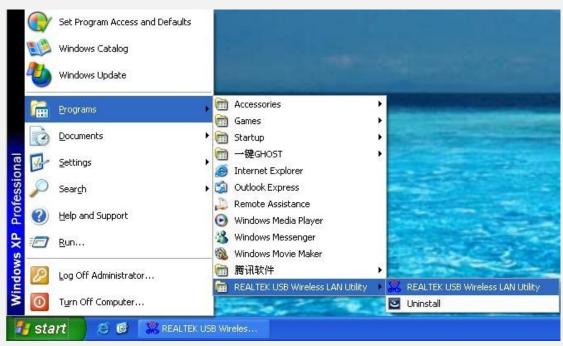


2.1.7 Click "finish" to complete the installation.



Chapter 3 Wireless LAN Utility

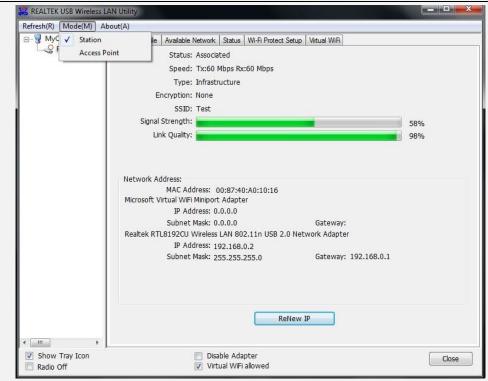
Select "Start"—"Programs" —"REALTEK USB Wireless LAN Utility"— "REALTEK USB Wireless LAN Utility",



or click the "**REALTEK USB Wireless LAN Utility**" shortcut on your PC's desktop to start the UI.

3.1 Station Mode

The following explanations focus on the properties area.



Infrastructure and Ad-Hoc

With both Infrastructure and Ad-Hoc types, the properties should look like the picture above. Six property pages present different information of current wireless network status. Please read the following explanations before you reviewing these pages, it could help you to well understand the wireless environment around the system. It is easy to use to switch property pages just by clicking left button of mouse on the title of each page. The following six sections describe detailed information of each page.

A: General Page

Speed:	Tx:45 Mbps Rx:45 Mbps	
Type:	Infrastructure	
Encryption:	None	
SSID:	Test	
Signal Strength:		54%
Link Quality:		97%
MAC Add Microsoft Virtual WiFi I	ress: 00:87:40:A0:10:16 Miniport Adapter	
Microsoft Virtual WiFi I IP Add Subnet N	Miniport Adapter ress: 0.0.0.0 Mask: 0.0.0.0	Gateway:
Microsoft Virtual WiFi I IP Add Subnet N Realtek RTL8192CU W	Miniport Adapter ress: 0.0.0.0 Aask: 0.0.0.0 Vireless LAN 802.11n USB 2.	
Microsoft Virtual WiFi I IP Add Subnet N Realtek RTL8192CU W IP Add	Miniport Adapter ress: 0.0.0.0 Mask: 0.0.0.0	

1. Status

The status of station connection to AP.

2. Speed

Current transition speed in Mbps (Mega-Bits-Per-Second).

3. Type

Current wireless LAN configuration type.

4. Encryption

Current encryption mode used.

5. SSID

Name of wireless network.

6. Signal Strength

The average signal quality of packets received from wireless network.

We recommend connecting AP with over 70% signal strength.

7. Throughput Diagram

Current throughput, including transmission (Tx) and total traffic (Total).

8. Network Address

Mac Address: six two-digital number of this Wireless LAN USB adapter IP Address: assigned network address by DHCP server or self-definition in four three-digital number format.

■ Subnet Mask: the only valid value is 2555.255.0.0

■ Gateway: It comes from connected AP. Your system can not connect internet with this field empty.

B. Profile Page

This page provides profiles management such as add, remove, edit and duplicate just by pressing the respected button.

Available Profile(s)

The list box shows all the created profiles.

eneral Profile Available Ne	twork Status Wi-Fi Protect Setup Vir	rtual WiFi
Available Profile(s)		
Profile Name	SSID	Add
Test C	Test	Remove
		Edit
		Duplicate
		Set Default
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1. Add

Add a new profile for AP or IBSS (Ad-Hoc mode).

2. Remove

Remove the selected profile.

3. Edit

Edit contents of selected profile.

4. Duplicate

Make copy of selected profile.

5. Set Default

Set the selected profile as default selection.

6. Available Network Page

This page presents all BSS, including AP and IBSS, around this system. You can pick any one of these network connections.

C. Available Network(s)

Show network connection around this system

SSID	Channel	Encryption	Network Authentication	Signal	Туре	BS
🔊 sjxy3	2	TKIP	WPA Pre-Shared Key/	100%	Infrastructure	02
³⁾ 507	6	AES	WPA Pre-Shared Key/	44%	Infrastructure	EC
ChinaNet-14	6	None	Unknown	26%	Infrastructure	6A
🗘 ChinaNet-fadr	6	TKIP	WPA Pre-Shared Key	48%	Infrastructure	00
³⁾ MERCURY_704936	6	AES	WPA Pre-Shared Key/	44%	Infrastructure	80
🔊 SZtianhao	6	AES	WPA2 Pre-Shared Key	74%	Infrastructure	00
🕐 Test	6	None	Unknown	58%	Infrastructure	00
t ^{»)} dd-wrt	6	None	Unknown	42%	Infrastructure	00
t ^{»)} liming	6	AES	WPA Pre-Shared Key/	42%	Infrastructure	EC
🔊 meeting	6	AES	WPA Pre-Shared Key/	44%	Infrastructure	D8
🔊 xiao chen	6	AES	WPA Pre-Shared Key/	48%	Infrastructure	50
🖏 xiaolin	6	AES	WPA Pre-Shared Key/	46%	Infrastructure	BO
ChinaNet-Se4Z	11	AES	WPA Pre-Shared Key/	44%	Infrastructure	04
ChinaNet-bAKN	11	AES	WPA Pre-Shared Key/	48%	Infrastructure	40
TianHao_412FA2	11	None	Unknown	100%	Infrastructure	00
³⁾ Izy520	11	AES	WPA Pre-Shared Key/	46%	Infrastructure	60
<mark>‰</mark> ÖйúÒÆ¶¯£¨ÃÜ	11	WEP	Unknown	26%	IBSS	0E
1		m				+
	Refresh		Add to Profile	9	1	

1. Refresh

Rescan network connection around this system.

2. Add to Profile

Create profile for selected network connection and add it to profile list.

D. Status Page

General Profile Available Network	Status Wi-Fi Protect Setup Virtual WiFi	
Manufacturer	REALTEK	
NDIS Driver Version	1021.3.912.2012	
Short Radio Header	Yes	
Encryption	Disabled	
Authenticate	Open System	
Channel Set	ETSI	
MAC Address	00:87:40:A0:10:16	
Data Rate (AUTO)	Tx:0 Mbps Rx:0 Mbps	
Channel (Frequency)	1 (2412 MHz)	
Status	Not Associated	
SSID		
Network Type		
Power Save Mode	None	
Associated AP MAC	00:00:00:00:00	
Up Time (hh:mm:ss)	0:15:45	

NDIS Driver Version: Driver version
Short Radio Header: No
Encryption: Current encryption mode.
Authenticate: Authentication state
Channel Set: Selected channel plan currently.
MAC Address: MAC address of this adapter.
Data Rate: Wireless LAN transition speed
Channel (Frequency): Current channel number
Status: Wireless network status
SSID: name of connecting AP
Network Type: Indicate current network configuration type
Power Save Mode: Current setting power save mode
Associated AP IAC: MAC address of connecting AP
Up Time: Total connection time

E. Wi-Fi Protect Setup Page

neral Profile Availa	ble Network	Status	Wi-Fi Protect S	Setup	Virtual WiFi	
Wi-Fi Protect	ed Setu	w) d	PS)			
An easy and sec		200 - Di 100 - 1	Contraction of the second s	netwo	rk	
Role Selection						
As WPS Device						
Pin Input Config (P	TNIÀ					
After pushing the P						
button.Please ente		le				
PIN Code : 9	0959394					
Die Insuit Co	efe (DTNI)					
Pin Input Co	nng (P1N)					
Push Button						
After pushing the I						
button.Please push button on your AP						
on the WPS config						
Push Button C	onfig (PBC)					
L						

<u>F. Virtual WiFi Page</u>

	SSID: BSSID:			
ssociat	tion Table			
AID	MAC Address	Life Time		
o		Config		
oft AP	Use the following IP a IP Address:	address: 192 . 168 . 159 . 1	Apply	

🙁 REALTEK USB Wireless L	AN Utility	_ 🗆 X
Refresh(R) Mode(M) A	bout(A)	
	General Profile Available Network Status Wi-Fi Protect Setup Virtual WiFi	
Realtek RTL819	Status: Associated	
	Speed: Tx:45 Mbps Rx:45 Mbps	
	Type: Infrastructure	
	Encryption: None	
	SSID: Test	
	Signal Strength:	48%
	Link Quality:	93%
	Network Address:	
	MAC Address: 00:87:40:A0:10:16	
	Microsoft Virtual WiFi Miniport Adapter	
	IP Address: 0.0.0.0 Subnet Mask: 0.0.0.0 Gateway:	
	Subnet Mask: 0.0.0.0 Gateway: Realtek RTL8192CU Wireless LAN 802.11n USB 2.0 Network Adapter	
	IP Address: 192.168.0.2	
	Subnet Mask: 255.255.255.0 Gateway: 192.168.0.1	
	Dellaw ID	
	ReNew IP	
<		
Show Tray Icon	Disable Adapter	Close
Radio Off	Virtual WiFi allowed	Close

3.2 Introduction of Main Window

A. Main Menu

The main menu includes five submenus.

1. Refresh($\underline{\mathbf{R}}$)

When clicking the refresh menu, you can update and re-enumerate the contents of adapter list area.

2. Mode(<u>M</u>)

Wireless configuration is quickly switched to be either [Station] or [Access Point].

3. About(\underline{A})

Click the "About" to show the about dialog. The application version and license information are shown in the about dialog.



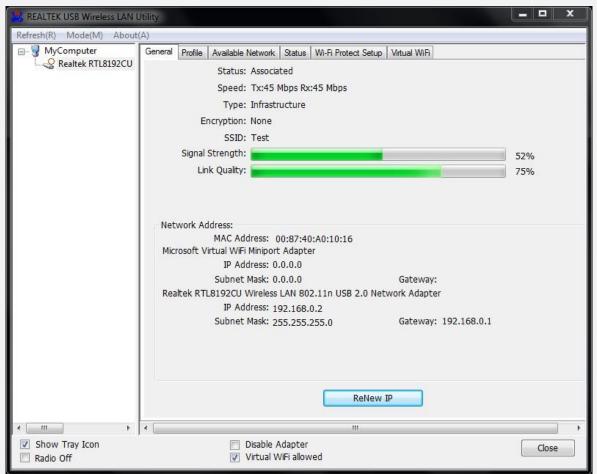
B. Adapter List Area

All connected adapters on this system with multiple adapter installations are displayed in this area. It is easy for users to change the selected adapter by one click. The contents of properties area are dependent on wireless configuration that the selected adapter is set up. If only single adapter is installed on the system, only one adapter is always selected.



C. Properties Area

The contents of this area are dependent on current wireless configuration. The current configuration is determined on previous explanation of submenu "Mode". The more detailed contents are described in the following wireless configuration sections for both Station and AP mode.



D. Global Control Bar

Show Tray Icon	Disable Adapter	Close
🔲 Radio Off	Virtual WiFi allowed	

Each control item on this bar affects the adapter or management GUI directly.

Show Tray Icon

Checking "Show Tray Icon" and clicking "Close" button, the management GUI will be minimized and stay on the tray icon located at the right bottom corner of Windows. If not, management GUI will shut down while clicking "Close" button with unchecked condition.

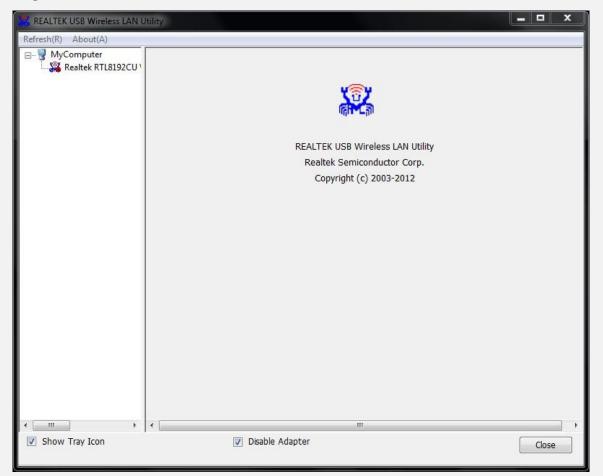


Radio Off

Turn off the radio to save power. While the radio is off, the links with other wireless network nodes are disconnected. User should be aware that while the wireless configuration is in AP mode. The radio off will cause the sub network belonging to the AP to be disconnected with internet/intranet.

Disable Adapter

Stop wireless USB device.



Virtual WiFi allowed

Switch utility to virtual WiFi setting tool.

Close

Whether to check or uncheck "Show Tray Icon" is to shut down or hide the management GUI.

3.3. AP Mode

Click main menu **Mode**(<u>M</u>) and choose "Access Point" to switch AP mode.



You will see the following window.

Waiting Setup	×
Switching from Station mode to AP mode	

A. General Page

This page provides general information of this AP, including name, MAC address and list of joined stations.

SSID: adm	in-PC_AP 37:40:A0:10:16	
Association Table	Life Time	
	Config	
Soft AP Use the following I IP Address:	P address: 192 . 168 . 159 . 1 Apply	
Setting Internet Conn	ection Sharing (ICS)	

1. SSID

The name of this AP.

2. BSSID

Six two-digital numbers of the MAC address of this AP.

3. Association Table

It is the list of joined stations to this AP.

4. AID (Association ID)

The AID field is a value assigned by an AP during association that represents 16-bit ID of a station. It is a unique value assigned by AP.

5. MAC Address

It is the six two-digit numbers that assemble the MAC address of respected joined station.

6. Life Time

It is the timer that counts down from 10 minutes whenever the AP connects the station successfully. If an STA associated to SW AP does not have any interaction with the AP in 10 minutes, it will be disassociated from the Infra-structure BSS.

7. Config

A dialog of this AP is shown for configuration modification

Wireless Network Prope	erties:	×
Profile Name:	Access Point Mode	
Network Name(SSID):	Access Point Mode	-
This is a computer-to access points are no	o-computer(ad hoc) network; wireless t used,	
Channel:	1 (2412MHz) 🔽 🗌 AUTO Channel	
Wireless network secu This network requires	irity a key for the following:	
Netw	rork Authentication: Open System 🛛 🐱	
	Data encryption: Disabled	1
	SPHRASE	
Key index (advanced) Network key:	: <u>1 ×</u>	
Confirm network key:		
QK	Cancel	

7.1. Network Name (SSID)

Name of the AP is searchable by other wireless Modes. The length of SSID should be shorter than 32 characters.

7.2. Channel

Select the wireless channel within current channel plan.

7.3. Network Authentication & Data Encryption

There are three types of authentication:

Open System

It is combined with data encryption type to be WEP or to be disabled.

Encryption ~ disabled: you decide to open this AP to every one without network authentication.

Encryption ~ WEP: you decide to setup the basic data encryption with a defined network key.

■ Shared Key + WEP

You decide to apply both authentication and data encryption to prevent unauthorized login.

■ WPA-PSK + TKIP & WPA2-PSK + TKIP

The most advanced authentication and data encryption that provide the best security protection.

7.4. ASCII/ PASSPHRASE

The most advanced authentication and data encryption that provide the best security protection.

• ASCII: You should provide either 5 or 13 ASCII characters on Network key edit box.

■ PASSPHRASE: You could input words on Network Key edit box.

64 bits: The generated pass key is 64-bit to be complied with data packets.

128 bits: The generated pass key is 128-bit to be complied with data packets.

• Hexadecimal: While both ASCII and PASSPHRASE are not checked, you should input hexadecimal number in the network key box. For example, 10 digits hex number for 64-bit WEP or 26 digits hex number for 128-bit WEP.

7.5. Key index (1 ~4)

At most four key index to represent the opposite network key.

B. Advanced Page

Users could setup the advanced characteristics of network packet for transmission on this page.

General	
Beacon Interval	
100	
DTIM Period:	
3	
Preamble Mode	
Long 👻	

1. Beacon Interval

This filed indicates the interval between each beacon that this AP sends out in unit of TU (1024 micro-seconds).

2. DTIM Period

The DTIM Period field is the number of Beacon intervals between successive DTIMs.

3. Preamble Mode

- Long: higher quality but with lower performance than preamble short mode.
- Short: Normal quality but with higher performance then preamble long mode.
- Auto: select the proper preamble mode by current signal frame information.

C. Statistics Page

The Tx/Rx status of current wireless connection is shown. A statistics analysis of packet transition is listed.

Counter Name	Value
Tx OK	16
Tx Error	0
Rx OK	28
Rx Packet Count	28
Rx Retry	17
Rx ICV Error	0