

SDW11b

SD WLAN Card

User Manual

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FCC WARNING

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

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

NOTE: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications.

However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- ☐ Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- ☐ Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- ☐ Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is needed.

Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.



CAUTION:

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

PACKAGE CONTENTS & SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

Package

1. Manual (this document)
2. Drivers and configuration utilities on CD-ROM
3. Quick Install Guide

If you miss any of these items please contact your reseller.

System Requirements

- PDA with Windows® Pocket PC 2002 and 2003 with at least 32 MB memory
- Secure Digital (SD) slot (Assuming SDIO host controller and driver are already installed)
- Microsoft® Active Sync® should be installed
- An IEEE802.11b or Wi-Fi approved Access Point/Base station

INTRODUCING SD WLAN CARD

The SDW11B is a wireless network card that complies with the IEEE 802.11b standard on wireless LANs (Revision B).

SDW11b features and benefits

- Wi-Fi (Wireless Fidelity) certified (Expected in Q2/04).
- Supports data rates up to 11 Mbps.
- Fully compatible with any other wireless LAN system based on Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum (DSSS) radio technology that complies with the “IEEE 802.11b standard on wireless LANs (Revision B)”.
- Automatic Transmit Rate Select mechanism in the transmit range of 11, 5.5, 2 and 1 Mbps.
- 128 bit Wired Equivalent Privacy (WEP) data encryption and WPA support (WPA will be optionally supported in Q2/04).
- Efficient Power Management.
- Roaming over multiple channels.
- Working range up to 400 meters in an open environment.
- Supports Ad-hoc and infrastructure modes for easy wireless communication.

SDW11b Wireless Network Scenarios

- The SDW11b enables you to:
- Connect your computer to a Peer-to-Peer workgroup of wireless computing devices
- Connect your computer to a Small Office/Home Office (SOHO) network that includes Wi-Fi access points.
- Connect your computer to a Local Area Network (LAN) Infrastructure that includes the SDW11b, or other IEEE 802.11b compliant LAN systems

Wireless stations can be equipped with the SDW11b, but also with other WLAN PC Cards. Both the SDW11b and the WLAN PC Card share the same wireless functionality.

Peer-to-Peer (Ad-hoc) Workgroup

The Peer-to-Peer workgroup configuration enables you to quickly set up a small wireless workgroup, where the workgroup participants can exchange files using features like “Files and Printer Sharing” as supported by Microsoft® Networking.

You can use this option to setup a temporary or Ad-hoc network in environments where no access points are available (for example in Small Office/Home Office “SOHO” environments). As long as the stations are within range of one another, this is the easiest and least expensive way to set up a wireless network.

Home Networking

With SDW11b, wireless access to the Internet or other devices is at your fingertips. All you need to do is connect the SD WLAN Card to an existing access point that may be connected to the external Cable TV or xDSL modems and you are ready to:

- Share files and printers, and
- Access the Internet.

2-2-3 Enterprise Networking

With the Wi-Fi certified Access Point in the corporate network system, you can connect to a corporate Local Area Network (LAN) infrastructure to have wireless access to all network facilities. LAN Infrastructures may either be:

- Stand-alone wireless LANs.
- Wireless network infrastructures connected to an existing Ethernet network.

About the SDW11b CD-ROM

The SDW11b CD-ROM contains both software and documentation for the SDW11b card.

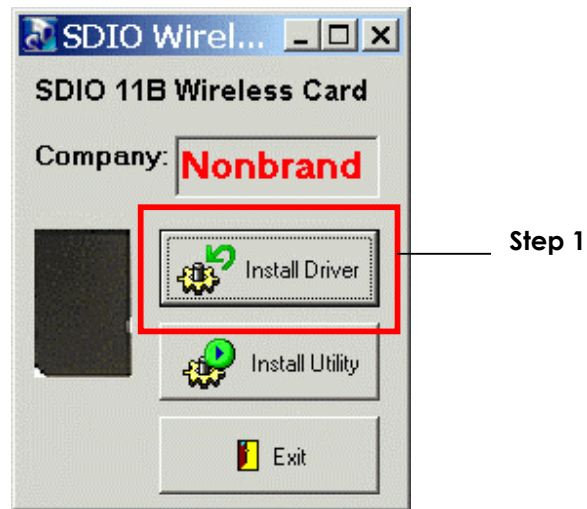


INSTALLING THE DRIVER

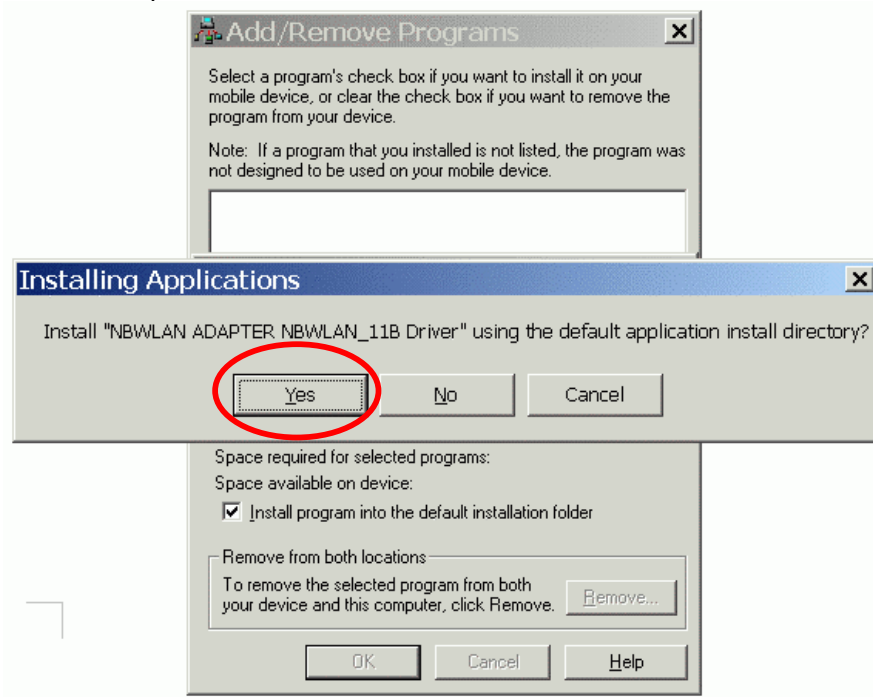
Installation of the SDW11b Driver to the Pocket PC using Microsoft Active Sync®

1. Connect your PDA to your computer and make sure Active-Sync® has established for a connection between the two devices.
2. Insert the CD ROM to your PC. The following screen will appear, click **Install Driver** to start driver installation. After driver installation is complete, click **Install Utility** to start utility installation.

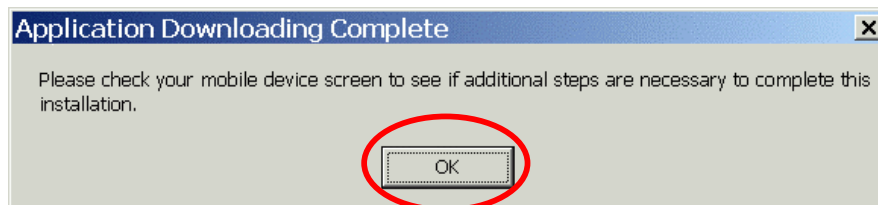
Note: Do not insert the SDW11b into the card slot of your PDA until the Install Driver (Step 1) and Install Utility (Step 2) have been performed.



3. Click **“YES”** to proceed the installation.



4. Click **“OK”** to complete the driver installation.

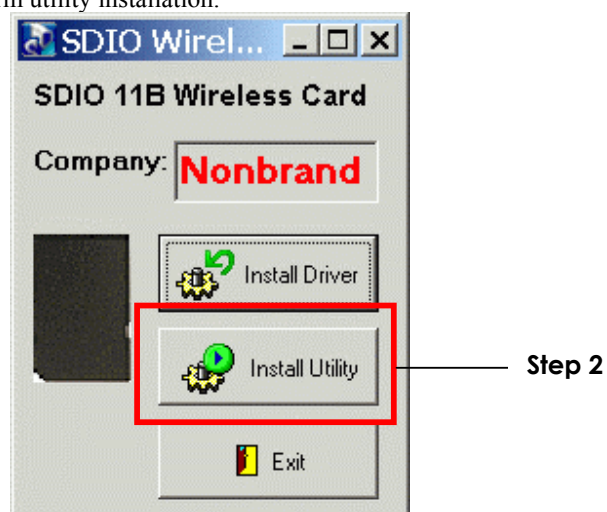


To verify if the installation of the driver was completed successfully:

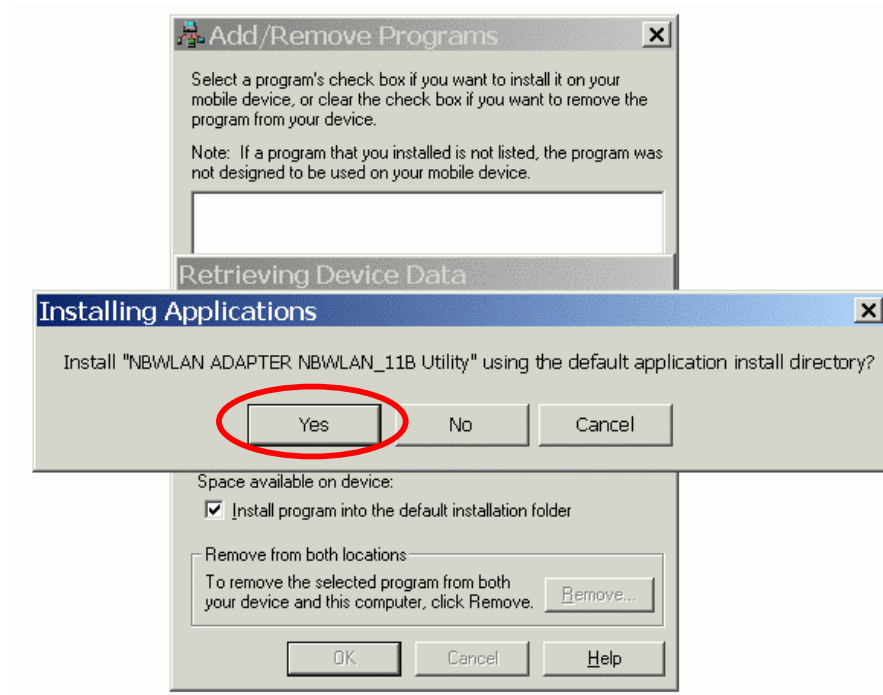
1. Soft reset the PDA (push Soft-reset Button of PDA)
* Some PDA may not require resetting but it should be safer to reset.
2. Insert the SDW11b into the PDA
3. Check the LED on the SDW11b. If steady **Blue** light is seen, the SDW11B is active.
4. (Optional) To check the quality of the network connection, you should use the SDW11b configuration utility program as described in the next section

SDW11b CONFIGURATION UTILITY

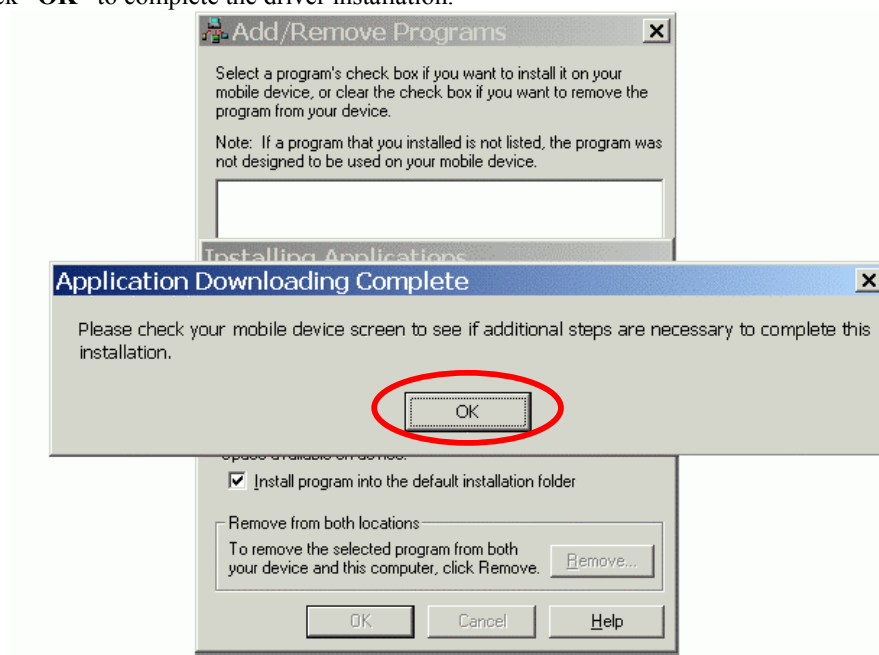
1. Click **Install Utility** to perform utility installation.



2. Click **“YES”** to proceed the installation.



3. Click "OK" to complete the driver installation.



CONFIGURING IPC WLAN UTILITY

Status tab

IPC WLAN Utility

SSID: ANY

Status: Disconnected

Type: Infrastructure Station

Channel: 6 Tx Rate:

IP:

MAC: 00-08-E1-FF-39-B2

Signal: 0 %

Quality: 0 %

Status Statistics Site Survey Radio About

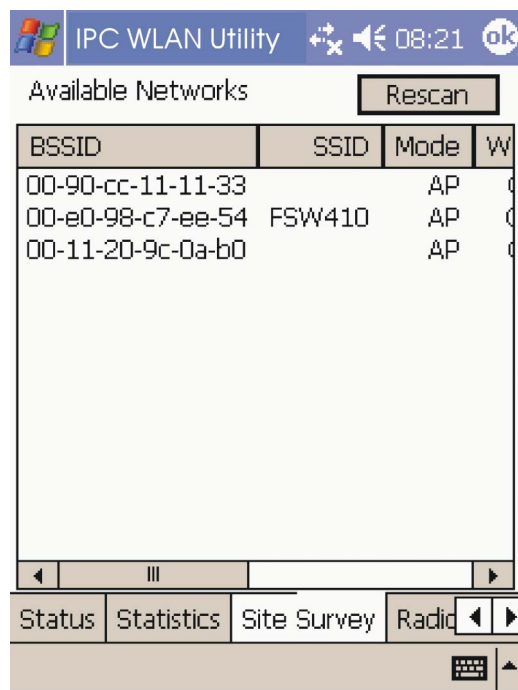
SSID	The current access point name (ESS ID)
Status	The current connection status.
Type	The current connection mode.
Channel	The wireless radio channel currently used by the card.
Tx Rate	The current transmit rate. This can be 1 Mbps, 2 Mbps, 5.5 Mbps.
IP	The IP address of the card.
MAC	The MAC address of the card.
Signal	Shows the signal strength of the received signal.
Quality	Shows the signal quality of the received signal.

Statistics tab

Tx Success	0
Tx Error	0
Tx Throughput (Kbps)	0.00
Rx Success	0
Rx CRC Success	2549109264
Rx CRC Error	0
Rx Throughput (Kbps)	0.00
Reset	

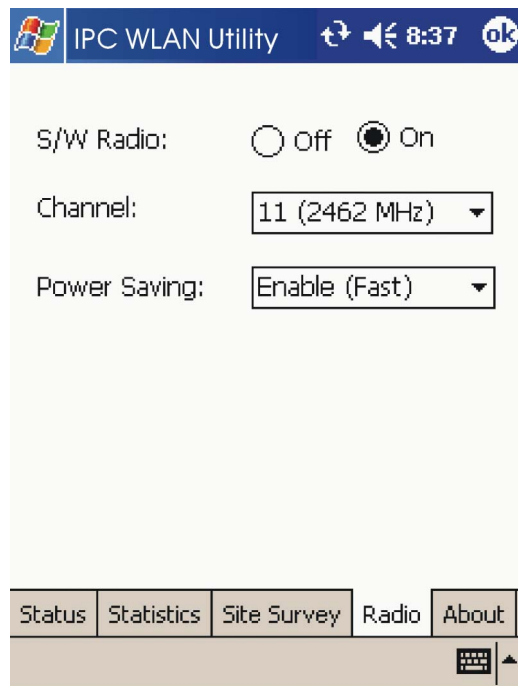
Tx Success	The number of successfully transmitted packets.
Tx Error	The number of unsuccessfully transmitted packets.
Tx Throughput (kbps)	The actual instantaneous transmit rates, in Kbps.
Rx Success	The number of successfully received packets.
Rx CRC Success	The number of successfully received CRC packets.
Rx CRC Error	The number of unsuccessfully received CRC packets.
Rx Throughput (kbps)	The actual instantaneous receive rates, in Kbps.
Reset	Click to clear the previously settings.

Site Survey tab



Rescan	Searches for all available networks. Clicking on the button, the device will start to rescan and list all available sites.
BSSID	The MAC address for the Access Point or station.
SSID	The current access point name (ESS ID).
Mode	The currently connected device mode.
WEP	WEP (Wired Equivalent Privacy) shows the current WEP used in the AP. WEP can be enabled or disabled.
CH	The wireless radio channel currently used by the card.

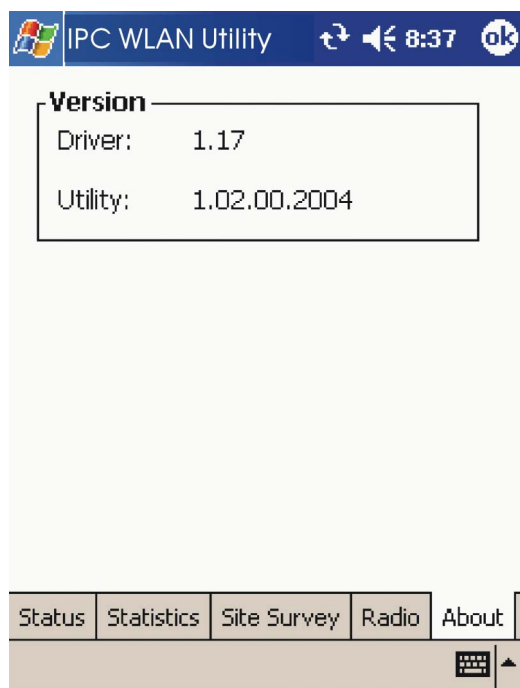
Radio tab



S/W Radio	Select Off or On to turn off/on Radio Frequency function.
Channel	Select from the pull-down list, there are 11 channels in the list.
Power Saving	Disable: Select to disable power saving function. Enable (Max) : Select to enter power saving mode instantly. Enable (Fast) : Select to enter power saving mode later (Under the circumstances of not receiving/transitting packets, the system will enter Power Saving mode in 10 seconds.)

About tab

Shows the driver version and the setup utility software version.



SD WLAN CARD SPECIFICATIONS

	Item	Specification
1	Frequency Range	USA (FCC): 2.412GHz~2.462GHz; Europe (CE): 2.412GHz~2.472GHz,
2	Tx Modulation	Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum, DSSS
3	Coding Modulation	DBPSK (1Mbps), DQPSK (2Mbps), CCK (5.5 & 11Mbps)
4	Media Access Control Method	CSMA/CA
5	Bus Type	SD (by CG-100 SDIO controller)
6	Standard	IEEE802.11b
7	Approval	FCC, part 15.247 (USA) EN 300.328 (Europe)
8	Antenna	Single
9	Input Power	3.3 VDC $\pm$ 0.2V
10	Tx Output Power	12dBm $\pm$ 1 dB
11	Power Consumption	< 250 mA typical < 280 mA receive < 10 mA power save mode < 1.5 mA deep sleep mode
12	Rx Sensitivity	-87 dBm @ 11 Mbps -91 dBm @ 5.5 Mbps -94 dBm @ 2 Mbps -96 dBm @ 1 Mbps
13	Temperature	0 - 40°C (operational) -20 - 80°C (storage)
14	Dimension in mm	55(L) x 24(W) x 2.1(T)
15	Weight	7g

TROUBLESHOOTING

Introduction

This chapter provides typical problems with their own specific troubleshooting tips.

Common Troubleshooting Tips

LED Activity

If you encounter difficulty using and/or installing your SD WLAN Card product, the error may be related to various causes :

- Out-of range situation, which prevents the SDW11b from establishing a wireless connection with the network.
- Configuration mismatch, which prevents the SDW11b from establishing a wireless connection with the (correct) network.
- Absence of, or conflict of the SDW11b Driver .
- A problem or conflict with the SDW11b socket from powering on.
- A conflict of the SDW11b hardware with another device.

The starting point to troubleshoot problems with your SDW11b is looking at the LED activity of the SDW11b.

LED Activity

- ❖ The power LED will be blank when the SDW11b is properly inserted but not transmitting/receiving data.
- ❖ The Act LED will be blinking Blue when transmitting/receiving wireless data.

Cannot Connect To Network

If your SDW11b seems to be working fine, but you are not able to connect to the network, this error might be due to a configuration mismatch.

For example if LED of your SDW11b lights, the problem is likely to be caused by a configuration mismatch of :

- Network Name (The SDW11b Network Name is case-sensitive).
- Encryption Key

Other causes may be :

- No driver loaded.
- Station not authorized to access network.
- SDW11b defect.

The most common cause is simple mistake. First check whether the card is inserted properly or not. Check whether any APs are available or not. If you see many APs, select any of one those APs and click connect. If you don't see any APs click Rescan Button. If you still don't see AP list after refscanning, it is possible that no active AP is nearby. You may be in the dead zone. Move around or change the PDA orientations. It may help.

Cannot Find the AP

Check the available access point in the neighborhood by clicking the **Site Survey** tab in the utility. If the access point requires WEP key, input the same WEP key then try to connect again. If you do not know the WEP key, contact the system administrator to obtain the appropriate key.

For identifying the specific AP, check the wireless networks available in the neighborhood. If the AP shows ESSID, use the same ESSID to connect the AP. ESSID is assigned to the specific AP for that purpose.

The System is Very Slow

Some devices with non-powerful CPU may suffer their performance significantly. If the system is very slow, check

- If you are opening many windows, close them
- Change the antenna orientation for better signal reception
- Check the signal strength if it is weak move toward the AP.

SDW11b Does Not Operate After Returning From the Stand-by or Sleeping Mode

This may happen when the driver is not functioning. Reinstall the SDW11b driver again.