

802.11a/b/g Wireless USB Adapter

User's Guide

Version 1.0

Federal Communication Commission Interference Statement

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

FCC Caution: Any changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

For operation within 5.15 ~ 5.25GHz frequency range, it is restricted to indoor environment, and the antenna of this device must be integral.

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.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

FCC Radiation Exposure Statement:

Maximum average SAR (1g) is 0.793W/Kg.

This transmitter must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.

U-MEDIA declares that WUB-410Z, (FCC ID : SI5WUB410) is limited in CH1~CH11 for 2.4 GHz by specified firmware controlled in U.S.A.

CE Mark Warning

This is a Class B product. In a domestic environment, this product may cause radio interference, in which case the user may be required to take adequate measures.

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Chapter 1 - Getting Started

This chapter introduces the Adapter and prepares you to use the Wireless Utility.

1.1 About Your 802.11a/b/g WLAN USB Adapter

The Adapter is an IEEE 802.11a, 802.11b, and 802.11g compliant wireless LAN adapter. With the Adapter, you can enjoy wireless mobility within almost any wireless networking environment.

The following lists the main features of your Adapter.

- ✓ Your Adapter can communicate with other IEEE 802.11a/b/g compliant wireless devices.
- ✓ Automatic rate selection.
- ✓ Standard data transmission rates up to 54 Mbps.
- ✓ Proprietary Atheros transmission rates of 108 Mbps
- ✓ Offers 64-bit & 128-bit WEP (Wired Equivalent Privacy) data encryption for network security.
- ✓ Supports IEEE802.1x and WPA (Wi-Fi Protected Access).
- ✓ Low CPU utilization allowing more computer system resources for other programs.
- ✓ A built-in antenna.
- ✓ Driver support for Windows XP/2000/ME/98SE

1.2 Package Content

- 802.11a/b/g WLAN USB Adapter
- Installation and Manual CD
- Quick Start Guide
- Warranty/Registration Adapter

1.3 System Requirement

- Pentium class notebook computers with at least one available USB slot
- Microsoft Windows XP or 2K
- CD-ROM drive

1.4 LED Definition

The following table describes the LED on the 802.11a/b/g WLAN USB Adapter

LED	COLOR	STATUS	DESCRIPTION
LINK	Blue	OFF	The Adapter has no connection
		Blinking Slowly	The Adapter is connected
		Blinking	The Adapter is sending or receiving data

1.5 Adapter Hardware and Utility Installation

NOTE: If you have connected the USB Adapter to your computer, please remove it first.

Follow the instructions below to install the USB Adapter and Utility.

STEP 1

Insert the Driver and Utility CD into CD drive

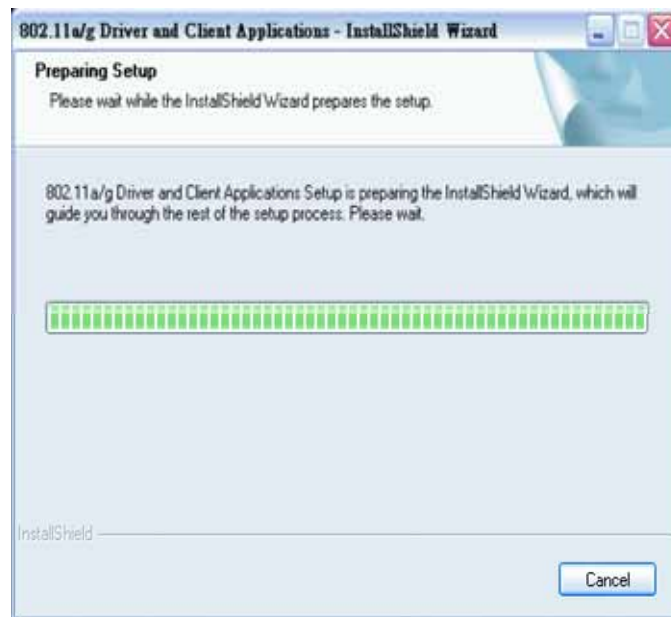
STEP 2

If your CD Autorun is enabled, the Main Installation Menu will show. (Otherwise open your CD folder and double-click on the “setup.exe” file)



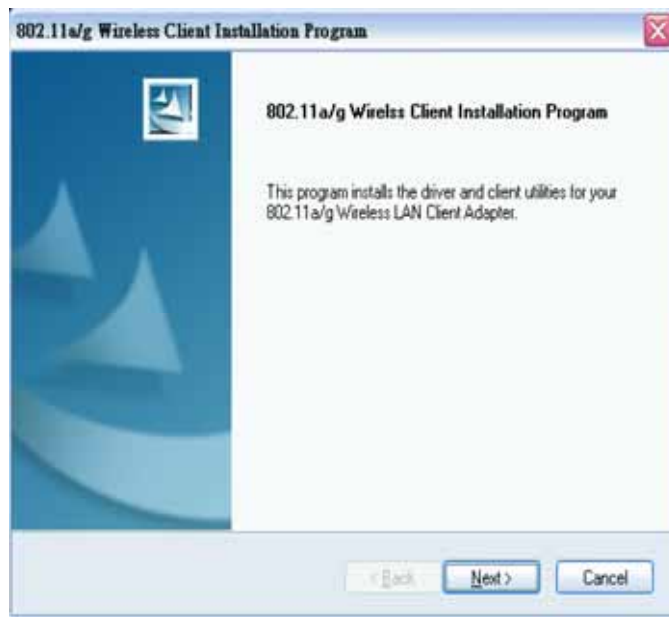
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Click the button of **INSTALL**. The InstallShield wizard prepares for installation.



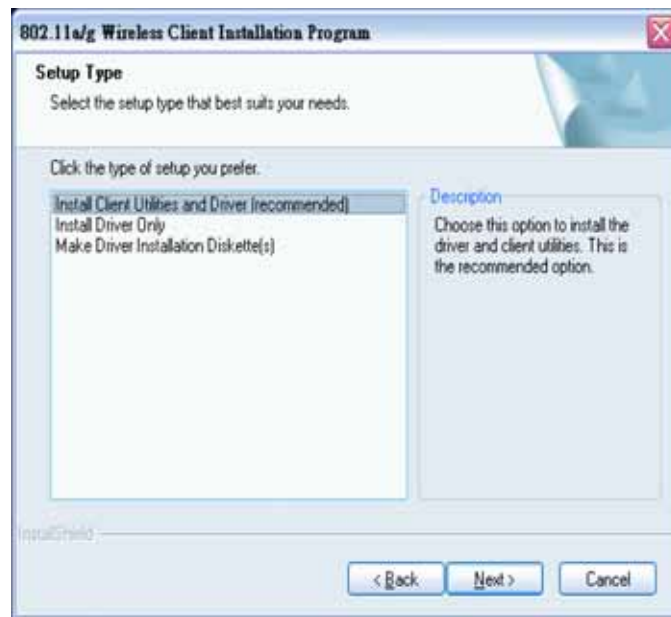
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The InstallShield Wizard prompts you for confirmation. Click **Next** on the following menu.



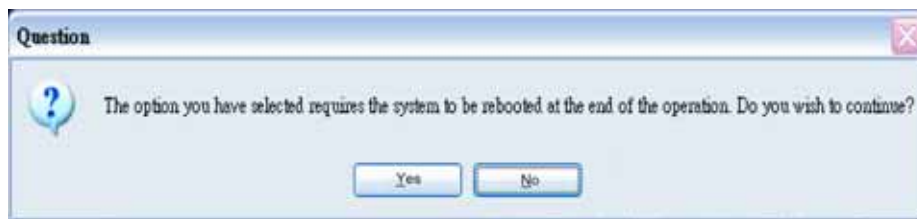
STEP 5

Choose to install client utility and driver or install driver only.
We recommend proceeding with **"Install Client Utilities and Driver"**



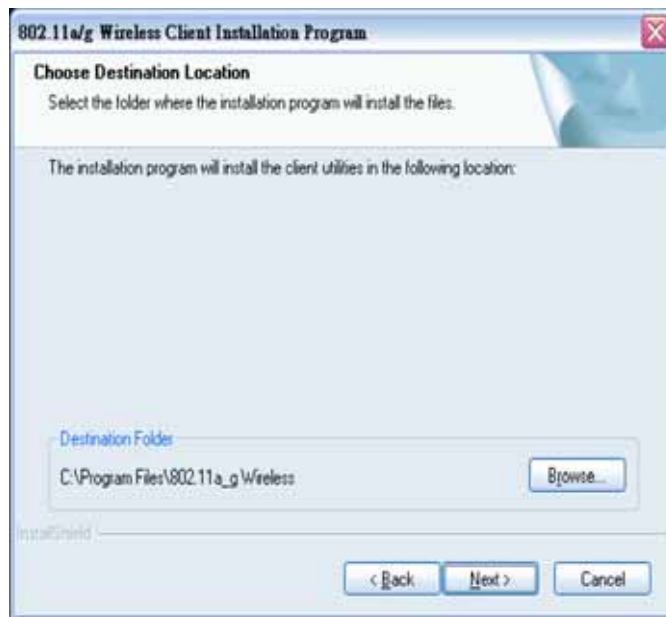
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A warning question will pop up, click “Yes” on it.



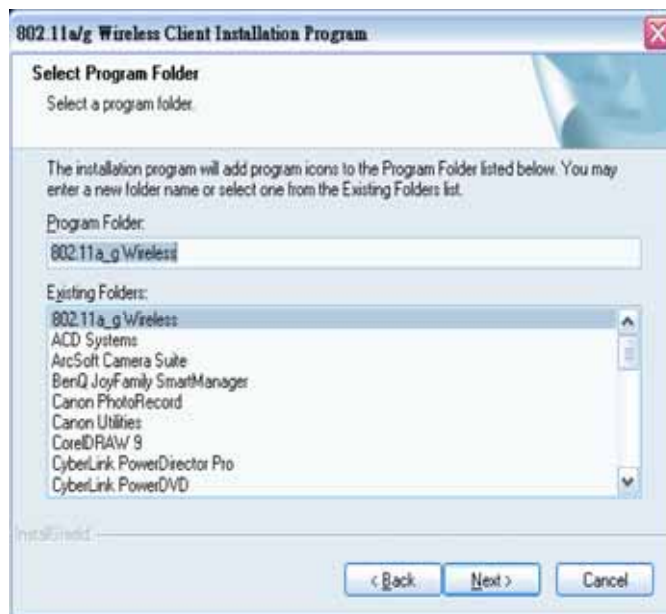
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In the destination Folder screen you are asked to confirm the Destination Folder for the application software. If you would like, you may change the destination folder to another location. Click **Next**



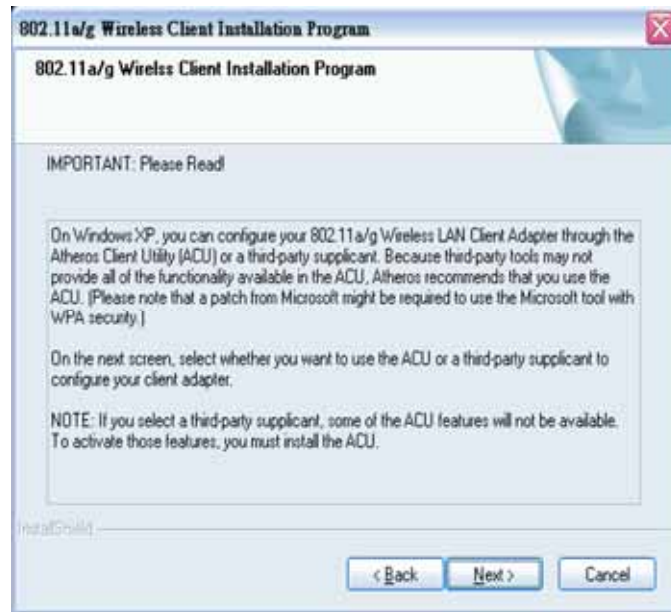
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Select a program folder and click on **Next**.



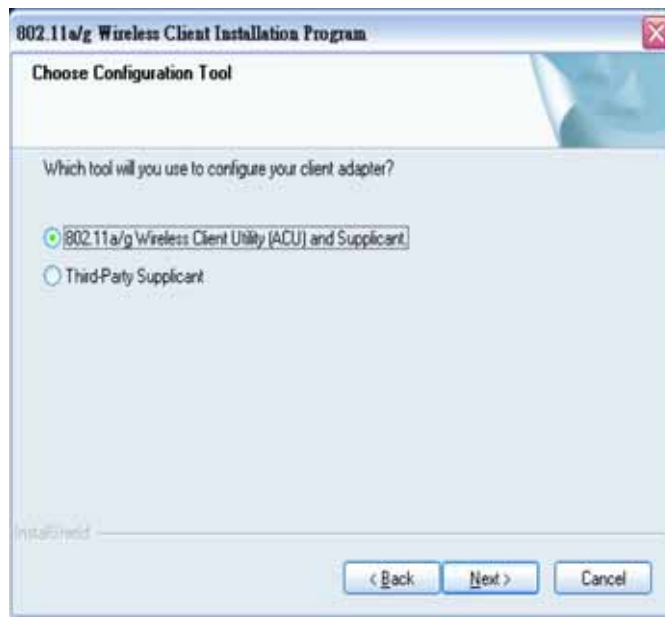
STEP 9

The installation gives you information regarding the Client Utility to be used. Click **Next** on it.



STEP 10

Choose the client utility. Click **Next**.



STEP 11

At this moment please insert your USB Adapter to your Laptop and click **OK**.



STEP 12

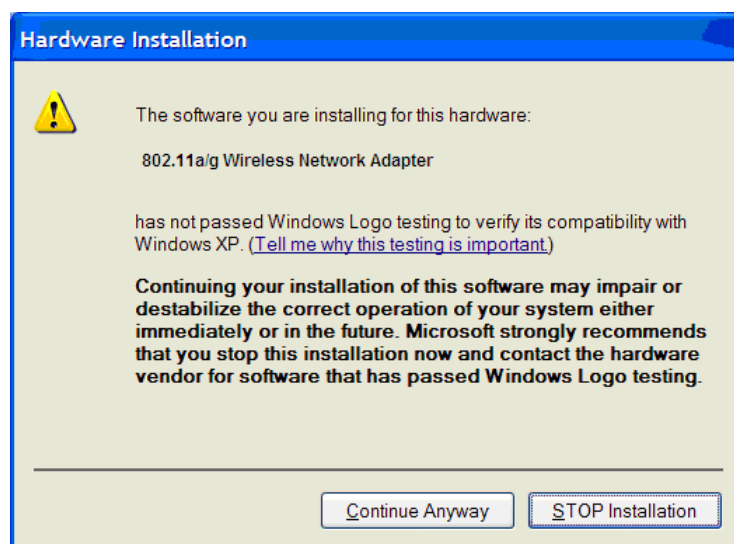
You will get the "Found News Hardware Wizard" menu; click on **Cancel**.



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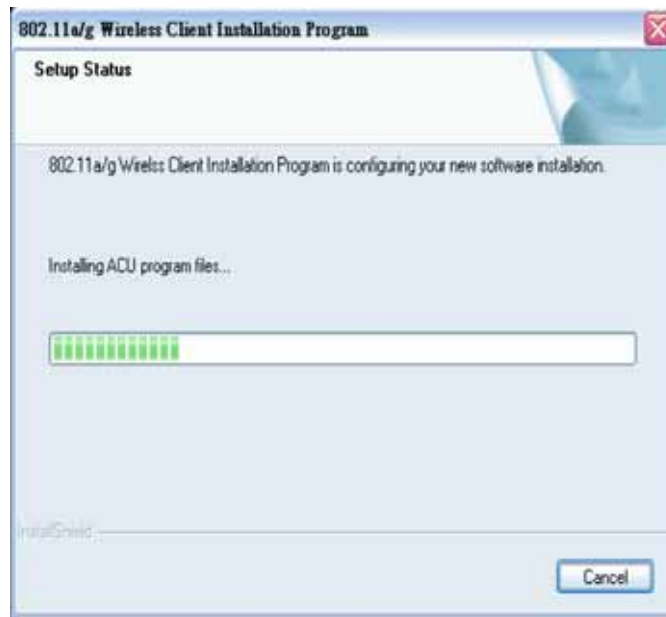
At the hardware installation menu click **Continue Anyway.**

(Our product has been tested under Windows XP and found to be fully compatible click **Continue Anyway.**)



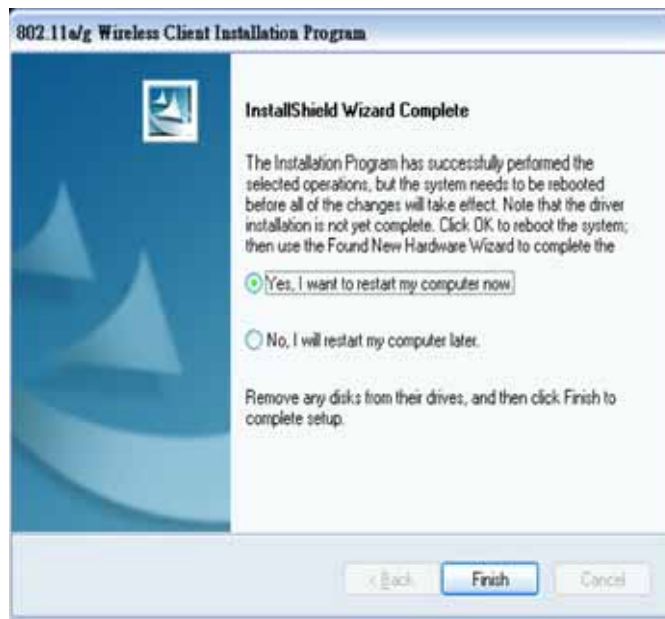
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The setup configuration shows the installation progress



STEP 15

Click **Finish** to complete the client utility installation. Your computer will be rebooted.



STEP 16

After rebooting, The Client Utility icon resides on the Desktop at the System Tray automatically.

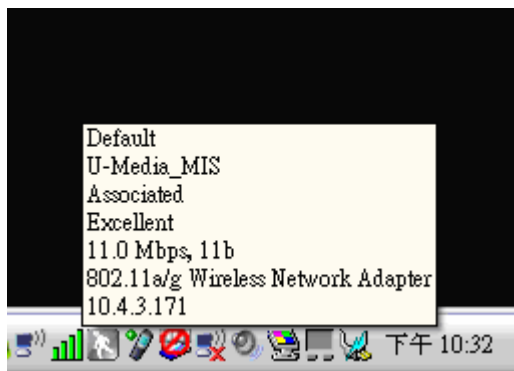


1.6 Using the Utility to Configure Your Network

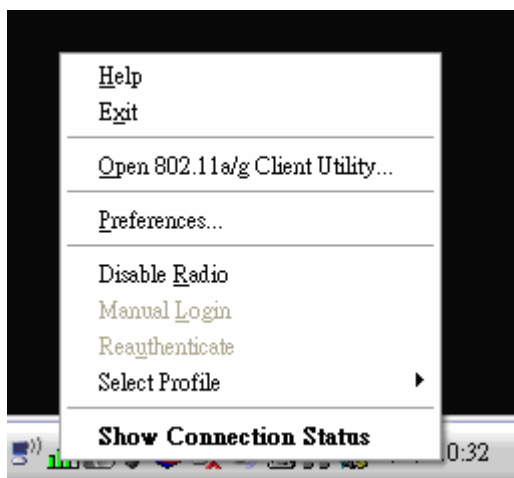
The following are explanations on how to configure and use the Utility program. After completing the installation procedure, a new icon as shown below will automatically appear in the lower right tray bar.



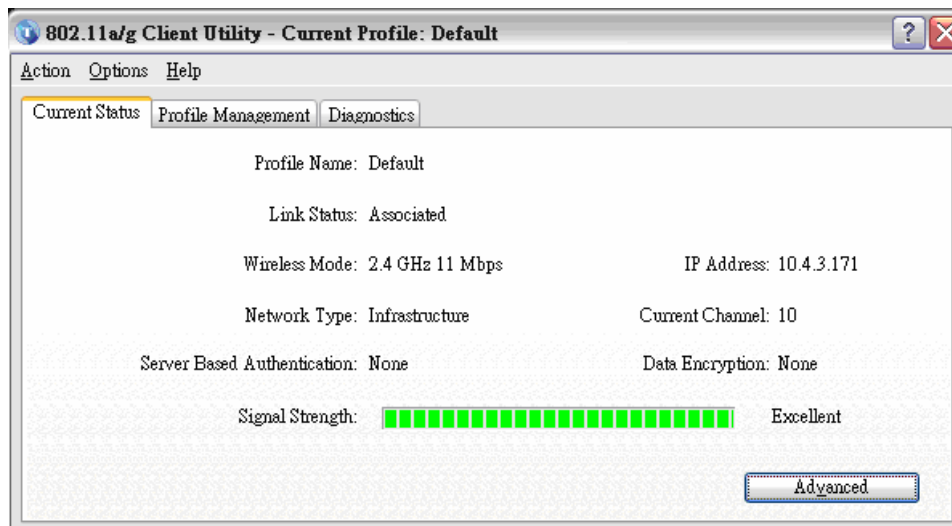
If you hold your mouse pointer over the icon, the profiles, quality, ip address display, along with the name of the current configuration profile.



Press the right mouse button and click **Open 802.11a/g Client Utility**.



The 802.11a/g Client Utility window as shown below will appear.



The user can now use any of the management functions available in the 802.11a/g Client Utility.

Current Status

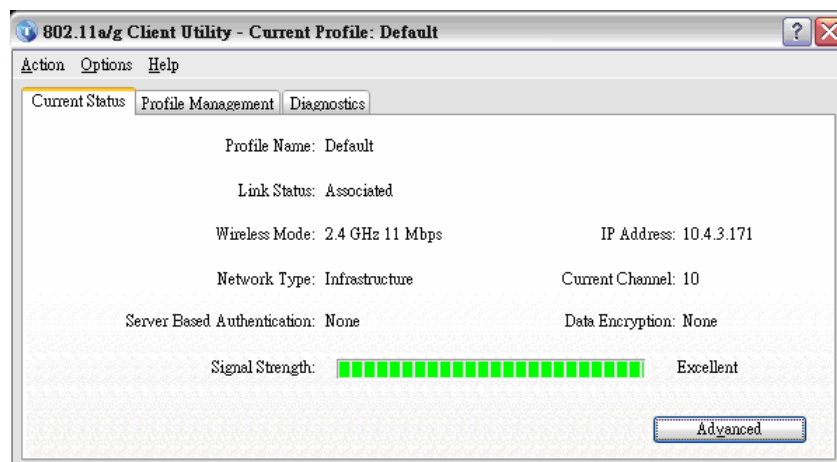
The Current Status tab contains general information about the program and its operations. The Current Status tab does not require any configuration.

The following table describes the items found on the Current Status screen.

Profile Name	The name of the current selected configuration profile. Set up the configuration name on the General tab .
Link Status	Shows whether the station is associated to the wireless network.
Wireless Mode	Displays the wireless mode . Configure the wireless mode on the Advanced tab .
IP Address	Displays the computer's IP address.
Network Type	The type of network the station is connected to. The options include: ☒ Infrastructure (access point)

	■ Ad Hoc Configure the network type on the Advanced tab.
Current Channel	Shows the currently connected channel.
Server Based Authentication	Shows whether server based authentication is used.
Data Encryption	Displays the encryption type the driver is using. Configure the encryption type on the Security tab .
Signal Strength	Shows the strength of the signal.

Click the [Advanced](#) button to see the advanced status diagnostics.



Advanced Status Information

Click the [Advanced](#) button on the [Current Status tab](#) of the Client Utility to see advanced information about the program and its operations. The Current Status tab does not require any configuration.

The following table describes the items found on the Advanced Status screen.

Network Name (SSID)	Displays the wireless network name. Configure the network name on the General tab .
Server Based Authentication	Shows whether server based authentication is used.
Data Encryption	Displays the encryption type the driver is using. Configure the encryption type on the Security tab .
Authentication Type	Displays the authentication mode . Configure the authentication mode on the General tab .
Message Integrity Check	Shows whether MIC is enabled. MIC prevents bit-flip attacks on encrypted packets.
Associated AP Name	Displays the name of the access point the wireless adapter is associated to.
Associated AP IP Address	Shows the IP address of the access point the wireless adapter is associated to.
Associated AP MAC Address	Displays the MAC address of the access point the wireless adapter is associated to.
Power Save Mode	Shows the power save mode . Power management is disabled in ad hoc mode. Configure the power save mode on the Advanced tab .
Current Power Level	Displays the transmit power level rate in mW. Configure the transmit power level on the Advanced tab .
Available Power Levels	Shows the 802.11a and/or 802.11b/g available power levels.
Current Signal Strength	Shows the current signal strength in dBm.
Current Noise Level	Displays the current noise level in dBm.
Up Time	Shows how long the client adapter has been receiving power (in hours:minutes:seconds). If the adapter runs for more than 24 hours, the display shows in days:hours:minutes:seconds.
802.11b Preamble	Displays the 802.11b preamble format. Configure the preamble format on the Advanced tab .
Current Receive	Shows the current receive rate in Mbps.

Rate	
Current Transmit Rate	Displays the current transmit rate in Mbps.
Channel	Shows the currently connected channel.
Frequency	Displays frequency the station is using.
Channel Set	Shows the current channel set.

Advanced Status

Network Name (SSID):	wireless	Current Signal Strength:	-57 dBm
Server Based Authentication:	None	Current Noise Level:	-98 dBm
Data Encryption:	None	Up Time:	02:20:24
Authentication Type:		802.11b Preamble:	Short & Long
Message Integrity Check:	None	Current Receive Rate:	11.0 Mbps
QoS:	None	Current Transmit Rate:	11.0 Mbps
Associated AP Name:	Unavailable	Channel:	6
Associated AP IP Address:	Unavailable	Frequency:	2.437 GHz
Associated AP MAC Address:	00-06-25-B5-FF-D9	Channel Set:	
Power Save Mode:	Normal		
Current Power Level:	50 mW		
Available Power Levels (802.11a):	16.218mW for 5.150 ~ 5.350GHz, 15.922mW for 5.725 ~ 5.850GHz		
Available Power Levels (802.11b/g):	50.350mW for 11b, 31.989mW for 11g		

OK

Create or Modify a Configuration Profile

To add a new configuration profile, click [New](#) on the Profile Management tab. To modify a configuration profile, select the configuration from the Profile list and click the [Modify](#) button.

The Profile Management dialog box displays the [General tab](#).

Profile Management:

- [Edit the General tab](#).
- [Edit the Security tab](#).
- [Edit the Advanced tab](#).

To configure a profile for [ad hoc](#) or [access point](#) (infrastructure) mode, edit the Network Type field on the [Advanced tab](#).

Note that the ACU only allows the creation of 16 configuration profiles. After the creation of 16 profiles, clicking the [New](#) button displays an error message. [Remove](#) an old profile or modify an existing profile for a new use.

Auto Profile Selection Management

Including a profile in the auto selection feature allows the wireless adapter to automatically select that profile from the list of profiles and use it to connect to the network.

Including a profile in auto profile selection:

1. On the [Profile Management](#) tab, click the [Order Profiles](#) button.
2. The Auto Profile Selection Management window appears, with a list of all created profiles in the [Available Profiles](#) box.
3. Highlight the profiles to add to auto profile selection, then click [Add](#). The profiles appear in the [Auto Selected Profiles](#) box.

Ordering the auto selected profiles:

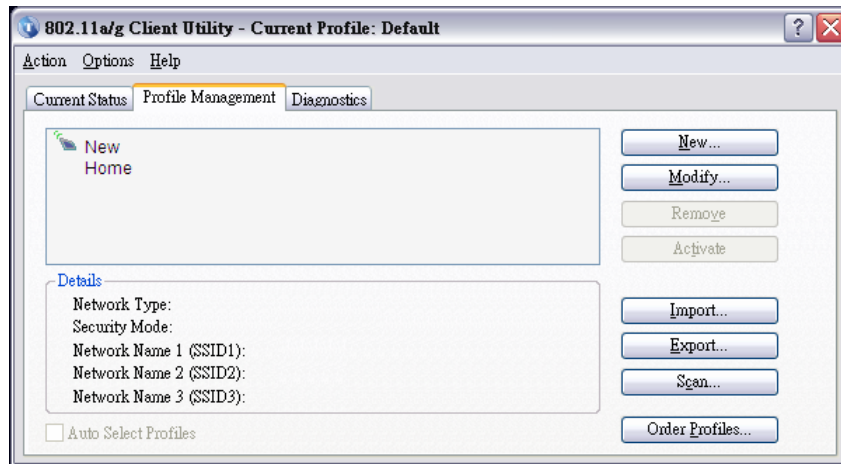
1. Highlight a profile in the [Auto Selected Profiles](#) box.
2. Click [Move Up](#), [Move Down](#), or [Remove](#) as appropriate.

The first profile in the Auto Selected Profiles box has highest priority, and the last profile has lowest priority.

3. Click [OK](#).
4. Check the [Auto Select Profiles](#) box.
5. Save the modified configuration file.

When auto profile selection is enabled by checking [Auto Select Profiles](#) on the Profile Management tab, the client adapter scans for an available network. The profile with the highest priority and the same SSID as one of the found networks is the one that is used to connect to the network. If the connection fails, the client adapter tries the next highest priority profile that matches the SSID, and so on.

With auto profile selection enabled, the wireless adapter scans for available networks. The highest priority profile with the same SSID as a found network is used to connect to the network. On a failed connection, the client adapter tries with the next highest priority profile.

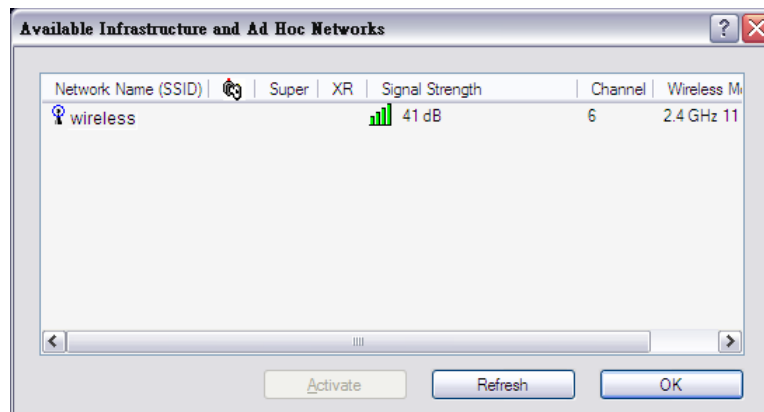


Scan Available Networks

Click the [Scan](#) button on the [Profile Management tab](#) to scan for available infrastructure and ad hoc networks. On this list, click [Refresh](#) to refresh the list at any time.

Connecting to a different network

- Highlight a network name and click the [Activate](#) button to connect an available network. If no configuration profile exists for that network, the Profile Management window opens to the General tab. Fill in the profile name and click [OK](#) to [create the configuration profile](#) for that network.



Security Tab

In the Client Utility, access the Security tab by clicking [New](#) or [Modify](#) on the Profile Management tab. Click the Security tab in the Profile Management window.

Edit the fields in the Security tab of Profile Management to configure the profile. To define the security mode, select the radio button of the desired security mode. Make sure to also edit the [General](#) and [Advanced](#) tabs.

WPA/WPA2	Enables the use of Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA). Choosing WPA/WPA2 opens the WPA/WPA2 EAP drop-down menu. The options include: ■ EAP-FAST (Extensible Authentication Protocol-Flexible Authentication via Secure Tunneling) EAP-FAST is to support customers who cannot enforce a strong password policy and wish to deploy an 802.1X EAP type that does not require digital certificates, supports a variety of user and password database types, supports password expiration and change, and is flexible, easy to deploy, and easy to manage. For example, a customer using Cisco LEAP who cannot enforce a strong password policy and does not want to use certificates can migrate to EAP-FAST for protection from dictionary attacks. (See help menu on configuration utility for more details) ■ EAP-TLS (Extensible Authentication Protocol-Transport Layer Security) is a Point-to-Point Protocol (PPP) extension supporting additional authentication methods within PPP. Transport Layer Security (TLS) provides for mutual authentication, integrity-protected
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	cipher suite negotiation, and key exchange between two endpoints. ■ EAP-TTLS (Extensible Authentication Protocol-Tunneled Transport Layer Security) An EAP variant that provides mutual authentication using a certificate for server authentication, and via a secure TLS tunnel for the client ■ PEAP (EAP-GTC) (Protected Extensible Authentication Protocol) authenticates wireless LAN clients using only server-side digital certificates by creating an encrypted SSL/TLS tunnel between the client and the authentication server. The tunnel then protects the subsequent user authentication exchange. ■ PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2) (Protected Extensible Authentication Protocol) To use PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2) security, the server must have WPA-PEAP certificates, and the server properties must already be set. Check with the IT manager ■ LEAP (Lightweight and Efficient Application Protocol) is the general framework for a set of high-performance, efficient protocols which are ideal for mobile and wireless applications. LEAP is designed to address all the technical requirements of the wireless data communications industry, and is oriented towards providing the greatest benefit to the industry and the consumer
WPA/WPA2 Passphrase	Enables WPA/WPA2 Passphrase security. Click on the Configure button and fill in the WPA/WPA2 Passphrase.
802.1x	Enables 802.1x security. This option requires IT administration. Choosing 802.1x opens the 802.1x EAP type drop-down menu. The options include: ■ EAP-FAST ■ EAP-TLS ■ EAP-TTLS ■ PEAP (EAP-GTC) ■ PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2)

■ [LEAP](#)

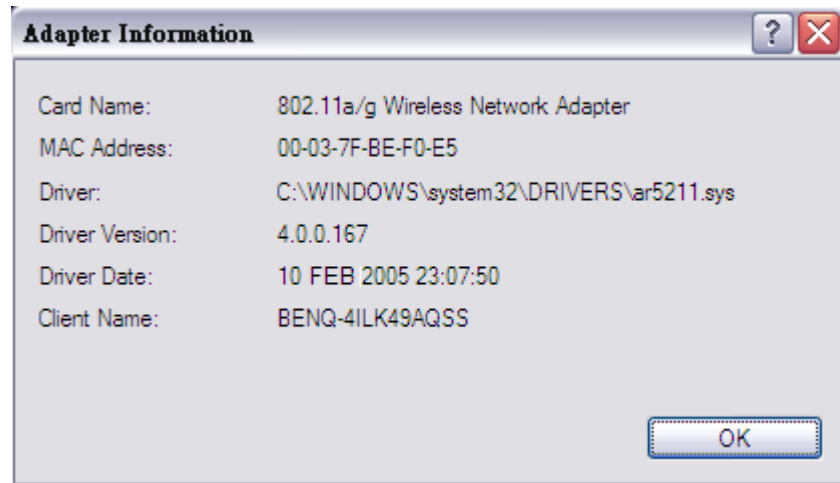
If the access point that the wireless adapter is associating to has WEP set to Optional and the client has WEP enabled, make sure that [Allow Association to Mixed Cells](#) is checked on the [Security Tab](#) to allow association.

Chapter 2 – Maintenance

This chapter describes how to uninstall or upgrade the Wireless Utility.

2.1 The Version Screen

In the Client Utility, check the adapter information by clicking [Adapter Information](#) button on the Diagnostics tab.



2.2 Uninstall the Driver

Follow the steps below to remove (or uninstall) the USB Adapter driver from your computer.

- Step 1.** To remove the driver from the OS, go to **Start -> Control Panel**
- Step 2.** Double-click **System**
- Step 3.** Under **Hardware** tab, click **Device Manager**.
- Step 4.** Double-click **Network Adapter**
- Step 5.** Right-click mouse button on "802.11a/g Wireless Network Adapter", and choose **Uninstall**
- Step 6.** Click **OK** to confirm that you are going to uninstall the driver

2.3 Uninstall the Client Utility

Follow the steps below to remove the Client Utility from your computer.

- Step 1.** To remove the utility from the OS, go to **Start -> Control Panel**
- Step 2.** Double-click **Add-Remove Programs**
- Step 3.** Select **802.11a/g Wireless Client Installation Program**, and click the **Remove** button

2.4 Upgrading the Wireless Utility

To perform the upgrade, follow the steps below.

- Step 1.** Download the latest version of the utility from the web site and save the file on your computer.
- Step 2.** Follow the steps in *Section 2.2* to remove the current Wireless Utility from your computer.
- Step 3.** Restart your computer if prompted.
- Step 4.** After restarting, refer to the procedure in the *Quick Start Guide* to install the new utility.
- Step 5.** Check the version numbers in the **Version** screen to make sure the new utility is installed properly.