User Manual - AirStation Draft-N WZR2-G300N

Wireless Router & AP



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Introduction

Work and play - further and faster! Your AirStation Nfiniti combines Ethernet networking with extended wireless range and speed. It offers excellent compatibility with most wireless clients, giving superb performance with Wireless-N, Wireless G, and legacy Wireless-B clients. For best overall performance, use with Buffalo Technology Nfinity wireless clients.

System Requirements:

- A high-speed (Broadband) Internet connection or existing local area connection.
- A computer with a network connection (wired or wireless) and a good web browser. The screenshots in this manual were taken with Firefox, but Netscape and Internet Explorer are also supported in versions 4.5 or later, and Safari 1.0 and later are supported with Macintosh OS X 10.2 and later.

Package Contents:

- WZR2-G300N AirStation with built-in antennas
- AC adapter
- CAT5 LAN cable
- Utility CD with Manual
- Quick Setup Guides
- Warranty Statement

Initial Setup

Begin by finding a good place to set up your router/access point. Some things to consider:

- You'll need to be able to plug your internet connection into it, so it should go within reach of the LAN cable from your DSL or Cable modem. You'll also want a power outlet nearby.
- Keep the access point as central in your work area as possible. Signal strength and speed fall off with distance.
- Higher is often better. For instance, set it up on the top shelf of a bookcase rather than the bottom one, if possible.

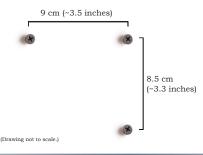
Do you need a password or other information to log in to your internet connection? Many DSL connections require information like global IP address, subnet mask, default gateway address, DNS server address, or PPPoE parameters in order to connect. Cable modems usually don't require extra information. If you have a DSL internet connection, make sure that you have any necessary information handy before you continue. Your Internet Service Provider can give you this information if you don't know it.

Placing Your AirStation

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m Y}$ our AirStation may be placed horizontally or mounted vertically on a wall.



For wall mounting, screw three screws into the wall as shown below.





Connecting your AirStation



Initial Setup

To initially configure your router, you'll use a wired connection to your computer. Once you've connected to the internet through the router, you may switch to a wireless connection if desired.

The computer used to configure the AirStation should be set to obtain an IP address automatically using a DHCP server (this is the default). The WZR2-G300N has a default LAN IP address of 192.168.11.1 and Subnet Mask of 255.255.255.0.

- 1. Power down the Cable or DSL modem and the computer which will be used to configure the AirStation router.
- 2. Plug the Cable or DSL modem's Ethernet cable into the AirStation's WAN port. Initially, you may need to unplug this cable from your computer, hub or other router.
- 3. Plug the provided Ethernet cable into a LAN port on the AirStation and plug the other end into your computer's Ethernet adapter (NIC).
- 4. *Important: turn everything on in the correct order!!* Power on your cable or DSL modem and wait one full minute, then power on the AirStation router and wait one full minute, and finally power on the computer which will be used to configure the AirStation.

Log in to the Configuration Tool



Launch a web browser on the computer that you're using to configure the AirStation.

Enter 192.168.11.1 into the URL field. Naturally, if you change your AirStation's IP address, you'll have to enter the new address instead.



A window will open, prompting you to enter a User ID and Password.

Enter *root* as the User name and leave the password field *blank*.

Detecting Your Broadband Connection

Your AirStation's SmartRouter technology will determine the type of internet connection you have automatically, and ask you for any needed information. If your ISP assigns IPs automatically (most cable providers do), their DHCP server will give your router an IP address. If additional login information is required to connect to the internet, the wizard will ask for it. Enter any required login



information if asked. Contact your DSL provider for any missing login information.

Congratulations! You are now connected to the internet. Open a familiar web page to make sure everything is working correctly.

Connecting Wireless Clients to the Access Point



To connect wireless devices to the AirStation, you may either enter the SSID and encryption key manually, or you can use AOSS. For more information on AOSS, see pages 14 and 15.

Consult your wireless clients' manuals for instructions on configuring them manually. You can get SSID and encryption information from the AirStation's

initial setup screen, as shown above. By default, encryption is *not enabled* ("open").

If you prefer to use encryption and/or a different SSID, you may change these default settings under the *Wireless Config* Tab.

Basic Setup Page



You can get back to the Setup page from anywhere in the configuration screens by clicking on the *Setup* tab in the top left corner. From here, you can rerun the Internet Connection Wizard, change your wireless SSID and channel, and choose your encryption type under Basic Settings. The *Wireless* section shows your SSID and encryption settings.

You can also configure *port mapping* for your internet games, configure your *Firewall*, update your AirStation's firmware, and reset your AirStation to factory settings. As you explore the configuration tool, you'll see that context sensitive help is available on the right side of each page.

Navigating the Menus

The menus in the Configuration Tool let you change your AirStation's settings. To navigate settings, choose a *category* at the top of the page and then a *submenu* below. Settings will appear on the left, help files on the right. This example shows the Internet/LAN category with the DHCP submenu item selected.



The following pages show examples of some screens from the configuration utility.