

# **Manual**

Version 1.0

DWL-AG132

Wireless 108AG USB Adapter

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## **Package Contents**



- D-Link AirPremier® AG DWL-AG132 Wireless AG USB 2.0 Adapter
- Manual on CD
- Quick Installation Guide
- Cradle

If any of the above items are missing, please contact your reseller.

## **Minimum System Requirements**

- A computer or laptop with an available USB 2.0 port
- Windows XP/2000
- At least 64MB of memory and a 500MHz processor
- Properly installed and working USB Controller

## Introduction

The D-Link *Air*Premier <sup>®</sup> AG DWL-AG132 Wireless AG USB Adapter is an 802.11a/802.11g high-performance, convenient Plug & Play USB 2.0 solution that brings wireless networking to your laptop or desktop PC.

With a maximum wireless signal rate of up to 54Mbps (108Mbps\* in Turbo mode), and the convenience of both 802.11a and 802.11g connectivity, you can connect to a wireless network at home, at the office or at any wireless hotspot. Now you can stay connected wherever you are and wherever you go.

The DWL-AG132 is Wi-Fi compliant, meaning that it can connect and interoperate with other 802.11b , 802.11g and 802.11a Wi-Fi-compliant wireless routers, access points and adapters. The DWL-AG132 connects to any available USB port on a laptop or desktop Windows -based computer, and also includes a USB cradle. With the optional USB cradle, the DWL-AG132 can be positioned virtually anywhere at a workstation to achieve the best available wireless signal reception - whether that workstation is in your office, on your deck or patio, by the pool, at the local coffee shop, or in an airport terminal while waiting to board your next flight.

The adapter works with Microsoft Windows XP and Windows 2000 operating systems to ensure that you'll be up and running on a wireless network in just a matter of seconds. Using its default settings, the DWL-AG132 automatically connects to other D-Link *Air*Premier AG wireless products as soon as it's active.

The DWL-AG132 has the newest, strongest and most advanced security features available today. When used with other 802.11 WPA (Wi-Fi Protected Access) and 802.1x compatible products in a network with a RADIUS server, the security features include:

WPA: Wi-Fi Protected Access which authorizes and identifies users based on a secret key that changes automatically at regular intervals. WPA uses TKIP (Temporal Key Integrity Protocol) to change the temporal key every 10,000 packets (a packet is a kind of message transmitted over a network.) This ensures much greater security than the standard WEP security. (By contrast, the previous WEP encryption implementations required the keys to be changed manually.)

\*Maximum wireless signal rate derived from IEEE Standard 802.11a/g specifications. Actual data throughput will vary. Network conditions and evironmental factors lower actual data throughput rate.

**802.1x: Authentication** which is a first line of defense against intrusion. In the authentication process, the Authentication Server verifies the identity of the client attempting to connect to the network. Unfamiliar clients would be denied access.

For home users that will <u>not</u> incorporate a RADIUS server in their network, the security for the DWL-AG132, used in conjunction with other WPA-compatible 802.11 products, will still be much stronger than ever before. Utilizing the **Pre-Shared Key mode** of WPA, the DWL-AG132 will obtain a new security key every time it connects to the 802.11 network. You only need to input your encryption information once in the configuration menu. No longer will you have to manually input a new WEP key frequently to ensure security. With the DWL-AG132, you will automatically receive a new key every time you connect, vastly increasing the safety of your communication.

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## **Features and Benefits**

- Provides maximum wireless signal rate of up to 54Mbps (108Mbps¹ in Turbo mode).
- Compact size for placement anywhere.
- Convenience of Plug & Play installation.
- Fully 802.11a/802.11b/802.11g compatible.
- Powered by the USB port; no external power source is required.
- USB 2.0 standard<sup>2</sup>.
- Better Security with 802.1x and WPA In addition to 64-,128-bit WEP encryption, you can also securely connect to a wireless network using 802.1x for wireless authentication, as well as WPA (Wi-Fi Protected Access) providing you a much higher level of security for your data and communication than has previously been available.
- Optimal wireless reception using its cradle (included). Position the DWL-AG132 almost anywhere in your workspace to achieve the best reception possible.
- Supports Infrastructure networks via an access point and Peer-to-Peer communication in Ad-Hoc mode.
  - User-friendly configuration and diagnostic utilities.
  - Connects at up to 328 feet indoors<sup>3</sup>.
  - 1 year warranty.

<sup>1</sup>Maximum wireless signal rate derived from IEEE Standard 802.11g specifications. Actual data throughput will vary. Network conditions and environmental factors lower actual data throughput rate.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Using a USB 1.1 port will adversely affect throughput.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Environmental factors may adversely affect range.

## **Wireless Basics**

D-Link wireless products are based on industry standards to provide easy-touse and compatible high-speed wireless connectivity within your home, business or public access wireless networks. D-Link wireless products will allow you access to the data you want, when and where you want it. You will be able to enjoy the freedom that wireless networking brings.

A wireless local area network (WLAN) is a computer network that transmits and receives data with radio signals instead of wires. WLANs are used increasingly in both home and office environments, and public areas such as airports, coffee shops and universities. Innovative ways to utilize WLAN technology are helping people to work and communicate more efficiently. Increased mobility and the absence of cabling and other fixed infrastructure have proven to be beneficial to many users.

Wireless users can use the same applications they use on a wired network. Wireless adapter cards used on laptop and desktop systems support the same protocols as Ethernet adapter cards.

People use WLAN technology for many different purposes:

**Mobility** - Productivity increases when people have access to data in any location within the operating range of the WLAN. Management decisions based on real-time information can significantly improve worker efficiency.

**Low Implementation Costs** - WLANs are easy to set up, manage, change and relocate. Networks that frequently change can benefit from WLANs ease of implementation. WLANs can operate in locations where installation of wiring may be impractical.

**Installation and Network Expansion** - Installing a WLAN system can be fast and easy and can eliminate the need to pull cable through walls and ceilings. Wireless technology allows the network to go where wires cannot go - even outside the home or office.

**Inexpensive Solution** - Wireless network devices are as competitively priced as conventional Ethernet network devices.

**Scalability** - WLANs can be configured in a variety of ways to meet the needs of specific applications and installations. Configurations are easily changed and range from Peerto-Peer networks suitable for a small number of users to larger Infrastructure networks to accommodate hundreds or thousands of users, depending on the number of wireless devices deployed.

## **Installation Considerations**

The DWL-AG132 lets you access your network using a wireless connection from virtually anywhere within its operating range. Keep in mind, however, that the number, thickness and location of walls, ceilings, or other objects that the wireless signals must pass through, may limit the range. Typical ranges vary depending on the types of materials and background RF (radio frequency) noise in your home or business. The key to maximizing wireless range is to follow these basic guidelines:

- Keep the number of walls and ceilings between the DWL-AG132 and other network devices to a minimum - each wall or ceiling can reduce your DWL-AG132's range from 3-90 feet (1-30 meters.) Position your devices so that the number of walls or ceilings is minimized.
- Be aware of the direct line between network devices. A wall that is 1.5 feet thick (.5 meters), at a 45-degree angle appears to be almost 3 feet (1 meter) thick. At a 2-degree angle it looks over 42 feet (14 meters) thick! Position devices so that the signal will travel straight through a wall or ceiling (instead of at an angle) for better reception.
- Building materials can impede the wireless signal a solid metal door or aluminum studs may have a negative effect on range. Try to position wireless devices and computers with wireless adapters so that the signal passes through drywall or open doorways and not other materials.
- Keep your product away (at least 3-6 feet or 1-2 meters) from electrical devices or appliances that generate RF noise.

# **Getting Started**

With its default settings, the DWL-AG132 will connect with other D-Link *Air*Plus Xtreme G<sup>™</sup> products, right out of the box.

There are basically two modes of networking:

**Infrastructure** – using an access point or router, such as the DI-624.

**Ad-Hoc** – directly connecting to another computer, for Peer-to-Peer communication, using wireless network adapters on each computer, such as two or more DWL-AG132 Wireless Network USB adapters.

On the following pages we will show you an example of an **Infrastructure Network** and an **Ad-Hoc Network**.

An **Infrastructure** network contains an access point or router. The **Infrastructure network** example shown on the following page contains the following D-Link network devices (your existing network may be comprised of other devices):

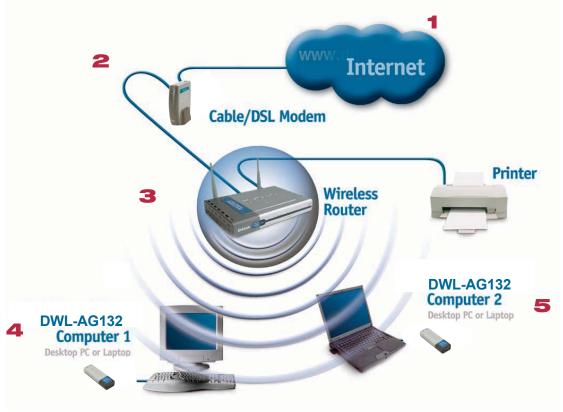
A wireless router - D-Link AirPlus Xtreme G™ DI-624

A laptop computer with a **D-Link** *Air*Plus Xtreme G<sup>™</sup> DWL-AG132

A desktop computer with a **D-Link** *Air***Plus Xtreme G**<sup>™</sup> **DWL-AG132** 

A cable modem - D-Link DCM-201

#### Setting up a Wireless Infrastructure Network



For a typical wireless setup at home (as shown above), please do the following:

- 1 You will need broadband Internet access (a cable or DSL-subscriber line into your home or office).
- Consult with your cable or DSL provider for proper installation of the modem.
- Connect the cable or DSL modem to your broadband router. (See the Quick Installation Guide included with your router.)
- Install the D-Link *Air*Plus Xtreme © DWL-AG132 Wireless USB 2.0 adapter into an available USB port on your desktop computer. (See the Quick Installation Guide included with the DWL-AG132.)
- Install the D-Link *Air*Plus Xtreme Ğ DWL-AG132 wireless USB 2.0 adapter into an available USB port on your laptop computer. (See the Quick Installation Guide included with the DWL-AG132.)

#### **Setting up a Wireless Ad-Hoc Network**



For a typical wireless setup at home (as shown above), please do the following:

- Install the **D-Link AirPremier AG DWL-AG132** Wireless USB 2.0 adapter into the desktop computer. (See the Quick Installation Guide included with the product.)
- Install the **D-Link** *Air***Premier** <sup>®</sup> **AG DWL-AG132** Wireless USB 2.0 adapter into the laptop computer. (See the Quick Installation Guide included with the product.)
- Set the wireless configuration for the adapters to Ad-Hoc mode, set the adapters to the same channel, and assign an IP address to each computer on the Ad-Hoc network.

#### **IP Address**

When assigning IP addresses to the computers on the network, please remember that the IP address for each computer must be in the same IP address range as all the computers in the network, and the subnet mask must be exactly the same for all the computers in the network.

For example: If the first computer is assigned an IP address of 192.168.0.2 with a subnet mask of 255.255.255.0, then the second computer can be assigned an IP address of 192.168.0.3 with a subnet mask of 255.255.255.0, etc.

IMPORTANT: If computers or other devices are assigned the same IP address, one or more of the devices may not be visible on the network.

## **Using the Configuration Utility**

**D-Link** *Air***Premier ® AG DWL-AG132** uses the **Configuration Utility** as the management software. The utility provides the user an easy interface to change any settings related to the wireless adapter. After you have completed the installation of the DWL-AG132 (refer to the *Quick Installation Guide* that came with your purchase) whenever you start the computer, the **Configuration Utility** starts automatically and the system tray icon is loaded in the toolbar (see illustration below.\*) Clicking on the utility icon will start the **Configuration Utility**. Another way to start the **Configuration Utility** is to click on **Start>Programs>D-Link** *Air***Premier AG >D-Link** *Air***Premier AG Utility**.

If you are using Windows XP, you can use either the Zero Configuration Utility or the D-Link Configuration Utility.

To use the D-Link Configuration Utility with XP, right-click on the wireless network icon in the taskbar in the lower right-hand corner of your computer screen.

In the window that appears, select **View Available Wireless Networks** and click the **Advanced** button. The screen at right will appear.

Select the Wireless Networks tab.

Uncheck the box in the properties window that enables windows configuration.



After you have done this, you can then use the D-Link Configuration Utility with XP by clicking on the D-Link Configuration Utility icon.

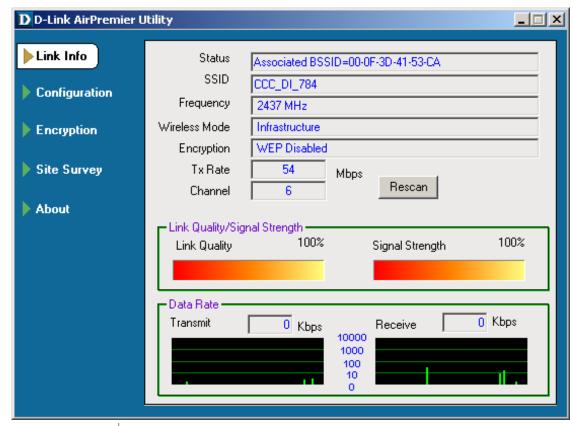


\*Configuration Utility icon in the system tray

If the icon does not display in the taskbar, then click on this icon on your desktop to open.



#### Link Info



Status: Displays the MAC address of the access point or router to which the

DWL-AG132 is associated.

**SSID:** The Service Set Identifier is the name assigned to the wireless

network. The factory SSID setting is default.

Frequency: 802.11b indicates that the DWL-AG132 is communicating in the

2.4GHz band.

Wireless Mode: Either Infrastructure or Ad-Hoc will be displayed here. (Please see

the Getting Started section in this manual for an explanation of these

two modes.)

Encryption: You can see if WEP (Wired Equivalent Privacy) is Enabled or

Disabled here.

**Tx Rate:** The default setting is **Auto**; Tx Rate settings are automatically

determined for a maximum wireless signal rate of up to 54Mbps

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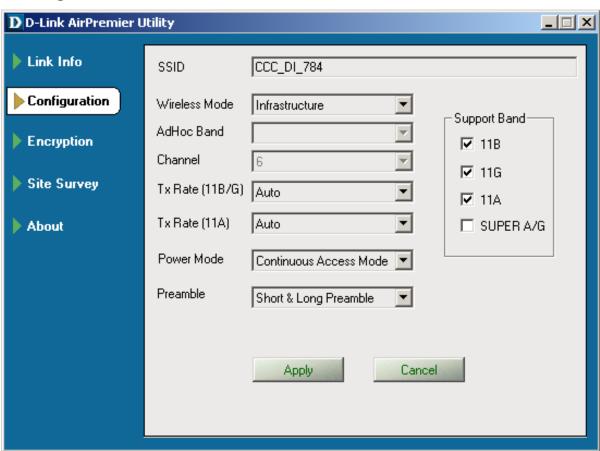
(108Mbps\* in Turbo mode).

**Channel:** The default setting is **Auto**. The channel selection is automatically

determined by the DWL-AG132.

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Rescan	Rescans for the strongest signal with the current SSID and
nostin.	associates with that access point or router.
Link Quality:	Displays the Link Quality of the DWL-AG132's wireless connection to the access point or router.
Signal Strength:	Displays the signal strength and the link quality of the DWL-AG132's wireless connection to the access point or router
Data Rate:	Displays the statistics of the data packets that are transmitted and received.

#### Configuration



SSID: The Service Set Identifier is the name assigned to the wireless network. The factory SSID setting is **default**.

Wireless Mode: Either Infrastructure or Ad-Hoc will be displayed here. (Please see the Getting Started section in this manual for an explanation of these

two modes.)

Ad Hoc Band: When Ad Hoc is selected in the Wireless Mode pulldown menu, this field will be configurable. In AdHoc mode, select either 802.11a,

802.11b, 802.11g or super A/G. All devices in Ad Hoc mode must

select the same band here.

**Channel:** The channel selection is automatically determined by the

DWL-AG132.

Tx Rate (11B/G): The default setting is Auto. These settings are automatically

determined for the maximum wireless signal rate.

Tx Rate (11A): The default setting is Auto. These settings are automatically

determined for the maximum wireless signal rate.

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**Power Mode:** Continuous Access Mode is the default setting. For best results leave this setting at the default.

**Preamble:** | **Preamble Type** - By default the preamble is set to *Short and Long Preamble.* The preamble defines the length of the CRC block (Cyclic Redundancy Check) used in communication between the access point and the wireless network adapters. CRC is a common technique for detecting data transmission errors. High traffic networks should use the shorter preamble type. The

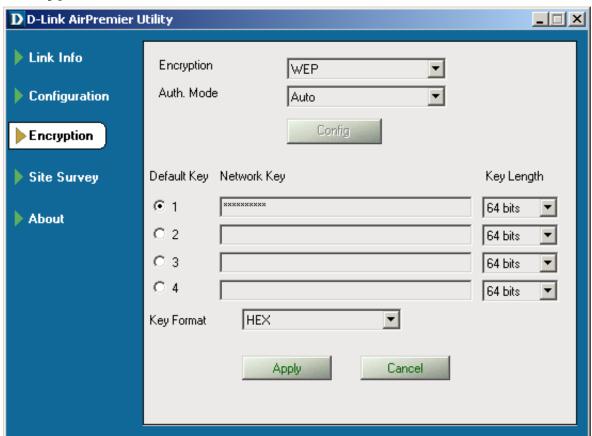
DWL-AG132 will automatically determine the best Preamble length.

Support Band: Select 11B, 11G, 11A, and/or Super A/G. You may select any or all of the bands to reflect the IEEE802.11 band of each of the devices

on your network.

**Apply:** Click Apply to save the changes.

#### **Encryption**



**Encryption:** | Select the Encryption mode here. The choices are: WEP, WPA,

WPA-PSK or None. When WPA or WPA-PSK is selected, click **Config** and the pop-up windows, shown on the following pages, will appear

on your screen.

**Auth. Mode:** Choose one of the following modes:

**Open Authentication** – the DWL-AG132 is visible to all devices on

the network.

Shared Authentication – allows communication only with other

devices with identical WEP settings.

Auto - the DWL-AG132 will automatically select the best

Authentication mode for your network.

**Config:** When you select WPA or WPA-PSK in the Auth. Mode pulldown menu, click **Config.** The popup windows shown on the following

pages will appear.

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Default Key & Network Key:

When you select WEP encryption, you will enter up to four WEP keys in the fields provided, using either Hexadecimal or ASCII format. From the keys you have entered, select the default key by clicking

on the button next to it.

**Key Length:** 

Select the Key length from the pulldown menu.

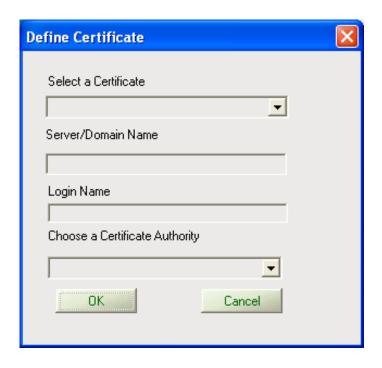
**Key Format:** 

Choose Hexadecimal or ASCII format.

**Hexadecimal** digits consist of the numbers 0-9 and the letters A-F. **ASCII** (American Standard Code for Information Interchange) is a code for representing English letters as numbers from 0-127.

## **Encryption-WPA**

When you select WPA in the Encryption window, the screen below will appear.



Select a
Certificate:
Select the appropriate Certificate from the pulldown menu.

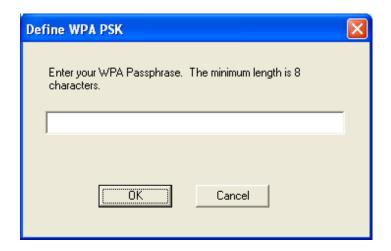
Server / Domain
Name:
Enter the Server / Domain Name of the RADIUS server.

Login Name:
Enter the Login name here.
Choose a
Certificate
Authority:
Choose a Certificate Authority from the pulldown menu. A Certificate
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Authority:
Click OK to save the settings.

#### **Encryption-WPA-PSK**

When you select WPA-PSK in the Encryption window, the screen below will appear. Suitable for the home user, WPA-PSK (WPA Pre-Shared Key) is a superior form of security that does not require a RADIUS server in the network.

By using TKIP (Temporal Key Integrity Protocol), the security keys change at set intervals, creating a network that is more secure than one that utilizes WEP encryption alone.

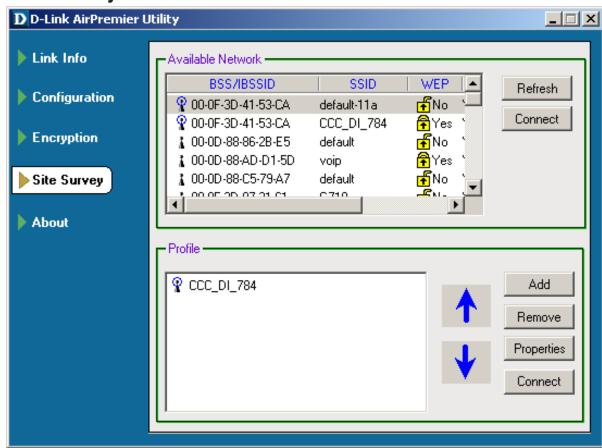


**Define WPA PSK:** 

Enter the WPA Passphrase. All the devices on the network must share this same passphrase in order to communicate on the network.

**0K:** Click OK to save the passphrase.

#### **Site Survey**



**Available Network:** 

The top section of the window displays the **Available Networks**. Scroll up and down the list and highlight the network to which you wish to connect. Click on the **Connect** button.

**Profile:** 

In the lower half of the screen, you can manage the profiles that you have created. Scroll up and down and highlight the profile that you wish to configure. You can **Add** or **Remove** a profile, or configure the **Properties** of the profile in order to connect with an available network. When you click **Add**, **Properties** or **Connect**, the popup screen on the next page will appear for configuration purposes.

**Refresh:** Click on **Refresh** to get the most updated list of available networks.

**Connect:** Highlight a network profile; click **Connect** to connect to that network.

**Add:** Click **Add** and the screen on the next page will appear.

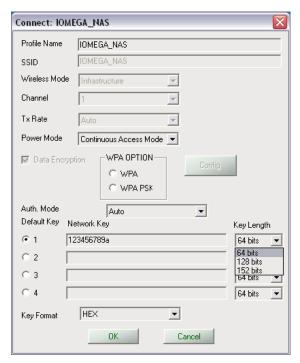
**Remove:** Highlight a network profile; click **Remove** to remove a network from the profile list.

**Properties:** Click to configure properties on the popup screen on the next page.

**Connect:** Highlight a network profile; click **Connect** to connect to that network.

#### **Site Survey - Profile Configuration**

When you click **Add**, **Properties** or **Connect** in the **Site Survey** screen, this popup screen appears for configuration purposes.



**Profile** 

Name: Enter a name for the network profile here.

SSID: The Service Set Identifier is the name assigned to the wireless

network. The factory SSID setting is **default**.

Wireless Mode: Either Infrastructure or Ad-Hoc will be displayed here. (Please see

the Getting Started section in this manual for an explanation of these

two modes.)

**Channel:** The channel selection is automatically determined by the

DWL-AG132.

Tx Rate: The default setting is Auto. These settings are automatically

determined for the maximum wireless signal rate.

**Power Mode:** Continuous Access Mode is the default setting. For best results leave

this setting at the default.

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#### Site Survey - Profile Configuration - continued

**Encryption:** Select the Encryption mode here. The choices are: WEP, WPA,

WPA-PSK or None. When WPA or WPA-PSK is selected, click **Config** and the pop-up windows, shown on the following pages, will appear

on your screen.

Auth. Mode: Choose one of the following modes:

Open Authentication – the DWL-AG132 is visible to all devices on

the network.

**Shared Authentication** – allows communication only with other

devices with identical WEP settings.

Auto - the DWL-AG132 will automatically select the best

Authentication mode for your network.

Config: When you select WPA or WPA-PSK in the Auth. Mode pulldown

menu, click Config. The popup windows shown on the following

pages will appear.

#### **About**



About:

The About screen displays the MAC address, Utility version and the Driver version of the DWL-AG132.

## **Networking Basics**

#### Using the Network Setup Wizard in Windows XP

In this section you will learn how to establish a network at home or work, using **Microsoft Windows XP.** 

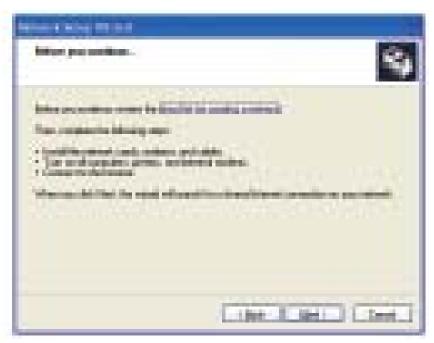
Note: Please refer to websites such as <a href="http://www.homenethelp.com">http://www.homenethelp.com</a> and <a href="http://www.microsoft.com/windows2000">http://www.microsoft.com/windows2000</a> for information about networking computers using Windows 2000,/Me/98SE.

Go to Start>Control Panel>Network Connections
Select Set up a home or small office network



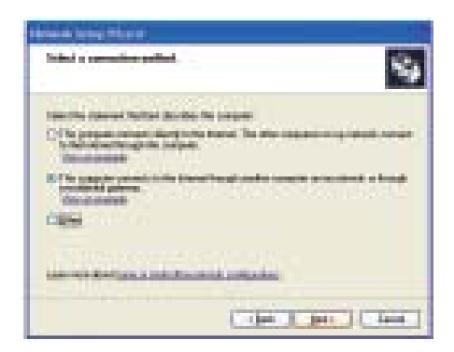
When this screen appears, click **Next.** 

Please follow all the instructions in this window:



#### Click Next.

In the following window, select the best description of your computer. If your computer connects to the Internet through a router, select the second option as shown.



Click Next.

Enter a Computer description and a Computer name (optional.)



Click Next.

Enter a **Workgroup** name. All computers on your network should have the same **Workgroup** name.



Click Next.

Please wait while the **Network Setup Wizard** applies the changes.

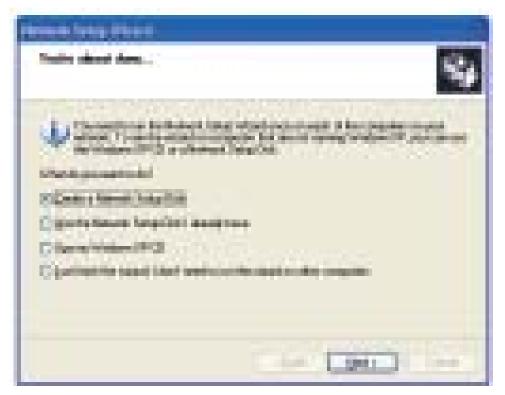


When the changes are complete, click Next.

Please wait while the **Network Setup Wizard** configures the computer. This may take a few minutes.



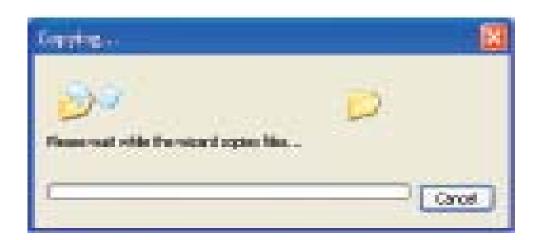
In the window below, select the option that fits your needs. In this example, **Create a Network Setup Disk** has been selected. You will run this disk on each of the computers on your network. Click **Next**.



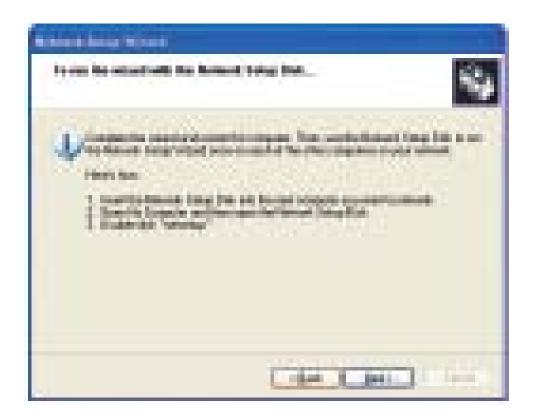
Insert a disk into the Floppy Disk Drive, in this case drive A.



Click Next.



Please read the information under **Here's how** in the screen below. After you complete the **Network Setup Wizard** you will use the **Network Setup Disk** to run the **Network Setup Wizard** once on each of the computers on your network. Click **Next.** 



Please read the information on this screen, then click **Finish** to complete the **Network Setup Wizard**.



The new settings will take effect when you restart the computer. Click **Yes** to restart the computer.



You have completed configuring this computer. Next, you will need to run the **Network Setup Disk** on all the other computers on your network. After running the **Network Setup Disk** on all your computers, your new wireless network will be ready to use.

Please read the information on this screen, then click **Finish** to complete the **Network Setup Wizard**.



The new settings will take effect when you restart the computer. Click **Yes** to restart the computer.



You have completed configuring this computer. Next, you will need to run the **Network Setup Disk** on all the other computers on your network. After running the **Network Setup Disk** on all your computers, your new wireless network will be ready to use.

#### **Naming your Computer**

To name your computer using **Windows XP**, please follow these directions:

Click **Start** (in the lower left corner of the screen).

Right-click on My Computer.

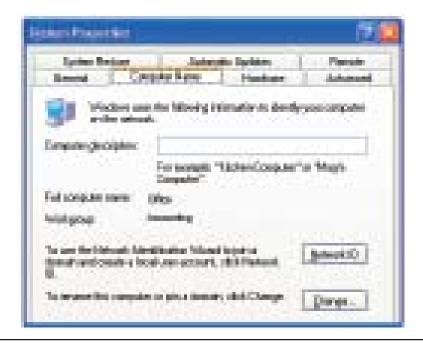
Select Properties.



Select the Computer Name Tab in the System Properties window.

You may enter a **Computer Description** if you wish; this field is optional.

To rename the computer and join a domain, click **Change**.



#### **Naming Your Computer**

In this window, enter the **Computer name**.

Select Workgroup and enter the name of the Workgroup.

All computers on your network must have the same **Workgroup** name. Click **OK**.



## Checking the IP Address in Windows XP

All wireless adapter-equipped computers in your network must be in the same IP address range (see **Getting Started** in this manual for a definition of IP address range.) To check on the IP address of an adapter, please do the following:

Right-click on the **Local Area Connection icon** in the task bar.

Click on Status.



#### Checking the IP Address in Windows XP

Click the **Support tab**.



Click Close.

#### Assigning a Static IP Address in Windows XP/2000

Note: Many broadband routers will automatically assign IP addresses to the computers on the network, using DHCP (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol) technology. If you are using a DHCP-capable router you will not need to assign static IP addresses.

If you are not using a DHCP capable router, or you need to assign a static IP address, please follow these instructions:

Go to Start.

Click on Control Panel.



#### Assigning a Static IP Address in Windows XP/2000

Double-click on Network Connections.





Right-click on Local Area Connections.

Click on Properties.

### Assigning a Static IP Address in Windows XP/2000

Click on Internet Protocol (TCP/IP).

Click Properties.



Input your **IP** address and subnet mask. (The IP addresses on your network must be within the same range. For example, if one computer has an IP address of 192.168.0.2, the other computers should have IP addresses that are sequential, like 192.168.0.3 and 192.168.0.4. The subnet mask must be the same for all the computers on the network.)

Input your DNS server addresses. (Note: If you are entering a DNS server, you must enter the IP address of the Default Gateway.)

The DNS server information will be supplied by your ISP (Internet Service Provider.)



Click OK.

# Checking the Wireless Connection by Pinging in Windows XP and 2000



Go to **Start** > **Run** > type **cmd**. A window similar to this one will appear. Type **ping xxx.xxx.xxx**, where **xxx** is the **IP address** of the wireless router or access point. A good wireless connection will show four replies from the wireless router or access point, as shown.

### **Troubleshooting**

This chapter provides solutions to problems that can occur during the installation and operation of the DWL-AG132. Read the following descriptions if you are having problems. (The examples below are illustrated in Windows XP. If you have another operating system, these solutions will still apply although the appearance on your computer screen may differ.)

# 1. How do I check to see that the drivers for the DWL-AG132 are installed properly?

Go to Start > My Computer > Properties.



Select the Hardware Tab.

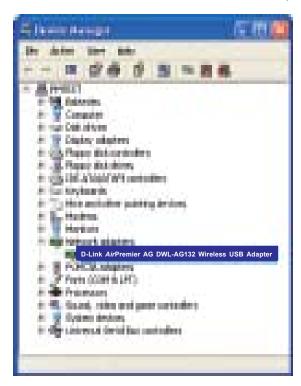
Click **Device Manager**.



Double-click on Network Adapters.

Right-click on D-Link AirPremier AG DWL-AG132 Wireless USB Adapter.

Select **Properties** to check that the drivers are installed properly.



Look under **Device Status** to check that the device is working properly.



Click OK.

# 2. What variables may cause my wireless products to lose reception?

D-Link products let you access your network from virtually anywhere you want. However, the positioning of the products within your environment will affect the wireless range. Please refer to **Installation Considerations** in the **Wireless Basics** section of this manual for further information about the most advantageous placement of your D-Link wireless products.

#### 3. Why does my wireless connection keep dropping?

If you are using 2.4GHz cordless phones, X-10 equipment or other home security systems, ceiling fans, and lights, your wireless connection will degrade dramatically or drop altogether. Try changing the channel on your router, access point and wireless adapter to a different channel to avoid interference.

Keep your product away (at least 3-6 feet) from electrical devices that generate RF noise, like microwaves, monitors, electric motors, etc.

### 4. Why can't I get a wireless connection?

If you have enabled encryption on the DWL-AG132, you must also enable encryption on all wireless devices in the network in order to establish a wireless connection.

The encryption settings are: 64- or 128-bit. Make sure that the encryption bit level is the same on the router and the DWL-AG132.

Make sure that the SSID on the wireless router (if you have one in your network) and the DWL-AG132 are exactly the same. If they are not, wireless connection will not be established. The default SSID is **default**.

## **Technical Specifications**

Standard	USB 2.0 <sup>1</sup>		
	IEEE 802.11g	IEEE 802.11b	IEEE 802.11a
Bus Type	USB 2.0		
Temperature	Operating: 0°C to 40°C (32°F to 104°F) Storing: -20°C to 75°C (4°F to 167°F)		
Humidity	80% maximum, non-condensing		
Antenna Type	Chip Antenna		
Modulation Technology	Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing (OFDM) Complimentary Code Keying (CCK)		
Security	64-, 128-bit WEP WPA - Wi-Fi Prot		
Data Rates	108, 54, 48, 36,24, 18, 11, 9, 6 5.5, 2, 1Mbps (with Automatic Fallback)		
Frequency	5.15-5.35GHz, 5.725-5.825GHz,		
Range	2.4GHz to 2.4835GHz (Note: Frequency channel for USA is restricted to 1-11channel		
	Indoors: Up to 32	8 feet (100 meters)	
Range <sup>2</sup>	Outdoors: Up to 1	1,312 feet (400 meters	)
Media Access Control	CSMA/CA with A	ACK	

- 1 Using a USB 1.1 port will adversely affect range
- 2 Environmental factors may adversely affect wireless signal range

Receiver	54Mbps OFDM
Sensitivity	48Mbps OFDM
	36Mbps OFDM
	24Mbps OFDM
	18Mbps OFDM
	12Mbps OFDM
	11Mbps OFDM
	9Mbps OFDM
	6Mbps OFDM
	5.5Mbps CCK
	2Mbps QPSK
	1Mbps BPSK
Transmitter Outp	out
Power	80211 a :16 dbm 802.11 b/g:17 dbm
	L = 3.3 inches
Physical	W = 2.1 inches
Dimensions	H = 0.2 inches
Weight	0.021 lb. (4.4g)
Certifications	FCC part 15b
Certifications	FCC part 15b

## **Contacting Technical Support**

You can find software updates and user documentation on the D-Link website.

D-Link provides free technical support for customers within the United States and within Canada for the duration of the warranty period on this product.

U.S. and Canadian customers can contact D-Link technical support through our web site, or by phone.

#### Tech Support for customers within the United States:

D-Link Technical Support over the Telephone: (877) 453-5465
Monday through Friday 6:00am to 6:00pm.
D-Link Technical Support over the Internet: http://support.dlink.com
email:support@dlink.com

#### **Tech Support for customers within Canada:**

D-Link Technical Support over the Telephone: (800) 361-5265

Monday to Friday 8:30am to 9:00pm EST

D-Link Technical Support over the Internet: http://support.dlink.ca
email:support@dlink.ca

When contacting technical support, please provide the following information:

- Serial number of the unit
- Model number or product name

### Warranty

Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, D-Link Systems, Inc. ("D-Link") provides this Limited warranty for its product only to the person or entity that originally purchased the product from:

- D-Link or its authorized reseller or distributor and
- Products purchased and delivered within the fifty states of the United States, the District of Columbia, U.S. Possessions or Protectorates, U.S. Military Installations, addresses with an APO or FPO.

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- · Hardware (excluding power supplies and fans) One (1) Year
- Power Supplies and Fans One (1) Year
- Spare parts and spare kits Ninety (90) days

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- The customer is responsible for all in-bound shipping charges to D-Link. No Cash on Delivery ("COD") is allowed. Products sent COD will either be rejected by D-Link or become the property of D-Link. Products shall be fully insured by the customer. D-Link will not be held responsible for any packages that are lost in transit to D-Link. The repaired or replaced packages will be shipped to the customer via UPS Ground or any common carrier selected by D-Link, with shipping charges prepaid. Expedited shipping is available if shipping charges are prepaid by the customer and upon request.
- Return Merchandise Ship-To Address

USA: 17595 Mt. Herrmann, Fountain Valley, CA 92708

**Canada:** 2180 Winston Park Drive, Oakville, ON, L6H 5W1 (Visit <a href="http://www.dlink.ca">http://www.dlink.ca</a> for detailed warranty information within Canada)

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**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.

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

For detailed warranty outside the United States, please contact corresponding local D-Link office.

#### FCC Caution:

The manufacturer is not responsible for any radio or TV interference caused by unauthorized modifications to this equipment; such modifications could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

(1) The devices are restricted to indoor operations within the 5.15 to 5.25GHz range. (2) For this device to operate in the 5.15 to 5.25GHz range, the devices must use integral antennas.

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.

#### FCC RF Radiation Exposure Statement:

- 1. This Transmitter must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.
- 2. This equipment complies with FCC RF radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This device was tested for typical lap held operations with the device contacted directly to the human body to the back side of the notebook computer. To maintain compliance with FCC RF exposure compliance requirements, avoid direct contact to the transmitting antenna during transmitting.

This device can operate with other portable handheld devices such as PDAs only when it is not subject to body-worn operation .

DWL-AG132 User's Manual Registration

## Registration



Product registration is entirely voluntary and failure to complete or return this form will not diminish your warranty rights.

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