

Wireless Network Security

Set Security For Linksys

1. Type into Internet Explorer's browser box 192.168.1.1 and press GO.
2. This will bring up the User box, type in the password as supplied in the router booklet and click OK.
3. This will take you to the Linksys site. Now, click Wireless and then Wireless Security.
4. The Wireless Security box should be ENABLED.
5. The most frequently used Security Mode is WEP but WPA is more secure.
6. The Default Key select #1.
7. The Encryption Level and be either 64 or 128, whichever works best for you.
8. Now, Enter a passphrase, must be at least 8 characters, some alpha, some numerals.
Example: CROW4T610
9. Press the GENERATE button and it will fill the boxes below with numbers and letters. Your encryption key will be #1, but when you sign onto your wireless network for the first time, you will be required to enter this Wep (or WPA) Key.

CAUTION: if you set it for Wireless B configuration only "B" cards will be able to connect. I would suggest setting it to "G" because then a "B" or a "G" can connect as long as they have the WEP key. Now, there is Wireless N. Write this down somewhere where you'll be able to find it as you may forget it. Sometimes when I have to set up the WEP key on a laptop, I find that I have to reboot it a few times to get it to work so don't get discouraged if it doesn't work the very first time.

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