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Product Description: **300Mbps Universal Wi-Fi Range Extender**

Model No.: **TL-WA854RE**

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EN 300 328 V1.8.1

EN 301 489-1 V1.9.2:2011 & EN 301 489-17 V2.2.1:2012

EN 55022:2010+AC:2011

EN 55024:2010

EN 60950-1: 2006 + A11: 2009 + A1: 2010 + A12: 2011 +A2: 2013

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Introduction

This chapter covers the following topics:

- **Product Overview**
- **Appearance**

Product Overview

What can your Extender do

The TL-WA854RE 300Mbps Universal Wi-Fi Range Extender is dedicated to Small Office/Home Office (SOHO) wireless network solutions. It will enlarge your existing wireless network and mobility within your wireless network while also allowing you to connect a wired device to a wireless environment. Increased mobility and the absence of cabling will be beneficial for your network.

The extender provides two options to finish the quick setup.

Option One: an easy wireless connection to the host network (equipped with WPS/QSS button) by [Using WPS](#) on the back panel.

Option Two: [Using your Web Browser](#) for installation and management.

Even though you may not be familiar with the extender, you can easily configure it with the help of this guide. Before installing the extender, please look through this guide to get the full information of the TL-WA854RE 300Mbps Universal Wi-Fi Range Extender.

Support for the 802.11n wireless technology

With using IEEE 802.11n wireless technology, this device can transmit wireless data at the rate of up to 300Mbps. With multiple protection measures, including wireless LAN 64/128-bit WEP encryption, Wi-Fi protected Access (WPA2-PSK, WPA-PSK), the TL-WA854RE 300Mbps Universal Wi-Fi Range Extender delivers complete data privacy.


Main Features

- ◆ Make use of IEEE 802.11n wireless technology
- ◆ Provides multiple encryption security Types including: 64/128-bit WEP and WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK
- ◆ Supports Built-in DHCP server
- ◆ Supports Firmware Upgrade
- ◆ Supports Web-based Management

Appearance



LED Explanation

Name	Status	Indication
RE	On	The extender is connected to the router.
	Blinking	WPS connection is in process.
	Off	The extender is not connected to the router.
Wireless	On	The extender's wireless function is on.
	Off	The extender's wireless function is off.
Power	On	The extender is powered on.
	Off	The extender is powered off.
 (Signal Strength)		Indicates the Wi-Fi connection between the extender and the router. More lit LEDs indicate a better signal strength.

Button Explanation

- ◆  **(Range Extender/WPS) Button:** If your Wireless router supports WPS or QSS function, you can press the WPS or QSS button and then press the RE button to establish a secure connection between the Wireless router and the extender.

- ◆ **RESET:** This button is used to restore the extender's factory default settings.

There are two ways to reset the extender:

Option One: With the extender powered on, use a pin to press the **RESET** button until all the LEDs turn on momentarily, then release the button and wait the extender to reboot to its factory default settings.

Option Two: Restore the default settings from "**System Tools > Backup & Restore**" of the extender's Web-based Management page.

2

Connect the Extender to the Internet

This chapter covers the following topics:

- **Before You Begin**
- **Basic Requirements**
- **Quick Setup**

Before You Begin

Please read this guide carefully before installing and using the device. The operating distance range of your wireless connection can vary significantly depending on the physical position of the wireless devices. Factors that can weaken signals by getting in the way of your network's radio waves are metal appliances or obstructions, and walls. Typical ranges vary based on the types of materials and background RF (radio frequency) noise in your home or office.

In order to optimize the performance of TL-WA854RE, please follow the instructions below to achieve an **ideal location** (please make sure it is always within the wireless coverage of the wireless router).

- **Half-way Between** - Generally, the ideal location for TL-WA854RE is half-way between the Wireless router and Wireless Client. If the wireless signal is not satisfactory, you may place TL-WA854RE somewhat nearer to the Wireless router.



- **No Obstacles and Spacious** - Clear obstacles in the way between TL-WA854RE and Wireless router. It's better to locate it in a spacious place, such as near the corridors.
- **No Interference** - Choose a location away from Bluetooth devices and other household electronics, such as cordless phone, microwave, and baby monitor, etc., to minimize signal interference.



Basic Requirements

- ◆ Place your extender in a well-ventilated place far from direct sunlight, any heater or heating vent.
- ◆ Leave at least 2 inches (5cm) space around the device for heat dissipation.
- ◆ Turn off your extender and unplug the power adapter in a lighting storm to avoid damage.
- ◆ Use Web browser, such as Microsoft Internet Explorer 5.0 or above, Netscape Navigator 6.0 or above.
- ◆ Operating temperature of the extender should be 0°C~40°C (32°F ~104°F).
- ◆ Operating humidity of the extender should be 10%~90%RH (Non-condensing).

Quick Setup

Using WPS (Wi-Fi Protected Setup)



Your router should support WPS. Otherwise, please use [Using your web browser](#).

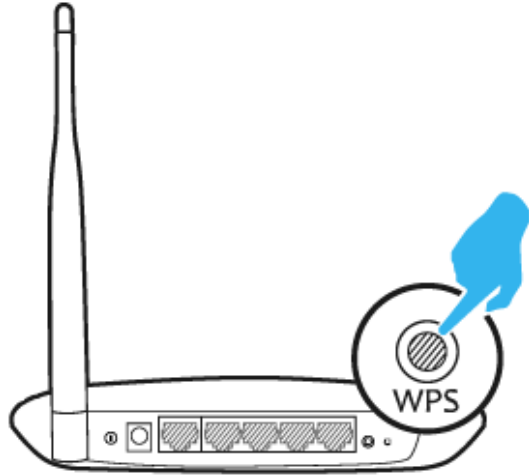
1 Power On

Plug in next to your router.



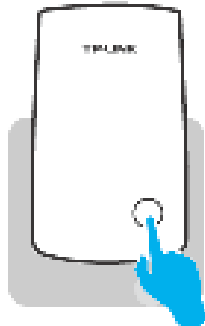
2 Connect

- 1) Press the **WPS button** on your router.



For more information about using WPS on your router, please refer to the router manufacturer's user guide.


- 2) Immediately press the  **RE button** on your extender. The RE LED should change from blinking to solid, showing that WPS connection is successful.



- If the RE LED does not change from flashing to solid, please refer to [Using your Web Browser](#).
- Some ISP gateways disable the WPS function by default, if the WPS method fails, please refer to [Using your Web Browser](#).

3 Relocate

Plug the extender into an electrical outlet about halfway between your router (Host Network) and the Wi-Fi dead zone.

Wait until the  (Signal Strength) LEDs are lit. Make sure the extender is in a location with 3 or more LEDs lit. If not, relocate the extender closer to the router to achieve a good (or better) signal quality.



Enjoy!

The extender shares the same wireless network name (SSID) and wireless password as your router.

Using your Web Browser

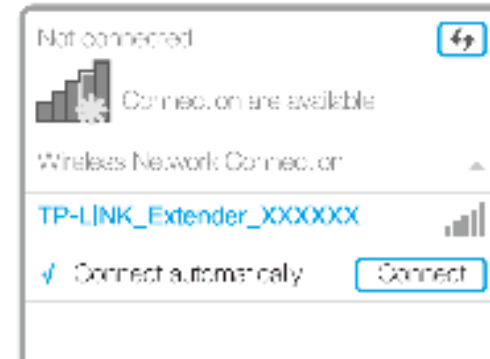
1 Power On

Plug in next to your router.



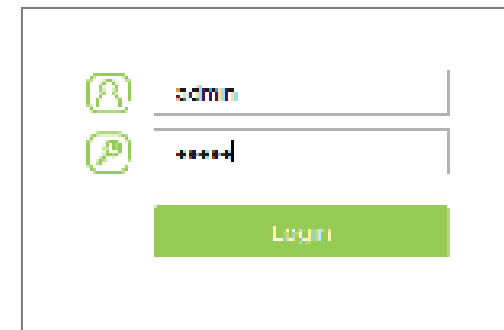
2 Connect to the Extender

Disconnect the Ethernet (wired) connection to your computer. Click the Wi-Fi icon on the taskbar and connect to the extender's network (e.g. TP-LINK_Extender_XXXXXX).



3 Login

Launch a web browser and type **http://tplinkrepeater.net** into the URL field and use admin (all lowercase) for both Username and Password to log in.



4 Configure

- 1) Create a new username and password to log in the web management page, then click **Confirm**.

Create a new username and password.

New Username:

New Password:
Low Medium High

Confirm Password:

Confirm

2.4GHz Wi-Fi Network Summary

Region Wireless Settings

Region:

Time Zone:

Exit Next

2) Select your region, then click **Next**.

2.4GHz Wi-Fi Network Summary

Region Wireless Settings

Region:

Time Zone:

Exit Next



Per FCC regulations, all Wi-Fi products marketed in the U.S. must be fixed to the U.S. region.

- 3) Select your router's 2.4GHz host network and enter the password, then click **Next**.

2.4GHz Host Network

Region Wireless Settings Summary

Please select 2.4GHz host network.

ID	SSID	Signal	MAC Address	Security
1	TP-LINK_0F22	📶	C8-AA-50-01-0F-22	🔒
2	TP-LINK_0E99	📶	FC-D7-33-10-0E-99	🔒
3	TP-LINK_0270	📶	C4-E9-84-AA-D2-70	🔒
4	TP-LINK_1940	📶	02-0A-8B-74-19-40	🔒
5	TP-LINK_2642	📶	00-0A-8B-0C-26-42	🔒
6	TP-LINK_0b67	📶	80-F6-2E-0A-A3-60	🔒
7	and-Business	📶	80-F6-2E-0A-A3-62	🔒

Host 2.4GHz Password:

Next

Back Other Rescan

- 4) Either keep the same SSID as your host network or create a new name for the extended networks, then click **Next**.

2.4GHz Host Network

Region Wireless Settings Summary

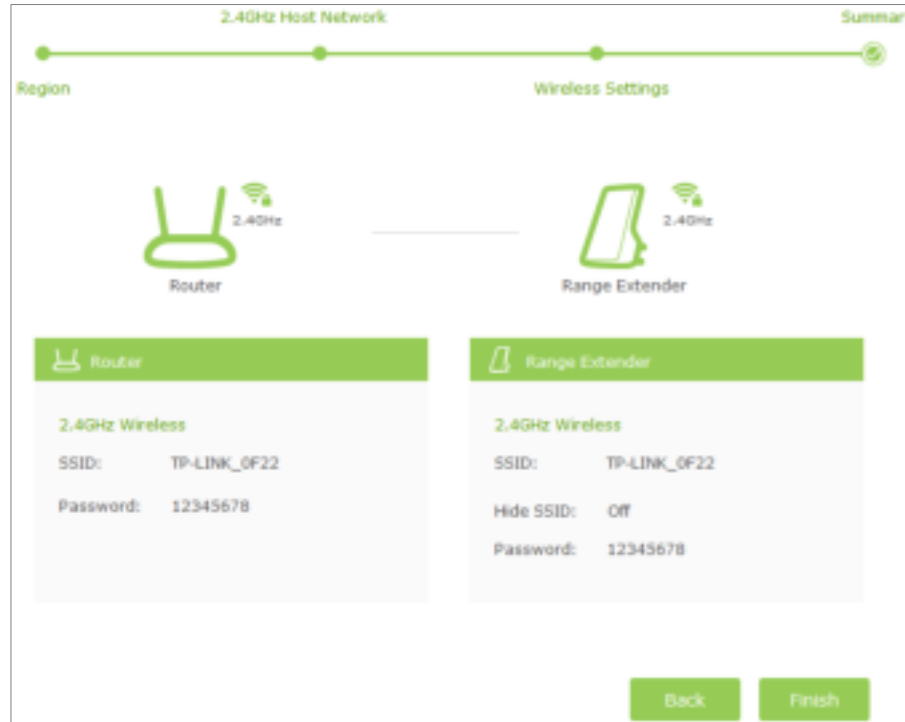
Extended 2.4GHz SSID: TP-LINK_0F22 Copy Host SSID

Hide SSID broadcast

Note: The extended 2.4GHz password is the same as your Host password.


Back Next

- 5) Verify your wireless settings and click **Finish**. The RE LED should turn on and stay solid.



5 Relocate

Plug the extender into an electrical outlet about halfway between your router (Host Network) and the Wi-Fi dead zone.

Wait until the  (Signal Strength) LEDs are lit. Make sure the extender is in a location with 3 or more LEDs lit. If not, relocate the extender closer to the router to achieve a good (or better) signal quality.



Enjoy!

The extended network shares the same Wi-Fi password as your host network, but may have different wireless network name if you customize the name during the configuration.

3

View the Information of the Extender

This chapter covers the following topics:

- **View the Extender's Current Status**
- **View the Information about the Host Network, the Extender and the Clients**

View the Extender's Current Status

- 1) Launch a web browser and type in **http://tplinkrepeater.net**, then go to **Settings > Status** webpage.
- 2) You can view the network connection in the Status webpage.

- The normal status.



- The extender is failed to connect to the wireless network of your router.



- The extender is connected to the wireless network of your router, but no transmitting data. Please check your host network.



- The extender is connected to the router unnormally. Maybe the gateway is set incorrectly in the Static IP. You can select "Obtain an IP address automatically" on the "LAN Settings" page.



- The extender is failed to connect to the NTP server, or obtain the DNS server address. Please check your host network.



Instructions for the icons of 2.4GHz wireless status:

Name	Instructions
	The wireless is on and encrypted.
	The wireless is on and unencrypted.
	Router: The wireless is off, or the connection is failed. Extender: The wireless is off.
	The icons are selected.

View the Information about the Host Network, the Extender and the Clients

- Launch a web browser and type in <http://tplinkrepeater.net>, then go to **Settings > Status** webpage.
- Click the icons of your router, the extender and clients. The detailed instructions for the corresponding icon are displayed below.

4

Manage the Extended Network and Security Settings

This chapter covers the following topics:

- **Extend another Network**
- **Extender Settings**
- **Manage the Extender's Wi-Fi Security Settings**
- **Change the Extender's IP Address**
- **DHCP Server**

Extend another Network

If you want to extend another network, you can refer to the following steps to finish it quickly.

- 1) Launch a web browser and type in **http://tplinkrepeater.net**, then go to **Settings->Wireless->Connect to Network** webpage.
- 2) Enable **Connect to 2.4GHz Network**. Then click **Wireless Scanner** to scan the network you want to extend.

Connect to Host Network

2.4GHz Network: **Connect to 2.4GHz Network**

Wireless Scanner

Host 2.4GHz SSID:

Host 2.4GHz Security: **No Security** ▼

Host 2.4GHz Password:

Save

3) Select the network you want to extend from the list.

Select a 2.4GHz Host Network

ID	SSID	Signal	MAC Address	Security
1	TP-LINK_GUEST_1A0F		00:0A:5B:04:1A:0F	
2	TL-MR8400		00:0A:5B:04:1A:0F	
3	TP-LINK_39C8		CC:34:29:84:39:C8	
4	TP-LINK_0F22		CC:4A:00:01:0F:22	
5	TP-LINK_87B0		C4:90:4B:73:87:B0	
6	TP-LINK_0E92		FC:D7:32:10:0E:92	
7	Home		80:F0:2E:00:F0:2E	
8	TP-LINK_2DF0		80:F0:2E:00:F0:2E	
9	TP-LINK_28D0		80:F0:2E:07:8D:71	
10	TP-LINK_3888		80:F0:2E:07:8D:79	



If the network you want to extend is on but not shown in the list, please try by following the steps below.

- Move the extender closer to your router. Then click **Refresh** on the top-right corner of the list to scan the network again.
- You can also enter the information of the network manually you want to extend on the **Connect to Network** page. Then click **Save** to connect to the host network.

4) Once a network is selected, the SSID and security settings of that network will automatically fill in. If the host network is encrypted, enter the password in the box of the host wireless security.

Connect to Host Network

2.4GHz Network: Connect to 2.4GHz Network

Host 2.4GHz SSID: TP-LINK_0F22

Host 2.4GHz Security: WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK ▼

Host 2.4GHz Password: 12345678




When **Host 2.4GHz Security** is WEP, please select the index same with the host network.

5) Click **Save** to save the settings.

6) **Relocate.**

Plug in the extender halfway between your wireless router (Host Network) and the Wi-Fi dead zone.

Wait until the  (Signal Strength) LEDs are lit. Make sure the extender is in a location with 3 or more LEDs lit. If not, relocate it closer to the router to achieve a good (or better) signal quality.

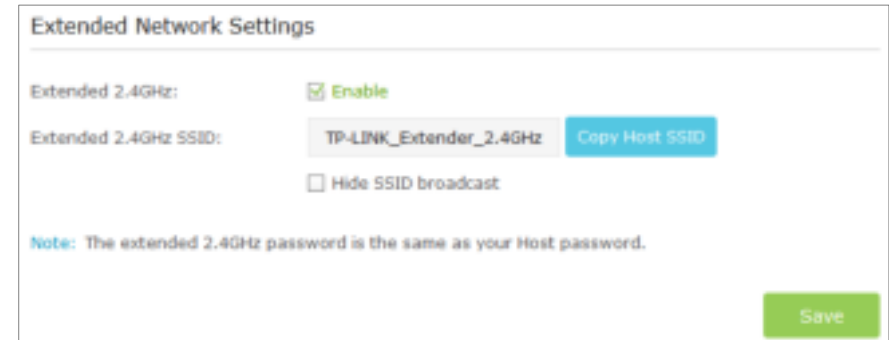
Enjoy!

The extender shares the same wireless network name (SSID) and wireless password as your host network. If you want to change the wireless network name (SSID), please refer to [Extended Settings](#).

Extender Settings

On the Extended Network page, you can enable or disable the wireless network of the extender, change and hide the wireless network name (SSID) of the extender.

- 1) Launch a web browser and type in **http://tplinkrepeater.net**, then go to **Settings->Wireless-> Extended Network** webpage.
- 2) Configure the settings as shown in the figure below.



Extended Network Settings

Extended 2.4GHz: Enable

Extended 2.4GHz SSID:

Hide SSID broadcast

Note: The extended 2.4GHz password is the same as your Host password.

- ◆ **Extended 2.4GHz:** Enable or disable the 2.4GHz wireless function of the extender.
- ◆ **Extended 2.4GHz SSID:** Either copy the host SSID or create a new name using up to 32 characters. This field is case-sensitive.
- ◆ **Hide SSID broadcast:** Select this checkbox if you want to hide the extender's SSID (of the 2.4GHz wireless network) from the Wi-Fi network list. If you want to connect to the hidden SSID, please enter the SSID and the password manually.

3) Click **Save** to save the settings.

Manage the Extender's Wi-Fi Security Settings

Change your Admin Account

- 1) Launch a web browser and type in <http://tplinkrepeater.net>, then go to **Settings->System Tools->Admin Account** webpage.
- 2) Create a new username and password as shown in the figure below.



The screenshot shows the 'Admin Account' configuration page. It has five input fields: 'Old Username' with 'admin', 'Old Password' with '*****', 'New Username' with 'myre', 'New Password' with '*****', and 'Confirm Password' with '*****'. A green 'Save' button is located at the bottom right of the form.

- ◆ **Old Username:** Enter your current username.
- ◆ **Old Password:** Enter your current password.
- ◆ **New Username:** Enter your new username.
- ◆ **New Password:** Enter your new password.
- ◆ **Confirm Password:** Re-enter your new password.

- 3) Click **Save** to save the settings.

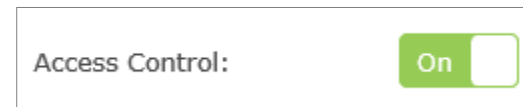
Control the Wireless Devices Access to the Extender

The Access Control function controls the devices connected to the extender by the wireless connection. For increased security, you can restrict access to the Wi-Fi network of your extender to allow only specific Wi-Fi devices in the white list. Devices that are in the black list cannot join the wireless network of the extender.

Blacklist Mode

The devices in the Blacklist are not allowed to connect to the extender.

- 1) Launch a web browser and type in <http://tplinkrepeater.net>, then go to **Settings->Wireless-> Access Control** webpage.
- 2) Click the button to enable the Access Control function.



The screenshot shows a toggle switch for 'Access Control'. The text 'Access Control:' is on the left, and the toggle is currently in the 'On' position, indicated by a green square.


- 3) Select **Blacklist** as shown in the figure below, then click **Save** to save the settings.

Access Mode

Default Access Mode: Blocklist Whitelist

4) Add the device to the blacklist by following the ways.

- Add the Online Devices to the blacklist.

In the Online Devices list, you can view the information about the devices connected to the extender. For one device, you can click the icon  to add the device to the blacklist. For several devices, select them and click **Block** to add them at the same time.

Online Devices

<input type="checkbox"/>	ID	Device Name	IP Address	MAC Address	Connection Type	Modify
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	SophianPhone77	192.168.0.101	70-14-26-C7-40-84	Wireless	

- Add the device to the blacklist manually, if the device is not in the Online Devices list.

Click **Add**. Then enter the device name and MAC address in the figure below.

Devices in Blacklist

<input type="checkbox"/>	ID	Device Name	MAC Address	Modify
<input type="checkbox"/>				

Device Name:

MAC Address:

- ◆ **Device Name:** Enter the device name.
- ◆ **MAC Address:** Enter the MAC address of the host in XX-XX-XX-XX-XX-XX format (e.g. 00-11-22-33-44-AA).

5) Click **OK** to save your settings.

Whitelist Mode

Only the devices in the Whitelist are allowed to connect to the extender.

- 1) Launch a web browser and type in **http://tplinkrepeater.net**, then go to **Settings->Wireless-> Access Control** webpage.
- 2) Click the button to enable the Access Control function.

Access Control:

- 3) Select **Whitelist** as shown in the figure below, then click **Save** to save the settings.

Access Mode:

Default Access Mode: Blacklist Whitelist

4) Click the Add button.

Online Devices

ID	Device Name	IP Address	MAC Address	Connection Type
1	SophianPhone77	192.168.0.101	70-14-46-C7-40-84	Wireless

Devices in Whitelist:

ID	Device Name	MAC Address	Modify
	Device Name: Sophianphone77	MAC Address: 70-14-46-C7-40-84	<input type="button" value="Cancel"/> <input type="button" value="OK"/>

- ◆ **Device Name:** Enter the device name.
- ◆ **MAC Address:** Enter the MAC address of the host in XX-XX-XX-XX-

XX-XX format (e.g. 00-11-22-33-44-AA).

5) Click **OK** to save your settings.

Modify or Remove a Device in the Blacklist/Whitelist

- 1) Launch a web browser and type in <http://tplinkrepeater.net>, then go to **Settings->Wireless-> Access Control** webpage.
- 2) You can modify or remove the devices in the Blacklist or Whitelist.

<input type="checkbox"/>	ID	Device Name	MAC Address	Modify
<input type="checkbox"/>	1	my phone	24-47-56-85-67-10	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	2	host	18-80-11-25-57-95	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>

- Modify a Device in the Blacklist or Whitelist.

Click the icon , and then enter the device name and MAC address. Click **OK** to save the settings.

Device Name:

MAC Address:

- Remove a Device in the Blacklist or Whitelist.

For one device, you can click the icon to remove the device from the list. For several devices, select them and click **Delete** to remove them at the same time.

Change the Extender's IP Address

By default, the extender is set to obtain an IP address automatically from the front router. If you want to use a specific IP address appropriate to your network demand, please refer to the steps below.



We do NOT recommend you change the IP address unless you are quite sure about the IP setting for special network demand, random changes may lead to Internet disconnection.

- 1) Launch a web browser and type in **http://tplinkrepeater.net**, then go to **Settings->Network** webpage.
- 2) Select **Use the following IP address**, then enter the IP address and gateway manually.

Host Network IP Address

Obtain an IP address automatically

Use the following IP address

IP address: 192.168.0.254

Subnet: 255.255.255.0

Default gateway: 192.168.0.254

Save

- ◆ **IP Address:** Enter the IP address in dotted-decimal notation (192.168.0.254 by default).

- ◆ **Subnet:** Enter the subnet mask in dotted-decimal notation that determines the size of the network (255.255.255.0 by default).
- ◆ **Default Gateway:** Enter the gateway that is in the same subnet as the IP address in dotted-decimal notation. It is usually the LAN IP address of your router.

- 3) Click the **Save** button to save the settings.

DHCP Server

DHCP stands for Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol. The DHCP Server will automatically assign dynamic IP addresses to the devices on the network. This protocol simplifies network management and allows new wireless devices to be set to IP addresses automatically.



To use the DHCP server function of the device, you should configure all computers as "Obtain an IP Address automatically" mode.

Settings

- **Set the DHCP Server status to Auto (by default)**

When the DHCP Server is Auto, the extender automatically detects to find the devices enabling the DHCP Server. If the DHCP Server of the device is enabled, the extender's DHCP Server is disabled. Otherwise, the extender's DHCP Server is enabled. The default is Auto.

- **Enable DHCP Server**

When the DHCP Server is **On**, please make sure that IP Address Pool, Default Gateway for the DHCP server and LAN IP address are in the same segment as the router. Otherwise, the extender cannot access the Internet.

- 1) Launch a web browser and type in <http://tplinkrepeater.net>, then go to **Settings->Network** webpage.
- 2) If the DHCP Server is **On**, please configure it as shown in the figure below.

DHCP Server Settings

DHCP Server: Auto On Off

IP Address Pool: 192.168.0.100 - 192.168.0.199

Address Lease Time: 1 minutes (1 default, 2880 maximum)

Default Gateway: 192.168.0.254 (Optional)

Primary DNS: 0.0.0.0 (Optional)

Secondary DNS: 0.0.0.0 (Optional)

Save

- ◆ **IP Address Pool:** Enter a range of IP address that can be leased to the clients. By default, the starting IP address is 192.168.0.100 and the ending IP address is 192.168.0.199.
- ◆ **Address Lease Time:** Enter the time duration that an IP address is leased to the client, between 1 and 2880 minutes. The default is 1 minute.
- ◆ **Default Gateway (Optional):** Enter the LAN IP address of your host

network.

- ◆ **Primary DNS (Optional):** Enter the DNS IP address provided by your ISP.
- ◆ **Secondary DNS (Optional):** Enter the second DNS IP address provided by your ISP.

- 3) Click **Save** to save your changes.

- **Disable DHCP Server**

If the DHCP server of the extender is **Off**, please make sure the DHCP server of your router is on. Otherwise, you have to configure the IP address for each client manually.

- 1) Launch a web browser and type in <http://tplinkrepeater.net>, then go to **Settings->Network** webpage.
- 2) Select **Off**, then click **Save** to save the settings.

View the DHCP Client List

The DHCP Client List displays the Client Name, MAC Address, Assigned IP and Lease Time for each DHCP Client attached to the device.

- 1) Launch a web browser and type in <http://tplinkrepeater.net>, then log in to **Settings->Network** webpage.
- 2) You can view the information of the DHCP clients connected to the extender in the DHCP Client List.

DHCP Client List

Client Number: 1  Refresh

ID	Client Name	MAC Address	Assigned IP Address	Lease Time
1	WIN7-PC	D4-3D-7E-8F-E1-3F	192.168.0.100	00:00:131

- ◆ **Client Name:** The name of the DHCP client.
- ◆ **MAC Address:** The MAC address of the DHCP client.
- ◆ **Assigned IP Address:** The IP address that is allocated to the client by the DHCP server.
- ◆ **Lease Time:** The time duration that the IP address is leased to the DHCP client.

Click **Refresh** to refresh the DHCP Client List.

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Manage the Extender

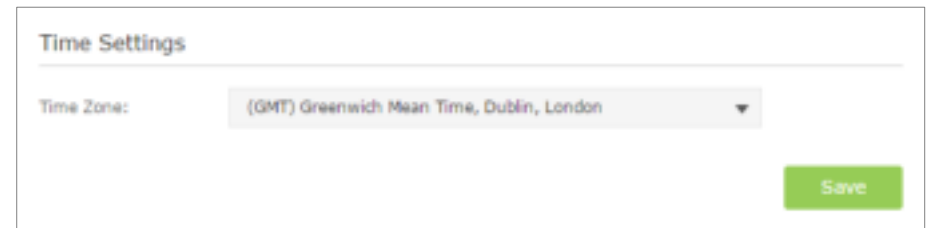
This chapter covers the following topics:

- **LED Control**
- **Firmware Upgrade**
- **Backup & Restore**
- **Factory Defaults**
- **System Log**
- **Reboot**
- **Logout**

LED Control

LED Control can turn off the LEDs at the specific time. The extender can still work normally after the LEDs are off.

- 1) Launch a web browser and type in <http://tplinkrepeater.net>, then go to **Settings-> System Tools -> Time Settings** webpage. Select the Time Zone of your location. Click **Save** to save your settings.



- 2) Go to **Settings-> System Tools -> LED Control** webpage, then set the time to turn off the LEDs.



- **Night Mode:** If the Night Mode box is checked, all the LEDs are off in the setting time.

- **LED Off Time:** Set the time to turn off the LEDs.

Click **Save** to save your settings.

Firmware Upgrade

- 1) Launch a web browser and type in **http://tplinkrepeater.net**, then go to **Settings->System Tools->Firmware Upgrade** webpage.
- 2) You can view the firmware version and the software version. Search the latest firmware of your extender from the Support page at **www.tp-link.com**. Then download the latest firmware upgrade file to your computer.
- 3) Click **Browse** to locate and select the downloaded file.



Firmware Upgrade

New Firmware File: **Browse**

Firmware Version: 1.0.0 build 20150524 Rel. 0507

Hardware Version: TL WA850RE v2.0

Upgrade

- 4) Click **Upgrade**. The upgrade takes a few minutes to complete and the extender will automatically reboot itself when finished.



Please DO NOT power off the extender during the upgrade process.

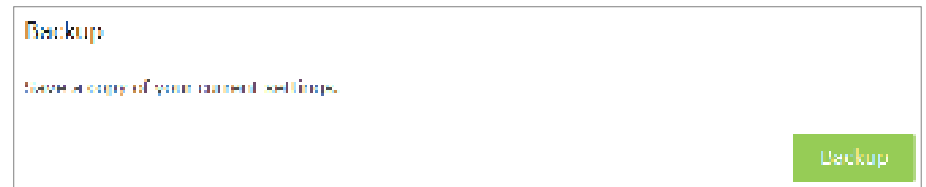
Backup & Restore

It is highly recommended to backup your current configurations, in case a recovery is needed to restore the system to a previous state or from the factory defaults.

- 1) Launch a web browser and type in **http://tplinkrepeater.net**, then go to **Settings->System Tools->Backup & Restore** webpage.
- 2) Backup and restore the configuration on the **Backup & Restore** page.

- **Configuration Backup**

Click **Backup** to save your current configurations as a config.bin file on your computer. Make sure to save it in a safe location where you can retrieve it when needed.



Backup

Have a copy of your current settings.

Backup



Please DO NOT power off the extender during the backup process.

- **Configuration Restore**

Click **Browse** to locate and select your backup file. Click **Restore** and then **YES** to restore the extender. The restore process may take a few minutes to complete and the extender will automatically reboot itself when finished.

Restore

Restore saved settings from a file.

File:



Please DO NOT power off the extender during the restore process.



Factory Restore will erase all settings that you have configured for the extender. To re-login to the extender's management page, use the default admin for both username and password.

Factory Defaults

- 1) Launch a web browser and type in <http://tplinkrepeater.net>, then go to **Settings->System Tools-> Backup & Restore** webpage.
- 2) Click **Factory Restore** to reset your extender to its factory default settings in the figure below.

Factory Default Restore

Revert all settings to factory defaults.

System Log

- 1) Launch a web browser and type in <http://tplinkrepeater.net>, then go to **Settings->System Tools-> System Log** webpage.
- 2) You can select the Log Type and Log Level in the Log Filter drop-down list. Here you can quickly trace the logs which you want to view.

System Log

Log Filter: Type = Level =

ID	Time	Content
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ALL

DHCP

DNS

NTP

WPS

Wireless

DHCP

You can also click the following buttons to apply the settings.

- ◆ Click **Refresh** to update the system log.

- ◆ Click **Delete All** to permanently remove all logs.
- ◆ Click **Save Log** to save the system log as a **.txt** file on your computer.

Reboot

- 1) Launch a web browser and type in **http://tplinkrepeater.net**.
- 2) Click **Reboot** on the top right corner to reboot the extender.

Logout

- 1) Launch a web browser and type in **http://tplinkrepeater.net**.
- 2) Click **Logout** on the top right corner to log out the management webpage safely.

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Appendix

This chapter covers the following topics:

- **Factory Defaults**
- **Troubleshooting**
- **Specifications**
- **Glossary**

Factory Defaults

Name	Status
Common Default Settings	
Username	admin
Password	admin
IP Address	192.168.0.254
Subnet Mask	255.255.255.0
Domain	http://tplinkrepeater.net
Wireless	
SSID	TP-LINK_Extender_XXXXXX
Wireless Security	Disabled
Access Control	Disabled

Troubleshooting

T1. How do I restore my extender's configuration to its factory default settings?

There are two ways to reset the extender:

- Option One: With the extender powered on, use a pin to press and hold the RESET button until all LEDs turn on momentarily, then release the button.
- Option Two: Restore the default settings from “**System Tools > Restore & Backup**” of the extender's Web-based Management page.



Once the extender is reset, the current configuration settings will be lost and you will need to reconfigure it.

T2. What can I do if I forget my login password?

- Restore the extender's configuration to its factory default settings. If you don't know how to do that, please refer to previous **T1**;
- Use the default username and password: admin, admin;
- Try to reconfigure your extender by following the instructions of this guide.

T3. What can I do if I cannot access the web-based configuration page?

- Check to verify all the connections (either wireless or wired ones) are proper. If yes, please proceed to the next step; otherwise, check the connections again.
- Try to obtain an IP address and gateway; if succeed, open your web-

browser, enter the default domain <http://tplinkrepeater.net> in the address field and get logged in. If you are unable to log in, please RESET the device, and then use the default IP address to get into the web-based configuration page, reconfigure the device.

- Feel free to contact our technical support, if the problem still persists.

T4. How can I know that my wireless signal has been repeated and boosted by TL-WA854RE?

An easy way is to compare the signal strength of your target wireless network (symbolized by its SSID), with TL-WA854RE in operation vs. out of operation. Before comparison, you'd better make sure your computer can obtain an IP address from your target wireless network and thus access the Internet, either via TL-WA854RE or without.

T5. Why does the wireless transmission rate speed down, while the wireless signal is stronger after repeated by TL-WA854RE?

In compliance with the wireless transmission protocol, all the extender devices are set to work in half-duplex instead of full-duplex mode. In other words, the extender has to process one-way communication between your root Wireless router (or AP) and the terminal clients; so the transmission time will be double-increased, while the speed will be decreased. TP-LINK recommends that you connect to the extender when your home network connection is poor, or when you want a larger wireless coverage to eliminate “dead zones”.

Specifications

General	
Standards and Protocols	IEEE 802.3, IEEE 802.3u, IEEE 802.11n, IEEE 802.11b, IEEE 802.11g, TCP/IP, DHCP
Safety & Emission	CE
Wireless	
Frequency Band	2.4~2.4835GHz
Radio Data Rate	11n: up to 300Mbps
	11g: 54/48/36/24/18/12/9/6Mbps
	11b: 11/5.5/2/1Mbps
Security	WEP, WPA-PSK, WPA2-PSK
Physical and Environment	
Working Temperature	0°C~40°C (32°F~104°F)
Working Humidity	10% ~ 90% RH, Non-condensing
Storage Temperature	-40°C~70°C(-40°F~158°F)
Storage Humidity	5% ~ 95% RH, Non-condensing

Glossary

- **802.11b** - The 802.11b standard specifies a wireless networking at 11 Mbps using direct-sequence spread-spectrum (DSSS) technology and operating in the unlicensed radio spectrum at 2.4GHz, and WEP encryption for security. 802.11b networks are also referred to as Wi-Fi networks.
- **802.11g** - specification for wireless networking at 54 Mbps using direct-sequence spread-spectrum (DSSS) technology, using OFDM modulation and operating in the unlicensed radio spectrum at 2.4GHz, and backward compatibility with IEEE 802.11b devices, and WEP encryption for security.
- **802.11n** - 802.11n builds upon previous 802.11 standards by adding MIMO (multiple-input multiple-output). MIMO uses multiple transmitter and receiver antennas to allow for increased data throughput via spatial multiplexing and increased range by exploiting the spatial diversity, perhaps through coding schemes like Alamouti coding. The Enhanced Wireless Consortium (EWC) was formed to help accelerate the IEEE 802.11n development process and promote a technology specification for interoperability of next-generation wireless local area networking (WLAN) products.
- **Range Extender** - A wireless LAN transceiver or "base station" that can connect a wired LAN to one or many wireless devices. Access points can also bridge to each other.
- **Domain Name System** – An Internet Service that translates the names of websites into IP addresses.
- **Domain Name** - A descriptive name for an address or group of addresses on the Internet.
- **ISP** (Internet Service Provider) - A company that provides access to the Internet.
- **MTU (Maximum Transmission Unit)** - The size in bytes of the largest

packet that can be transmitted.

- **SSID** - A Service Set Identification is a thirty-two character (maximum) alphanumeric key identifying a wireless local area network. For the wireless devices in a network to communicate with each other, all devices must be configured with the same SSID. This is typically the configuration parameter for a wireless PC card. It corresponds to the ESSID in the wireless Access Point and to the wireless network name.
- **WEP** (Wired Equivalent Privacy) - A data privacy mechanism based on a 64-bit or 128-bit or 152-bit shared key algorithm, as described in the IEEE 802.11 standard.
- **Wi-Fi** - A trademark of the Wi-Fi Alliance and the brand name for products using the IEEE 802.11 family of standards.
- **WLAN** (Wireless Local Area Network) - A group of computers and associated devices communicate with each other wirelessly, which network serving users are limited in a local area.
- **WPA (Wi-Fi Protected Access)** - WPA is a security technology for wireless networks that improves on the authentication and encryption features of WEP (Wired Equivalent Privacy). In fact, WPA was developed by the networking industry in response to the shortcomings of WEP. One of the key technologies behind WPA is the Temporal Key Integrity Protocol (TKIP). TKIP addresses the encryption weaknesses of WEP. Another key component of WPA is built-in authentication that WEP does not offer. With this feature, WPA provides roughly comparable security to VPN tunneling with WEP, with the benefit of easier administration and use. This is similar to 802.1x support and requires a RADIUS server in order to implement. The Wi-Fi Alliance will call this, WPA-Enterprise. One variation of WPA is called WPA Pre Shared Key or WPA-Personal for short - this provides an authentication alternative to an expensive RADIUS server. WPA-Personal is a simplified but still powerful form of WPA most suitable for home Wi-Fi networking. To use WPA-Personal, a person sets a static key or

"passphrase" as with WEP. But, using TKIP, WPA-Personal automatically changes the keys at a preset time interval, making it much more difficult for hackers to find and exploit them. The Wi-Fi Alliance will call this, WPA-Personal.