

# **User Guide**

# EZ Connect<sup>™</sup> N 2.4GHz 300Mbps Wireless PCI Adapter

SMCWPCI-N5

# **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.

# NATIONAL RESTRICTIONS

This device is intended for home and office use in all EU countries (and other countries following the EU directive 1999/5/EC) without any limitation except for the countries mentioned below:

Country	Restriction	Reason/Remark
Bulgaria	None	General authorization required for outdoor use and public service
France	Outdoor use limited to 10 mW e.i.r.p. within the band 2454-2483.5 MHz	Military Radiolocation use. Refarming of the 2.4 GHz band has been ongoing in recent years to allow current relaxed regulation. Full implementation planned 2012
italy	None	If used outside of own premises, general authorization is required
Luxembourg	None	General authorization required for network and service supply(not for spectrum)
Norway	Implemented	This subsection does not apply for the geographical area within a radius of 20 km from the centre of Ny-Ålesund
Russian Federation	None	Only for indoor applications

**NOTE:** 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.

# **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

## FCC RADIATION EXPOSURE STATEMENT

This equipment complies with FCC RF radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This device and its antenna must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.

## **CANADIAN COMPLIANCES STATEMENT**

This device complies with Industry Canada license-exempt RSS standard(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

(1) This device may not cause interference, and

(2) This device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

Cet appareil est conforme aux norms CNR exemptes de licence d'Industrie Canada. Le fonctionnement est soumis aux deux conditions suivantes:

(1) cet appareil ne doit pas provoquer d'interférences et

(2) cet appareil doit accepter toute interférence, y compris celles susceptibles de provoquer un fonctionnement non souhaité de l'appareil.

## **INDUSTRY CANADA STATEMENT**

Complies with the Canadian ICES-003 Class B specifications.

Cet appareil numérique de la classe B est conforme à la norme NMB-003 du Canada.

This device complies with RSS 210 of Industry Canada. This Class B device meets all the requirements of the Canadian interference-causing equipment regulations.

Cet appareil numérique de la Classe B respecte toutes les exigences du Règlement sur le matériel brouilleur du Canada.

# CE

Declaration of Conformity (DoC) can be obtained from <u>www.smc.com</u> -> support -> download

#### **EUROPE - EU DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY**

This device complies with the essential requirements of the R&TTE Directive 1999/5/EC. The following test methods have been applied in order to prove presumption of conformity with the essential requirements of the R&TTE Directive 1999/5/EC:

- EN 60950-1:2006 + A11: 2009+A1:2010 + A12:2011 Safety of Information Technology Equipment.
- EN 300 328 V1.7.1: 2006-10 Electromagnetic compatibility and Radio spectrum Matters (ERM); Wideband transmission systems; Data transmission equipment operating in the 2,4 GHz ISM band and using wide band modulation techniques; Harmonized EN covering essential requirements under article 3.2 of the R&TTE Directive.
- EN 301 489-1 V1.9.2/ 2011-09 E N 301 489-17 V2.1.1/ 2009-05 Electromagnetic compatibility and Radio spectrum Matters (ERM); Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) standard for radio equipment and services; Part 17: Specific conditions for 2.4 GHz wideband transmission systems and 5 GHz high performance RLAN equipment.
- EN 62311: 2008Assessment of electronic and electrical equipment related to human exposure restrictions for electromagnetic fields (0 Hz 300 GHz).

This device is a 2.4 GHz wideband transmission system (transceiver), intended for use in all EU member states and EFTA countries, except in France and Italy where restrictive use applies.

In Italy the end-user should apply for a license at the national spectrum authorities in order to obtain authorization to use the device for setting up outdoor radio links and/or for supplying public access to telecommunications and/or network services.

This device may not be used for setting up outdoor radio links in France and in some areas the RF output power may be limited to 10 mW EIRP in the frequency range of 2454 - 2483.5 MHz. For detailed information the end-user should contact the national spectrum authority in France.

This equipment may be operated in:

(AT)	DK	DE	(IE)	LU	PL	ES LI
(BE)	(EE)	GR	(IT)	(MT)	(PT)	SE BG
CY)	F	HU	(LV)	(NL)	SI	CH RO
(CZ)	(FR)	IS	(LT)	NO	(SK)	(GB)(TR)

The official CE certificate of conformity can be downloaded by selecting the relevant model/ part number from www.smc.com -> support -> download.

Bulgarian Български	С настоящето, SMC Networks декларира, че това безжично устройство е в съответствие със съществените изисквания и другите приложими разпоредби на Директива 1999/5/EC.
Czech Česky	SMC Networks tímto prohlašuje, že tento Radio LAN device je ve shodě se základními požadavky a dalšími příslušnými ustanoveními směrnice 1999/5/ES.
Danish Dansk	Undertegnede SMC Networks erklærer herved, at følgende udstyr Radio LAN device overholder de væsentlige krav og øvrige relevante krav i direktiv 1999/5/EF
Dutch Nederlands	Hierbij verklaart SMC Networks dat het toestel Radio LAN device in overeenstemming is met de essentiële eisen en de andere relevante bepalingen van richtlijn 1999/5/EG Bij deze SMC Networks dat deze Radio LAN device voldoet aan de essentiële eisen en aan de overige relevante bepalingen van Richtlijn 1999/5/EC.
English	Hereby, SMC Networks, declares that this Radio LAN device is in compliance with the essential requirements and other relevant provisions of Directive 1999/5/EC.
Estonian Eesti	Käesolevaga kinnitab SMC Networks seadme Radio LAN device vastavust direktiivi 1999/5/EÜ põhinõuetele ja nimetatud direktiivist tulenevatele teistele asjakohastele sätetele.
Finnish Suomi	Valmistaja SMC Networks vakuuttaa täten että Radio LAN device tyyppinen laite on direktiivin 1999/5/EY oleellisten vaatimusten ja sitä koskevien direktiivin muiden ehtojen mukainen.

French Français	Par la présente SMC Networks déclare que l'appareil Radio LAN device est conforme aux exigences essentielles et aux autres dispositions pertinentes de la directive 1999/5/CE
German Deutsch	Hiermit erklärt SMC Networks, dass sich dieser/diese/dieses Radio LAN device in Übereinstimmung mit den grundlegenden Anforderungen und den anderen relevanten Vorschriften der Richtlinie 1999/5/EG befindet". (BMWi) Hiermit erklärt SMC Networks die Übereinstimmung des Gerätes Radio LAN device mit den grundlegenden Anforderungen und den anderen relevanten Festlegungen der Richtlinie 1999/5/EG. (Wien)
Greek Ελληνική	με την παρουσα SMC Networks δηλωνει οτι radio LAN device συμμορφωνεται προσ τισ ουσιωδεισ απαιτησεισ και τισ λοιπεσ σχετικεσ διαταξεισ τησ οδηγιασ 1999/5/εκ.
Hungarian Magyar	Alulírott, SMC Networks nyilatkozom, hogy a Radio LAN device megfelel a vonatkozó alapvető követelményeknek és az 1999/5/EC irányelv egyéb előírásainak.
Italian Italiano	Con la presente SMC Networks dichiara che questo Radio LAN device è conforme ai requisiti essenziali ed alle altre disposizioni pertinenti stabilite dalla direttiva 1999/5/CE.
Latvian Latviski	Ar šo SMC Networks deklarē, ka Radio LAN device atbilst Direktīvas 1999/5/EK būtiskajām prasībām un citiem ar to saistītajiem noteikumiem.
Lithuanian Lietuvių	Šiuo SMC Networks deklaruoja, kad šis Radio LAN device atitinka esminius reikalavimus ir kitas 1999/5/EB Direktyvos nuostatas.
Maltese Malti	Hawnhekk, SMC Networks, jiddikjara li dan Radio LAN device jikkonforma mal-ħtiġijiet essenzjali u ma provvedimenti oħrajn relevanti li hemm fid-Dirrettiva 1999/5/EC.
Polish Polski	Niniejszym SMC Networks oświadcza, że Radio LAN device jest zgodny z zasadniczymi wymogami oraz pozostałymi stosownymi postanowieniami Dyrektywy 1999/5/EC.
Portuguese Português	SMC Networks declara que este Radio LAN device está conforme com os requisitos essenciais e outras disposições da Directiva 1999/5/CE.
Romanian Romană	SMC Networks declară că acest dispozitiv fără fir respectă cerințele esențiale precum și alte dispoziții relevante ale Directivei 1999/5/EC.
Slovak Slovensky	SMC Networks týmto vyhlasuje, že Radio LAN device spĺňa základné požiadavky a všetky príslušné ustanovenia Smernice 1999/5/ES.
Slovenian Slovensko	SMC Networks izjavlja, da je ta radio LAN device v skladu z bistvenimi zahtevami in ostalimi relevantnimi določili direktive 1999/5/ES.

Spanish Español	Por medio de la presente SMC Networks declara que el Radio LAN device cumple con los requisitos esenciales y cualesquiera otras disposiciones aplicables o exigibles de la Directiva 1999/5/CE
Swedish Svenska	Härmed intygar SMC Networks att denna Radio LAN device står I överensstämmelse med de väsentliga egenskapskrav och övriga relevanta bestämmelser som framgår av direktiv 1999/5/EG.
Turkish Turk	SMC Networks bu kablosuz cihazın temel gereksinimleri ve 1999/5/EC yonergesindeki ilgili koşulları karşıladığını beyan eder.

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# **Package Contents**

The following items should be found in your package:

- > One SMCWPCI-N5 300M Wireless N PCI Adapter
- > Two detachable omnidirectional antennas
- > One low-profile bracket
- Quick Installation Guide
- > SMC Warranty Card
- > EZ Installation Wizard & Document CD, including:
  - SMC Wireless Configuration Utility
  - User Guide
  - Other Helpful Information

#### P Note:

Make sure that the package contains the above items. If any of the listed items are damaged or missing, please contact with your distributor.

### **Conventions:**

The 'Adapter' mentioned in this user guide stands for SMCWPCI-N5 300M Wireless N PCI Adapter without any explanations.

# **Chapter 1 Product Overview**

## 1.1 Introduction

The adapter is an 802.11n client device designed to deliver a high-speed and unrivaled wireless performance for your desktop. With a faster wireless connection, you can get a better Internet experience, such as downloading, gaming, video streaming.

With the 802.11n technology, higher throughput improvements using MIMO (multiple input, multiple output antennas), the SMCWPCI-N5's auto-sensing capability allows high packet transfer rate of up to 300Mbps for maximum throughput. It has good capability on anti-jamming, and it can also interoperate with other wireless (802.11b) products. The adapter supports WEP, WPA and WPA2 encryption to prevent outside intrusion and protect your personal information from being exposed.

The adapter is easy to install and manage with the Quick Setup Wizard guiding you step-by-step through the installation process and the SMC Wireless Configuration Utility instructing you to quickly set up a wireless connection.

With unmatched wireless performance, reception, and security protection, the SMCWPCI-N5 is the best choice for easily adding or upgrading wireless connectivity to your desktop.

## 1.2 Features

- Complies with IEEE 802.11n, IEEE 802.11g, IEEE 802.11b standards
- Supports WPA/WPA2 data security, TKIP/AES encryption
- Supports high rate of up to 300Mbps for maximum throughput, supports automatically adjust to lower speeds due to distance or other operating limitations
- Provides 32-bit PCI interface
- Supports Ad Hoc and Infrastructure modes
- Good capability on anti-jamming
- > Supports roaming between access points when configured under Infrastructure mode
- > Easy to configure and provides monitoring information
- Supports Windows XP, Windows Vista and Windows 7
- > Two antennas which are listed in a format of 2x2 for two receivers and two transmitters

## 1.3 Hardware Overview

LED status:

Status	Working Status
Off	The driver has not been installed; The adapter's radio has been disabled.
Flashing Slowly	The driver has been installed but no data is being transmitted or received.
Flashing Quickly	Data is being transmitted or received.

# **Chapter 2 Installation**

Please install the PCI adapter into your computer before installing the driver software from the Resource CD.

## 2.1 Hardware Installation

- 1. Turn off your computer and unplug the power cord from the computer.
- 2. Open the case and locate an available PCI slot. Remove the metal slot cover on the back of the PC. Keep the screws. Turn to your computer manufacturer for instructions if needed.
- Insert the PCI adapter into the PCI slot. Make sure that all of its pins have touched the slot's contacts. Once the adapter has been firmly inserted, screw its fastening tab. Then, close your PC case.
- 4. Insert the power cable back into the computer and turn on your computer.

When the Found New Hardware wizard appears, click Cancel.

## 2.2 Software Installation

The adapter's Setup Wizard will guide you through the installation procedures for Windows 7, Windows Vista, and Windows XP. The procedures in different systems are quite similar, therefore the procedures in Windows XP are shown here as an example.

1. Insert the Resource CD into your CD-ROM drive, and open the folder named SMCWPCI-N5. Double-click **Setup.exe** to start the installation, and then the following screen for preparing setup will appear.



Figure 2-1

2. The InstallShield Wizard window will appear. Click Next to continue.



Figure 2-2

3. Choose a setup type. It is recommended to select **Install SMC Wireless Configuration Utility and Driver**. Selecting **Install Driver Only** will only install driver. Click **Next** to continue.

SMC Wireless Configuration Utility - InstallShiel	d Wizard 🛛 🔀
Setup Type Select the setup type that best suits your needs.	
Click the type of setup you prefer.	
Install Driver Only Install SMC Wireless Configuration Utility and Driver	Description Choose this option to SMC Wireless Configuration Utility and driver. This is the recommended option.
InstallShield	k Next> Cancel

Figure 2-3

4. Click **Change** to specify the destination location for the software or you can leave it default. Click **Next** in the screen below to continue.

SMC Wirele	ess Configuration Utility - InstallShield Wizard	X
Choose D Select the	estination Location e folder where setup will install files.	N2A
	Install SMC Wireless Configuration Utility to: C:\\SMCWPCI-N5 Wireless N Client Utility	<u>C</u> hange
InstallShield —	< <u>B</u> ack Nex	t> Cancel

Figure 2-4

5. Click **Install** to continue the setup.

SMC Wireless Configuration Utility - InstallShield Wizard	
Ready to Install the Program The wizard is ready to begin installation.	N
Click Install to begin the installation.	
If you want to review or change any of your installation settings, click Back. Click Cancel the wizard.	to exit
<pre>///stalioniciu////install Car </pre>	ncel

Figure 2-5

6. The utility and drivers will install. This may take 1~2 minutes.





7. If Windows XP warns about Windows Logo testing, click **Continue Anyway** to continue the installation.

Softwar	e Installation
⚠	The software you are installing has not passed Windows Logo testing to verify its compatibility with Windows XP. ( <u>Tell me why</u> this testing is important.)
	Continuing your installation of this software may impair or destabilize the correct operation of your system either immediately or in the future. Microsoft strongly recommends that you stop this installation now and contact the software vendor for software that has passed Windows Logo testing.
	Continue Anyway STOP Installation

Figure 2-7

8. After all the steps above, you will see the screen below. Click **Finish** to complete the setup.

SMC Wireless Configuration	n Utility - InstallShield Wizard
	InstallShield Wizard Complete InstallShield Wizard has finished Installation. Click Finish to exit the wizard.
	< <u>B</u> ack <b>Finish</b> Cancel

#### Figure 2-8

9. After installation, the utility configuration page will automatically pop up as shown in the following figure and the icon solution will appear in your system tray. To connect to a network, please refer to <u>Chapter 3 Connect to a Wireless Network</u>.

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s	SF-AP2			None	6	<b></b>
V	/AP_TEST_11G 0			None	13	
Z	TE_AP_3787		8	AES	6	
A	ACCWIFI		8	AES	1	111-
			🔽 Cor	nnect automatically	Con	nect
C	DQA_TEST_AP			None	11	
9	40135-1889-test2		6	ТКІР	11	-atl
A	ACCWIFI		<b>B</b> .	AES	1	.all 🗸
						Rescan

Figure 2-9

# **Chapter 3** Connect to a Wireless Network

With both the hardware and software successfully installed into your computer, you can quickly connect to a wireless network using one of the following methods.

#### Method One:

#### To connect using SMC Wireless Configuration Utility

SMCWPCI-N5 uses the SMC Wireless Configuration Utility as the management software. The utility provides you an easy interface to connect to a network and to change any settings related to the wireless adapter.

> Method Two:

#### To connect using QSS

By this method, you can connect to your network quickly on the condition that your router or access point supports QSS or WPS as is called by some other brands.

> Method Three:

#### To connect using Windows built-in wireless utility

Windows users may use the built-in wireless utility to connect to a wireless network. For specific operations, please go to <u>To connect using Windows built-in wireless utility</u>.

## 3.1 To connect using SMC Wireless Configuration Utility

1. After installation, the utility configuration page will automatically pop up on the screen. If the

utility page does not pop up, you can also launch the utility by double-clicking on the icon on your desktop or the icon in your system tray.

SMC Networks					-	×
Status	WPS	Network	Profile	Advanced		
Network Nan	ne(SSID) 🔻	Sec	urity 🤝	Channel 👻	Signal 🥆	
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ZTE_AP_378	87	AE	S	6		
ACCWIFI		AE	S	6		
SF-AP2		No	ne	6		
VAP_TEST_	11G 0	No	ne	13		
ACCWIFI		AE	S	6		
980129-1562	2-A	AE	S/TKIP	11		
ACCWIFI		AE	S	1	<b></b> 11	~
					Rescan	

#### Figure 3-1

The Network page will display all wireless networks that are available in your area. To connect to a network, simply highlight the wireless network name and click Connect.
 SSID (Service Set Identifier) is the name of the wireless network. The adapter will automatically connect to your target network next time if you tick Connect automatically.

S						<b>-</b> X
	Status	WPS	Network	Profile	Advanced	
	Network Name	e(SSID) 👻	Sec	urity 👻	Channel 🔻	Signal 🤜
	ACCWIFI		🔒 AE	s	1	<u> </u>
			Conne	ct automatically	Conr	nect
	ZTE_AP_3787		🔒 AE	S	6	al I
	ACCWIFI		AE	s	6	<b>al</b> =
	SF-AP2		No	ne	6	al l
	VAP_TEST_1	1G 0	No	ne	13	<u></u>
	ACCWIFI		AE	s	6	-
	980129-1562-4	Ą	AE	S/TKIP	11	<b>.</b>
						Rescan

#### Figure 3-2

3. If word **None** appears behind the SSID, this means the network to be connected is not security-enabled and you can connect to the network without entering a key. To prevent outside intrusion and safeguard your network, it is strongly recommended to set a password to your router or access point.

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Status	s WPS	Network	Profile	Advanced		
Netw	ork Name(SSID) 👻	Sec	curity 🤝	Channel 👻	Signal 🥆	
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ACC	WIFI	AE	s	6	-	
A100	0015-1872	🔒 тк	IP	11	<u>a</u>	
VAP	_TEST_11G 0	No	ne	13	-	
		Conne	ect automatically	Conn	ect	
NTC-	980029-11G	🖬 AE	S/TKIP	11	<i></i>	
9801	29-1562-A	AE	S/TKIP	11	-	
ACC	WIFI	AE	S	6	<u></u>	
					Rescan	

#### Figure 3-3

If there is a "lock" icon behind the SSID, this means the wireless network is secure and the corresponding security type will display. You must know the encryption key/security settings to connect.

Input the password which can be found on the configuration page of your router or access point, then click **OK** to continue. Or push the QSS/WPS button on your router if your router features the QSS/WPS function to quickly build a connection without having to enter a key.

Please input the pa	ssword:
Security Key:	***
	Show characters
	OK Cancel

Figure 3-4

4. You have now successfully connected to your network. Click **Close** to enjoy the Internet.

Close

#### Figure 3-5

5. To view more information about the network currently connected, click **Status** in the tools section and the page will display information such as the network type, link quality and wireless mode.

SMC Networks					<b>-</b> ×
Status	WPS	Network	Profile	Advanced	
Profile Nar Network N	me: lame(SSID):	TEST			
Network T	ype:	Infrastructure	Rate:	36Mbps	
Channel:		1	Encryp	tion Type: AES	
AP MAC:		00-26-5A-02-26-95	Wireles	ss Mode: 11g	
IP Address	s:	192.168.137.22			
Signal Str	ength: 🗧			100	% Excellent

Figure 3-6

## 3.2 To connect using WPS

WPS (Wi-Fi Protected Setup) function allows you to add a new wireless device to an existing network quickly.

If the wireless router supports Wi-Fi Protected Setup (WPS) or QSS, you can establish a wireless connection between wireless card and router using either Push Button Configuration (PBC) method or PIN method. Three WPS connection methods are listed in the following parts while the third method is only supported in Windows XP and Windows Vista.

### 3.2.1 PBC (Push Button Configuration) method

- 1. Press the WPS/QSS button on the back panel of the router.
- 2. Open SMC WIRELESS CONFIGURATION UTILITY and click **WPS** tab. Select **Push the button on my access point or wireless router** and then click **Connect**.

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Status	WPS	Network	Profile	Advanced	
((( WP	S))) This applic	ation will guide you	through configur	ing your wireless netwo	ork.
Please ch ⊙ Push th	ne button on my	access point or wire	eless router.		
◯ Enter th	ne PIN of my acc	cess point or wireles	s router.		
⊖ Enter tł	ne PIN of this de	vice into my access	point or wireles	s router.	
				[	Connect
		Figu	ire 3-7		

3. The adapter will be connecting to the target network.

Configuring the wireless network.	
((( wps)))	
Searching for an available network	
	Cance

Figure 3-8

4. When the following window appears, you have successfully connected to the network.



Figure 3-9

#### 3.2.2 PIN method

There are two ways to configure the QSS by PIN method:

- 1) Enter the PIN from your AP device.
- 2) Enter a PIN into your AP device.

Following are detailed configuration procedures of each way.

#### 3.2.2.1. Enter the PIN from your AP device

1. Open SMC WIRELESS CONFIGURATION UTILITY and click **WPS** tab. Select **Enter the PIN of my access point or wireless router**. In the empty field beside PIN, enter the PIN labeled on the bottom of the router (here takes 13492564 for example). If you have generated a new PIN code for your router, please enter the new one instead. Click **Connect** to continue.

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((WI	PS))) This applica	tion will guide you	through configuri	ing your wireless netw	ork.
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					Connect

Figure 3-10

2. The adapter will be connecting to the target network.

Figure 3-11

3. When Figure 3-9 appears, you have successfully connected to the network.

#### 3.2.2.2. Enter a PIN into your AP device

This method is only available in Windows XP and Windows Vista.

1. Open SMC WIRELESS CONFIGURATION UTILITY and click **WPS** tab. Select **Enter the PIN of this device into my access point or wireless router**. In the field beside PIN, you will see the PIN value of the adapter which is randomly generated. Click **Connect** to continue.

Image: Status       Image: Status       Image: Status       Image: Status       Image: Status         Image: Status	SINC Networks	•				<b>— X</b>
Status       WPS       Network       Profile       Advanced         ((WPS))       This application will guide you through configuring your wireless network.         Please choose a method to join a wireless network:       Push the button on my access point or wireless router.         Push the button on my access point or wireless router.         Enter the PIN of my access point or wireless router.         PIN:       59346043		2			8	
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Connect	(((₩) Please c ○ Push t ○ Enter • Enter PIN: 59	PS))) This application the button on my at the PIN of my acct the PIN of this deviation of the Additional terms of the PIN of the additional terms of	ation will guide you o join a wireless net access point or wire ess point or wireles ice into my access	through configuri work: less router. s router. point or wireless	ng your wireless netw	ork.

#### Figure 3-12

- 2. Open your router's Web-based Utility and click WPS/QSS link on the left of the main menu. Then click **Add device** and the following figure will appear. Enter the PIN value of the adapter in the empty field beside PIN and then click **Connect**.
- 3. When **Connect successfully** appears on the screen, the WPS configuration is complete. Or you can view the adapter's utility page to see whether the connection has been successful as shown in Figure 3-15.

Configuring the wireless network.	
((( WPS)))	
Successfully connected to the network	by WPS l

Figure 3-13

## 3.3 To connect using Windows built-in wireless utility

The steps are similar for all Microsoft Windows systems. The interface for Windows XP is described in this user guide.

#### 3.3.1 In Windows XP

Windows XP users may use the built-in wireless utility. Follow the steps below.

1. Right-click on the utility icon in your system tray (lower-right corner). Select **Switch to SMC Wireless N Client Utility**.

Open		
Radio OFF	-	
Switch to Windows wireless configuration tool		
Switch to SoftAP mode	1	
About	-	
Exit		
	Open Radio OFF Switch to Windows wireless configuration tool Switch to SoftAP mode About Exit	Open Radio OFF Switch to Windows wireless configuration tool Switch to SoftAP mode About Exit

Figure 3-14

Or double-click the utility icon to load the utility configuration page. Click **Advanced** in the tools section and then select **Use Windows wireless configuration tool** in the figure shown below. Click **OK** when Figure 3-25 appears to continue.

SIMC Networks					- ×
Status	WPS	Network	Profile	Ø	
Otatus	WFO	Network	riolic	Advanced	
Select wire Use S Wireless n	eless configurati MC Wireless N C etwork adapter e	on tool :lient Utility switch	O Use Wind	dows wireless conf	iguration tool
Please c	hoose a wireles	s network adapter :	Wireless Netwo	ork Connection 27	SMCWPCI-N5 🔽
SoftAP mo	de				
⊖ ON		OFF			
Power Sav	e mode				
⊙ ON		◯ OFF			

Figure 3-15

Are you sure to use Windows w configuration tool?	rireless
OKCar	icel

- Figure 3-16
- 2. Right-click on the wireless computer icon in your system tray (lower-right corner). Select **View Available Wireless Networks**.



Figure 3-17

3. The utility will display any available wireless networks in your area. Click on a network (displayed using the SSID) and click the **Connect** button.



Figure 3-18

4. If the network is security-enabled, you will be prompted to enter the key as shown below. If not, you will connect to the network directly without entering a key.

Wireless Network Conne	ection	×
The network 'TEST' requires network key helps prevent ur	a network key (also called a WEP key or WPA key). A hknown intruders from connecting to this network.	
Type the key, and then click	Connect.	
Network <u>k</u> ey:	•••••	
C <u>o</u> nfirm network key:	•••••	
	<u>C</u> onnect Cancel	]

Figure 3-19

# **Chapter 4 Management**

This section will show you how to configure your SMCWPCI-N5 adapter using the SMC Wireless Configuration Utility.

The SMCWPCI-N5 adapter uses the SMC Wireless Configuration Utility as the management software. The utility provides users with an easy interface to change any settings related to the

adapter. Double-clicking on the icon on your desktop will start the utility.

## 4.1 Profile

Your wireless networks may vary in different places like home, office or coffee shop. With **Profile** management, you can easily save and manage various networks to be connected, saving you the trouble of having to repeat the same configurations. Click **Profile** in the tools section, the following page will appear.

SMC Networks					<b>—</b> ×
Status	WPS	Network	Profile	Advanced	
			· · ·		
Profile Name	SSID		Network Type	Security	Connected
		Add	Modify	Remove	Connect

Figure 4-1

### 4.1.1 Add a profile

To add a profile, click the **Add** button on the bottom of the screen. Then the configuration window will appear.

Profile Name:	TEST
SSID:	TEST
Network Type:	Infrastructure  ○ ad hoc
Security Type:	WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK
Encryption Type:	TKIP/AES
Security Key:	******** Show characters

Figure 4-2

The following items can be found on the screen.

- Profile Name: Enter a name for your profile (e.g. Home, Office, CoffeeShop). The same name is not allowed. Please also note that no space is allowed between words.
- > SSID: Select the target network from the drop-down list.
- Network Type: Select the network type. If you are connecting to a wireless router or access point, select Infrastructure. If you are connecting to another wireless client such as an adapter, select ad-hoc.
- Security Type: Select the security type from the list. Three options are available: WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK, WEP and None. The security type should be the same as on your router or access point, otherwise, you will not be able to build a successful connection.

**WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK** uses a passphrase or key to authenticate your wireless connection. The key must be the exact same key entered on your wireless router or access point. None stands for no security. It is recommended to enable WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK on your wireless router or access point before configuring your wireless adapter.

- Encryption Type: From the drop-down menu, select the encryption type that is the same as on your router or access point.
- Security Key: Enter the passphrase exactly as it is on your wireless router or access point. Click the Show characters box to see the passphrase. Unchecking it will hide it.
- > Start this connection automatically: check this box to automatically connect to this network next time.
- > Save: Click Save to save your settings.

Complete the above settings, the Profile page should look like the following figure. To connect to a desired network, just highlight the network you would like to connect to and click the **Connect** button on the bottom of the window.

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SM N e t w o	r k s				- ×
Status	WP:	S Network	k Profile	Advanced	
Profile N TEST	lame	SSID TEST	Network Type Infrastructure	Security WPA-PSK/WPA	Connected No
		Ad	d Modify	Remove	Connect

Figure 4-3

#### 4.1.2 Modify a profile

You may edit an existing profile by clicking the **Modify** button from the Profile page. For instance, you may like to change the profile name from test to test1 or you may want to specify another SSID for profile Home. After all the changes, click **Save** to make the changes take effect.

SSID		
Network Type:	Infrastructure	
Security Type:	WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK	
Encryption Type:	TKIP/AES	
Security Key:	*******	aracters
Start this conne	tion automatically.	

Figure 4-4

#### 4.1.3 Delete a profile

To delete an existing profile, highlight the profile name and click **Remove** on the bottom of the screen or press the Delete button on your keyboard. When the following figure appears, click **OK** to continue.



Figure 4-5

### 4.2 Advanced

The following configurations can be made on the Advanced page:

- To select wireless configuration tool. Here you can decide which tool to use, either the SMC WIRELESS CONFIGURATION UTILITY or the Windows wireless configuration tool. This option is available only in Windows XP.
- 2) To switch to another wireless network adapter.

Here you can switch to another adapter installed in your computer. The adapters successfully installed in your computer will be listed in the drop-down menu if the adapters are supported by this utility.

- To switch to SoftAP mode.
   Once enabled, the adapter will be able to work as an AP. This option is only available in Windows 7.
- 4) To change the power save mode. The default option is **ON**.

Networks					_
Status	WPS	Network	Profile	<b>O</b>	
Select wirele	ess configurati	ion tool			
🖲 Use SM	C Wireless N C	Client Utility	🔿 Use Win	dows wireless conf	iguration tool
Wireless ne	twork adapter	switch			
Please ch	oose a wireles	s network adapter :	Wireless Netw	ork Connection 27	SMCWPCI-N5 🗸
SoftAP mod	e				
⊖ on		OFF			
Power Save	mode				
ON		O OFF			

Figure 4-6

## 4.3 About

The About screen gives you information about the Driver and Utility versions of the adapter. Right-click on the *int* icon in your system tray and select **About** from the list.

SMC Wireless	Configuration Utility
UI version:	1.2.2 en.003
WFF version:	1.0.0.1
Driver version:	7.7.0.547
Copyright	(C) 2013
	ОК

Figure 4-7

# Chapter 5 AP Mode (For Windows 7 only)

In Soft AP mode, the adapter will work as an AP. This function is available only in Windows 7. Suppose that only one computer in your house can access the Internet for various reasons like only one WLAN port is available on your wired broadband router, however, other wireless-capable devices also want to share the Internet. Then the adapter can be configured as an AP under the Soft AP mode, saving you the trouble of having to get a separate access point or a router.

With this feature, a computer can use a single physical wireless adapter to connect as a client to a hardware access point while at the same time acting as a software AP allowing other wireless-capable devices to connect to it.

### 5.1 SoftAP mode

To switch to this mode, right-click on the utility icon in your system tray and select **Switch to SoftAP mode**.



Figure 5-1

Or from the **Advanced** page of the utility, tick **ON** under the SoftAP mode as shown in the following figure. Click **OK** when prompted to confirm the setting.

Status	WPS reless configuratio	Network	Profile	Advanced	
Select wi	reless configuratio				
Select wi	reless configuratio				
Ouse Wireless Please	SMC Wireless Conf network adapter s choose a wireless	in tool figuration Utility witch in network adapter	Are yu mode	ou sure to turn on t ?	he SoftAP
SoftAP m	ode			ОК	Cancel
ON (		OFF			
Power Sa	ve mode				
ON (		OFF			

Figure 5-2

The Soft AP icon should then appear beside Advanced icon in the utility.

SMC Networks					- ×
Status	WPS	Network	Profile	C Advanced	Soft AP
SoftAP me Internet Co SSID: Security T Encryption Security K IP Address	ode: onnecting Share( ype: h Type: (ey: s:	<ul> <li>ON</li> <li>Local Are</li> <li>SoftAP</li> <li>WPA2-P</li> <li>AES</li> <li>1234567</li> <li>192.168.1</li> </ul>	© OFF es Connection SK 8 137.1	▼ ▼ ▼ Shov	v characters
					Apply

#### Figure 5-3

- > **SoftAP mode:** Select to enable or disable the function.
- Internet Connecting Share(ICS): Specify a connection through which devices connected to your AP can access the Internet.
- SSID: Enter the name for your soft AP (for example, Jone) so that others can know which AP is yours when trying to connect to it.
- Security Type: The security type here is set to be WPA2-PSK which is based on 802.11i and uses Advanced Encryption Standard instead of TKIP. It was designed to improve the security features of WEP. WPA2-PSK uses a passphrase or key to authenticate your wireless connection. You needn't make any configuration here.
- > **Encryption Type:** The encryption type here is set to be AES.
- Security Key: Enter the Key in the field to make your AP security enabled (for example 123456789). Only by entering the corresponding key can other computers establish a successful connection with your AP.
- > **IP Address:** Here displays the IP address of the SoftAP.

Note: When switch to SoftAP mode, If a warning massage pops up as shown in the following figure . Please follow the steps to activate SoftAP mode.

SMC <sup>®</sup> Networks						×
Status	WPS	Network	Profile	Advanced	Soft AP	
SoftAP mode: Internet Conne SSID: Security Type: Encryption Typ	ecting	Failed to con to SoftAP, bu service will r	figure ICS, you o it to share the in nay be some pro	can connect iternet iblem.		
Security Key: IP Address:		12345678 169.254.3	3 5.210	Show	characters	
					Apply	]

#### Figure 5-4

 Go to Control Panel and select Network and Connections, double click the Local Area Connection. From the Sharing tab, choose Microsoft Virtual WiFi Miniport Adapter Wireless Network Connection.

Control Panel > Network and	d Internet   Network Connections
Organize       Disable this network device         Organize       Disable this network device         Wireless Network Connection 2       SoftAP         Microsoft Virtual WiFi Miniport A       Docad Area Connection         Unidentified network, Shared       Realtek RTL8168C(P)/8111C(P) Fa	Internet > Network Connections >       ↓       Search Network Connections       >         Diagnose this connection       Rename this connection       >       Image: Connection Properties         Internet Connection Sharing       Image: Connection Sharing       Image: Connection Sharing       Image: Connection Sharing         Internet Connection Sharing       Image: Connection Sharing       Image: Connection Sharing       Image: Connection Sharing         Internet Connection Sharing       Image: Connection Sharing       Image: Connection Sharing       Image: Connection Sharing         Image: Connection Sharing       Image: Connection Sharing       Image: Connection Sharing       Image: Connection Sharing         Image: Connection Sharing       Image: Connection Sharing       Image: Connection Sharing       Image: Connection Sharing
	OK Cancel

#### Figure 5-5

2) The IP Address will change to 192.168.137.1. Now the SoftAP mode is activated successfully..

# Chapter 6 Uninstall Software

## 6.1 Uninstall the utility software from your PC

1. On the Windows taskbar, click the **Start** button, click **All programs→SMC**, and then click **Uninstall-SMC Wireless Configuration Utility**.



Figure 6-1 Uninstall Utility

2. Follow the Install Shield Wizard to uninstall the utility software from your PC.



Figure 6-2

3. Click Finish when the figure below appears.



Figure 6-3

## 6.2 Uninstall the driver software from your PC

1. On the Windows taskbar, click the **Start** button, click **All programs→SMC**, and then click **Uninstall-SMCWPCI-N5 Driver**.



Figure 6-5 Uninstall Driver

2. Click **Yes** to start uninstalling the driver software from your PC.



Figure 6-6

3. It may take a few minutes to undergo the whole un-installation process.



Figure 6-7

4. Click **Finish** when the figure below appears.



Figure 6-8

# **Appendix A: Specifications**

Normal		
Interface	PCI 2.0, 32 bit PCI connector, Low-profile bracket included	
Standards	IEEE 802.11b/g, IEEE 802.11n, IEEE 802.11i, IEEE 802.11e	
Operating System	Windows XP, Windows Vista, Windows 7	
Throughput	300 Mbps (maximum)	
	11n:	
	270/243/216/162/108/81/54/27 Mbps	
	135/121.5/108/81/54/40.5/27/13.5 Mbps	
Radio Data Rate	130/117/104/78/52/39/26/13 Mbps	
	65/58.5/52/39/26/19.5/13/6.5 Mbps (dynamic)	
	11g: 108/54/48/36/24/18/12/9/6 Mbps (dynamic)	
	11b: 11/5.5/2/1 Mbps (dynamic)	
	11b:CCK,QPSK,BPSK	
Modulation	11g:OFDM	
	11n: QPSK, BPSK, 16-QAM, 64-QAM	
Media Access Protocol	CSMA/CA with ACK	
Operating Channel	11 channels (US, Canada), 2412~2462 MHz	
	13 channels (ETSI), 2412~2472 MHz	
Data Security	WPA/WPA2, WEP, TKIP/AES	
RF Power	16 dBm (maximum)	
Receive Sensitivity	270M: -68 dBm@10% PER	
	130M: -68 dBm@10% PER	
	108M: -68 dBm@10% PER	
	54M: -68 dBm@10% PER	
	11M: -85 dBm@8% PER	
	6M: -88 dBm@10% PER	
	1M: -90 dBm@8% PER	
Antenna Gain	2 dBi	
Antenna Type	Two detachable omnidirectional antennas	
Dimensions	Unit:	
	4.8 x 4.8 x 0.78 in (122 x 121 x 19 mm)	
	Package:	
	7.9 x 5.7 x 1.4 in (202 x 145 x 35 mm)	
Weight	Unit: 47 g	
	Antenna: 9 g per piece	
Frequency*	2.4 ~ 2.4835GHz	
Spread Spectrum	Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum (DSSS)	
Safety & Emissions	FCC, CE, IC, Compliant with RoHS	

Environmental and Physical		
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	10% ~ 90% RH, Non-condensing	

\* Only 2.412GHz $\sim$ 2.462GHz is allowed to be used in USA, which means only channel 1 $\sim$ 11 is available for American users to choose.

# **Appendix B: Glossary**

- 802.11b The 802.11b standard specifies a wireless product 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.
- Ad hoc Network An ad hoc network is a group of computers, each with a Wireless Adapter, connected as an independent 802.11 wireless LAN. Ad hoc wireless computers operate on a peer-to-peer basis, communicating directly with each other without the use of an access point. Ad hoc mode is also referred to as an Independent Basic Service Set (IBSS) or as peer-to-peer mode, and is useful at a departmental scale or SOHO operation.
- DSSS (Direct-Sequence Spread Spectrum) DSSS generates a redundant bit pattern for all data transmitted. This bit pattern is called a chip (or chipping code). Even if one or more bits in the chip are damaged during transmission, statistical techniques embedded in the receiver can recover the original data without the need of retransmission. To an unintended receiver, DSSS appears as low power wideband noise and is rejected (ignored) by most narrowband receivers. However, to an intended receiver (i.e. another wireless LAN endpoint), the DSSS signal is recognized as the only valid signal, and interference is inherently rejected (ignored).
- FHSS (Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum) FHSS continuously changes (hops) the carrier frequency of a conventional carrier several times per second according to a pseudo-random set of channels. Because a fixed frequency is not used, and only the transmitter and receiver know the hop patterns, interception of FHSS is extremely difficult.
- Infrastructure Network An infrastructure network is a group of computers or other devices, each with a Wireless Adapter, connected as an 802.11 wireless LAN. In infrastructure mode, the wireless devices communicate with each other and to a wired network by first going through an access point. An infrastructure wireless network connected to a wired network is referred to as a Basic Service Set (BSS). A set of two or more BSS in a single network is referred to as an Extended Service Set (ESS). Infrastructure mode is useful at a corporation scale, or when it is necessary to connect the wired and wireless networks.
- Spread Spectrum Spread Spectrum technology is a wideband radio frequency technique developed by the military for use in reliable, secure, mission-critical communications systems. It is designed to trade off bandwidth efficiency for reliability, integrity, and security. In other words, more bandwidth is consumed than in the case of narrowband transmission, but the trade off produces a signal that is, in effect, louder and thus easier to detect, provided that the receiver knows the parameters of the spread-spectrum signal being broadcast. If a receiver is not tuned to the right frequency, a spread-spectrum signal looks like background noise.

There are two main alternatives, Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum (DSSS) and Frequency Hopping Spread Spectrum (FHSS).

- SSID A Service Set Identification is a thirty-two character (maximum) alphanumeric key  $\geq$ 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. See also Wireless Network Name and ESSID.
- WEP (Wired Equivalent Privacy) A data privacy mechanism based on a 64-bit or 128-bit or  $\triangleright$ 152-bit shared key algorithm, as described in the IEEE 802.11 standard. To gain access to a WEP network, you must know the key. The key is a string of characters that you create. When using WEP, you must determine the level of encryption. The type of encryption determines the key length. 128-bit encryption requires a longer key than 64-bit encryption. Keys are defined by entering in a string in HEX (hexadecimal - using characters 0-9, A-F) or ASCII (American Standard Code for Information Interchange – alphanumeric characters) format. ASCII format is provided so you can enter a string that is easier to remember. The ASCII string is converted to HEX for use over the network. Four keys can be defined so that you can change keys easily.
- Wi-Fi A trade name for the 802.11b wireless networking standard, given by the Wireless  $\geq$ Ethernet Compatibility Alliance (WECA, see http://www.wi-fi.net), an industry standards group promoting interoperability among 802.11b devices.
- $\geq$ 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) A wireless security protocol uses TKIP (Temporal Key  $\geq$ Integrity Protocol) encryption, which can be used in conjunction with a RADIUS server.



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