

## How to upgrade TP-Link Wireless AC Router?

### Notice:

#### 1. Before upgrading:

- Please verify the hardware version of your device for the firmware version. Wrong firmware upgrading may damage your device and void the warranty.

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- Backup the configuration in order to restore it after upgrading. Or, write down all the settings you changed from the default values, you may need to re-enter them manually.

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- It's recommended that users stop all Internet Applications on the computer, or simply disconnect Internet line from the device before upgrading.

#### 2. During upgrading:

- DO NOT upgrade the firmware through wireless connection unless there is no LAN/Ethernet port on your TP-Link device.
- DO NOT turn off the power or disconnect the Ethernet cable during the firmware upgrade.

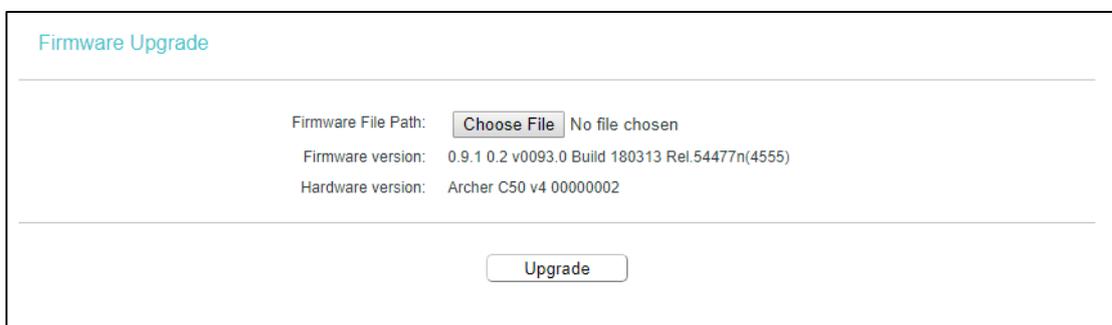
## Steps about upgrading:

**Step 1** Log into the TP-Link device by typing **http://tplinkwifi.net** in the address bar of any web browser (such as Chrome, Firefox). The default user name and password are both **admin** in lower case.



**Step 2** Click **System Tools** ->**Firmware Upgrade**, click **Choose File** to choose the firmware you already extracted in the folder. The firmware is usually named as **XXXX.bin**.

**Note:** Please double check the firmware and hardware version.



**Step 3** Click **Upgrade**. The device will reboot automatically after upgrading. Please wait about 3 minutes.



**Step 4** Verify that the router's firmware has been upgraded successfully or not in the same page.



## How to check the hardware version of a TP-Link device?

### 1. Check from management page

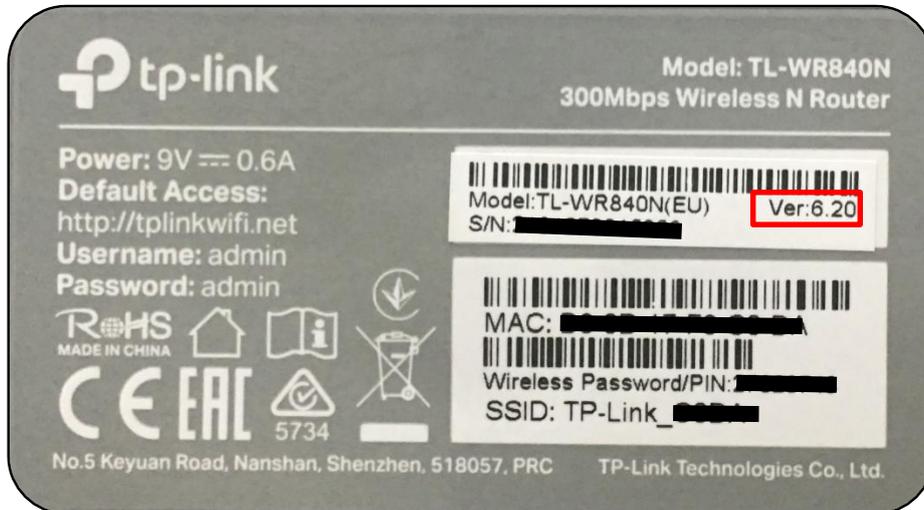
Log into the device, click **Status**, The software and hardware version will be shown as the following picture:

(As an example, in the following picture, the hardware version is ‘v4’)



### 2. Check from label

Turn over the device, you can see a label at the back of the device, there is a character string “Ver:X.Y” (for example, Ver:3.0) and the number X.Y is the hardware version of the device. If the string is “Ver: 3.1”, it means that the hardware version is V3.1. (Normally V3.x=V3)



## How to Backup & Restore configuration of TP-Link Wireless Router?

1. Log into the device, Click **System Tools** -> **Backup & Restore**.



2. Click **Backup** and save the file. The file name is **config.bin** by default.
3. After firmware upgrading, click **Choose File** button to locate the previous backup configuration file.
4. Finally click **Restore**, wait 1 minute you can see configuration uploaded successfully. Then the device will reboot automatically.

