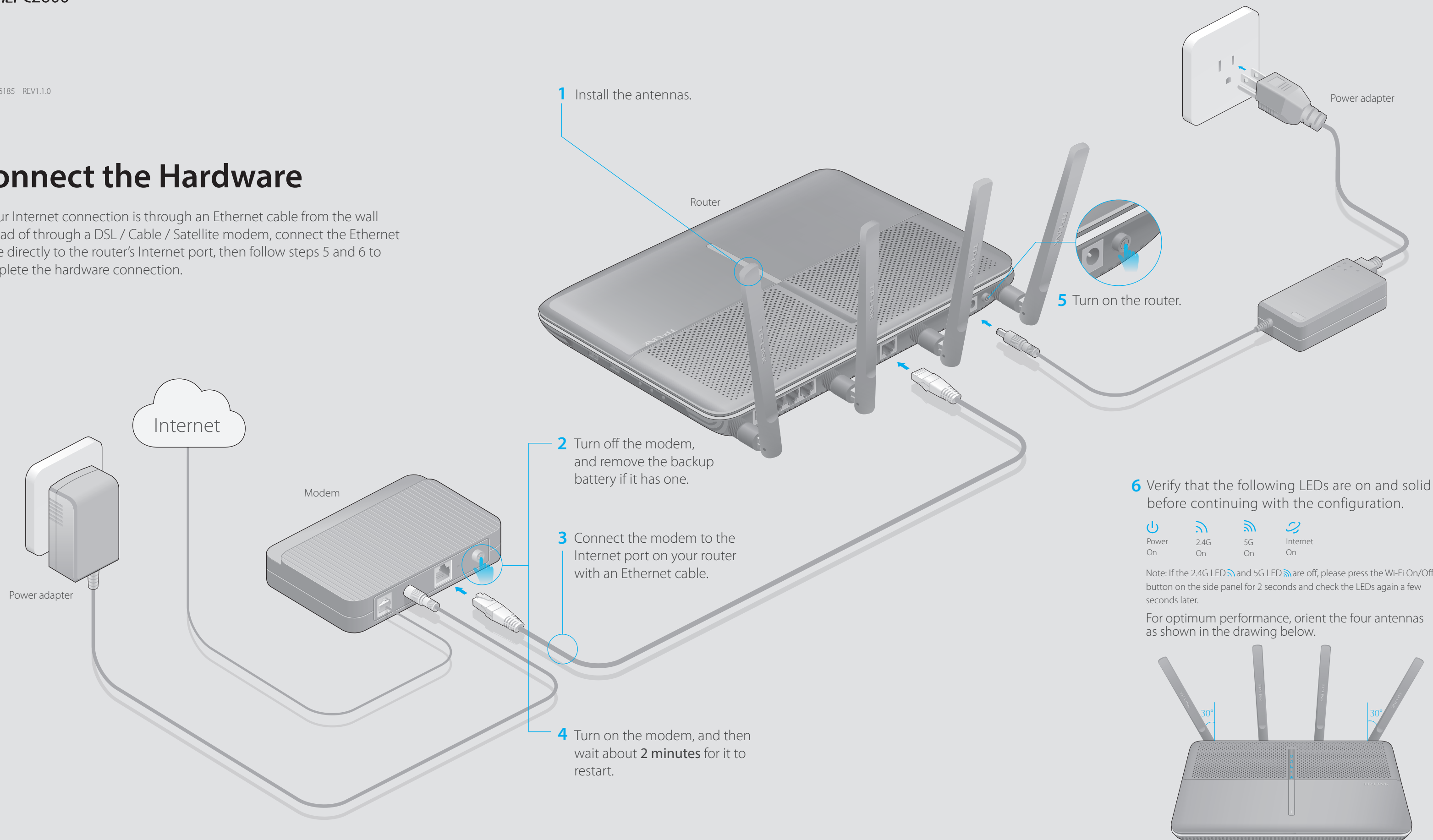# Quick Installation Guide

AC2600 Wireless Dual Band Gigabit Router

*Archer* C2600

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## Connect the Hardware

If your Internet connection is through an Ethernet cable from the wall instead of through a DSL / Cable / Satellite modem, connect the Ethernet cable directly to the router's Internet port, then follow steps 5 and 6 to complete the hardware connection.
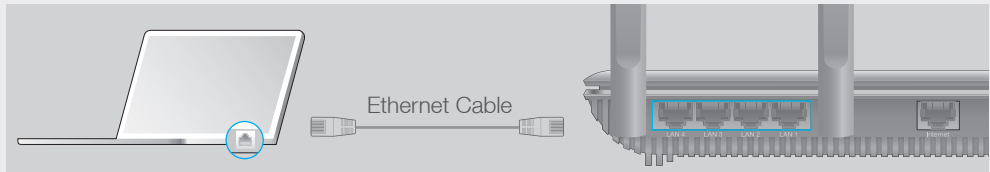
**1**  Install the antennas.

Router

Power adapter

**5**  Turn on the router.

Internet

Modem

**2**  Turn off the modem, and remove the backup battery if it has one.

**3**  Connect the modem to the Internet port on your router with an Ethernet cable.

Power adapter

**6** Verify that the following LEDs are on and solid before continuing with the configuration.

| Power On | 2.4G On | 5G On | Internet On |
|---|---|---|---|

Note: If the 2.4G LED and 5G LED are off, please press the Wi-Fi On/Off button on the side panel for 2 seconds and check the LEDs again a few seconds later.

For optimum performance, orient the four antennas as shown in the drawing below.

30°   30°

**4**  Turn on the modem, and then wait about **2 minutes** for it to restart.

# Configure via Web Browser

## 1. Connect your computer to the router (Wired or Wireless)

### Wired
Turn off the Wi-Fi on your computer and connect the device as shown below.

Ethernet Cable

### Wireless
Connect wirelessly by using the SSID (Network Name) and Wireless Password/PIN printed on the product label at the bottom of the router.

TP-LINK

## 2. Configure the router using a web browser

**A** Enter **http://tplinkwifi.net** or **http://192.168.0.1** in the address bar of a web browser. Use **admin** for both username and password, and then click **Login**.

Note: If the login window does not appear, please refer to FAQ > Q1.

http://tplinkwifi.net

admin
admin

Login

**B** Create a new username and password, then click **Confirm**. Re-login using the new credentials.

### Set up a new username and password

New Username: User_123
New Password: ●●●●●●●●
Low   Middle   High
Confirm New Password: ●●●●●●●●

Confirm

**C** Select your time zone, and click **Next**.

Internet Connection Type   Wireless Settings   Test Internet Connection
Time Zone   Summary

Time Zone: (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US Canada)

Exit   Next

**D** Select your **Internet Connection Type**, or click **Auto Detect** if you are unsure of what your connection type is. Click **Next** and follow the instructions.

Internet Connection Type   Wireless Settings   Test Internet Connection
Time Zone   Summary

Auto Detect

○ Dynamic IP
○ Static IP
○ PPPoE
○ L2TP
○ PPTP

Back   Next

**E** Use the default or change the wireless settings, and click **Next**.

Note: If you change the default SSID and password, write down the new wireless settings.

Internet Connection Type   Wireless Settings   Test Internet Connection
Time Zone   Summary

2.4GHz Wireless:   ☑ Enable Wireless Radio
Network Name(SSID):   TP-LINK_XXXX   ☐ Hide SSID
Password:   XXXXXXXX

5GHz Wireless:   ☑ Enable Wireless Radio
Network Name(SSID):   TP-LINK_XXXX_5G   ☐ Hide SSID
Password:   XXXXXXXX

Back   Next

**F** Confirm your settings, and then click **Save** to continue or **Back** to make changes.

Internet Connection Type   Wireless Settings   Test Internet Connection
Time Zone   Summary

Time Zone:   (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US Canada)
Internet Connection Type:   Dynamic IP

2.4GHz Wireless   On
Network Name(SSID):   TP-LINK_7AFF
Password:   12345670

5GHz Wireless   On
Network Name(SSID):   TP-LINK_7AFF_5G
Password:   12345670

Back   Save

**G** Test your Internet connection, then click **Finish** to quit the Quick Setup.

Internet Connection Type   Wireless Settings   Test Internet Connection
Time Zone   Summary

### Congratulations!
You have completed the Quick Setup process.
Click Test Internet Connection below, then click Finish.

› Test Internet Connection

Back   Finish

# USB Features

Use the USB 3.0 ports for media sharing, storage sharing and printer sharing across your local network. You can also set up an FTP server to access your files remotely through the Internet.

USB 3.0   USB 3.0   Wi-Fi On/Off   WPS   Reset

USB 3.0 Port

Remote Access via FTP Server   Media Sharing   Local Storage Sharing   Printer Sharing

To learn more about the USB features, visit the website: http://www.tp-link.com/app/usb, or simply scan the QR code.

# Configure via Tether App

TP-LINK's Tether app lets you conveniently access the router and:
• View information about the clients on your network.
• Block network access from specific users or devices.
• Set up Parental Control with access time and content restrictions.
• Change the basic wireless network settings easily.

## How to start?
1 Scan the QR code to download the TP-LINK Tether app from the Apple App Store or Google Play.
2 Ensure your smart device is wirelessly connected to the home network.
3 Launch the Tether app and start managing your home network.

# FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions)

Q1. What can I do if the login window does not appear?
• If the computer is set to a static or fixed IP address, change the setting to obtain an IP address automatically.
• Verify if **http://tplinkwifi.net** or **http://192.168.0.1** is correctly entered in the web browser. Alternatively, enter **http://192.168.1.1** in the web browser.
• Use another web browser and try again.
• Reboot your router and try again.
• Disable and enable the network adapter in use again.

Q2. What can I do if I cannot access the Internet?
• Check if the Internet is working properly by connecting a computer directly to the modem via an Ethernet. If it is not, contact your Internet Service Provider.
• Open a web browser, enter **http://tplinkwifi.net** or **http://192.168.0.1** and run the setup again.
• Reboot your router and try again.
• For cable modem users, reboot the modem first. If the problem still exists, log into the Web Management page of the router, and go to **Advanced** > **Network** > **Internet** > **MAC Clone**, click **Use Current Computer MAC Address** and then click **Save**.

Q3. How do I restore the router to its factory default settings?
• While the router is powered on, press and hold the **Reset** button on the back until the ⏻ LED blinks.
• Log into the Web Management page of the router, and go to **Advanced** > **System Tools** > **Backup & Restore** > **Factory Default Restore**, click **Factory Restore**. The router will restore and reboot automatically.

Q4. What can I do if I forgot my Web Management password?
• Refer to FAQ > Q3 to reset the router, and then use the default **admin** (all lowercase) for both username and password to log in.

Q5. What can I do if I forgot my wireless network password?
• If you have not changed the default Wireless Password, it can be found on the product label of the router.
• Log into the Web Management page, go to **Basic** > **Wireless** to retrieve or reset your wireless password.

Use only power supplies which are provided by manufacturer and in the original packing of this product.