

# TP-LINK®

## User Guide

**M5250**

**3G Mobile Wi-Fi**



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## Package Contents

The following items should be found in your package:

- 3G Mobile Wi-Fi M5250
- One USB cable
- One battery
- Quick Installation Guide
- One Micro SIM Adapter
- One Nano SIM Adapter

 **Note:**

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

## Conventions

The Device or M5250 mentioned in this guide stands for 3G Mobile Wi-Fi M5250 without any explanation.

# Chapter 1. Introduction

## 1.1 Product Overview

TP-LINK's M5250 is at the forefront of wireless 3G sharing. Equipped with a built-in 3G modem, you can instantly establish your own Wi-Fi hotspot simply by inserting a 3G SIM card at the interior of the device. With up to 21.6Mbps download and 5.76Mbps upload speeds, M5250 is able to provide 3G wireless sharing to up to 10 users simultaneously. Its pocket-sized design and powerful 2000mAh internal battery make it an ideal travel companion, allowing users to work or play for hours on end.

## 1.2 Main Features

- Equipped with a built-in 3G modem - No other bulky devices required
- HSPA+ supported with up to 21.6Mbps download and 5.76Mbps upload speeds
- Supports up to 10 users simultaneously
- 2000mAh internal battery for extended hours of outdoor use
- Portable and cobblestone design ideal for travel use
- Micro USB port for versatile recharging
- LED display provides an intuitive view of the device's working status
- Equipped with a micro SD card slot for up to 32GB of optional storage

## 1.3 Physical Description

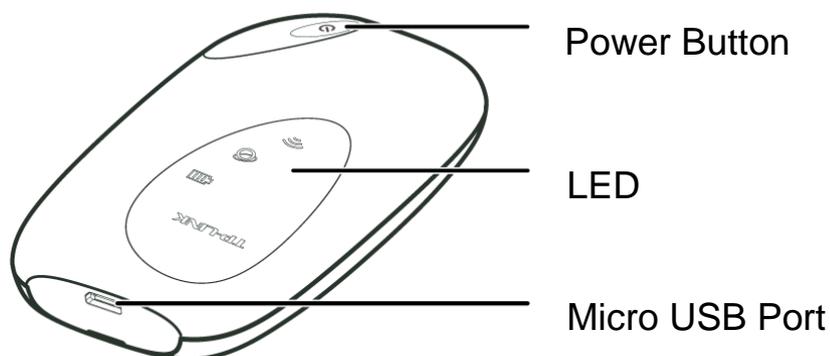


Figure 1-1 the Exterior

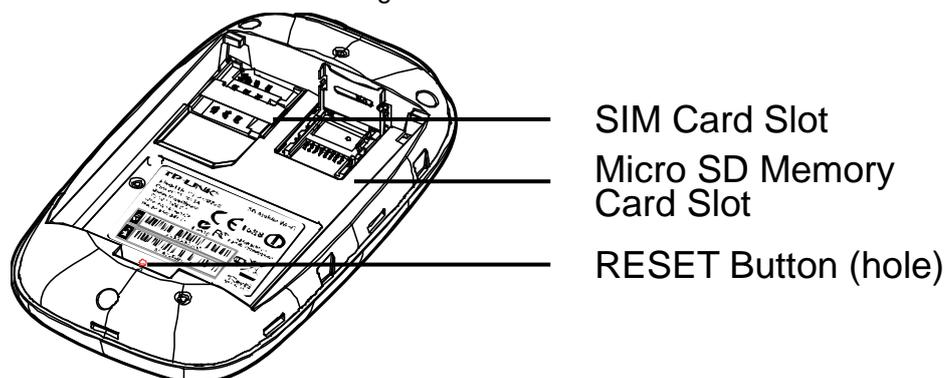


Figure 1-2 the Interior

The details about the Exterior and Interior are explained as below.

- **Power Button:** When the Device is successfully installed, and it's powered (either by battery or electricity); press and hold this button for about 5 seconds to turn on the Device, and if you want to turn it off, please press this button for another 3 seconds.
- **Micro USB Port:** It's for you to connect the Device with the power adapter (attached in the package) via the USB cable.
- **SIM Card Slot:** It's where to insert your SIM card.
- **Micro SD Memory Card Slot:** It's where to insert your micro SD memory card.
- **RESET Button (hole):** It's the button to restore the Device to its factory defaults. With the Device powered on, use a pin to press and hold the RESET button (hole) for about 5 seconds, until all of the LED light on; then release the button and wait the Device to reboot and restore its factory default settings.
- **LED :**



Figure 1-3 LED

The LED Indication:

Item	Description	Indication
	Network status	Indicates the successful network connection.
	Wi-Fi connection	Displays the Wi-Fi status.
	Battery	Displays the battery power status.

Table 1-1 The LED Screen details

**Note:**

Pressing the power button will light up or turn off the LED . When you leave alone the buttons on the device, the and will light on for about 60 seconds and then turn off.

## Chapter 2. Hardware Installation

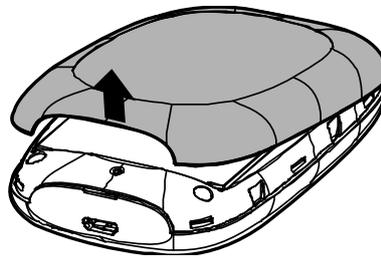
### 2.1 Environment Requirements

- Place the Device in a well-ventilated place far from any heater or heating vent
- Avoid direct irradiation of any strong light (such as sunlight)
- Keep at least 2 inches (5 cm) of clear space around the Device
- Operating Temperature: 0°C~35°C (32°F~95°F)
- Operating Humidity: 0%~75%RH, Non-condensing

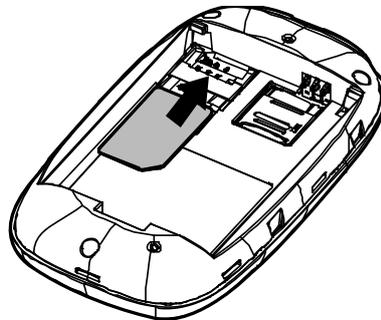
### 2.2 Hardware Installation

#### STEP 1: Install SIM card and memory card.

- 1) Open the cover upwards (as the arrow shows).



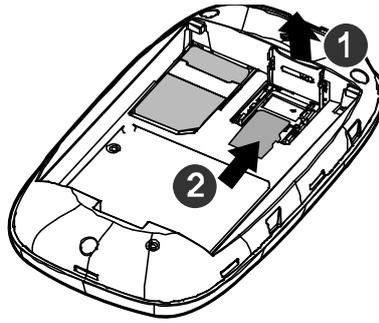
- 2) Make sure to have the SIM card's metal chip downwards and the triangle notch outwards, and then slide the card into its slot (in the direction as the arrow shows).



 **Note:**

Micro or Nano SIM cards should be converted using included adapter.

- 3) **First**, push and then lift the locker to open it. **Second**, have the memory card's metal chip downwards and inwards, and then fit it in its slot. **Finally**, put down and then pull the locker to lock it.

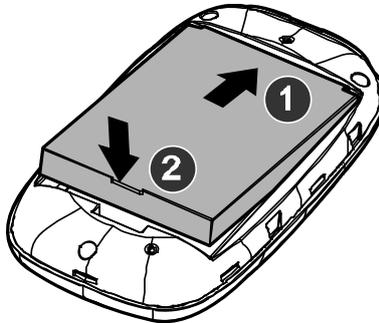


 **Note:**

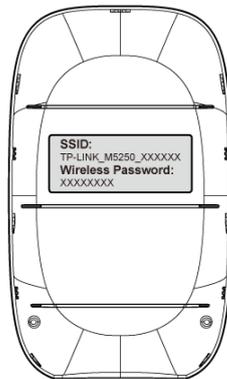
The micro SD memory card is optional. You can purchase it appropriate to your own need.

## STEP 2: Install the battery.

- 1) Touch the metal contacts of the battery to the metal points of the Device, and then press to fit the battery body into the slot.

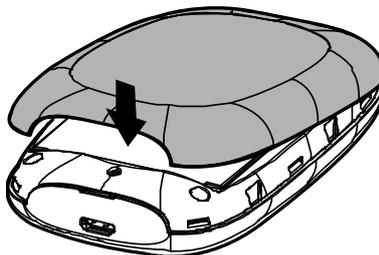


- 2) Before closing the cover, please note down the SSID and the wireless password on the label for later use.



- **SSID:** The wireless network name of M5250
- **Wireless Password:** The pre-encryption of M5250

- 3) Close the cover by pressing it.



**Note:**

It's advised that you do not use M5250 until the battery has been installed.

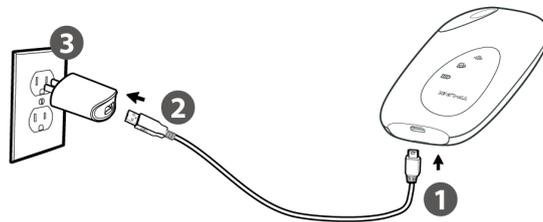
When finishing the above two-step installation, you can press and hold the power button  for about 5 seconds to turn on M5250.

**Tips:**

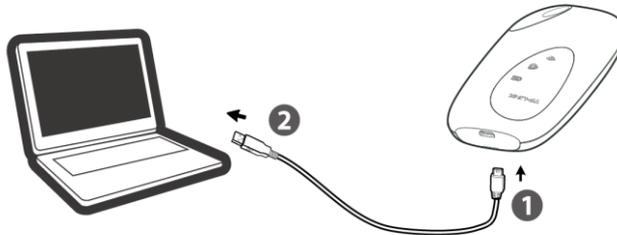
You are supported to charge the battery in three ways:

Method 1:

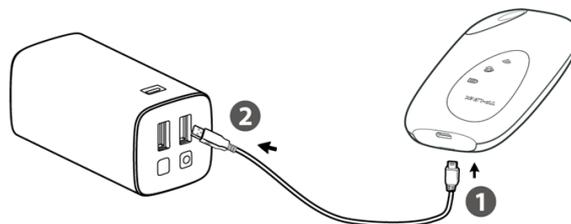
- 1) Connect one end of the USB cable to the micro USB port.
- 2) Connect the other end of the USB cable to the USB port of the power adapter.
- 3) Plug the power adapter to a standard wall socket.

Method 2:

- 1) Connect one end of the USB cable to the micro USB port.
- 2) Connect the other end of the USB cable to the USB port of your PC.

Method 3:

- 1) Connect one end of the USB cable to the micro USB port.
- 2) Connect the other end of the USB cable to the USB port of your power bank.



## Chapter 3. Quick Installation Guide

This chapter will guide you to quickly set up the basic functions for your M5250 3G Mobile Wi-Fi.

### 3.1 System Requirements

- SIM card with Internet access enabled.
- Computer with wireless network card.
- Web browser, such as Mozilla Firefox, Internet Explorer, Google Chrome, Apple Safari, etc.

### 3.2 TCP/IP Configuration

The default IP address of the M5250 3G Mobile Wi-Fi is 192.168.0.1, and the default Subnet Mask is 255.255.255.0, which values can be changed as you desire. In this guide, we use all the default values for description, and take the configuration in Windows 7 for example. While, Pads or Wi-Fi cellphones by default obtain IP address and DNS server address automatically, so you can just skip this step and continue with the [3.3 Wireless Connection](#).

#### Note:

Before configuration, please make sure your computer has been equipped with a wireless network adapter.

#### ➤ **Obtain an IP address automatically**

- 1) Set up the TCP/IP Protocol in "**Obtain an IP address automatically**" mode on your PC. Please refer to [Appendix B: Configuring the PC](#) for the detailed instructions.
- 2) Then the built-in DHCP server will assign an IP address for the PC.

#### ➤ **Configure the IP address manually**

Set up the TCP/IP Protocol manually for your PC. Please refer to [Appendix B: Configuring the PC](#) for the detailed instructions.

### 3.3 Wireless Connection

#### Note:

To log in the Device's web-based management page, you need to first connect to the wireless network of the Device.

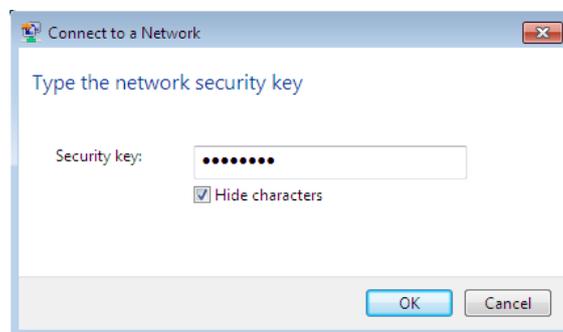
1. Click the icon  at the bottom of your desktop.
2. Click the refresh button , and then select the SSID of M5250 and then click **Connect**.



**Note:**

The default SSID (also called Wireless Network Name) of the device is **TP-LINK\_M5250\_XXXXXX** (XXXXXX is the last 6 characters of the device's MAC address).

3. Enter the wireless password you've noted down in the Security Key field, and then click **OK**.



**Note:**

You can refer to the label on the rear cover for the default SSID and wireless password of M5250.

4. When **Connected** appears behind the SSID of M5250, you've successfully connected to its wireless network.

**Note:**

You can enjoy the 3G mobile connection instantaneously, after the device has successfully connected to M5250 (with a SIM card inserted) and M5250's LED displays the network status icon . Otherwise, please continue with [3.4 Wizard](#) to further configure your device.

### 3.4 Wizard

1. Open a web-browser, enter the default address **192.168.0.1** in the address field and then press **Enter**. When the login window appears, enter the default username and password: **admin** (in lower case letters) , and then click the **Log in** button or press the **Enter**.

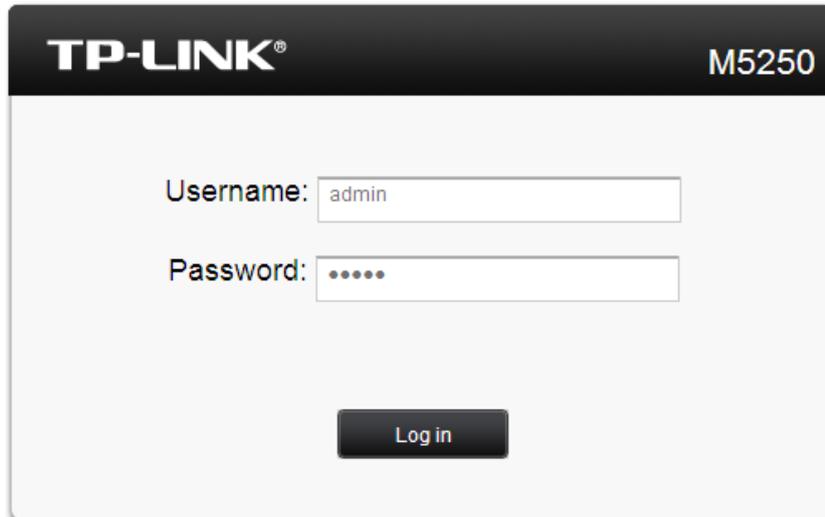
The image shows the login interface for the TP-LINK M5250 device. At the top, there is a black header with the TP-LINK logo on the left and the model number 'M5250' on the right. Below the header, the page has a light gray background. There are two input fields: the first is labeled 'Username:' and contains the text 'admin'; the second is labeled 'Password:' and contains six dots. Below these fields is a dark gray button with the text 'Log in' in white.

Figure 3-1 Login Window

 **Note:**

If the above screen does not pop-up, it means that your Web-browser has been set to a proxy. Go to menu **Tools > Internet Options > Connections > LAN Settings**, in the screen that appears, cancel the Using Proxy checkbox, and click **OK** to finish it.

2. After successful login, there will appear the Status page. Click **Wizard** to configure the basic network settings for accessing network. Click **Next** to continue.

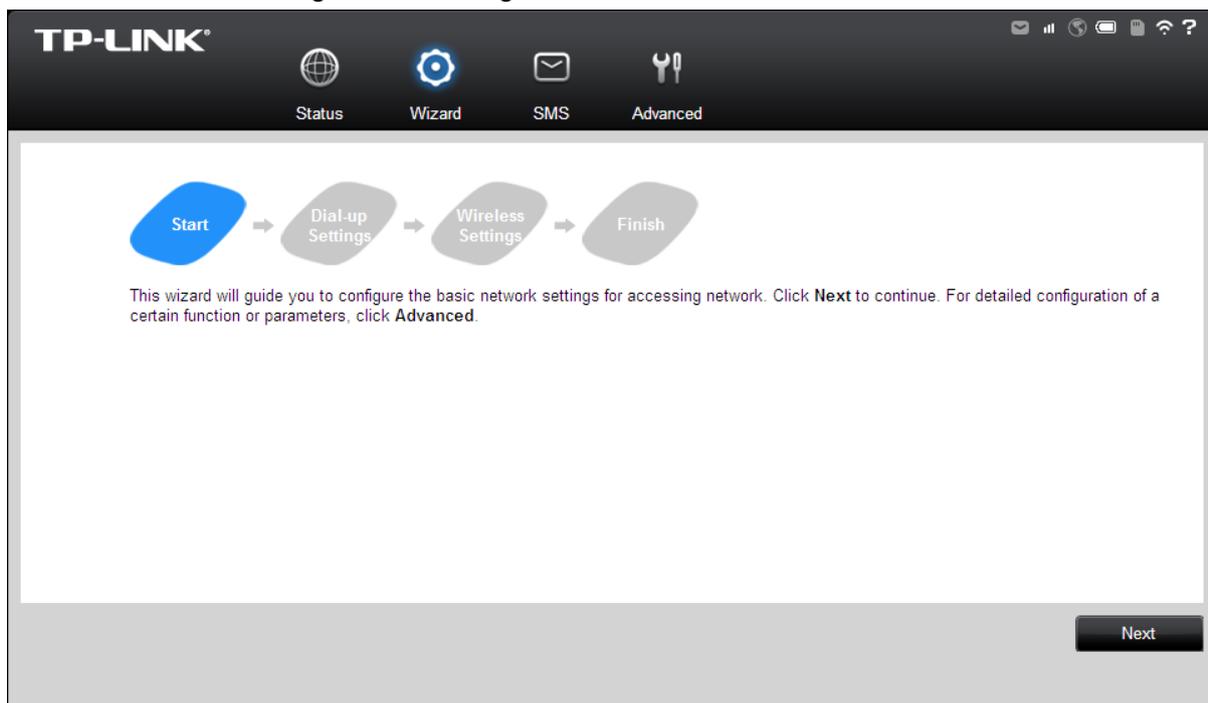


Figure 3-2 Wizard – Start

- On the Dial-up Settings page shows the ISP information of the SIM card inserted. Click **Next** to continue, if you are sure the information is correct. You can also click **Create** to create a new profile.

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Status Wizard SMS Advanced

Start → Dial-up Settings → Wireless Settings → Finish

Profile List: China Unicom(D)

APN Type: Static

APN: 3gnet

Username:

Password:

Authentication Type: CHAP

Create Back Next Cancel

Figure 3-3 Wizard – Dial-up Settings

- On the Wireless Settings page, you can create a unique and easy-to-remember wireless network name (SSID) as well as Wireless Password, or you can keep it default. Then click **Next** to continue.

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Status Wizard SMS Advanced

Start → Dial-up Settings → Wireless Settings → Finish

Wireless Network Name (SSID): TP-LINK\_M5250\_EC6853

WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK AES Key: 00000399 (8 to 63 ASCII characters or 8 to 64 hexadecimal characters)

Back Next Cancel

Figure 3-4 Wizard – Wireless Settings

- On the Finish page, please double-check your settings. If all the parameters are verified, click **Finish** to complete the Wizard; if there is anything wrong, you can click **Back** to

re-configure it.

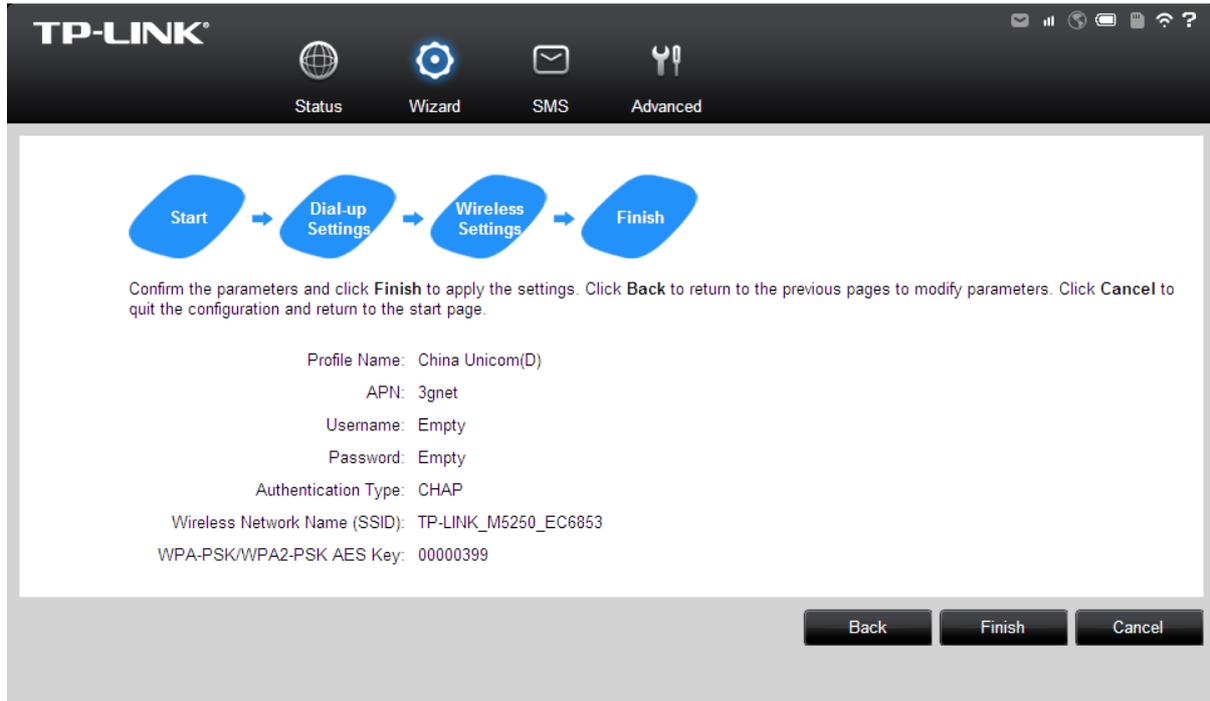


Figure 3-5 Wizard – Finish

## Chapter 4. Device Configuration

After the successful login to the web-based management page of M5250, you will see the main menu listing **Status**, **Wizard**, **SMS** and **Advanced** on the top. In the following parts, these items will be explained in details, about their respective functions and configurations.

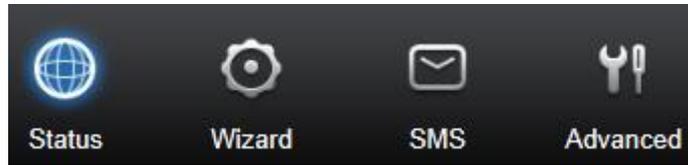


Figure 4-1 Main Menu

### 4.1 Status

The Status page displays the current status information about the device. All information is read-only.

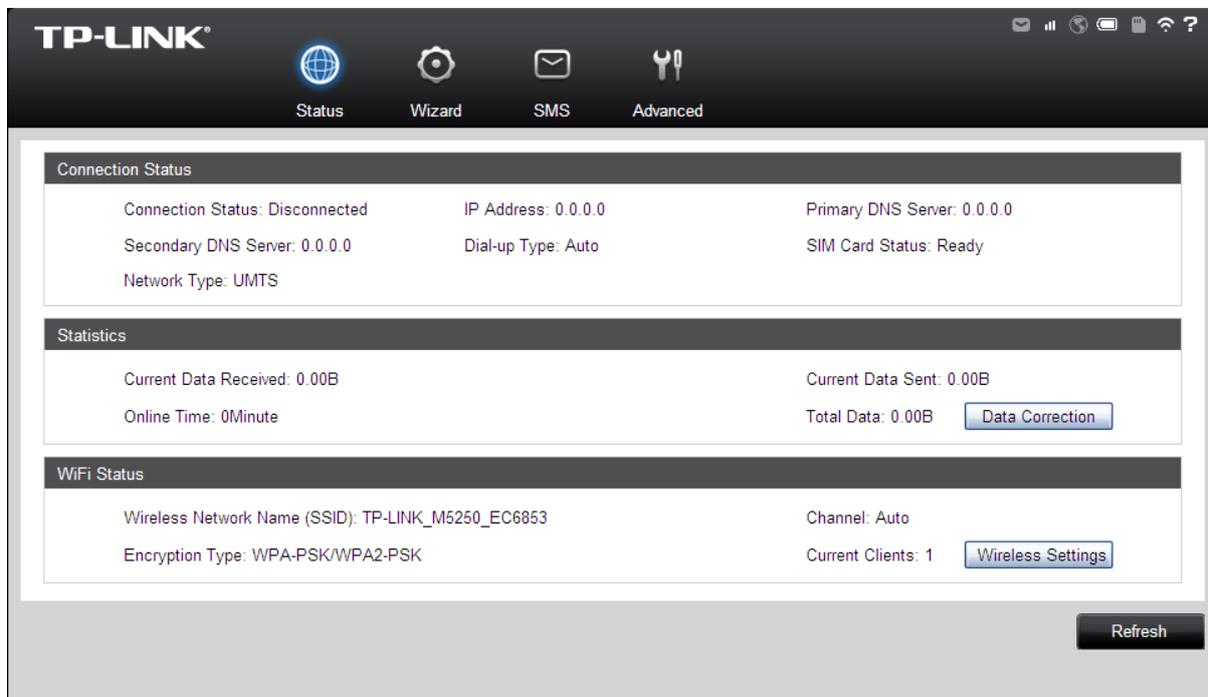


Figure 4-2 Status

- **Connection Status:** Displays the device's current connection status, including the connection and SIM card status, Dial-up and network type, IP address, primary and secondary DNS server.

**Note:**

When the device is in the roaming state, the Network Type will be shown as: XXXX(Roaming). XXXX means the network type.

- **Statistic:** Displays the device's statistics, including current received and sent data, online time and total data used.
- **WiFi Status:** Displays the device's current wireless settings, including SSID, channel, encryption type and current Wireless clients.

Click **Data Correction** to correct the accumulate data used. If the data statistics is different from that your ISP provided, please click **Data Correction** button, and input the data statistics your ISP provided to correct the accumulate data used.

Click **Wireless Settings** to head for the Wireless Basic Settings page and configure it.

Click **Refresh** to get the status information updated.

## 4.2 Wizard

Please refer to [3.4 Wizard](#).

## 4.3 SMS

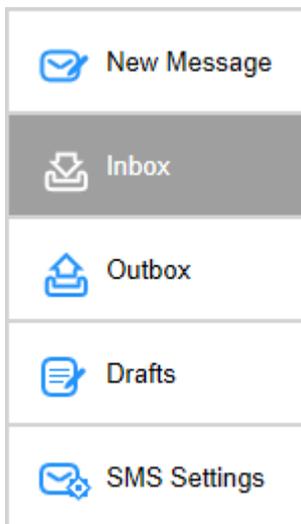


Figure 4-3 SMS Menu

There are five submenus under the **SMS** tab (as shown in Figure 4-3): **New Message**, **Inbox**, **Outbox**, **Drafts** and **SMS Settings**. Click any of them, and you will be able to configure the corresponding functions.

### 4.3.1 New Message

The screenshot shows the 'New Message' screen in the TP-LINK mobile Wi-Fi interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Status', 'Wizard', 'SMS', and 'Advanced' options. The left sidebar lists 'New Message', 'Inbox', 'Outbox', 'Drafts', and 'SMS Settings'. The main content area is titled 'New Message' and features a 'Phone Number' input field, a 'Content' text area, and a 'Characters Left: 160(0)' indicator. At the bottom right, there are 'Send' and 'Save' buttons.

Figure 4-4 New Message

- **Phone Number:** Enter the receiver's cellphone number.
- **Content:** Text your message in this box.

Click **Send** to send the message.

Click **Save** to save the message in the Drafts box.

### 4.3.2 Inbox

The screenshot shows the 'Inbox' screen in the TP-LINK mobile Wi-Fi interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Status', 'Wizard', 'SMS', and 'Advanced' options. The left sidebar lists 'New Message', 'Inbox', 'Outbox', 'Drafts', and 'SMS Settings'. The main content area is titled 'Inbox' and displays a table of messages. The table has columns for Index, Status, Received, Phone Number, Content, and Select. Below the table, there is a 'Messages/Free: 6/44' indicator and a pagination control showing '1'. At the bottom right, there are 'Select All', 'Refresh', and 'Delete' buttons.

Index	Status	Received	Phone Number	Content	Select
1		13-05-14 08:01:17	10010	It's great! We have a wonderful day.	
2		13-05-14 08:01:17	10010	Happy birthday!	
3		13-05-13 08:32:39	10010	Don't worry. Everything will be fine.	
4		13-05-13 08:32:39	10010	How's your date?	
5		13-05-12 08:52:36	10010	When will you arrive?	
6		13-05-12 08:52:36	10010	Sorry. I'd love to but I can't.	

Figure 4-5 Inbox

- **Index:** The index of the message.
- **Status:** means the message has been read. means the message hasn't been

read yet.

- **Received:** Shows the date and time when the message was received.
- **Phone Number:** Shows the cellphone number that sent this message.
- **Content:** Click to unfold and read the detailed content of the message.
- **Select:** Select the message(s) for deletion.

Click **Select All** to select all of the messages.

Click **Refresh** to refresh the inbox, and get any new message(s).

Click **Delete** to delete the message(s) selected.

### 4.3.3 Outbox

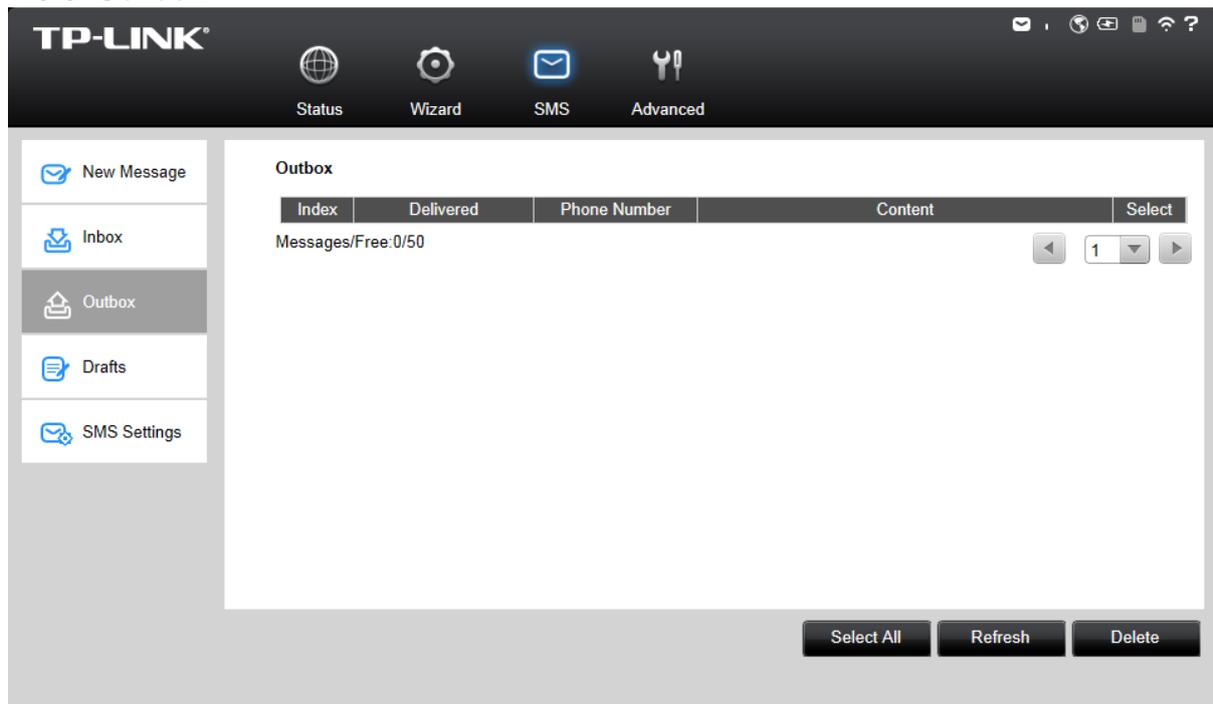


Figure 4-6 Outbox

- **Index:** The index of the message.
- **Delivered:** Shows the date and time when the message was sent.
- **Phone Number:** Shows the cellphone number that the message was planned to be sent to.
- **Content:** Click to unfold and read the detailed content of the message.
- **Select:** Select the message(s) for deletion.

Click **Select All** to select all of the messages.

Click **Refresh** to refresh the inbox.

Click **Delete** to delete the message(s) selected.

### 4.3.4 Drafts

You can review the unsent saved message(s) on this page.

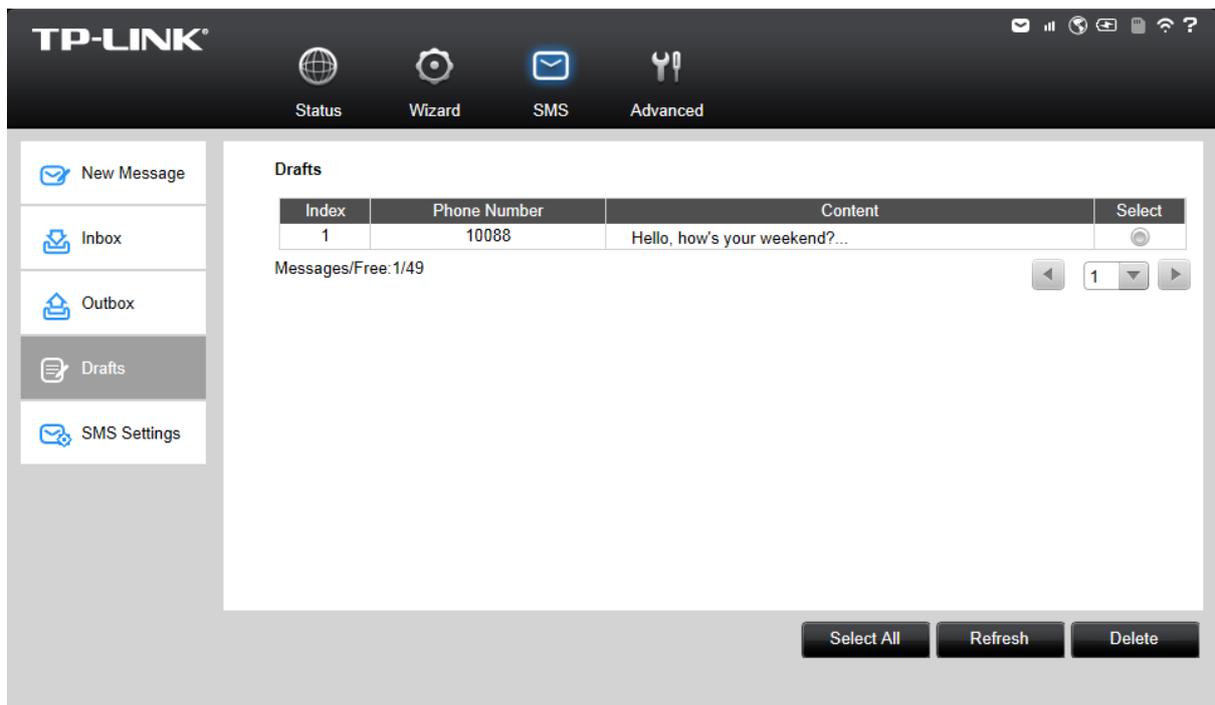


Figure 4-7 Drafts

- **Index:** The index of the message.
- **Phone Number:** Shows the cellphone number that this message was planned to be sent to.
- **Content:** Click to unfold and read the detailed content of the message(s), or for further edition and delivery (as shown in Figure 4-8).
- **Select:** Select the message(s) for deletion.

Click **Select All** to select all of the messages.

Click **Refresh** to refresh the drafts.

Click **Delete** to delete the message(s) selected.

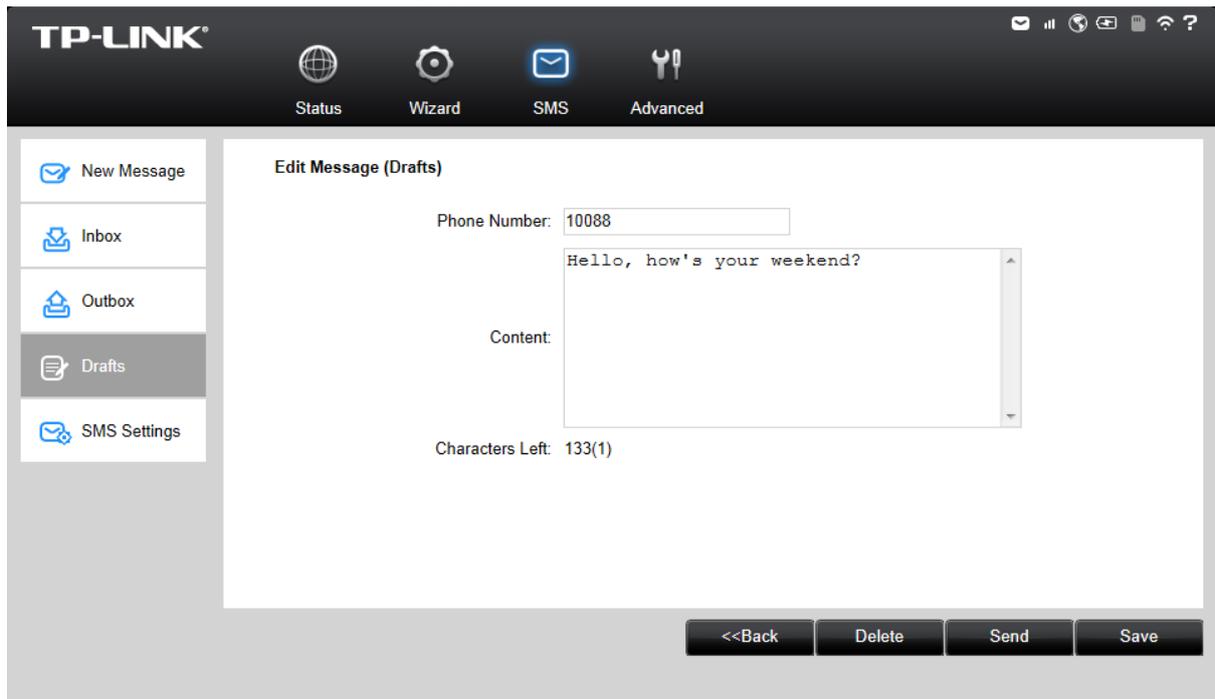


Figure 4-8 Edit Message (Drafts)

### 4.3.5 SMS Settings

On this page, you can do the following settings:

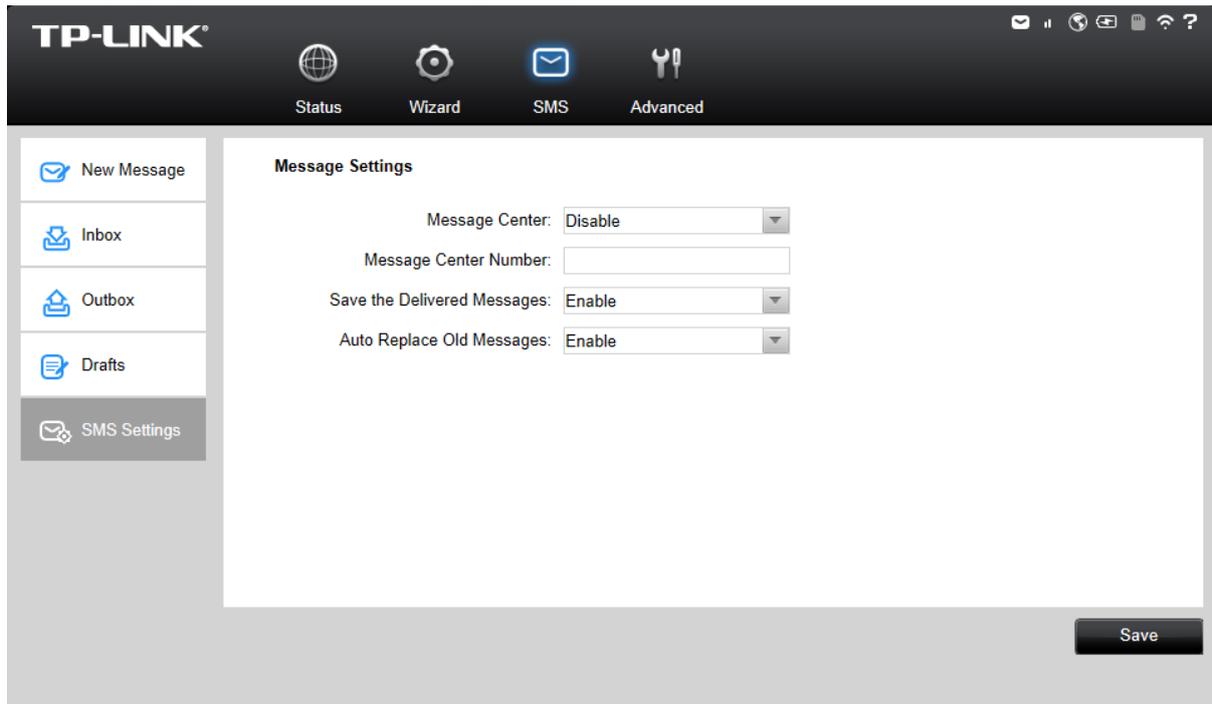


Figure 4-9 Settings

- **Message Center:** Disabled by default. It's recommended to keep the default setting. If you want to manually set the Message Center Number, please select **Enable**.
- **Message Center Number:** When the Message Center is enabled, you can enter the Message Center Number of the local ISP. If you enter a wrong number, the SMS would be affected and not properly used.
- **Save the Delivered Messages:** Enable it to automatically save the delivered messages in the Outbox.
- **Auto Replace Old Messages:** If enabled, it will automatically delete the oldest message and save the new one when the Outbox or Drafts box is full. If disabled, you need to manually delete the old messages to save the new ones when the Outbox or Drafts box is full.

Click **Save** to make your settings take effect.

## 4.4 Advanced

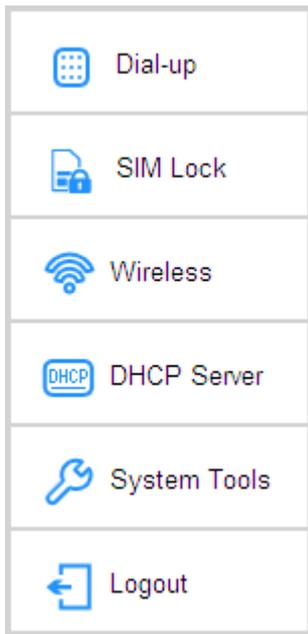


Figure 4-10 Advanced Menu

There are six submenus under the **Advanced** tab (as shown in Figure 4-10): **Dial-up**, **SIM Lock**, **Wireless**, **DHCP Server**, **System Tools** and **Logout**. Click any of them, and you will be able to configure the corresponding functions.

### 4.4.1 Dial-up

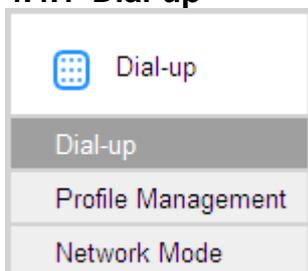


Figure 4-11 Dial-up Menu

#### 4.4.1.1. Dial-up

Dial-up Settings page allows you to do the following configurations.

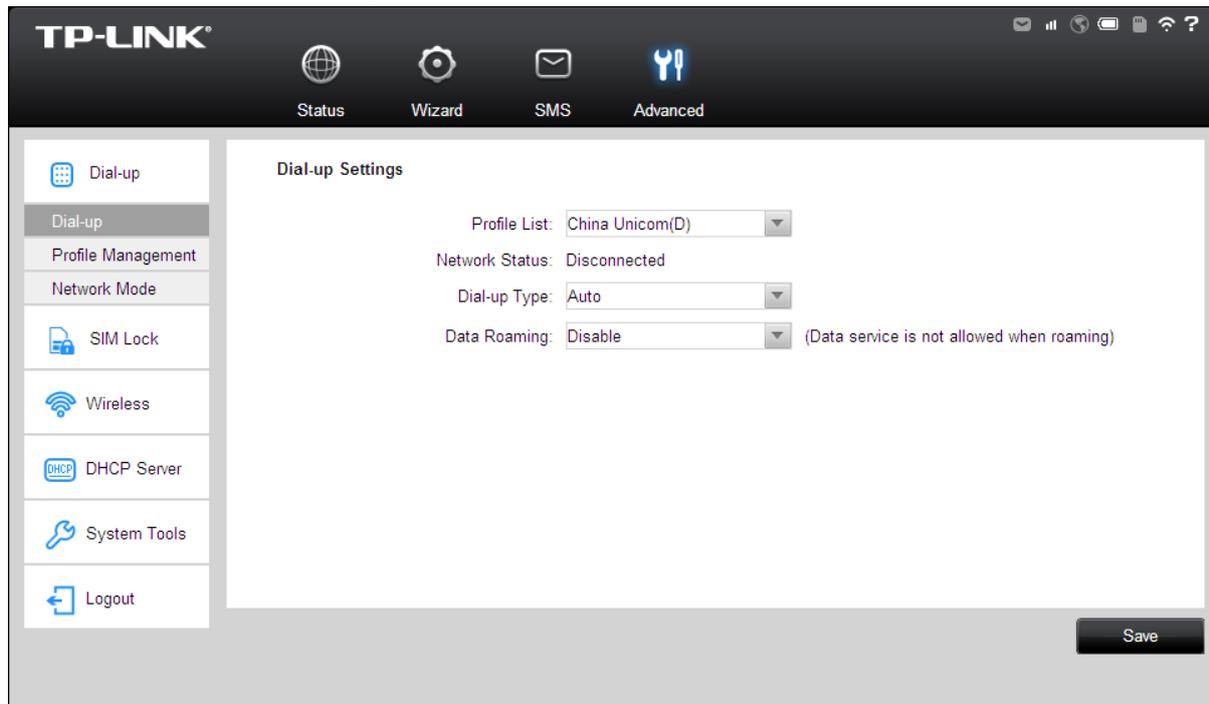


Figure 4-12 Dial-up Settings

- **Profile List:** A list of profile(s). Select the profile of your SIM card currently inserted in the device.
- **Network Status:** Shows whether the Internet is connected or disconnected at present.
- **Dial-up type:** The device provides two types of dial-up – **Auto** and **Manual**. Please select the dial-up type as you need.
  - **Auto:** The device will automatically establish connection once it's started. During the process, if your Internet connection is terminated due to some exterior reasons, the device would automatically attempt connection until it's successful. This option is suggested, if you have the network service paid by month.
  - **Manual:** When you start the device and your computer, or when the connection is terminated during the process, you need to manually dial up for connection in here. When you select Manual as your dial-up type, you need to specify a MAX Idle Time (5 minutes by default), namely a period of inactivity, after which the device will disconnect your Internet connection, and not be able to re-establish your connection automatically as soon as you attempt to access the Internet again. If you have the network service paid by hour, this option is suggested.
- **Data Roaming:** It is disabled by default. If disabled, data service is not allowed when roaming. If enabled, data service is allowed when roaming, but may incur significant roaming charges.

Click **Save** to save the above settings and have them take effect.

#### 4.4.1.2. Profile Management

You can manage your profile on this page.

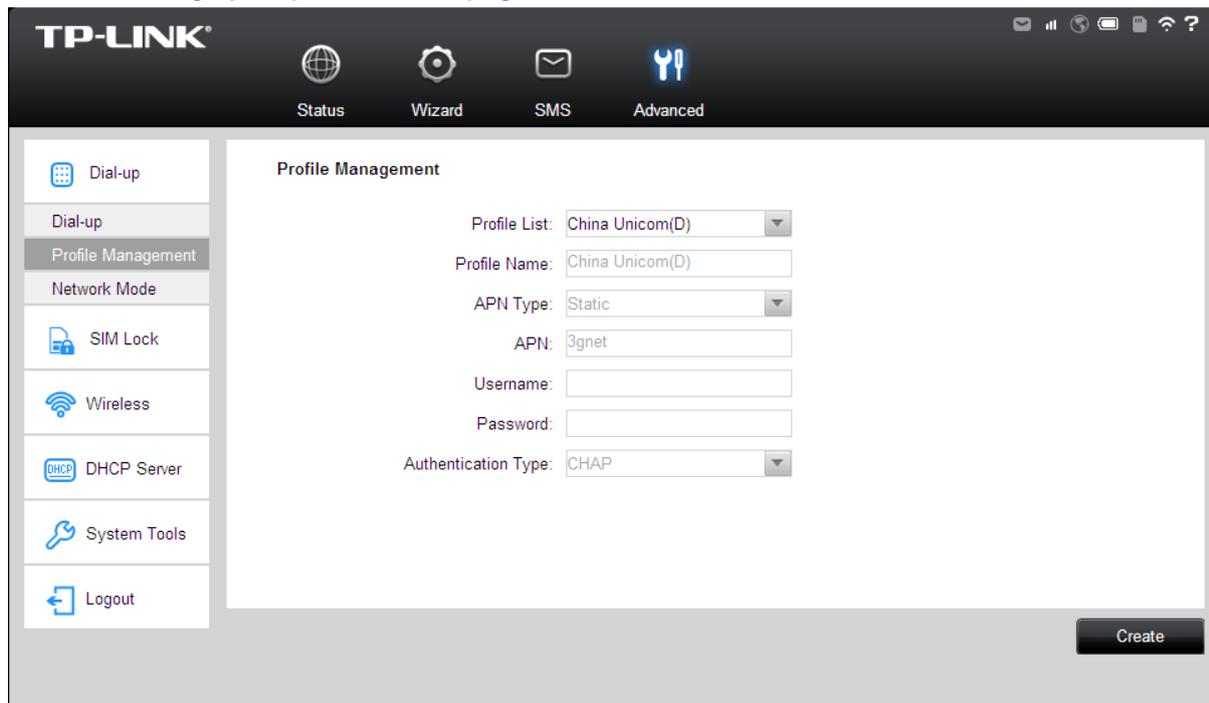


Figure 4-13 Profile Management

- **Profile List:** A list of profile(s). Select the profile of your SIM card currently inserted in the device, and then you can view the related information of it. If you find any parameters wrong, you can click **Create** to create a new profile with the right settings (as shown in Figure 4-14).
- **Profile Name:** Displays the name of the profile you've selected.
- **APN Type:** Displays the type of your APN, either **Dynamic** or **Static**. **Dynamic** means the device have dynamic APN, which needs not to be specified. **Static** means you specify your APN manually.
- **APN:** Displays the Access Point Name provided by your ISP.
- **Username/Password:** Displays the User Name and Password provided by your ISP.
- **Authentication Type:** Displays the specific authentication type your ISP required.
  - **None:** Means no authentication is required.
  - **CHAP:** Means your ISP required Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol, which allows the device to establish authentication with the peer using three handshakes and checking the peer identity periodically.
  - **PAP:** Means your ISP required Password Authentication Protocol, which allows the device to establish authentication with the peer using two handshakes.
  - **Auto:** Means the device have dynamic negotiation with the dialing server and the Authentication Type needs not to be specified.

Figure 4-14 New Profile

#### 4.4.1.3. Network Mode

Figure 4-15 Network Mode Settings

- **Network Status:** Shows whether the Internet is connected or disconnected at present.
- **Network Mode:** The device supports three modes of network connection – **Auto**, **2G only** and **3G only**. You can choose the appropriate mode after disconnecting the network. If your SIM card supports GSM, please select **2G only**; if your SIM card supports WCDMA, please select **3G only**; if you are not very sure about it, please select **Auto** and then the device will detect it automatically.

Click **Save** to save your settings.

## 4.4.2 SIM Lock



Figure 4-16 SIM Lock Menu

### 4.4.2.1. PIN Management

You can management your PIN code on this page.

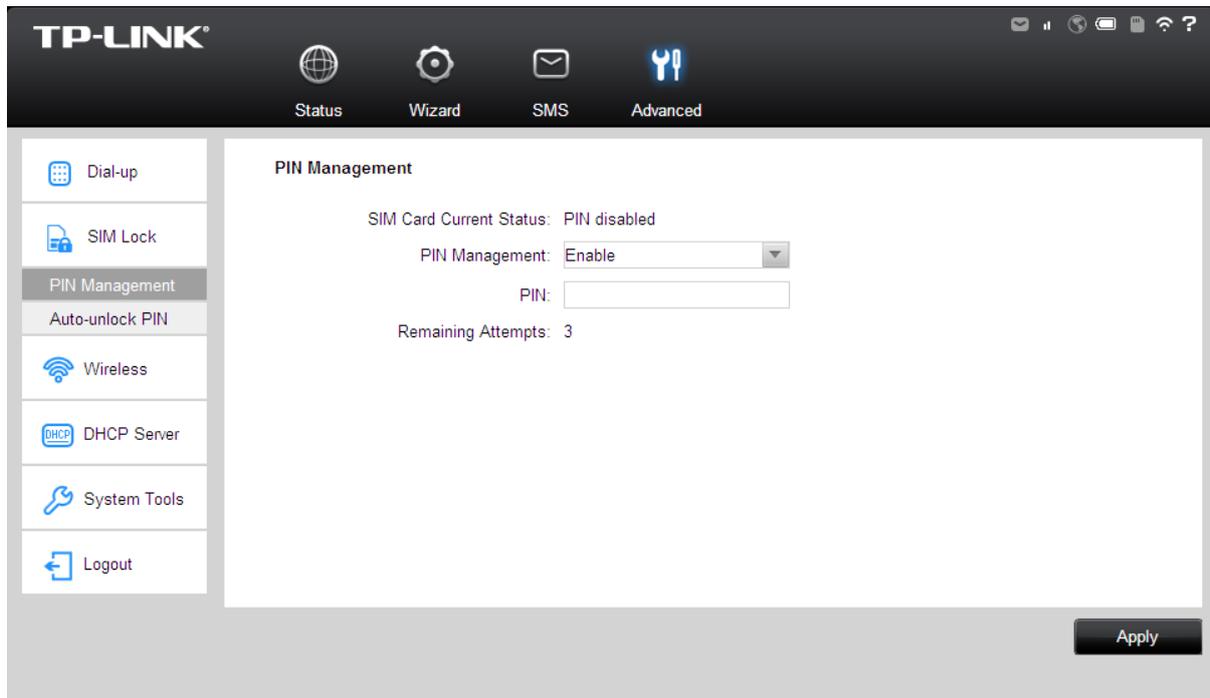


Figure 4-17 PIN Management

- **SIM Card Current Status:** Shows whether your PIN function is enabled or disabled.
- **PIN Management:** You can select whether to enable PIN function or not. Once the PIN function is enabled, every time you start the device with this SIM card inserted, you need to enter the PIN code; while if you go to enable the **Auto-unlock PIN** function, it could save you this trouble.
- **PIN:** You can set a PIN code, which requires 4-8 digits.
- **Remaining Attempts:** Shows how many attempts there are left for you to try entering the PIN code after you failed to enter the right one. You have 3 attempts at most. If you accidentally fail in three attempts, the PIN will be locked and you will be required to enter the PUK code that is written on your SIM card (as shown in Figure 4-18).

If the current status of PIN is disabled, you can select **Enable** and set a PIN code, and then click **Apply** to make your settings take effect. While, if the SIM card's current status is PIN

enabled and verified, you can select **Disable** and enter the current PIN code, or select **Modify** and enter the required parameters to set a new PIN code, and then click **Apply** to make your settings take effect.

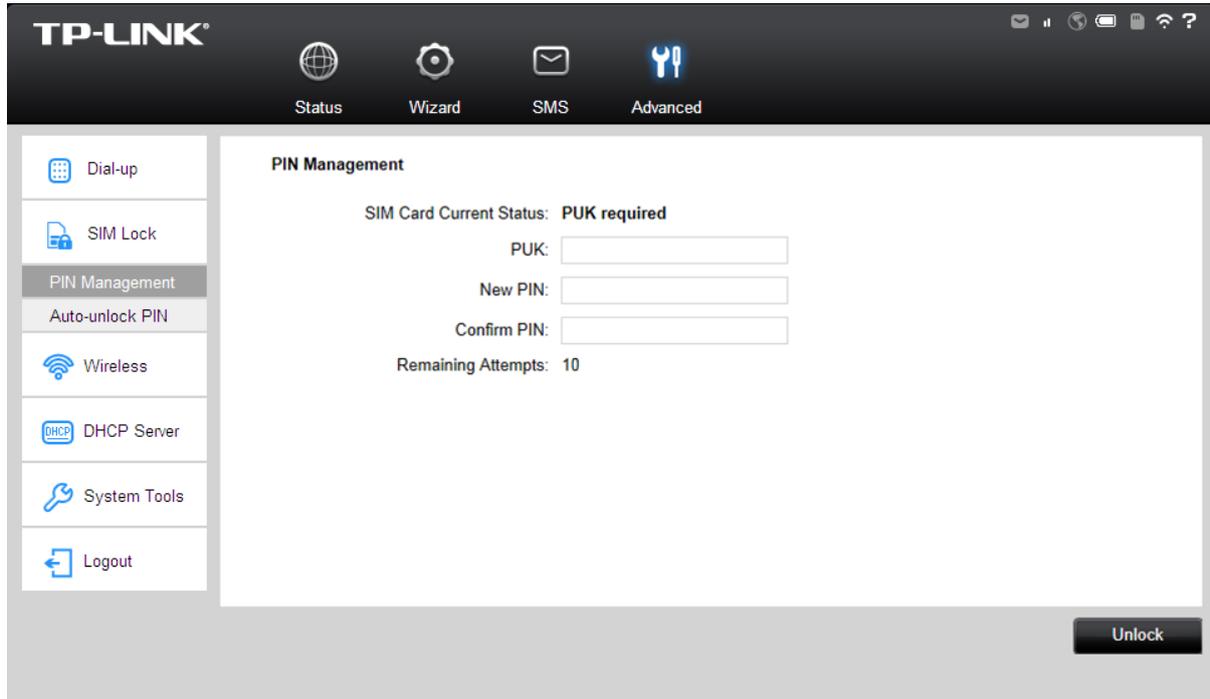


Figure 4-18 PIN Configuration - PUK Decode

A PUK (PIN Unlocked Key), also known as Personal Unlock Code (PUC), is used in 3GPP mobile phones to reset a personal identification number (PIN) that has been lost or forgotten. The PUK is a SIM-specific code assigned by the service provider. If a user does not know his or her PUK and is prompted for it, it should be obtained from the service provider.

On the page as shown in Figure 4-18, first enter the PUK code and then set a new PIN code to unlock your SIM card as well as any device with it inserted.

#### 4.4.2.2. Auto-unlock PIN

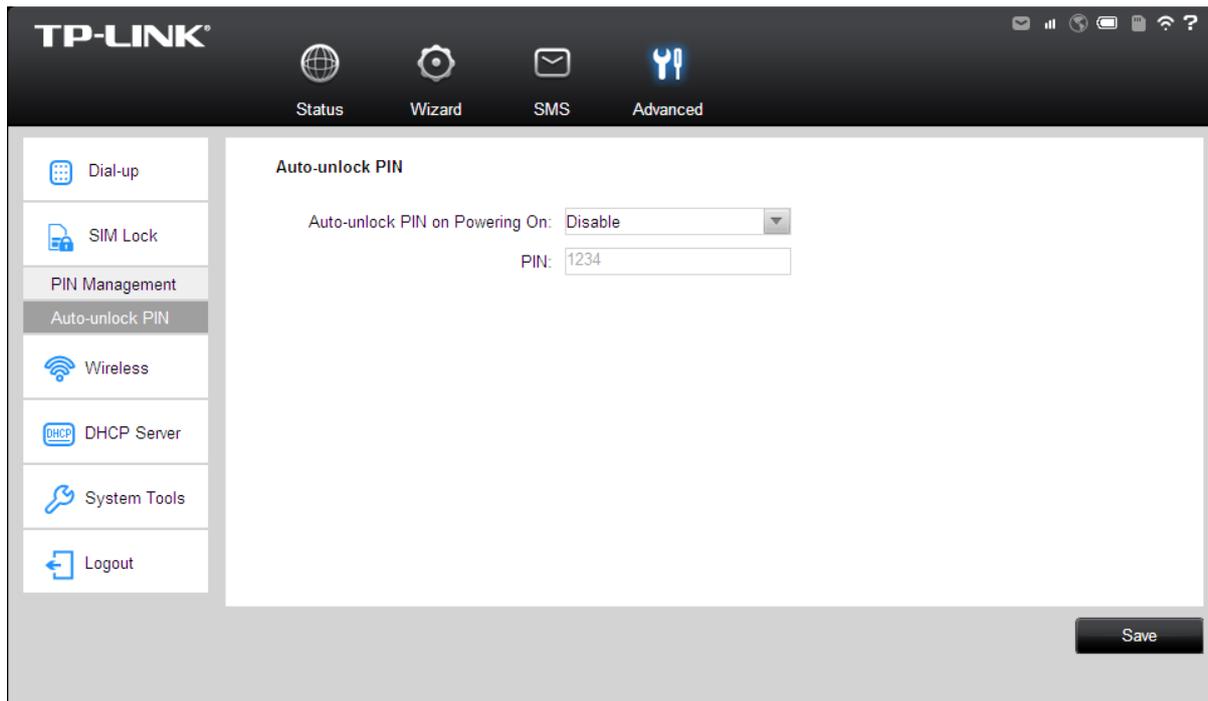


Figure 4-19 PIN Code Auto unlock

- **Auto-unlock PIN on Powering On:** Select to enable or disable this function.
- **PIN:** If you enable the **Auto-unlock PIN on Powering ON** function above, please enter the appropriate PIN code of your SIM card in this field. When the PIN code is required upon device restarting, it will be validated automatically once. If validation failed, please go to **PIN Management** page to input another PIN code.

Click **Save** to save your settings.

#### 4.4.3 Wireless

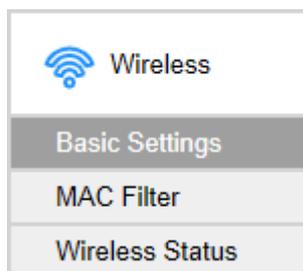


Figure 4-20 Wireless Menu

Wireless Settings can prevent any intruders from connecting your wireless network, occupying your network resources, hacker-overhearing and hacker-attacking, and thus enhance the security of your wireless network.

##### 4.4.3.1. Basic Settings

Wireless basic settings enable you to configure your wireless parameters.



Figure 4-21 Wireless Basic Settings

- **Wireless Network Name (SSID):** SSID is short for Service Set Identification, which is for you to distinguish the different wireless network. The default SSID of this device is TP-LINK\_M5250\_XXXXXX (XXXXXX stand for the last 6 characters of the MAC address of the device.) You can rename it as your preference, but the value is limited to 32 characters at most and also it is case-sensitive (For example, TEST is NOT the same as test.). Later on it will displays in the wireless network list searched by your devices.
- **Enable SSID Broadcast:** Select to enable or disable this function. When wireless clients search the local area for wireless networks to associate with, they will detect the SSID broadcast by the device. If you Enable SSID Broadcast, the Wireless device will broadcast its name (SSID) on the air; otherwise, you have to manually type in the SSID and then you can join its network.
- **Region:** Select your region from the drop-down list. This field specifies the region where the wireless function of the device can be used. It may be illegal to use the wireless function of the device in a region other than one of those specified in this field. If your country or region is not listed, please contact your local government agency for assistance.
- **Channel:** Select your channel from the drop-down list. If you select **Auto**, then the device will choose the best channel automatically. It is not necessary to change the wireless channel unless you notice interference problems with another nearby access point.
- **Wireless Mode:** You are provided with five wireless modes here: 11b Only, 11g Only, 11n Only, 11bg Mixed and 11bgn Mixed. The default wireless mode is 11bgn Mixed. If your wireless network card didn't work well in 11bgn Mixed mode, try 11bg Mixed mode.
- **Wireless Security:** You are provided with two modes of wireless security here: Not Secured, WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK.

- **WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK:** It's the WPA/WPA2 authentication type based on pre-shared pass phrase. It's easy to set and secure to use. So it's perfect for SOHO users.

**WPA Key:** The default WPA key is the last 8 characters of IMEI. You can keep it default or enter 8~63 ASCII characters or 8~64 hexadecimal characters as your new WPA key.

- **WiFi Auto-disable Time:** If no clients connect to the device's wireless network in a period of time (15 minutes by default), the Wi-Fi will be shut down. You can press the power button to resume the Wi-Fi.

Click **Save** to save your settings.

#### 4.4.3.2. MAC Filter

The Wireless MAC Address Filtering feature allows you to control the wireless stations accessing the device, which depends on the station's MAC addresses. MAC Address is the physical address of the wireless stations, usually in the format of XX-XX-XX-XX-XX-XX format (X is any hexadecimal digit).

Figure 4-22 Wireless MAC Filter

- **Wireless MAC Address Filter:** Select to Enable or Disable the MAC filter function of the device. The below settings will take effect only when you select **Enable**.
- **MAC Address List:** A List of MAC addresses will be allowed to access the device.
- **Your MAC Address:** Displays the MAC address of your client(s) currently wirelessly connected to the device.

Click **Save** to save your settings.

#### 4.4.3.3. Wireless Status

The Wireless Status page displays the basic information about the Wireless client(s) that are currently connected to the device.

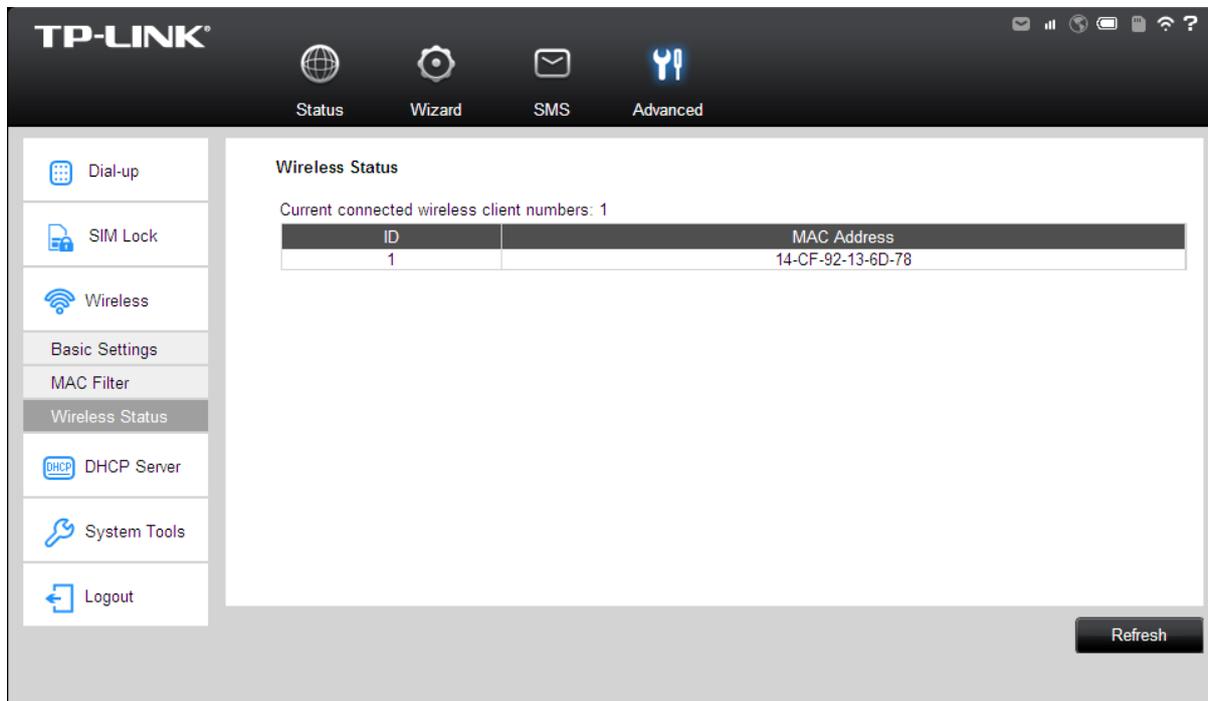


Figure 4-23 Wireless Status

- **ID:** The index of the Wireless Client.
- **MAC Address:** The MAC address of the Wireless client.

Click **Refresh** to update the amount of the Wireless clients and their information.

#### 4.4.4 DHCP Server

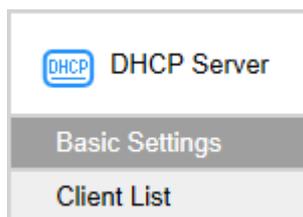


Figure 4-24 DHCP menu

The Device is set up by default as a DHCP (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol) server, which provides the TCP/IP configuration for all the wireless clients that are connected to the device in the LAN.

#### 4.4.4.1. Basic Settings

The screenshot displays the 'Basic Settings for DHCP Server' configuration page in the TP-LINK web interface. The page features a left-hand navigation menu with options: Dial-up, SIM Lock, Wireless, DHCP Server, Basic Settings (selected), Client List, System Tools, and Logout. The main configuration area includes the following fields and settings:

- IP Address:** 192.168.0.1
- Subnet Mask:** 255.255.255.0
- DHCP Server:** Enable (dropdown menu)
- Start IP Address:** 192.168.0.100
- End IP Address:** 192.168.0.199
- Lease Time:** 120 minutes (Ranging from 1 to 2880, the default value is 120)
- Primary DNS Server:** 192.168.0.1 (optional)
- Secondary DNS Server:** 0.0.0.0 (optional)

A 'Save' button is located at the bottom right of the configuration area.

Figure 4-25 Basic Settings

- **IP Address:** The IP address of the device, which is used to log in its web-based management page. The default value is 192.168.0.1.
- **Subnet Mask:** An address code that determines the size of the network. Normally use 255.255.255.0 as the subnet mask.
- **DHCP Server:** You can select to enable or disable the DHCP server. If you disable the server, you must have another DHCP server within your network, or else you must configure the IP address of the host(s) manually.
- **Start IP Address:** This field specifies the first address in the IP address pool. 192.168.0.100 is the default start IP address.
- **End IP Address:** This field specifies the last address in the IP Address pool. 192.168.0.199 is the default end IP address.
- **Lease Time:** It is the length of time a network user will be allowed to keep connecting to the device with the current IP address (that is assigned by the DHCP server). Enter the amount of time, in minutes, that the IP address will be "leased". The time range is 1~2880 minutes. The default value is 120 minutes.
- **Primary DNS Server:** Input the DNS IP address provided by your ISP. It is optional. The default primary DNS server IP is 192.168.0.100.
- **Secondary DNS Server:** Input the IP address of another DNS server if your ISP provides two DNS servers. It is optional. The default secondary DNS server IP is 192.168.0.199.

Click **Save** to save the changes.

 **Note:**

To use the DHCP server function of the Device, you should configure all the clients in the LAN as "Obtain an IP Address automatically" mode.

#### 4.4.4.2. Client List

On this page, you can view the information about the clients attached to the device. All the information is read-only. You cannot change any of the values on this page.

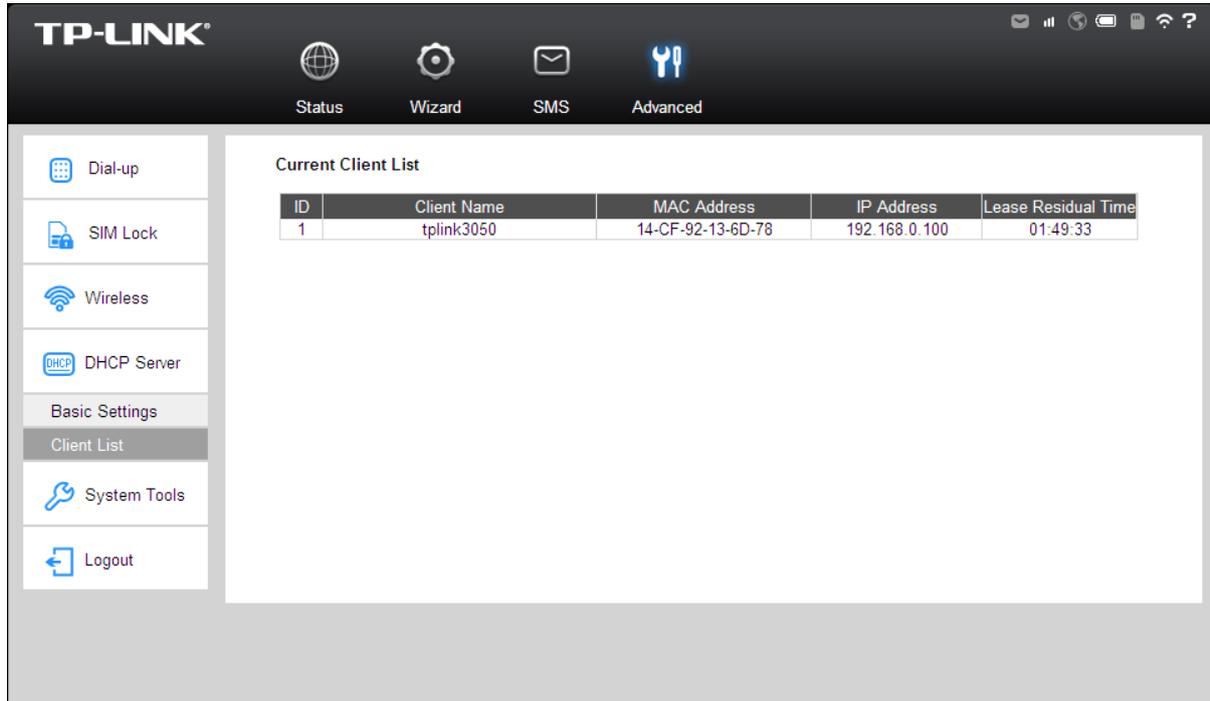


Figure 4-26 Clients List

- **ID:** The index of the DHCP Client.
- **Client Name:** The name of the DHCP client.
- **MAC Address:** The MAC address of the DHCP client.
- **IP Address:** The IP address the device has assigned to the DHCP client.
- **Lease Residual Time:** The rest lease time for the IP address assigned to the DHCP client. The DHCP client will automatically apply to lengthen the lease time before the dynamic IP address expires.

#### 4.4.5 System Tools

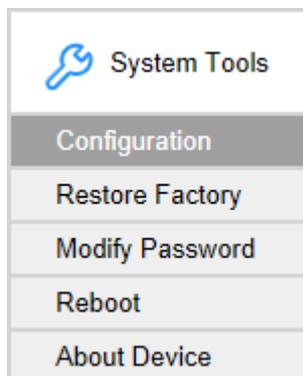


Figure 4-27 System Tools menu

Under **System Tools** menu, you can do such configurations as backing up or uploading a configuration file of the device, restoring all the settings of the device to its factory defaults, modifying the password for your login, rebooting the device, and checking some information

about the device. As follows, we will explain them in details.

#### 4.4.5.1. Configuration

On this page, you can back up the configuration of the device to file, or upload a configuration file to the device.

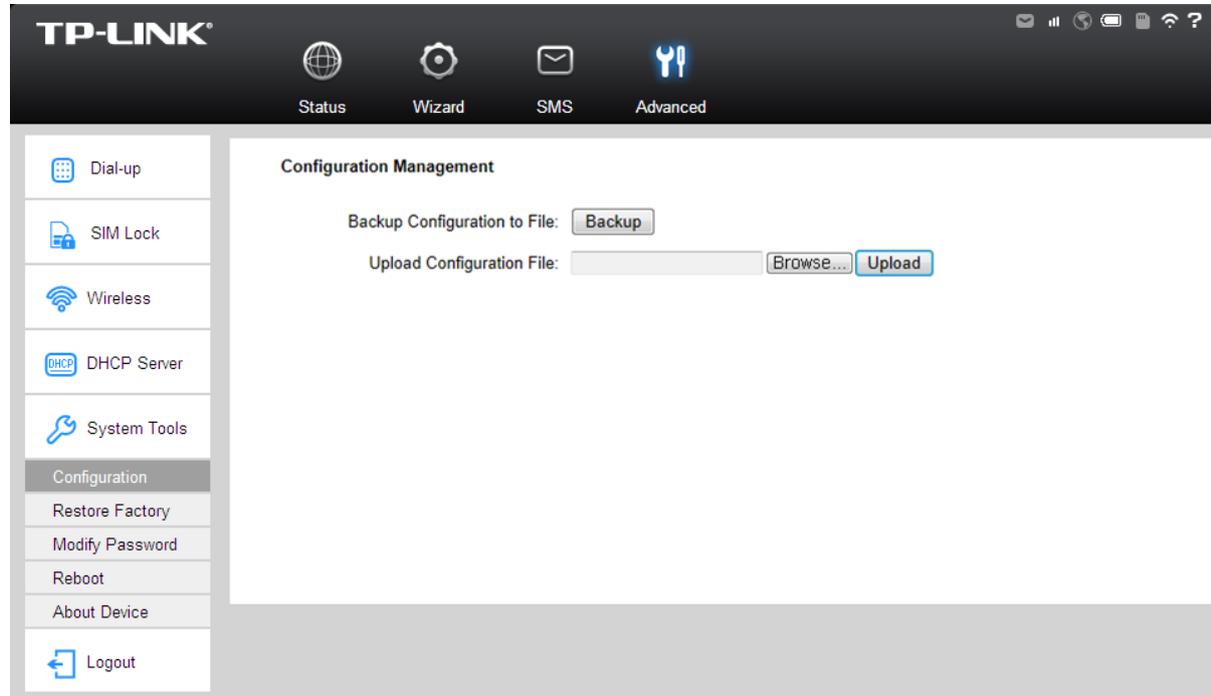


Figure 4-28 Configuration Management

- **Backup Configuration to File:** Click **Backup** to save the configuration file in your computer, for later necessary use. It's strongly recommended to back up the old configuration file before firmware upgrade or new configuration file upload, in case that during those process it might get the original configuration lost.
- **Upload Configuration File:** Click **Browse...** to locate the config.bin file or directly enter its location file, and then click **Upload** to upload the configuration file.

#### 4.4.5.2. Restore Factory

You can restore the device to its factory default settings, when necessary.

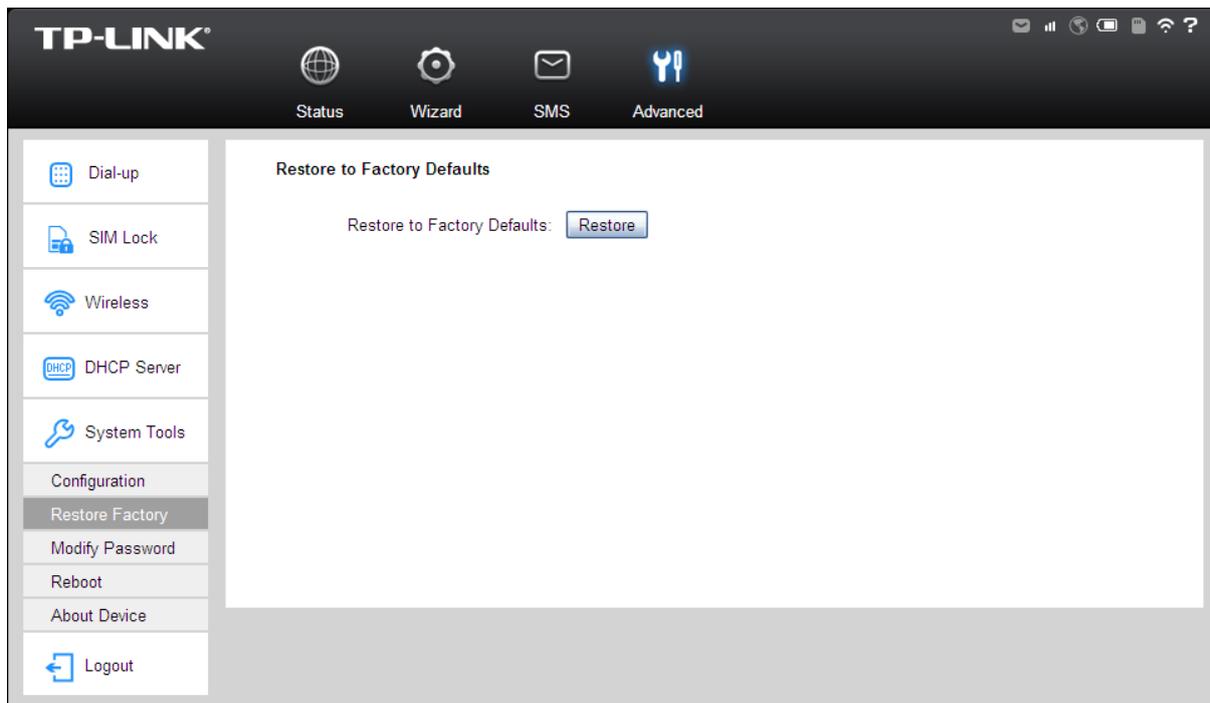


Figure 4-29 Restore to factory defaults

- **Restore to Factory Defaults:** Click **Restore** to reset all configuration settings to their default values. All of the settings you have saved will be lost when the default settings are restored.

You can restore the following factory default values:

- The default login **Password:** admin
- The default **IP Address:** 192.168.0.1
- The default **Subnet Mask:** 255.255.255.0
- The default SSID: TP-LINK\_M5250\_XXXXXX (XXXXXX is the last 6 characters of the device's MAC address). Please refer to the label on the rear cover of the device for the default SSID.
- The default Wireless Password: Please refer to the label on the rear cover of the device for the default wireless password.

#### 4.4.5.3. Modify Password

It is strongly recommended that you change the factory default login password of the device.

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Reboot

About Device

Logout

Modify Login Password

Username and password can contain between 1 – 15 characters and may not include spaces.

Old User Name:

Old Password:

New User Name:

New Password:

Confirm New Password:

Save Clear

Figure 4-30 Modify Login Password

- **Old Username / Password:** The old Username/ password that is used to log in of the device.
- **New Username / Password:** The new Username/ password you want to set for the login of the device.
- **Confirm New Password:** Enter the new password again for confirmation.

Click **Save** when you finish the setting.

Click **Clear** to clear all the values you have already set, and then you can reset it.

**Note:**

The Username / password must not exceed 15 characters in length and not include any spaces.

#### 4.4.5.4. Reboot

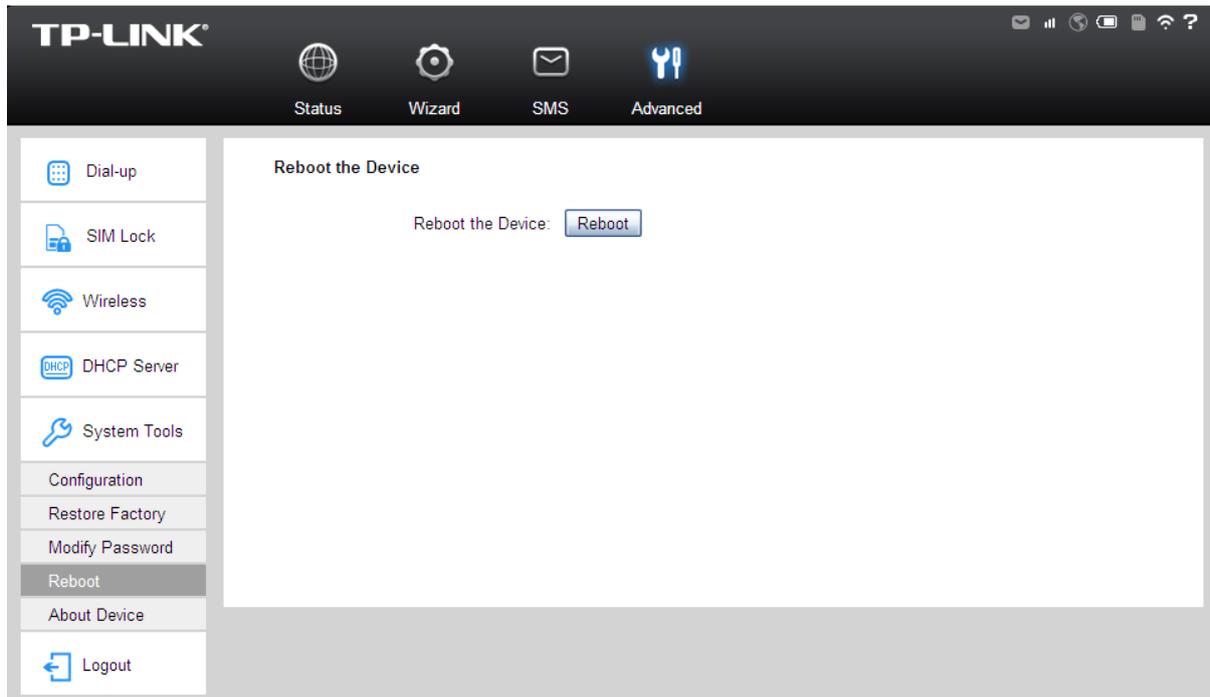


Figure 4-31 Reboot the Device

- **Reboot the Device:** Click **Reboot** to get the device rebooted and the saved settings to take effect.

#### 4.4.5.5. About Device

This page displays the related information about this device, including Model, Firmware Version, Hardware Version, MAC Address, and IMEI.

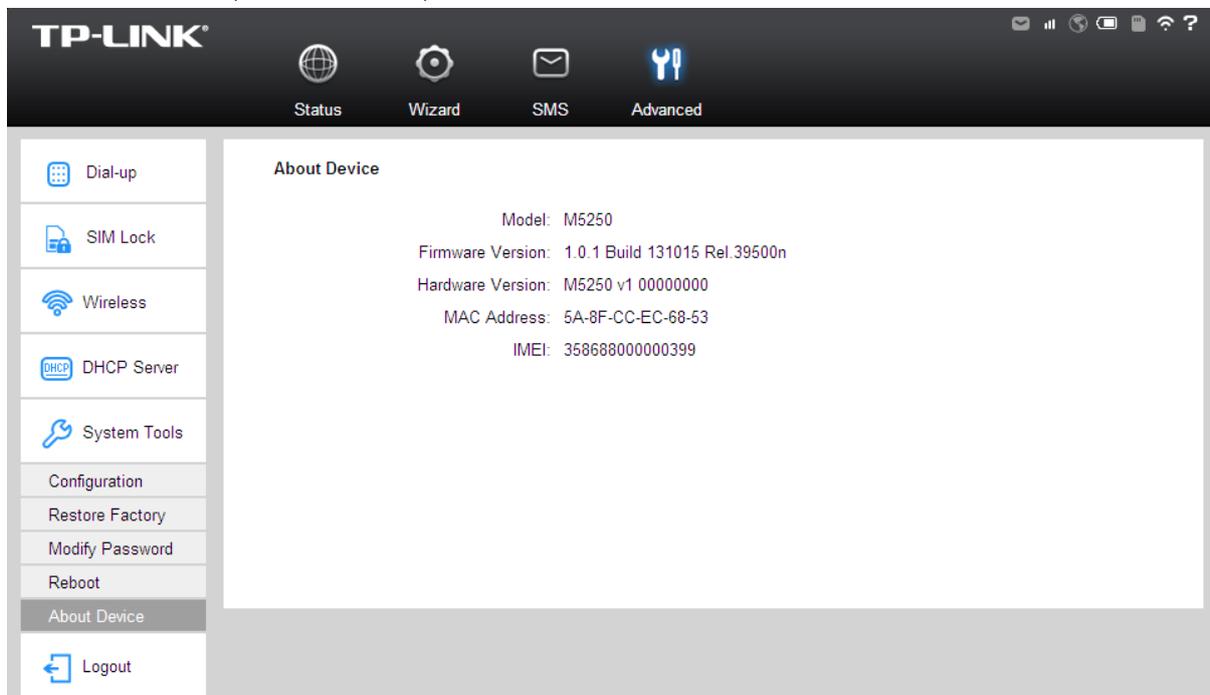


Figure 4-32 Device Information

- **Model:** The Model of the device.
- **Firmware Version:** The current firmware version
- **Hardware Version:** The current hardware version.

- **MAC Address:** The physical address of the device. The value is read-only thus could not be changed.
- **IMEI:** International Mobile Equipment Identity. Composed of 15 digits, it is unique and thus used to identify individual mobile equipment.

#### 4.4.6 Logout



Figure 4-33 Logout

Click this button to logout the web-based management page.

## Appendix A: FAQ

### T1. What should I do if I cannot log in the web-based management page of M5250 after I have successfully connected to M5250?

- 1) Please verify your PC's IP address is on the same network segment with M5250. If not, please go to the next step.
- 2) Manually set an IP address for your PC, or configure your PC to "Obtain an IP address automatically" and "Obtain DNS server address automatically". Thus to make sure your PC's IP address on the same network segment with M5250.
- 3) If the above two steps failed, please feel free to contact our technical support.

### T2. What should I do if I cannot access the Internet?

- 1) Please verify the card you inserted into M5250 is a valid WCDMA/GSM SIM card.
- 2) Please check if the PIN function is enabled. If enabled, please go to **Advanced** -> **SIM Lock** -> **PIN Management** and enter the correct PIN code.
- 3) Please verify the current ISP parameters are correct. Otherwise, please go to **Advanced** -> **Dial-up** -> **Profile Management** and configure the correct parameters.
- 4) Please check if the dial-up type is auto or manual. If it is manual dial-up, please go to **Advanced** -> **Dial-up** -> **Dial-up**, and click **Connect** to manually get connected to the Internet.
- 5) If the above steps failed, please feel free to contact our technical support.

### T3. What if I forget my login password?

- 1) Restore M5250 to its factory defaults;
- 2) Log into M5250 with the default password: admin. And then reconfigure M5250 following the QIG.

### T4. How could I restore M5250 to its factory defaults?

#### Method 1:

With M5250 powered on, use a pin to press and hold the **RESET** button in the interior panel until all of the LED light on.

#### Method 2:

Get logged in to the web-based management page of M5250, and then go to **Advanced** -> **System Tools** -> **Restore Factory**, and click **Restore**.

#### **Note:**

Once M5250 is reset, all the current configurations will be lost and you need to reconfigure it.

### T5. How to access the micro SD memory card of M5250?

- 1) Connect one end of the USB cable to the micro USB port of M5250 and the other end to the USB port of your PC.
- 2) If there appears the Found New Hardware Wizard window, please click **Cancel** to ignore it.



Figure-A-0-1

- 3) Double click **Computer** icon on your desktop. The inserted micro SD card is displayed as removable disk in file explorer (Here we take Removable Disk (F:) for example). Double click to access the micro SD card just as access a hard disk.



Figure-A-0-2

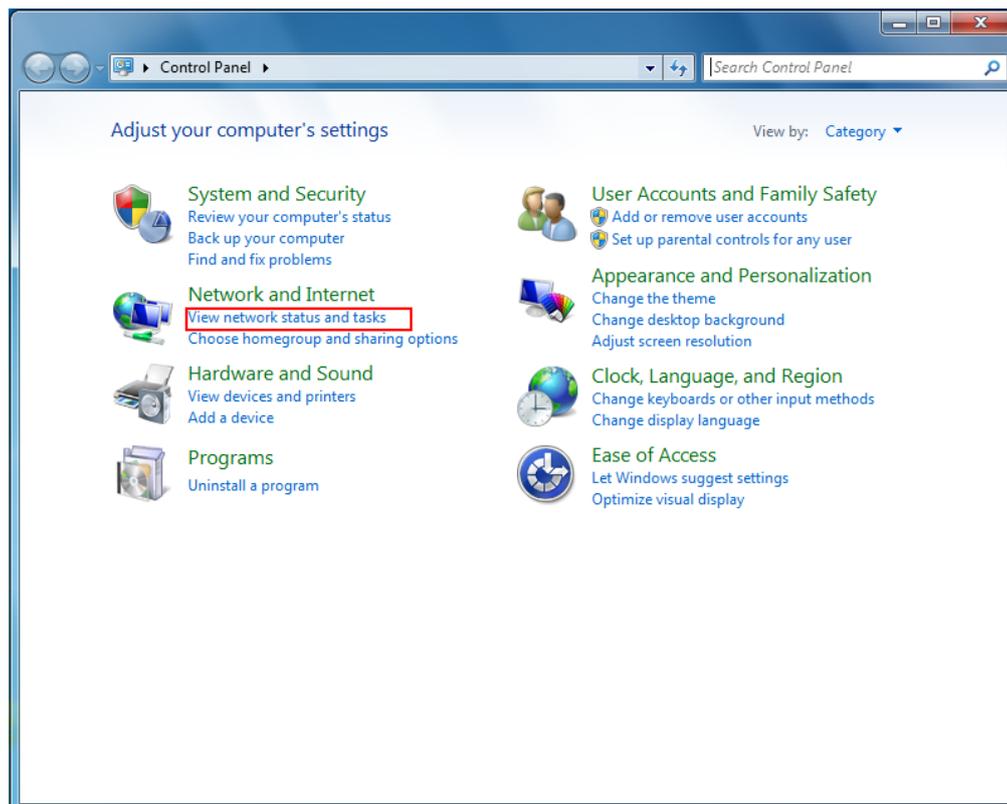
## Appendix B: Configuring the PC

In this section, we'll introduce how to install and configure the TCP/IP correctly in Windows 7. First make sure your Ethernet Adapter is working, refer to the adapter's manual if needed.

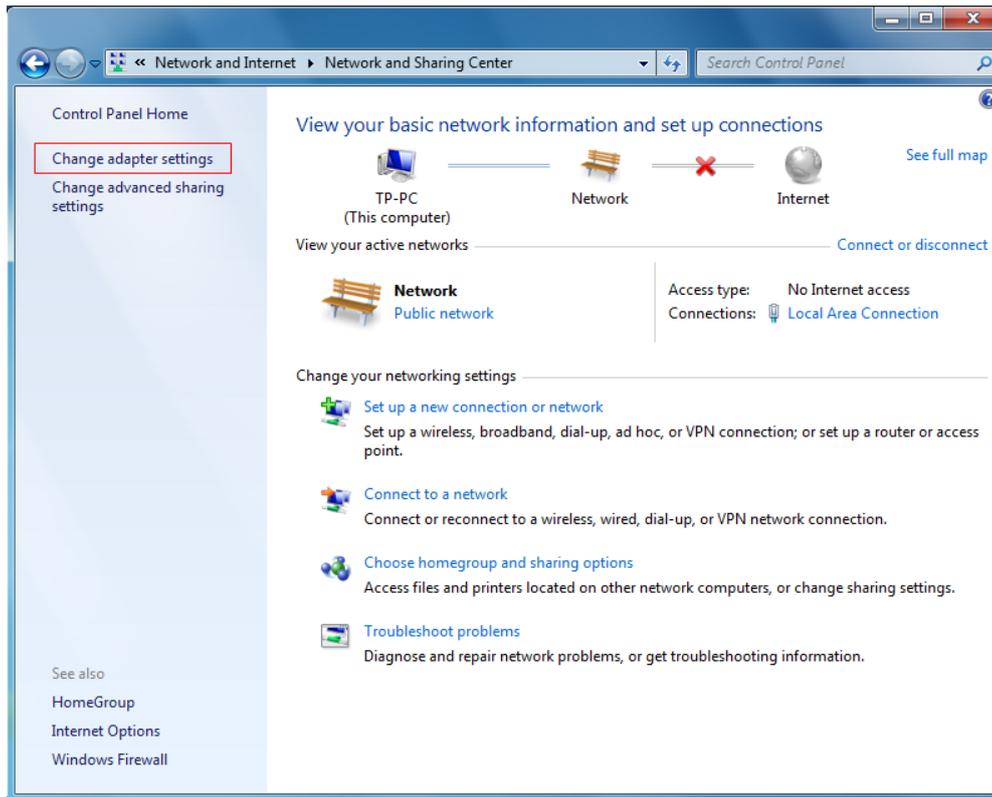
- 1) On the Windows taskbar, click the **Start** button, and then click **Control Panel**.



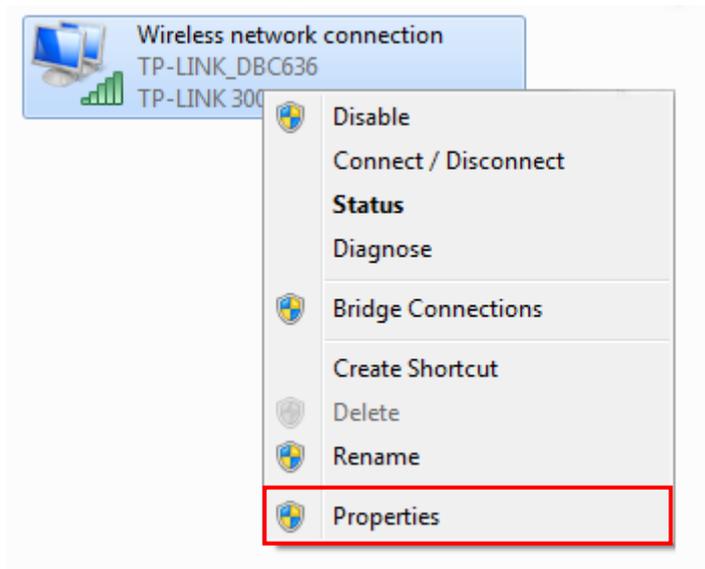
- 2) Click the **View network status and tasks**.



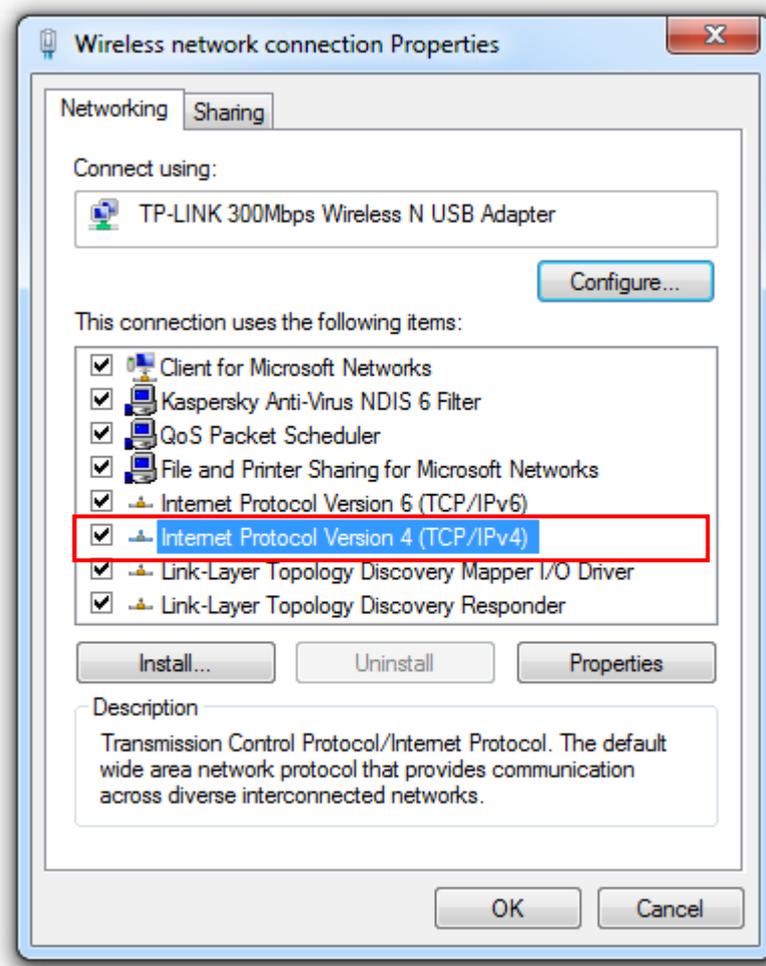
- 3) Click the **Change adapter settings**.



- 4) Click the right button, and Select **Properties**.



- 5) In the prompt page that showed below, double click on the **Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4)**.

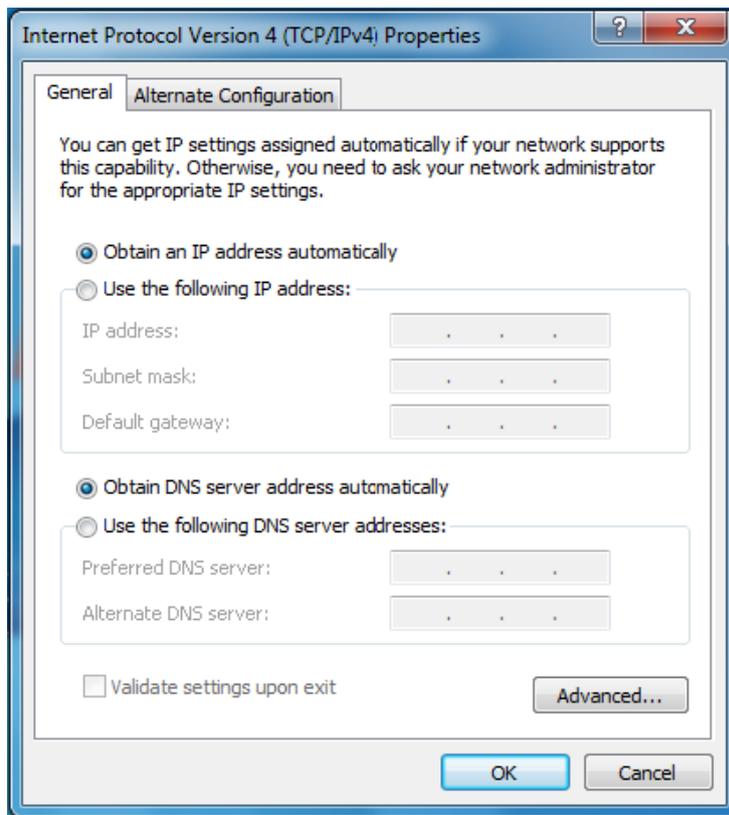


- 6) The following **Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4) Properties** window will display and the **IP Address** tab is open on this window by default.

You have two ways to configure the **TCP/IP** protocol below:

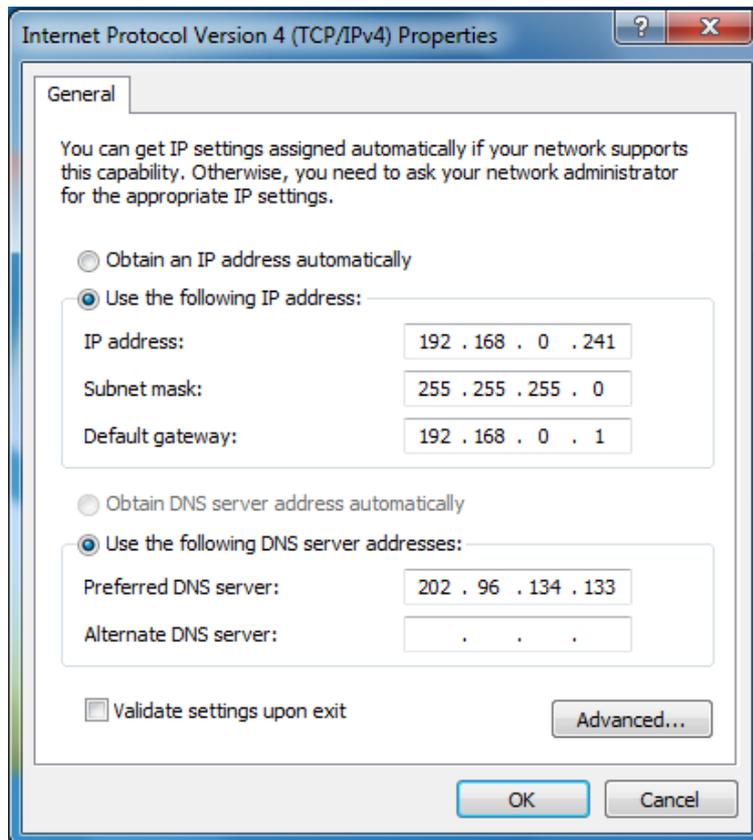
➤ **Setting IP address automatically**

Select **Obtain an IP address automatically**, Choose **Obtain DNS server address automatically**, as shown in the Figure below:



➤ **Setting IP address manually**

- a. Select **Use the following IP address** radio button. And the following items available.
- b. If the Device's LAN IP address is 192.168.0.1, type IP address is 192.168.0.x (x is from 2 to 254), and **Subnet mask** is 255.255.255.0.
- c. Type the Device's LAN IP address (the default IP is 192.168.0.1) into the **Default gateway** field.
- d. Select **Use the following DNS server addresses** radio button. In the **Preferred DNS Server** field you can type the DNS server IP address, which has been provided by your ISP.



7) Now click **OK** to keep your settings.

## Appendix C: Specifications

General	
Standards	IEEE 802.11n, IEEE 802.11b, IEEE 802.11g
Network Type	3G: HSPA+ / HSUPA / HSDPA / UMTS 2G: GSM/GPRS/EDGE
Certification	CE, FCC, RoHS
Dimension	94mm x 56.7mm x 19.8mm (W x D x H)
Interface	One Micro USB port One SIM card slot One Micro SD Memory card slot Power button RESET button
LED Display	 Network status  Wi-Fi status  Battery status
Power Supply	2000m Internal Rechargeable Battery 5VDC/1.0A External Power Adapter
Wireless	
Band	WCDMA: 2100/900Mhz GSM: 850/900/1800/1900Mhz
Data Rate	Download: 21.6Mbps Upload: 5.76Mbps
Frequency	2.4-2.4835GHz
EIRP	<20dBm
Security	WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK
Antenna	Internal Antenna
Environment	
Temperature	Operating : 0°C~35°C
	Storage: -20°C~60°C
Humidity	Operating: 0% ~ 75% RH, Non-condensing
	Storage: 0% ~ 75% RH, Non-condensing

## Appendix D: Glossary

- **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) [3] 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.
- **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.
- **DHCP (Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol)** - A protocol that automatically configure the TCP/IP parameters for the all the PC(s) that are connected to a DHCP server.
- **ISP (Internet Service Provider)** - A company that provides access to the Internet.
- **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 shared key algorithm, as described in the IEEE 802.11 standard.
- **Wi-Fi** - A trade name for the 802.11b wireless networking standard, given by the Wireless Ethernet Compatibility Alliance (WECA, see <http://www.wi-fi.net>), an industry standards group promoting interoperability among 802.11b devices.
- **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.