

Media Server Application Guide

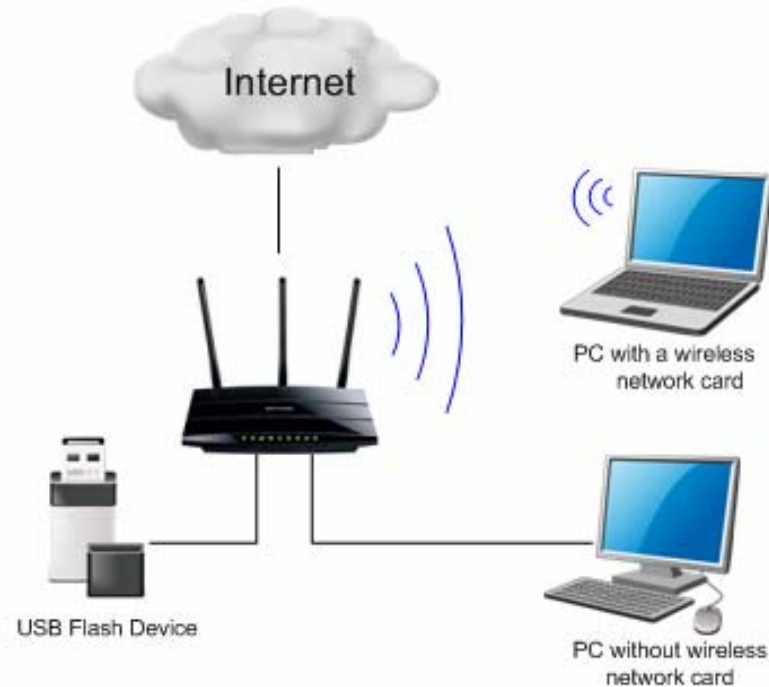
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Overview

The Media Server feature allows you to share music, videos and photos on your USB drive or a mobile hard drive connected to the modem router, for use on game consoles or media players.

Typical Topology



Note:

- (1) Some USB storage devices may require using the external power.
- (2) The USB storage device stands for media server in this topology.
- (3) Here in this guide, we take the configuration procedures of TD-W8990 for example.

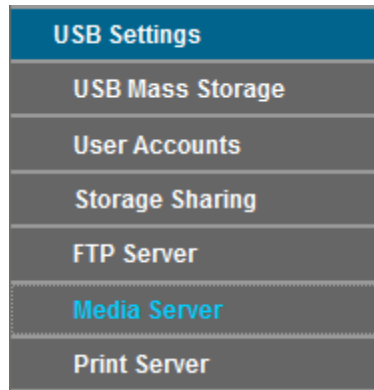
How to set up the media server

Plug the USB storage device into the USB port of the modem router and wait until the USB LED is solid green.

You can set up the media server by the following steps:

Step 1: Open a web browser (IE/Chrome/Firefox/Safari), type **192.168.1.1** in the address bar, and then press **Enter**.

Step 2: A login window will appear. Enter **admin** for the User Name and Password (both in lower case letters), then click **OK** to log into the web-based management of the modem router. Click **USB Settings -> Media Server** on the left side menu.



Step 3: Click **Enable** to make Media Server enabled, and then click **Save**.

Media Server Settings

Server Enable: Enable Disable ← 1. Click Enable

Server Name: MediaShare

Content Scan: Manual Scan:

Auto Scan: Every 1 hour(s)

You have shared the following contents:

ID	Share Name	Folder Name	Edit
1	photo	/photo	Edit Delete

← 2. Click Save

Step 4: Click **Add New Folder** button. Choose the folders you want to share and click **Apply**.

The screenshot displays the 'Media Server Settings' page. On the left is a navigation menu with options: Status, Quick Setup, Operation Mode, Network, DHCP Server, Wireless, USB Settings (highlighted), USB Mass Storage, User Accounts, Storage Sharing, FTP Server, Media Server, Print Server, and Route Settings. The main content area is titled 'Media Server Settings' and contains the following elements:

- Server Enable:** Enable Disable
- Server Name:**
- Content Scan:** Manual Scan: Auto Scan: Every hour(s)

Below these settings, it states 'You have shared the following contents:' followed by a table:

ID	Share Name	Folder Name	Edit
1	photo	/photo	Edit Delete

Below the table, there is an **Add New Folder** button highlighted with a red box. A red arrow points to it with the text '1. Click this button'. At the bottom right of the settings area is a **Save** button.

Folder Browse

This page allow you to set a scan folder for DLNA media service!

Share Name: **2. Enter a name**

Directory:

Select Volume: ▾

/sda1/

- [music](#)
- [tp-link](#)
- 3. Choose the folders you want to share**
- [video](#)

4. Click this button

Step 5: Your shared folders will be listed on the Media Server page.

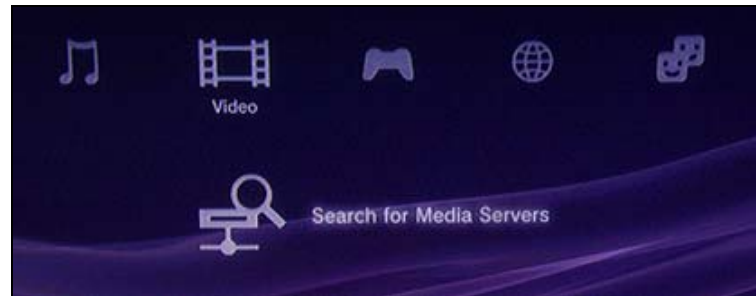
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How to access the Media Server on PS3

Select  (Search for Media Servers) under  (Photo),  (Music) or  (Video).

The TP-LINK Media Servers that can be connected will be displayed.



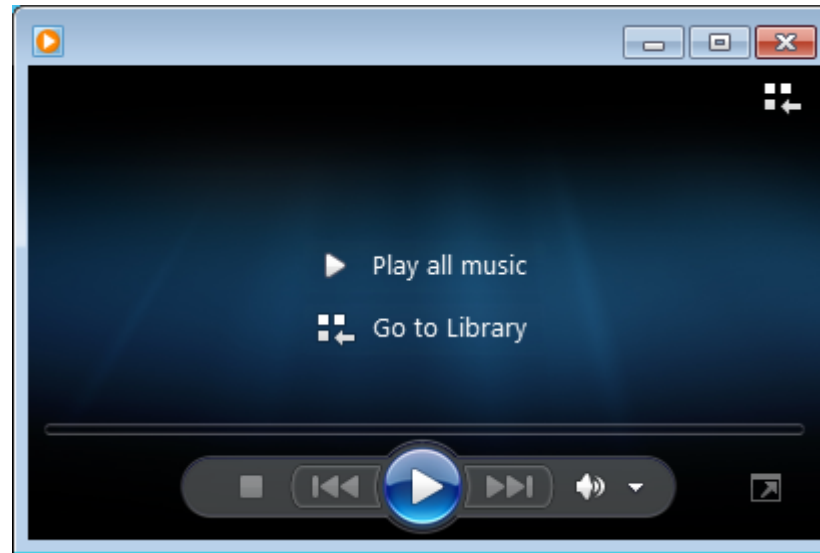
How to access the Media Server on XBOX360

The TP-LINK Media Servers that can be connected will be displayed in Video/Music/Picture Library.

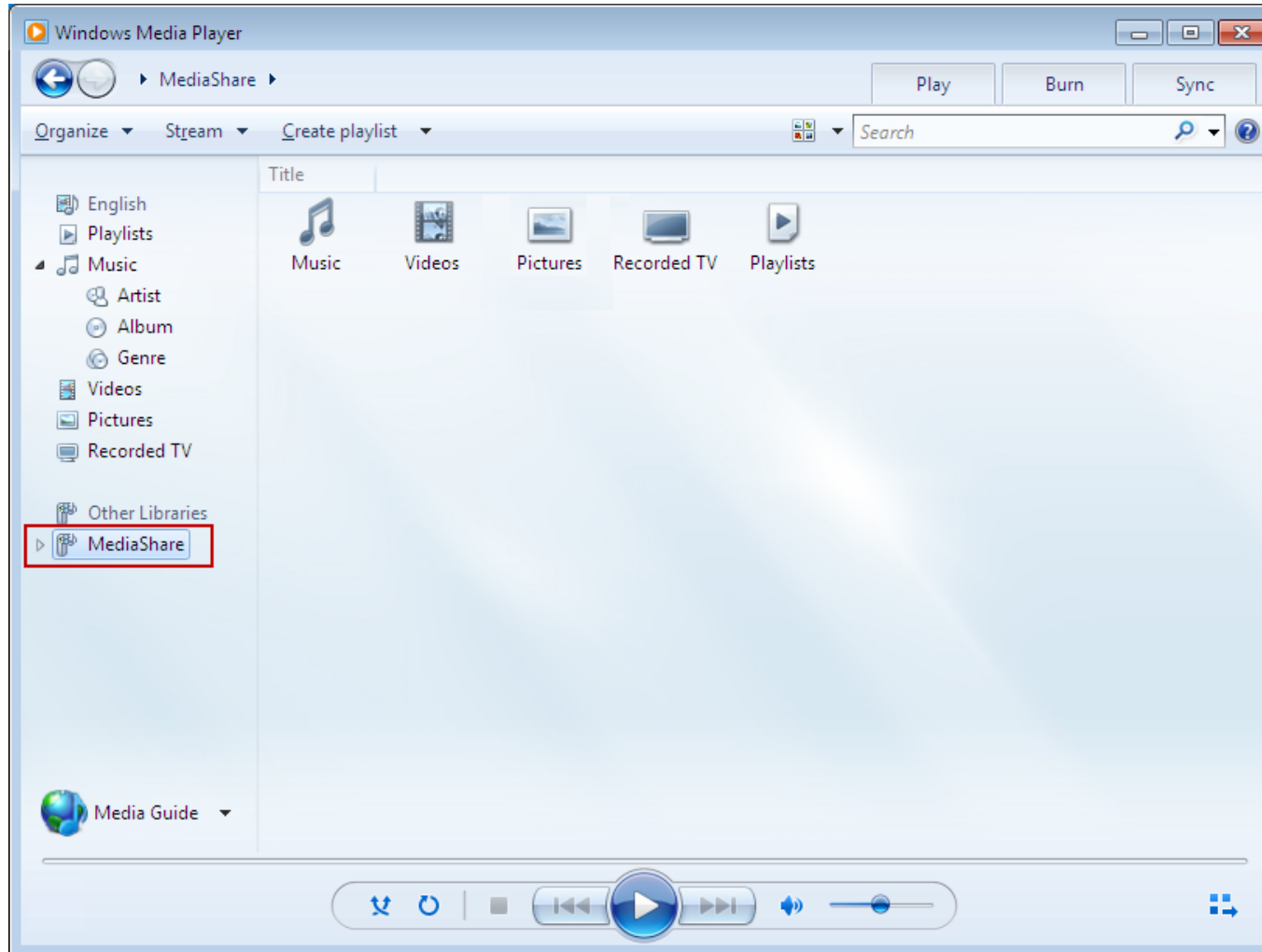


How to access the Media Server on Windows Media Player

Step 1: Open Windows Media Player in Windows 7 for example. Click ***Go to Library***.



Step 2: Windows Media Server will automatically list the media servers in your LAN. Select the media server name you have configured on the web-management page.



Note:

Media Server function is supported only by Windows Media Player 12.0 and above.