

HG556a INSTALLATION GUIDE AND USER MANUAL





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1.1 Contents in the Package



Vodafone Station



DSL cable



For further information on the GNU GPL Code, please visit the GNU Project home page <u>http://www.gnu.org/home.html</u>.



Bracket

Power adapter

User CD



Ethernet cable



GPL

Warranty Card



If any of the stuff above cannot be found in your package, contact with the vendor and the stuff upwards is just the sample for reference.



1.2 The Front Panel of the HG556a



Figure 1-1 Indicators on the front panel of the HG556a





1.3 The Rear and Side Panels of the HG556a



1. The rear panel of the HG556a provides the following interfaces and buttons:

- One diagnostic button
- One RJ-11 ADSL interface
- Two RJ-11 phone interfaces (PHONE/FAX and PHONE)
- Four RJ-45 auto-sensing 10/100Base-T Ethernet interfaces
- Four LAN indicators (LAN1, LAN2, LAN3, and LAN4)
- One USB port dedicated to the HSPA plug-in card
- One reset button
- One power interface
- One restart button

Note for the four LAN indicators:

The four LAN indicators are normally off.

When the diagnostic button is pressed, the four LAN indicators turn red or green, see 1.4 Description of the Indicators on the Front and Rear Panels.

$2. \ \ \,$ The side panel of the HG556a provides the following interface and button:

- One Wi-Fi button
- One USB port



1.4 Description of the Indicators on the Front and Rear Panels

Indicator	Color	Status	Meaning
Message	-	Off	There is no message.
	Red	On	There is an incoming message.
HSPA	-	Off	The HSPA module is not connected or used.
(Ų)	Red	On	The connected 2G/3G module works normally. There is no Internet traffic on the USB port.
Wi-Fi	-	Off	The Wi-Fi network is not activated.
((p))	Red	Blinking slowly	The Wi-Fi Protected Setup (WPS) process is in progress.
	Red	On	The Wi-Fi connection is in good condition. There is no Internet traffic on the link.
	Red	Blinking quickly	The Wi-Fi connection fails.
DSL	-	Off	The ADSL connection is not activated.
\bigotimes	Red	Blinking slowly	The ADSL connection is being set up.
	Red	On	The ADSL connection is in good condition. There is no Internet traffic on the interface.
	Red	Blinking quickly	The ADSL connection fails.
POWER	-	Off	The HG556a is powered off.
Ċ	Red	On	The HG556a is powered on.
LAN	-	Off	There is no Ethernet connection.
LAN	Green	On	The Ethernet connection is in good condition.
	Red	On	The Ethernet connection fails.



2 Installation Guide

This chapter describes the procedure for installing the HG556a.

2.1 Inserting the Vodafone Internet Key

- 1. Remove the SIM card holder from the Vodafone Internet Key.
- 2. Insert the SIM card into the card holder.
- 3. Reinsert the SIM card holder into the Vodafone Internet Key.



4. Remove the lid on the back of the Vodafone Station and insert the Vodafone Internet Key into the slot.





The Vodafone Internet Key upwards is just the sample for reference, you can choose other kind of Internet Key and use the same way to install.



2.2 Supplying Power to the HG556a

1. Connect the AC power adapter to the power interface on the back of the device and plug the power adapter into a wall outlet or a power strip.



2. After you finish the connection, the power indicator turns on, indicating that the HG556a is being activated and working normally.



2.3 Connecting the PC to the HG556a



Use the provided Ethernet cable to connect the PC to any of the four LAN interfaces on the rear panel of HG556a.



2.4 Connecting the HG556a to the Fixed Network

Use the provided telephone cable to connect the ADSL interface of the HG556a with the telephone jack on the wall.



2.5 Connecting telephones to the HG556a

Connect a telephone to the PHONE/FAX or PHONE interface of the HG556a. The connection methods are as follows:





• If you have two VoIP numbers, you can connect two telephones to the PHONE/FAX and PHONE interfaces respectively. Only the PHONE/FAX interface provides the emergent public switched telephone network (PSTN) function. When the DSL network cannot work, the HG556a chooses the PHONE/FAX interface automatically to provide the PSTN function.



• If you have only one VoIP number, when you are using the VoIP function on one of the PHONE/FAX and PHONE interfaces, the other interface cannot provide the VoIP function. The functions of these two interfaces are determined by the configuration of your Internet service provider (ISP).





Note for the PSTN function:

If you have no VoIP number and use only the PSTN function, then connect the telephone to the PHONE/FAX interface.



2.6 Connecting the PC to the HG556a Through Wi-Fi

After you insert the Vodafone Internet Key into the slot on the HG556a, press the Wi-Fi button on the side panel of the HG556a. Then the PC is connected to the HG556a wirelessly.





Procedure for enabling the Wi-Fi connection

The initial configuration for the Wi-Fi radio interface of the HG556a is **Disabled**. To enable the Wi-Fi connection, do as follows:

- 1. Press the Wi-Fi button on the side panel of HG556a.
- 2. Once the button is pressed and held, the Wi-Fi indicator turns red in a few seconds. If the indicator does not turn on, try again.

Press and hold the Wi-Fi button for more than four seconds to enable the WPS function.



Note for connecting USB devices:

The USB port is used to connect an external memory or a hard disk.





3.1 Introduction

This manual provides instructions on how to use the product properly. It also provides instructions that must be followed to protect the HG556a and the safety of the operator.

3.2 Features of the HG556a

The main features of the HG556a are as follows:

- 1. ADSL2+ interface
- Supports ITU G.992.1 (G.dmt), G.992.3 ADSL2 (G.dmt.bis), and G.992.5 ADSL2+ Annex A (G.dmt.bitplus)
- Supports ANSI T1.413 Issue 2
- Supports Annex L (RE ADSL)
- Supports the configuration of eight VPI/VCIs
- Supports manual configuration of VPI/VCI parameters

2. USB ports

- Supports USB 2.0 host port
- Supports HUAWEI HSPA USB interface link driver
- Supports mutual data backup of ADSL2+ uplink and USB port uplink
- Supports USB mass storage device
- Supports USB printer

3. Ethernet interfaces

- Provides four 10/100 M auto-sensing Ethernet interfaces
- Supports Ethernet switch function
- Supports 802.3u
- Supports test of the Ethernet with the diagnostic button

4. Wi-Fi interface

- Supports 802.11b, 802.11g, and 802.11n
- Supports 32 connections
- Supports SSID hiding
- Supports channel selection
- Supports Open System/Shared Key authorization
- Supports WPS



- Supports WEP/TKIP/AES
- Supports WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK
- Supports WMM

5. **POTS interfaces**

- Provides two plain old telephone service (POTS) interfaces
- Supports the emergent Foreign Exchange Office (FXO) function

3.3 Requirements of PC Configuration

The requirements of PC configuration for displaying the management Web pages of the HG556a are:

	Microsoft® Wind	dows	Apple® Mac		
Operating system	Windows®Windows®98SE/ME2000/XP/Vista		Mac OS® 10.1		
RAM	32 MB	64 MB	128 MB		
Free disk space	40 MB		10 MB		
CD-driver/DVD-driver	Provided				
Display	800 x 600 pixel, 256 color				
Ethernet 10/100Base-T	Required for Ethernet connection				
Wi-Fi 802.11b/g	Required for Wi-Fi connection				
Browser	Internet Explorer® 5.0, 6.0, 7.0Internet Explorer® 5.0Mozilla© Firefox 1.06.0, 7.0Apple Safari® 1.0		Internet Explorer® 5.0, 6.0, 7.0 Mozilla© Firefox 1.0		Internet Explorer® 5.0, 6.0, 7.0 Apple Safari® 1.0



3.4 Management of the HG556a

3.4.1 Home Gateway Page

To log in to the configuration page, do as follows:

- Launch the Internet Explorer and enter http://192.168.1.1 (the default LAN IP address of the HG556a) in the address bar. Then press Enter to display the login window.
- 2. Enter the user name and password provided by the ISP. Then you can see the home page of the HG556a.

Choose **Home** in the navigation tree to display the status of the HG556a, including:

- **Summary**: the main information about the home gateway versions (software and hardware)
- ADSL: the information about the ADSL interface
- **WiFi**: the information and status of the Wi-Fi interface and the security configuration parameters
- WAN: the information and status of the WAN interface
- Home Network: the status of each LAN interface and each USB port

Figure 3-1 shows the status of the HG556a.

Figure 3-1 Home Gateway page

lome Gateway Setting	B Home G	ateway		
lome				
WIFI	Summary			Home Network
HSPA	Model:	Echalifa	HG555a	Ethernet
Voice	HW/Mar	HOLE OF	-	Port 1: in use
Advanced	Siel Max	100010	10018000	Port 2: not in use
Firewall	Sive yer	VILUALU	10018022	Port 4: not in use
Diagnostics	SIV:	12345676	5032585	WiFi
	Address:	192.168.1	.1	USB
Reboot	System Up	0 days		Port 1: not in use Port 2: not in use
	Time:	3 hours 4	9 minutes 10 seconds	Port 3: not in use
	ADSL			Telephone
	DSL Service S	tatus:	Connected	Telephone 1: not in use Telephone 2: not in use
	Upload Speed	(kbps):	224	
	Download Spe	ed (kbps):	2366	
	ADSL Mode:		G.DMT	
	WIFI			
	Status:		Enabled	
	Channel:		0	
	WiFi Mode:		WPA-PSK	
	Actual Speed:		Auto	
	Access Centre	d:	Disabled	
	SSID:		DisgDefSsid	
	WAN		2	
	Data			
	Protocol:		MER	
	IP address		0.000	
	DAIS-		0.0.0.0	
	Color.		0.00.0	
	Gateway:		0.0.0.0	
	Protocol:		MER	
	IP address:		191.1.1.159	
	DNS:		129 102 100 68	
	5110.			



3.4.2 Wi-Fi

<u>Basic</u>

This page allows you to enable or disable Wi-Fi on the Vodafone Station and to hide or show the wireless network.

Choose **WiFi** > **Basic** in the navigation tree to display the **Basic** page.

Figure 3-2 shows the **Basic** page.

Figure 3-2 **Basic** page

vodafone			
	WiFi -> Basic		
Home Gateway Settings	Basic		
Home			
WiFi	Basic configuration of WiFi.		
Basic			
Security	Basic Configuration		
Access Control	Enable WiFi:		
HSPA	Hide Access Point		
Voice			
Advanced	SSID:	DiagDefSsid	
Firewall	Channel:	Auto 💌	
Diagnostics			
		Save	

Table 3-1 lists the parameters for the basic settings.

Table 3-1 Parameters	for the	basic	settings
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Item	Description			
Enable WiFi	To enable or disable the Wi-Fi function.			
Hide Access Point	It is used to hide or display the AP. If the AP is hidden, the HG556a does not carry the SSID information when broadcasting beacon packets and probe response packets. When the wireless client connects to the HG556a, the SSID needs to be entered manually.			
SSID	The name of the WLAN. It identifies the different networks. Wireless clients must have the same SSID as that of the AP to communicate with each other.			
Channel	Select a proper channel from the list that conforms to the network settings.			
NOTE				
WLAN = Wireless Local Area Network				
SSID = Service Set Identifier				
AP = Access Point				

Click **Save** to save the settings.



Security

Configure the security functions to control the access rights of users and to prevent unauthorized access to data during transmission.

Choose **WiFi** > **Security** in the navigation tree to display the **Security** page. Figure 3-3 shows the **Security** page.

rigure 5-5 shows the Security

Figure 3-3 Security page

vodafone			
	WiFi -> Security		
Home Gateway Settings	Security		
Home			
WiFi	This page allows you to configure security features of the WIFI LAN interface. You may setup configuration manually or through WIFI Proteted Setup(WPS)		
Basic			
Security			
Access Control	Security Configuration		
HSPA	Network Authentication:	WPA-PSK	
Voice	WPA Encryption:	AES 🗸	
Advanced			
Firewall	WPA Pre-Shared Key:		Click here to display
Diagnostics	WiFi Protected Setup (WPS) :	Enabled 💌	
	Add client mode (WPS):	Push Button	
			Save

Table 3-2 lists the parameters for the security settings.

Table 3-2 Parameters for the security settings

Item	Description
Network Authentication	It is used to enable or disable the network authentication function.
	• Open : Any wireless device can access the WLAN.
	• WPA-PSK : The simplified WPA authentication mode. It is enabled when the RADIUS server is unavailable. The HG556a encrypts all the communications by using the WPA pre-shared key.
	• WPA2-PSK : The simplified WPA2 authentication mode. It is enabled when the RADIUS server is unavailable. The HG556a encrypts all the communications by using the WPA pre-shared key.
	• Mixed WPA2/WPA-PSK: The mixed authentication mode of WPA2-PSK and WPA-PSK.
WPA Encryption	Three options are as follows:
	• TKIP
	• AES
	• TKIP+AES
WPA Pre-Shared Key	The pre-shared key for WPA2/WPA-PSK.
Wi-Fi Protected Setup (WPS)	It is used to enable or disable the WPS function.
Add client mode (WPS)	The client has the following modes:
	• Push Button : The client connects to the AP by choosing the AP and clicks the button on the client software.
	• PIN : The client connects to the AP by choosing the AP and checking whether the PIN codes between the AP and the client are the same.



Access Control

Choose $\ensuremath{\textbf{WiFi}}\xspace > \ensuremath{\textbf{Access Control}}\xspace$ in the navigation tree to display the $\ensuremath{\textbf{Access Control}}\xspace$ page.

Figure 3-4 shows the **Access Control** page.

Figure 3-4 Access Control Page

vodafone			
	WiFi -> Access Control		
Home Gateway Settings	Access Control		
Home			
WiFi	MAC Filter Access Control	List Configuration	
Basic			
Security	Configure Restriction		
Access Control	MAC Restrict Mode:	Deactivate OAllow OReject	
HSPA			Save
Voice			
Advanced	Active Filters		
Firewall	MAC Address	Remove	
Diagnostics	Add New Filters		
	Enter the MAC address and c	lick "Save" to add a WiFi MAC address filter.	
	MAC Address:	(e.g 01:23:45:67:89:AB)	
			Save

Table 3-3 lists the parameters for access control.

Table 3-3 Parameters for access control

Item	Description
Configure Restriction	The access rule for MAC addresses. Three options are available:
	• Deactivate: The MAC filter is deactivated.
	• Allow: The wireless network adapter can set up a connection with the HG556a only when the MAC address of the wireless network adapter matches the values in the MAC address list.
	• Reject : When the MAC address of the wireless network adapter matches the values in the MAC address list, the wireless network adapter cannot set up a connection with the HG556a.
Active Filters	It is used to enable or disable the MAC filter function.
MAC Address	The MAC addresses of the wireless client that allows or rejects access to the HG556a in the address fields. The MAC address is in six hexadecimal character pairs.
Add New Filters	Add a Wi-Fi MAC address filter.

Click **Save** to save the settings.



3.4.3 HSPA

<u>Status</u>

Choose **HSPA** > **Status** in the navigation tree to display the **Status** page. This page allows you to understand the information about HSPA status. Figure 3-5 shows the **Status** page.

Figure 3-5 **Status** page

vodafone				
	HSPA ->Status			
Home Gateway Settings	Status			
Home				
WiFi	💧 🔺 No detected HSPA modem	A No detected HSPA modem. Please plug in the HSPA module!		
HSPA		1.5		
Status	HSPA Status			
Configuration	Signal Intensity:	1111		
PIN Code	Network Type:	No Service		
Voice	Upload Speed:	08		
Advanced	Download Speed:	08		
Firewall	Unload Statistics:	0.8		
Diagnostics	Download Statistics:	0.8		
	Up Time(s):	0		

Configuration

Choose **HSPA** > **Configuration** in the navigation tree to display the **Configuration** page. Figure 3-6 shows the **Configuration** page.

Figure 3-6 **Configuration** page

O			
Voddrone			
	HSPA ->Configuration		
Home Gateway Settings	Configuration		
Home			
WiFi	A No detected HSPA m	odem. Please plug in the HSPA module!	
HSPA			
Status	HSPA Connect		
Configuration	Click "Continue" to manage HSPA connection.		Continue
PIN Code		Ŭ	
Voice			
Advanced	HSPA Settings		
Firewall	APN Name:	webdsl.vodafone.it	
Diagnostics	User Name:	123@hspa	
	Password:	****	
	Authentication:	PAP 💌	
	Network Type:	3G preferred 💌	
			Save & Reboot



Table 3-4 lists the parameters for configuration.

Table 3-4 Parameters for configuration

Item	Description
APN Name	Provides routing information for SGSN and GGSN, which identifies the external service requested by a user of the GPRS service and the Operator ID which specifies routing information.
User Name	The user name to access the service.
Password	The password to access the service.
Athentication	The three authentication modes of dial-up: AUTO, CHAP, PAP.
Network Type	Three types of network: 3G preferred, 2G only, 3G only.
NOTE APN = Access Point Name	

PIN Code

Figure 3-7 shows the **PIN Code** page.

Figure 3-7 PIN Code page

vodafone			
	HSPA -> PIN Code		
Home Gateway Setting	PIN Code		
Home			
WiFi	Setting the PIN code of your SIM card. Select "PIN Verify", you can verify your PIN code and save PIN		
HSPA	code to flash; Select "PIN Enable", you can enable or disable your PIN code.		
Status	DIN Code Continue		
Configuration	Piw code Settings		
PIN Code	Select Operation:		
Voice	Verify PIN Code		
Advanced	Tong The Cold		
Firewall	- PIN Code:		
Diagnostics	Save PIN:		
	PIN code need to be verified now.		
	S	ave	

Table 3-5 lists the parameter for the PIN code.

Table 3-5 Parameter for the PIN code

Item	Description	
PIN Code	The PIN of your SIM card	
NOTE		
PIN = Personal Identification Number		
SIM = Subscriber Identity Module		



3.4.4 Voice

<u>Phone</u>

Figure 3-8 shows the **Phone** page.

Figure 3-8 Phone page

vodafone			
	Voire -> Phone		
Home Gateway Settings	Phone		
Home			
WiFi	Basic configuration of telephone volume. Note that implementing the new configuration need the		
HSPA	home gateway to be restarted.		
Voice	Valuma Cattinga		
Phone	volume setungs		
Speed Dial	Speaking Volume:		
Prefix	Listening Volume:		
Advanced			
Firewall	Save & Reboot		
Diagnostics			



Speed Dial

Choose **Voice** > **Speed Dial** in the navigation tree to display the **Speed Dial** page. Figure 3-9 shows the **Speed Dial** page.

Figure 3-9 Speed Dial page

6						
vodafone						
	Voice -> Speed [Dial				
ome Gateway Sett	ings Speed D	ial				
Home						
ViFi	Configuration	of speed dial	book.			
ISPA						
/oice	Speed Dial S	ietup				
Phone	Sequence	Number	n Destin	nation	Sa	ve
Speed Dial	#01 🐱				S	ave
Prefix						
Advanced	Speed Dial F	hone Book				
irewall	Sequence	Number	Destination	Modif	y Clear	
Diagnostics	#01			Modi	fy Clear	
	#02			Modi	fy Clear	
	#0.2			Modi	fv Clear	
	#03					
	#04			Modi	fy Clear	
	#05			Modi	fy Clear	1
	#06			Modi	fy Clear	
	#07			Modi	fy Clear	
	#08			Modi	fy Clear	
	#09			Modi	fy Clear	
	#10			Modi	fy Clear	1
					Clear All	Reboot

Table 3-6 lists the parameters for speed dialing.

Table 3-6 Parameter	s for speed	dialing
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Item	Description
Sequence	The sequence of a speed dial number Select #01-#10
Number	The self-defined speed dial number
Destination	The callee number



<u>Prefix</u>

Choose **Voice** > **Prefix** to display the **Prefix** page. Figure 3-10 shows the **Prefix** page.

Figure 3-10 **Prefix** page

	Voice -> Prefix				
Home Gateway Settings	Prefix				
Home					
WiFi	Basic configu	ration of telephone	dial prefix. Note that im	plementing the new configu	ration need the
HSPA	home gateway	y to be restarted.			
Voice					
Phone	SIP. SI				
Speed Dial	Append Nun	nber Setup			
Prefix	Sequence	Append Prefix	Number	Save	
Advanced	#01 🛩			Save	
Firewall	Append Pre	fix Number Book			
Diagnostics	Sequence	Append Prefix	Number	Modify	Clear
	#01			Modify	Clear
	#02			Modify	Clear
	#03			Modify	Clear
	#04			Modify	Clear
	#05			Modify	Clear

Table 3-7 lists the parameters for prefix.

Table 3-7 Parameters for prefix

Item	Description
Sequence	The sequence of a prefixed number. Select #01-#10.
Append Prefix	Append prefix when dialling number.
Number	The self-defined prefixed number.



3.4.5 Advanced

User Administration

This page allows you to change the password of user.

Choose **Advanced** > **User Administration** to display the **User Administration** page. Figure 3-11 shows the **User Administration** page.

Figure 3-11 User Administration page

vodafone			
	Advanced -> User Administr	ation	
Home Gateway Settings	User Administ	ration	
Home			
WiFi	Entries in this table are u	sed to change the password of current logined user.	
HSPA			
Voice	Old Password:		
Advanced	New Password:		
User Administration	Confirm Password		
LAN Configuration			
DHCP Reservation			Save
FTP			
Print Server			
Firewall			
Diagnostics			

LAN Configuration

Choose **Advanced** > **LAN Configuration** in the navigation tree to display the **LAN Configuration** page.

The HG556a provides a default LAN IP address. You can change the LAN IP address and subnet mask, and choose whether to activate the DHCP service.

Figure 3-12 shows the **LAN Configuration** page.

Figure 3-12 LAN Configuration page

vodafone					
	Advanced ->LAN Configuration				
Home Gateway Setting	LAN Configuratio	on			
Home					
WiFi	Configure the IP Address and	Configure the IP Address and Subnet Mask for router's LAN interface. Router would assign your computer an IP address (need configure your computer as "Obtain an IP address automatically" first)			
HSPA	computer an IP address (need				
Voice	the router's local network. Clic	If with manual configuration, the IP address that set to your computer must be in the same subnet of the router's local network. Click on "Save" button only saves the configuration while "Save & Reboot" restart the router in addition to implementing the new configuration.			
Advanced	Reboot" restart the router in				
User Administration					
LAN Configuration	IP Address:	192.168.1.1			
DHCP Reservation	Subnet Mask :	255.255.255.240			
FTP	Activate DHCP Server	● Yes O No			
Print Server					
Firewall	Start IP Address:	192.168.1.2			
Diagnostics	End IP Address:	192.168.1.14			



DHCP Reservation

Choose **Advanced** > **DHCP Reservation** in the navigation tree to display the **DHCP Reservation** page.

Figure 3-13 shows the **DHCP Reservation** page.

Figure 3-13 DHCP Reservation page

Advanced -> Di	HCP Reservation		
	Reservation		
This page all	lows you to reservate IP by MA	C address.	
DHCP Rese	ervation Table		
Name	MAC Address	Reservation IP	Remove
Create New	v Reservation		
	Name:		
	MAC Address:		
	Pecenation IP:		
			Save Clear All
	Advanced -> D DHCP F This page al DHCP Rese Name Create New	Advanced -> DHCP Reservation DHCP Reservation This page allows you to reservate IP by MA DHCP Reservation Table Name MAC Address Create New Reservation Create New Reservation Reservation IP:	Advanced -> DHCP Reservation DHCP Reservation This page allows you to reservate IP by MAC address. DHCP Reservation Table Name MAC Address Reservation IP Create New Reservation MAC Address: Reservation IP: Reservation IP:

Table 3-8 lists the parameters for DHCP reservation.

Table 3-8 Parameters for DHCP reservation

Item	Description
Remove	It is used to delete the current entry.
Name	The name of the current entry.
Mac address	The MAC address of a computer on your LAN.
Reservation IP	The IP address that you want to assign to the computer on the LAN with the MAC address that you specify.



<u>FTP</u>

Choose **Advanced** > **FTP** in the navigation tree to display the **FTP** page. Figure 3-14 shows the **FTP** page.

Figure 3-14 FTP page

voddrone			
	Advanced -> FTP		
Home Gateway Setting	^s FTP		
Home			
WiFi	This page allows you to activate or	deactivate FTP server.	
HSPA			
Voice	FTP Server Setting		
Advanced	Enable FTP:	⊙Yes ⊖No	
User Administration			
LAN Configuration	UserName:	vdf	
DHCP Reservation	Password:	•••	
FTP	Confirm Password:		
Print Server			
Firewall	Port[1-66636]:	21	
Diagnostics	USB Partition:	all 🛩	
	Access FTP From WAN:		

Table 3-9 lists the parameter for the FTP.

Table 3-9	Parameter	for	the	FTP
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Item	Description
Enable FTP	It is used to enable or disable the FTP function.
User Name	The user name to visit the FTP server.
Password	The password to visit the FTP server.
Confirm Password	Enter the password again to confirm.
Port[1-65535]	The user-designated port that is used to visit the FTP server.
USB Partition	The partitions of the USB storage device allowed to be visited after the FTP server is logged in to.
Access FTP From WAN	Whether to allow the PC to visit the FTP server from WAN.

Click **Save** to save the settings.



Print Server

Choose **Advanced** > **Print Server** in the navigation tree to display the **Print Server** page. Figure 3-15 shows the **Print Server** page.

Figure 3-15 **Print Server** page

	Advanced -> Print Server		
Home Gateway Settings	Print Server		
Home			
WiFi	This page allows you to activate or dead	tivate on-board print server.	
HSPA			
Voice	Print Server Settings		
Advanced	Enable Print Server	• Yes O No	
User Administration		0.110.11	
LAN Configuration	Printer Name:		
DHCP Reservation	Make and Medal:		
FTP	Wake and Wodel.		
Print Server			
Firewall			Save
Diagnostics			Jave

Table 3-10 lists the parameter for the print server.

Table 3-10 Parameter for the print server

Item	Description
Enable Print Server	It is used to enable or disable the print server.
Printer Name	The name of the printer.
Make and Model	The model of the printer that user choose.

Click **Save** to save the settings.

>



3.4.6 Firewall

Port Forwarding

Choose **Firewall** > **Port Forwarding** in the navigation tree to display the **Port Forwarding** page.

Figure 3-16 shows the **Port Forwarding** page.

Figure 3-16 Port Forwarding page

	Firewall -> Por	t Forwarding					
lome Gateway Settin	^{gs} Port Fo	rwardin	g				
Home							
WiFi	Entries in thi	is table are use	ed to restrict ce	rtain type of da	ta packets from	n your local ne	twork to
HSPA	Internet thro	ugh the Route	r. Here you can via port to work	restrict local L	AN clients to ac	cess Internet:	services or estricting your
Voice	local network	K.	in port to work.	OBC OF HILLOFS C	an be neiprarii	r securing or r	councuing your
Advanced							
Firewall	Current Po	rt Forwarding	Table				
Port Forwarding			External	External	Internal	Internal	
Dos Prevention	Servers	Local IP	Port Start	Port End Proto	col Port Start	Port End Ena	able Remove
Parent Control							
Security Policies	Create Nev	N					
IP Filter		 Services 	Y Plea	se select one 🗸	1		
MAC Filter		O Custom	Sopico:				
URL Blocking		O Custom (
DMZ Host		Local IP A	ddress:				
Diagnostics	External Po	rt Start Ext	ernal Port End	Protocol	Internal Port	Start Inter	nal Port End
				TCP 🗸			
				ТСР			
				TCP 💌			

Table 3-11 lists the parameters for port forwarding.

Table 3-11	Parameters	for port	forwarding
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Item	Description
Services	The type of service, application and game.
Please Select One	The name of service, application or game.
Custom Service	The server name that user-defined.
Local IP Address	The internal IP address of the server.
External Port Start	The first port number of the external ports.
External Port End	The last port number of the external ports.
Protocol	The protocol used for forwarding ports.
Internal Port Start	The first port number of the internal ports.
Internal Port End	The last port number of the internal ports.



Dos Prevention

Figure 3-17 shows the **Dos Prevention** page.

Choose **Firewall** > **Dos Prevention** in the navigation tree to display the **Dos Prevention** page.

Figure 3-17 **Dos Prevention** page

	Firewall -> Dos Prevention	
ome Gateway Setting	Dos Prevention	
Home		
WiFi	A "denial-of-service" (DoS) attack is c	haracterized by an explicit attempt by hackers to prevent
HSPA	legitimate users of a service from usin	ig that service.
Voice	Dos Prevention	
Advanced	Enable Dos Prevention	Ves No
Firewall		0.100 0.10
Port Forwarding	✓ Whole System Flood: SYN	50 Packets/Second
Dos Prevention	Whole System Flood: FIN	50 Packets/Second
Parent Control		
Security Policies	Whole System Flood: UDP	500 Packets/Second
MAC Filter	Whole System Flood: ICMP	10 Packets/Second
URL Blocking	Per-Source IP Flood: SYN	10 Packets/Second
DMZ Host	Per-Source IP Flood: FIN	10 Packets/Second
Diagnostics	Per-Source IP Flood: UDP	100 Packets/Second
	Per-Source IP Flood: ICMP	5 Packets/Second
	✓ TCP/UDP PortScan	Low Sensitivity
	Packets with same source and	destination addresses
	Packets with a broadcast source	e address
	Broadband packets with a LAN	source address
	Packets with invalid TCP flag set	ettings(NULL, FIN, Xmas,etc)
	Fragmented packet headers (TC)	CP, UDP and ICMP)
	ICMP Smurf	
	IP Land	
	✓ IP Spoof	
	✓ IP TearDrop	
	PingOfDeath	
	☑ TCP Scan	
	☑ TCP SynWithData	
	UDP Bomb	

Table 3-12 lists the parameter for Dos prevention.

Table 3-12 Parameter for Dos prevention

Item	Description
Enable Dos Prevention	It is used to enable or disable the Dos prevention function.



Parent Control

By using the parent control function, you can control the time of Internet surfing for the children. See the following **Parent Control** page for reference. Figure 3-18 shows the **Parent Control** page.

Figure 3-18 Parent Control page

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vodafone		
	Firewall -> Parent Control	
Home Gateway Settings	Parent Control	
Home		
WiFi	This page adds time of day restriction to a special LAN device connected to the Router. The "Browser's MAC Address" automatically displays the MAC address of the LAN device where the browser is running. To restrict other LAN device, click the "Other MAC Address" button and enter the MAC address of the other LAN device. A maximum 16 entries can be confloured.	
HSPA		
Voice		
Advanced		Ŭ
Firewall	Active rules	
Port Forwarding	Time of Day Restrictions:	
Dos Prevention	Name MAC Mon Tue V	Ved Thu Fri Sat Sun Start Stop Remove
Parent Control		
Security Policies	Create new	
IP Filter	Rule Name :	
MAC Filter	Select Days :	Mon 🗖 Tue 🗖 Wed 🗖 Thu 🦳 Fri 🗖 Sat 🗖 Sun 🗖
URL Blocking		
DMZ Host	Browser's MAC Address :	00:14:2A:FD:5D:A0
Diagnostics	Other MAC Address :	
	Start Blocking Time (hh:mm) :	
	End Blocking Time (hh:mm) :	
		Save Cancel

Table 3-13 lists the parameters for parent control.

Table 3-13 Parameters for parent control

Item	Description
Rule Name	The name of the rule.
Select Days	The weekday(s) to apply the rule.
Browser's MAC Address	The MAC address of the device on which the browser is running. The device is allowed to connect to the network during only a limited period.
Other MAC Address	The MAC address of the device on the LAN, to restrict the period during which it only can connect to the router.
Start Blocking Time (hh:mm)	The start time in hh:mm format for applying the rule.
End Blocking Time (hh:mm)	The end time in hh:mm format for applying the rule.



Security Policies

Figure 3-19 shows the **Security Policies** page.

Figure 3-19 Security Policies page

vodafone	
voddione	
	Firewall -> Security Policies
Home Gateway Settings	Security Policies
Home	
WiFi	Choose preferred firewall level from following pre-defined rules:
HSPA	
Voice	Firewall Level
Advanced	Select Firewall Level : Disabled 💌
Firewall	
Port Forwarding	Save
Dos Prevention	
Parent Control	
Security Policies	
IP Filter	
MAC Filter	
URL Blocking	
DMZ Host	
Diagnostics	

Select **Disabled**, **Block-all**, **High**, **Medium**, **Standard** or **Low** from the **Select Firewall Level** drop-down list and click **Save** to save the settings.

<u>IP Filter</u>

Choose **Firewall** > **IP Filter** in the navigation tree to display the **IP Filter** page. Figure 3-20 shows the **IP Filter** page.

Figure 3-20 IP Filter page

vodafone					
	Firewall -> IP Filter				
Home Gateway Setting	s IP Filter				
Home					
WiFi	Choose Enable or Disable to change	e IP Filter Mode. Choose C	reate or Remov	/e to confi	gure IP filters.
HSPA		0.5.11.000.11			
Voice	IP Filter Mode	🔘 Enable 💿 Disable	9		
Advanced	Custom Rules Table				
Firewall	Rule name Source IP Address	Dest IP Address	Protocol	Action	Remove
Port Forwarding					
Dos Prevention	If you choose custom level you ma	y creat your own firewall r	ules		
Parent Control	Rule name :				
Security Policies	Source IP Address :	to			
IP Filter	Destination ID Address :	to		_	
MAC Filter	Destination IF Address .	10			
URL Blocking	Select Protocol to Block :	HTTP 💌			
DMZ Host	Action :	Deny 💌			
Diagnostics					
				Save	Cancel



Table 3-14 lists the parameters for the IP filter.

Table 3-14 Parameters for the IP filter

Item	Description
IP Filter Mode	Select Enable or Disable to enable or disable the IP filter.
Rule Name	The name of the rule.
Source IP Address	The IP address that allows or rejects access to the Internet or the destination address.
Destination IP Address	The IP address that allows or rejects the source IP address to have access to visit.
Select Protocol to Block	The IP protocol that defines your customized service.
Action	It is used to select whether the firewall allows or rejects the network access.

MAC Filter

Choose **Firewall** > **MAC Filter** in the navigation tree to display the **MAC Filter** page. Select **Enable** or **Disable** to enable or disable the MAC filter.

Figure 3-21 shows the **MAC Filter** page.

Figure 3-21 MAC Filter page

vodafone			
	Firewall -> MAC Filte	er	
ome Gateway Settir	^{ngs} MAC Filte	r	
Home			
WiFi	Choose Enable of	r Disable to change MAC Filter Mode.Black	means that all MAC layer frames will be
HSPA	FORWARDED ex	FORWARDED except those matching with any of the specified rules in the following table. White	
Voice	rules in the followi	ic layer frames will be BLOCKED except the ing table.	use matching with any of the specified
Advanced			
Firewall	Enable MAC Filt	er 🔿 Enable 💿 Disable	
Port Forwarding	Filter Mode		
Dos Prevention		Filter Made:	
Parent Control		The mode.	
Security Policies			Save
IP Filter	Current MAC Fil	ter Table	
MAC Filter	Name	MAC Address	Demos
URL Blocking	name	MAC Address	Remove
DMZ Host	Create new		
Diagnostics		Name:	
		MAC Address:	
			Save Cancel



Table 3-15 lists the parameters for the MAC filter.

Table 3-15 Parameters for the MAC filter	Table 3-15	Parameters	for the	MAC filter
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Item	Description
Filter Mode	The two optional modes are as follows:
	Black indicates that all MAC layer frames will be FORWARDED except those matching with any of the specified rules in the following table. White indicates that all MAC layer frames will be BLOCKED except those matching with any of the specified rules in the following table
Name	The name of the filter.
MAC address	The MAC address of the client that allows or rejects access to the network in the address fields. The MAC address is in six hexadecimal character pairs.

URL Blocking

Figure 3-22 shows the **URL Blocking** page.

Choose **Firewall** > **URL Blocking** in the navigation tree to display the **URL Blocking** page.

Figure 3-22 **URL Blocking** page

voddrone		
	Firewall -> URL Blocking	
lome Gateway Settings	URL Blocking	
Home	_	
WiFi	Items contained in this table are used to restrict the	local client LAN to access URLs. 32 URLs can
HSPA	added.	
Voice		
Advanced	URL Blocking Table	
Firewall	URL / Keyword	Remove
Port Forwarding	You may creat IIPI restriction in the blank box ha	low
Dos Prevention		
Parent Control	URL / Keyword :	
Security Policies		
IP Filter		Save
MAC Filter		
URL Blocking		
DMZ Host		

Table 3-16 lists the parameter for URL blocking.

Table 3-16 Parameter for URL blocking

Item	Description
URL/Keyword	The URL or the keyword of the URL.
Remove	Delete the self-created URL.



DMZ Host

Choose **Firewall** > **DMZ Host** in the navigation tree to display the **DMZ Host** page. Figure 3-23 shows the **DMZ Host** page.

Figure 3-23 **DMZ Host** page

vodafone	
	Firewall -> DMZ Host
Home Gateway Settings	DMZ Host
Home	
WiFi	The DSL router will forward IP packets from the WAN that do not belong to any of the applications
HSPA	configured in the Port Forwarding table to the DMZ Host.
Voice	DMZ Host IP address :
Advanced	Save
Firewall	
Port Forwarding	
Dos Prevention	
Parent Control	
Security Policies	
IP Filter	
MAC Filter	
URL Blocking	
DMZ Host	
Diagnostics	

Table 3-17 lists the parameter for the DMZ host.

Table 3-17 Parameter for the DMZ host

Item	Description
DMZ Host IP address	The IP address of the DMZ host computer
NOTE	
DMZ = Demilitarized Zone	

3.4.7 Diagnostics

By using the diagnostics function, you can test the LAN interfaces of the HG556a once you have completed the cable connection.

USB

Choose **Diagnostics** > **USB** in the navigation tree to display the **USB** page.



Figure 3-24 shows the **USB** page.

Figure 3-24 **USB** page

Vodafone Diagnostics -> USB Home USB WiFi Diagnostics of the USB ports and attached devices. HSPA Voice Advanced Port 1: Firewall Do byice Attached Diagnostics Port 2: No Device Attached Port 3: No Device Attached	6		
Diagnostics -> USB Home USB Home Diagnostics of the USB ports and attached devices. HSPA Diagnostics of the USB ports and attached devices. Voice Test USB port Advanced Port 1: Firewall No Device Attached Diagnostics Port 2: No Device Attached No Device Attached Network Port 3:	vodafone		
Diagnostics -> USB Home USB Home Diagnostics of the USB ports and attached devices. HSPA Diagnostics of the USB port Voice Test USB port Advanced Port 1: No Device Attached Port 2: No Device Attached Port 3: No Device Attached			
Home Gateway Settings USB Home Diagnostics of the USB ports and attached devices. HSPA Diagnostics of the USB port Yoice Test USB port Advanced Port 1: No Device Attached Diagnostics Port 2: No Device Attached VSB Port 3: No Device Attached		Diagnostics -> USB	
Home WiFi Diagnostics of the USB ports and attached devices. HSPA Test USB port Voice Test USB port Advanced Port 1: No Device Attached Diagnostics Port 2: No Device Attached USB Port 3: No Device Attached	Home Gateway Settings	USB	
WiFi Diagnostics of the USB ports and attached devices. HSPA Test USB port Voice Test USB port Advanced Port 1: No Device Attached Diagnostics Port 2: No Device Attached USB Port 3: No Device Attached	Home		
HSPA Voice Test USB port Advanced Port 1: No Device Attached Diagnostics Port 2: No Device Attached USB Port 3: No Device Attached	WiFi	Diagnostics of the USB ports and attached devices.	
Voice Test USB port Test Advanced Port 1: No Device Attached Diagnostics Port 2: No Device Attached USB No Device Attached No Device Attached Network Port 3: No Device Attached	HSPA		
Advanced Port 1: No Device Attached Diagnostics Port 2: No Device Attached USB Port 3: No Device Attached	Voice	Test USB port Test	
Firewall No Device Attached Diagnostics Port 2: No Device Attached USB Port 3: No Device Attached	Advanced	Port 1:	
Diagnostics Port 2: No Device Attached USB Port 3: No Device Attached	Firewall	No Device Attached Port 2: No Device Attached Port 3:	
USB No Device Attached Network Port 3: No Device Attached	Diagnostics		
Network Port 3: No Device Attached	USB		
No Device Attached	Network		
		No Device Attached	

Click **Test** to test the USB ports.

<u>Network</u>

Choose **Diagnostics** > **Network** in the navigation tree to display the **Network** page. Figure 3-25 shows the **Network** page.

Figure 3-25 Network page

6				
vodafone				
	Diagnostics -> Network			
Home Gateway Settings	Network			
Home				
WiFi	Your home gateway is capable of testing your DSL connection. Each of tests is listed below.			
HSPA				
Voice	Test the connection to your local network			
Advanced	Test a LAN1:	In Use		
Firewall	Test a LAN2:	Not In Use		
Diagnostics	Test a LAN3:	Not in Use		
USB	Test a LAN4:	Not In Use		
Network	Test a WiFi:	Pass		
	Test the connection to your Internet service provider			
	Ping default gateway:	Fail		
	Ping DNS:	Pass		



3.5 Troubleshooting

The following table describes solutions to the common problems.

You can also use the auto installation CD-ROM to solve certain connection problems.

If the solutions provided in this document cannot solve the problems you meet, contact the customer service center of Vodafone.

Phenomenon	Possible Cause	Solution
The power indicator is off.	The HG556a is not connected to the power supply.	Connect the HG556a to the power supply.
The ADSL indicator is off.	The telephone line is not properly connected.	Check the connection of the telephone line.
The LAN indicator is off.	The Ethernet cable is not connected to the Ethernet interface on the HG556a.	Connect the Ethernet cable to the Ethernet interface on the HG556a.
	The Ethernet cable is not connected to the PC.	Connect the Ethernet cable to the PC.
The Wi-Fi indicator is off.	The Wi-Fi radio channel of the HG556a is off.	Check whether the Wi-Fi button on the side panel of the HG556a is pressed.
Unable to access the Internet.	The TCP/IP protocol of the network connection (Ethernet or USB) is not installed.	Install the Ethernet cable or USB data card.
	The browser has set up a proxy server.	Access the option of the Internet Explorer and disable the proxy server.
	The SSID or encryption mode (WPA/WEP/non-encryption) of the HG556a is modified or the configuration of the Wi-Fi device is incorrect.	Check whether the SSID or encryption mode of the HG556a is correct.
	The Wi-Fi device is out of the radio coverage of the HG556a.	Put the Wi-Fi device within the radio coverage of the HG556a.
	The Wi-Fi device is not authorized.	Use the 802.11b or 802.11g authorized device and check whether the installation and configuration are correct.
The HSPA indicator is off.	The HSPA module is not correctly connected.	Reconnect the HSPA module.
The HSPA indicator blinking quickly.	The HG556a fails the HSPA self-test.	Check whether the input PIN is correct or check whether the SIM card is inserted correctly or restart the HG556a.



3.6 Safety Precautions

3.6.1 RF Exposure

The device contains a transmitter and a receiver. When it is on, it receives and transmits RF energy. When you communicate with your device, the system handling the connection controls the power level at which your device transmits. Huawei declares that the device is in compliance with EN50385.

Body Worn Operation

Important safety information regarding radio frequency (RF) radiation exposure Failure to observe these instructions could lead to higher RF exposure than the specified limit.

Regulatory Information

The following approvals and notices apply in specific regions as noted.

CE Approval (European Union)

The device is approved to be used in the member states of the EU. Huawei declares that the device complies with the essential requirements and other relevant provisions of the Radio and Telecommunications Terminal Equipment Directive 1999/5/EC (R&TTE Directive).

3.6.2 Product Handling

You are responsible for how you use your device and the related consequences.

You must always switch off the device wherever the use of a wireless device is prohibited. Use of your device is subject to safety measures designed to protect users and their environment.

- Before you install and use the device, read these safety precautions carefully and observe them during operation.
- Handle the device and accessories carefully and keep it in a clean and dust-free place.
- Place the device at a well-ventilated and dry place.
- Keep the device away from equipment with strong magnetic field or electromagnetic field, such as a microwave oven, a refrigerator, or a mobile phone.
- Do not expose the device or its accessories to open flames or lit tobacco products.
- Do not expose the device or its accessories to liquid, moisture, or high humidity.
- Do not drop, throw, or try to bend the device or its accessories.
- Do not use harsh chemicals, cleaning solvents, or aerosols to clean the device or its accessories.
- Do not paint the device or its accessories.
- Do not attempt to disassemble the device or its accessories. Only the authorized personnel have the authority to disassemble the device.
- Do not expose the device or its accessories to extreme temperatures, minimum 0 and maximum 40 degrees Celsius.
- Abide by the local regulations when disposing the electronic products.



Safety Precautions for Children

Do not let children play with the device and its accessories. Otherwise, they may get hurt or may accidentally damage the device.

The device contains small parts with sharp edges that may cause an injury.

Device Heating

Your device may get heated during charging and normal use.

WEEE Approval

The device is approved to be used in the member states of the EU. Huawei declares that the device complies with the essential requirements and other relevant provisions of the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Directive 2002/96/EC (WEEE Directive).

3.6.3 Electrical Safety

Accessories

Use accessories that are approved.

Do not connect the device with incompatible products or accessories.

Faulty and Damaged Products

Do not attempt to disassemble the device or its accessories.

Only qualified personnel can service or repair the device or its accessories.

If the device or its accessories are damp, punctured, or subjected to a severe fall, do not use it until you get an approval from the authorized service center.

3.6.4 Interference

Be careful when using the device in close proximity to personal medical devices, such as pacemakers and hearing aids.

Pacemakers

Pacemaker manufacturers recommend that a minimum separation of 15 cm be maintained between a device and a pacemaker to avoid potential interference with the pacemaker.

Medical Devices

Please consult your doctor and the device manufacturer to determine if the operation of the device may interfere with the operation of your medical device.

3.6.5 Explosive Environments

Blasting Areas

Turn off your device or wireless device in areas prone to explosions or in areas posted turn off "two-way radios" or "electronic devices" to avoid interfering with the explosions.

Lightning

Turn off your device and disconnect it from your computer during lightning weather.



3.7 Glossary

ADSL

Asymmetric Digital Subscriber Line

ADSL is a technology for transmitting digital information at a high bandwidth on existing phone lines to homes and businesses. Unlike regular dial-up phone service, ADSL provides continuously-available, "always on" connection. ADSL is asymmetric in that it uses most of the channel to transmit downstream to the user and only a small part to receive information from the user. ADSL simultaneously accommodates analog (voice) information on the same line. ADSL is generally offered at downstream data rates from 512 kbit/s to about 6 Mbit/s.

ADSL2+

Asymmetric Digital Subscriber Line 2+

ADSL2plus doubles the bandwidth used for downstream data transmission, effectively doubling the maximum downstream data rates, and achieving rates of 20 Mbit/s on phone lines as long at 5,000 feet. ADSL2plus solutions will most commonly be multimode, interoperating with ADSL and ADSL2, as well as with ADSL2plus chipsets.

Browser

A computer program that allows users to view information from the Internet. To use a browser, you type in the URL of a website, and the browser then connects your computer to the website, and shows the information there on your screen.

Client

On a local area network or the Internet, a computer that accesses shared network resources provided by another computer (called a server).

DHCP

Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol

DHCP is a client-server networking protocol. Most organizations use DHCP. A DHCP server provides configuration parameters specific to the DHCP client host requesting, generally, information required by the host to participate on the Internet network. DHCP also provides a mechanism for allocation of IP addresses to hosts.

DNS

Domain Name System

A hierarchical way of tracking domain names and their addresses, devised in the mid-1980s. The DNS database does not rely on one file or even one server, but rather is distributed over several key computers across the Internet to prevent catastrophic failure if one or a few computers go down. DNS is a TCP/IP service that belongs to the Application layer of the OSI model.

Ethernet

A local area network (LAN) architecture developed by Xerox Corporation in cooperation with DEC and Intel in 1976. Ethernet uses a bus or star topology and supports data



transfer rates of 10 Mbit/s. The Ethernet specification served as the basis for the IEEE 802.3 standard, which specifies the physical and lower software layers. Ethernet uses the CSMA/CD access method to handle simultaneous demands. It is one of the most widely implemented LAN standards.

IEEE

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) is a standards organization for computer and electronic devices. Its senior members are IEEE fellows.

Internet

Largest global internet work, connecting tens of thousands of networks worldwide and having a "culture" that focuses on research and standardization based on real-life use. Many leading-edge network technologies come from the Internet community.

The most important using for Internet is:

- The email
- The World Wide Web (WWW)
- The transfer of data
- The forum of discussion
- To transfer data of peer-to-peer
- Chat
- The content of audio/video streaming

IP

Internet Protocol

The set of standards responsible for ensuring that data packets transmitted over the Internet are routed to their intended destinations.

IP address

An IP address is the logical address of a network adapter. The IP address uniquely identifies computers on a network. An IP address can be private, for use on a LAN, or public, for use on the Internet or other WAN.

kbit/s

Kilobit per second

A unit used to express the speed of a network.

LAN

Local Area Network

A computer network covering a small local area, like a home, office, or small group of buildings such as a home, office, or college. Current LANs are most likely to be based on switched Ethernet or Wi-Fi technology running at 10, 100 or 1,000 Mbit/s (1,000 Mbit/s is also known as 1 Gbit/s).

MAC address

It is a hardware address that uniquely identifies each node of a network.



Mbit/s

Megabit per second A unit used to express the speed of a network.

NAPT

Network Address Port Translation

NAPT enables a local area network (LAN) to use one set of IP addresses for internal traffic and a second set of addresses for external traffic.

ΡΡΡοΕ

Point-to-Point Protocol over Ethernet

PPPoE is a network protocol for encapsulating PPP frames in Ethernet frames. It is used mainly with DSL services. It offers standard PPP features such as authentication, encryption, and compression.

Protocol

On the Internet, "protocol" usually refers to a set of rules that define an exact format for communication between systems.

Server

A computer or program that responds to commands from a client. For example, a file server may contain an archive of data or program files. When a client submits a request for a file, the server transfers a copy of the file to the client.

Subnet mask

The technique used by the IP protocol to determine which network segment packets are destined for. The subnet mask is a binary pattern that is stored in the client machine, server or router, and is matched with the IP address.

ТСР

Transmission Control Protocol

The reliable transport protocol within the TCP/IP protocol suite. TCP ensures that all data arrive accurately and 100% intact at the other end. TCP's unreliable counterpart is UDP, which is used for streaming media, VoIP and videoconferencing.

TCP/IP

A suite of communications protocols used to connect hosts on the Internet. TCP/IP uses several protocols, the two main ones being TCP and IP.

UDP

User Datagram Protocol

One of the TCP/IP suite of protocols for data transfer, which allows an application program on one machine to send a datagram to an application program on another machine.

URL

Universal Resource Locator



The global address of documents and other resources on the World Wide Web.

USB

Universal Serial Bus

USB is a serial protocol and physical link, which transmits all data differentially on a single pair of wires. Another pair provides power to downstream peripherals.

Virtual server

A virtual server allows you to direct incoming traffic from the Internet (identified by protocol and external port) to an internal server with a private IP address on the LAN.

WAN

Wide Area Network

WAN usually refers to a network which covers a large geographical area, and uses communications circuits to connect the intermediate nodes. A major factor impacting WAN design and performance is a requirement that they lease communications circuits from telephone companies or other communications carriers.

Wi-Fi

Wireless Fidelity

A wireless data networking protocol generally used to connect PCs to a network. Also known as 802.11b and WLAN (Wireless LAN), it is the most common means of wireless networking and operates at 2.4 GHz.

WPA-PSK

Wi-Fi Protected Access-Pre Shared Key

WPA is an industry standard based on a subset of an early draft of 802.11i. WPA replaces WEP's keying mechanism with a more robust system, called Temporal Key Integrity Protocol (although TKIP is still based on RC4 encryption). (See full description of TKIP). WPA adds a strong message integrity check and allows for authentication using 802.1X.

WEP

Wired Equivalent Privacy

Part of the IEEE 802.11 standard (ratified in September 1999), and is a scheme used to secure wireless networks (Wi-Fi). Because a wireless network broadcasts messages using radio, it is particularly susceptible to eavesdropping; WEP was designed to provide comparable confidentiality to a traditional wired network, hence the name.

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