

# Quick Installation Guide

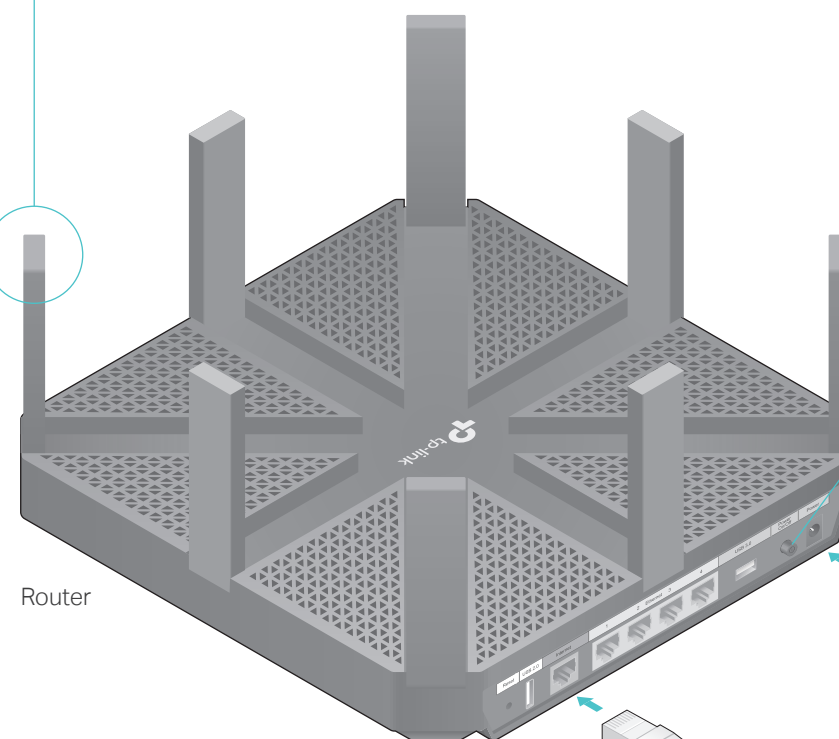
AC5400 Wireless Tri-Band MU-MIMO Gigabit Router

**Archer C5400**

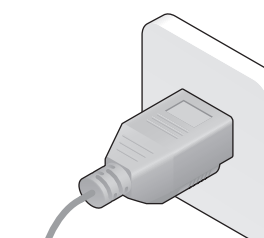
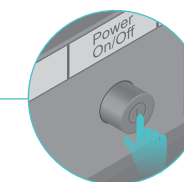
## Connect the Hardware

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

- 1 Place the router horizontally and extend the antennas to the maximum angle.  
Note: For best performance, horizontal installation is recommended. Antenna direction and position can affect performance in vertical installation situations.

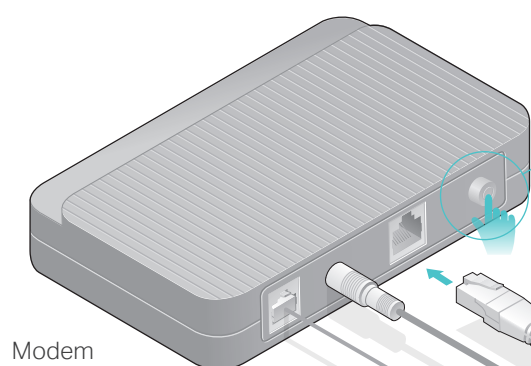


- 5 Connect the power adapter to the router and turn on the router.



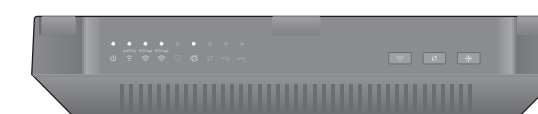
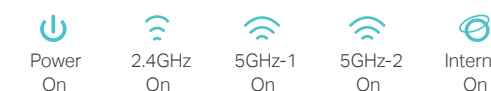
Power adapter

- 2 Turn off the modem, and remove the backup battery if it has one.
- 3 Connect the modem to the router's Internet port with an Ethernet cable.



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

- 6 Verify that the following LEDs are on and solid to confirm the hardware is connected correctly.



- Tips:
1. If all the LEDs are off, press and hold the LED On/Off button for about 1 second, and then check the LEDs again.
  2. If the 2.4GHz, 5GHz-1, and 5GHz-2 LEDs are off, press and hold the Wi-Fi On/Off button for about 2 seconds and all the three LEDs should turn solid on in a few seconds.

# Configure the Cloud Router

## Method ONE: Via TP-Link Tether App

### 1. Download the Tether app.

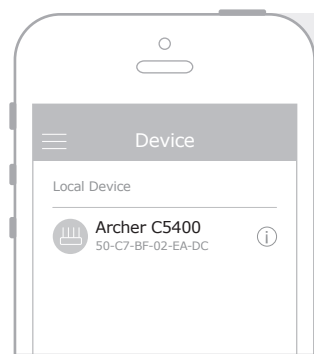


### 2. Connect your smartphone to the router.



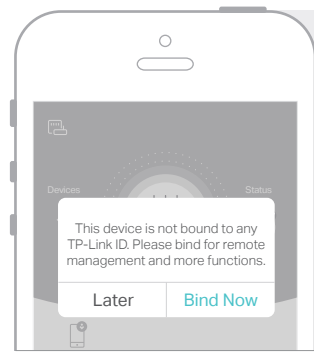
The default wireless network names (SSIDs) and password are printed on the label at the bottom of the router.

### 3. Connect the router to the internet.



- A** Launch the Tether app. Select **Archer C5400** from the local device list.
- B** Create a login password and follow the steps to connect to the internet.

### 4. Register the TP-Link Cloud service.



To enjoy a more complete service from TP-Link, tap **Bind Now** when prompted and follow the instructions to register and bind a TP-Link ID to your cloud router.

With TP-Link ID, you can conveniently manage your home network from your smartphone or tablet via the Tether app, no matter where you find yourself.

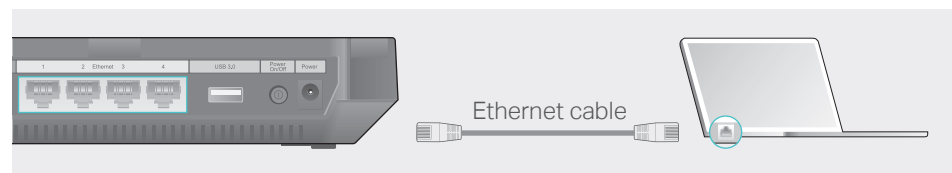
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## Method TWO: Via Web Browser

### 1. Connect your device to the router (wired or wireless).

#### • Wired

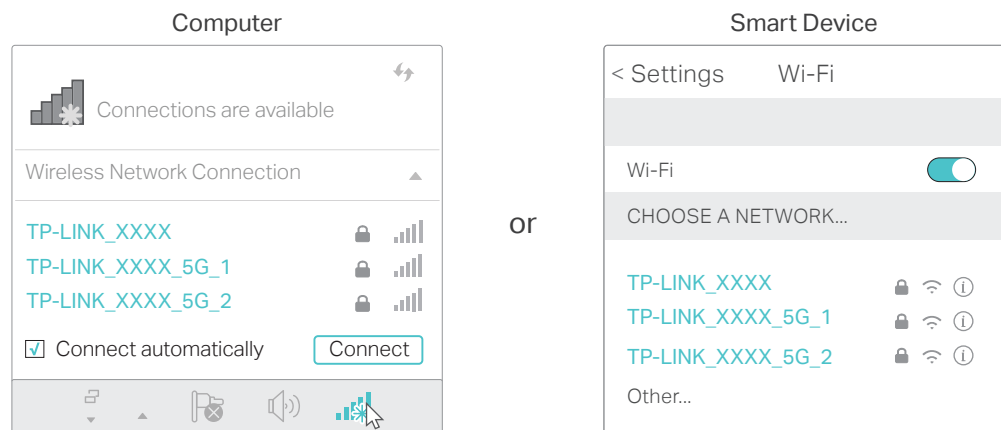
Turn off the Wi-Fi on your computer and connect the devices as shown below.



#### • Wireless

- a** Find the SSID and wireless password printed on the label of the router.

- b** Click the network icon of your computer or go to Wi-Fi settings of your smart device, and then select the SSID to join the network.



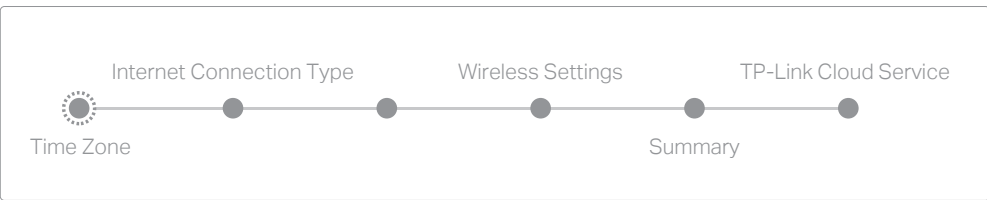
### 2. Connect the router to the internet.

- A** Launch a web browser, and enter <http://tplinkwifi.net> or <http://192.168.0.1> in the address bar. Create a login password and then click **Let's Get Started**.

Note: If the login window does not appear, please refer to **Q1** of **Need Help?** in this guide.



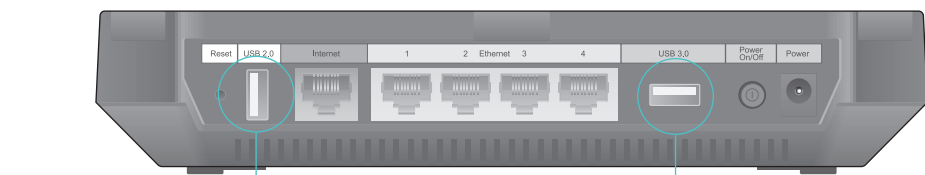
- B** Follow the step-by-step instructions to set up the internet connection and register the TP-Link Cloud service.



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## USB Applications

With the dual USB ports, it's easy to share printers, files and media with multiple devices.



**USB 2.0 Port**

**Local Storage Sharing**  
Share files from the USB drive with devices on your home network

**Remote Access**  
Access the USB drive when you are away from home



**USB 3.0 Port**

**Printer Sharing**  
Share a printer with multiple computers connected to the router

**Media Server**  
Play media from the USB drive on your computer and smart devices

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

# TP-Link Cloud Service

TP-Link Cloud service provides a better way to manage your cloud devices. For example:



#### Remote Management

Easily manage your home network when you are out and about via the Tether app on your smartphone or tablet.

#### Timely Upgrade Notifications

Keep informed of the latest firmware updates, ensuring your router stays at its best.

#### One for All

Manage multiple TP-Link Cloud devices, all from a single TP-Link ID.

You can set up and enjoy cloud functions via the **Tether app** or through the web management page at <http://tplinkwifi.net>.

To learn more about TP-Link Cloud service and other useful features supported by the router (including Guest Network, Parental Controls, Access Control and more), please refer to the **User Manual** at [www.tp-link.com](http://www.tp-link.com).

## Need Help?

### Q1. What should I do if I cannot access the web management page?

- If the computer is set to a static IP address, change its settings to obtain an IP address automatically.
- Verify that <http://tplinkwifi.net> is correctly entered in the web browser. Alternatively, enter <http://192.168.0.1> or <http://192.168.1.1> in the web browser and press **Enter**.
- Use another web browser and try again.
- Reboot your router and try again.
- Disable and enable the network adapter being used.

### Q2. What should I do if I cannot access the internet?

- Check if the internet is working normally by connecting a computer directly to the modem using an Ethernet cable. If it is not, contact your internet service provider.
- Log in to the web management page of the router, and go to the **Basic > Network Map** page to check whether the internet IP address is valid or not. If it is, please run the Quick Setup again; otherwise, check the hardware connection.
- Reboot your router and try again.
- For cable modem users, log in to the web management page of the router. Go to **Advanced > Network > Internet > MAC Clone**, click **Use Current Computer MAC Address** and click **Save**. Then reboot both the modem and the router.

### Q3. How do I restore the router to its factory default settings?

- With the router powered on, use a pin to press and hold the **Reset** button on the back until the Power LED blinks.
- Log in to the web management page of the router, go to **Advanced > System Tools > Backup & Restore**, and click **Factory Restore**. The router will restore and reboot automatically.

### Q4. What should I do if I forget my web management page password?

- If you are using a TP-Link ID to log in, click **Forgot password** on the login page and then follow the instructions to reset it.
- Alternatively, press and hold the **Reset** button on the back of the router until the Power LED blinks to reset it, then visit <http://tplinkwifi.net> to create a new login password.

### Q5. What should I do if I forget my wireless network password?

- If you have not changed the default wireless password, it can be found on the label at the bottom of the router.
- Connect a computer directly to the router using an Ethernet cable. Log in to the router's web management page at <http://tplinkwifi.net>, and go to **Basic > Wireless** to retrieve or reset your wireless password.

📞 For technical support and other information, please visit <http://www.tp-link.com/support>