

M9-SATA USB/LAN

*Network Attached Storage Enclosure
for 3.5" SATA Hard Drives*



User Manual

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1 Introduction

1.1 Icon Key

Throughout this manual you will see icons on the left margin that denote either notes or special remarks as outlined below:



General notes and tips.



Important information.

1.2 The M9-SATA USB/LAN

The M9-SATA USB/LAN offers both high speed USB 2.0 and LAN connection in one unit! A sleek and stylish enclosure for your 3.5" SATA hard drive, ensuring optimum heat dissipation thanks to its heatsink and smart fan. Designed specially for the modern home/office environment.

Product Dimensions: 16.5cm x 16.5 cm x 3.8 cm
 6.5" x 6.5" x 1.5"

1.3 Package Contents

- M9-SATA USB/LAN enclosure
- External power adapter;
 Input 100-240V, Output 12V/2A
- USB 2.0 and Ethernet cable
- Manual
- CD with LAN disk utility for PC



Features and package contents mentioned in this manual may vary between different models.

1.4 System Requirements

1.4.1 PC Requirements

- Minimum Intel Processor III 500MHz, 128MB RAM
- USB 2.0 (USB 1.1) equipped PC; Windows 2000/XP/Vista
- 10, 100 or 10/100Mbps fast Ethernet card, or a USB-to-Ethernet converter equipped PC; Windows 2000/XP/Vista

1.4.2 Mac Requirements

- Minimum Apple G4 processor, 128MB RAM
- USB 2.0 (USB 1.1) equipped Mac; Mac OS 10.2 or above
- 10, 100 or 10/100Mbps fast Ethernet card, or a USB-to-Ethernet converter equipped Mac; Mac OS 10.2 or above





If you forgot the login, press and hold the reset button, turn on the device and wait for the LED to stop blinking (~30 sec). Release the button and reboot the LAN disk. This will reset the device to its factory default settings.



Ensure the thermal probe is attached to your drive, when using the Auto mode for the fan speed.

1.5 Detailed View

Front LED status lights:

-  = HDD access
-  = Network status
- OS** = System status



1. Power switch
2. Power receptacle
3. Fan mode switch
4. 10/100 Ethernet port
5. Reset button
6. USB 2.0 port

Fan settings:

A = Auto

M = Manual

H = High speed

L = Low speed



Always remove the power adapter from the main socket before you open your enclosure.



Your unit might come with an installed hard drive. Before opening such an enclosure, please read the warranty and any other notes from your vendor carefully, as this might void your warranty.

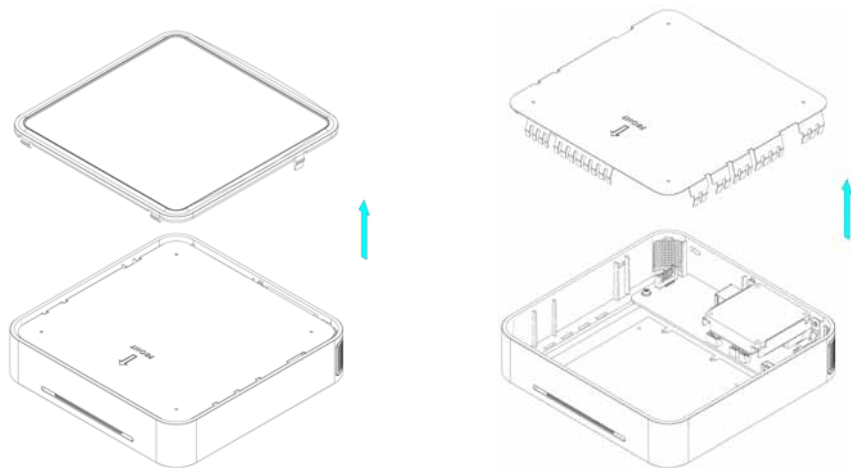


Be careful not to damage any cables or components and do not bend the thermal probe.

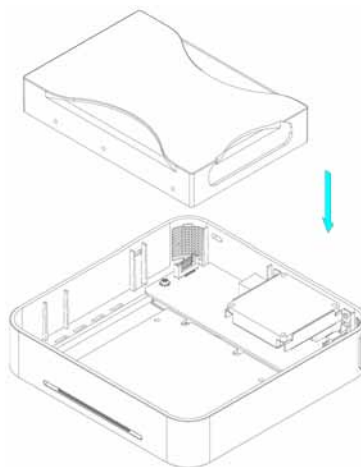
2 Installing the HDD

2.1 Preparing the Enclosure

Lift the top plastic cover off the body. If it's already locked in place, push it upwards with a thin and small item through the opening at the bottom. After the plastic cover has been removed, lift the metal sheet cover off the case.



Install the hard drive, connect the cables and attach the thermal probe with the tape provided to the top of the drive, somewhere near the spindle motor.

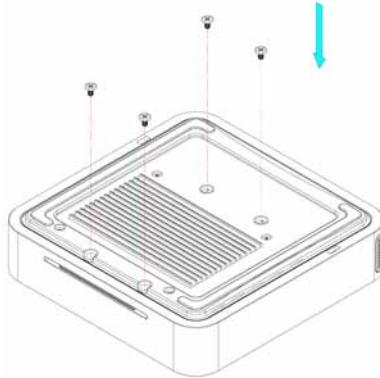




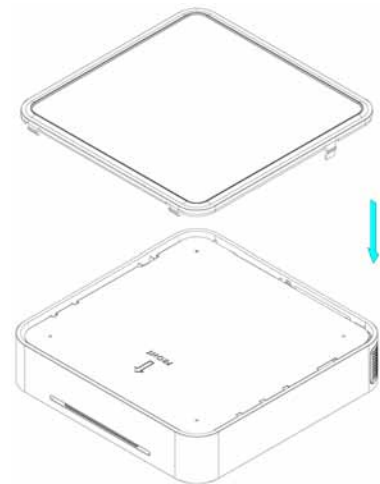
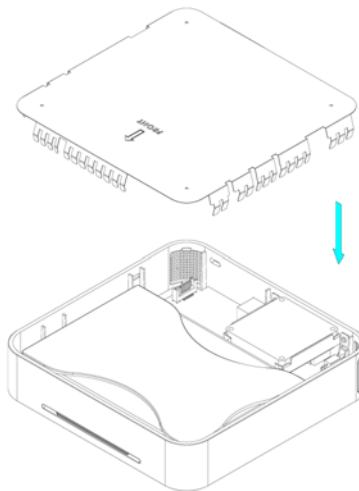
Be careful not to damage any cables or components and double check the connection between the cables, the bridge board and your hard drive before you close up the case.

2.2 Hard Drive Assembly

Hold the drive in place and turn around the enclosure. Fasten the four screws to secure the drive and then turn around the enclosure again.



Align the metal sheet cover with the body and push it lightly into place. Do the same with the top plastic cover to finish the assembly.



2.2.1 Fan Setting

There are 3 modes available to select the desired cooling. Automatic (Auto) / Manual Low (M/L)/ Manual High (M/H).

We recommend using the Auto mode. When this mode is selected, the M9 automatically adjusts the fan speed up and down as necessary, to keep the HDD cool. Ensure the thermal probe is attached to your drive to use the Auto mode.



Make sure your computer is connected to the same network as your LAN disk.



Do not connect the USB and Ethernet cables at the same time!



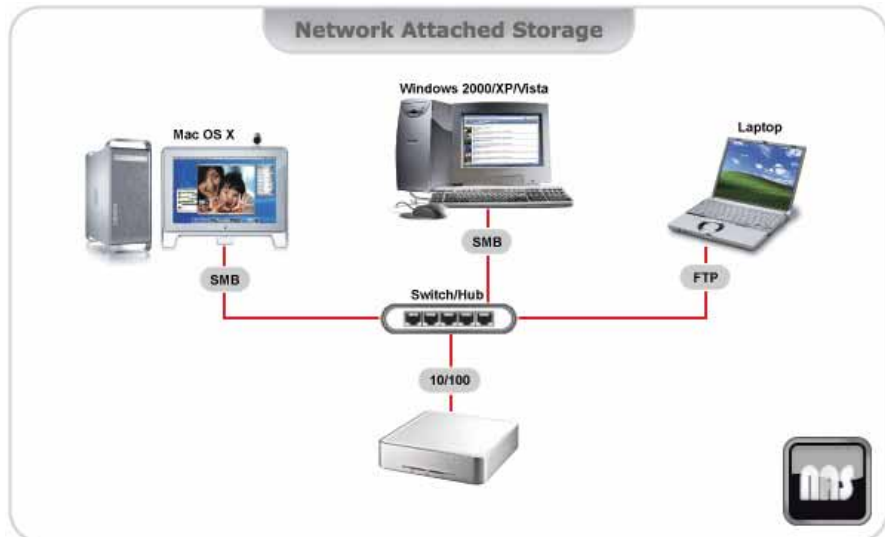
To assure optimum performance on the network, only use network switches and routers.



If you buy a spare power adapter, make sure the specifications are identical with the power adapter supplied!

3 System Setup

In LAN mode, the M9-SATA is attached to an Ethernet switch or router. Each user on the network can use the LAN disk and access it using FTP or SMB.



In USB 2.0 High Speed mode, the M9-SATA is directly attached to a single computer via the USB connection. Only one workstation at a time can access the drive.



A few thoughts on how to operate your device:

- Do not cover the enclosure and leave enough room around it for the drive to cool down.
- Do not expose the product to water or humid conditions.
- Always check for visible damage and defects to power and interface cables before use.
- We recommend only using the cables and adapter supplied with your product.



If you modify the partitions or file system when the drive is connected via USB, keep in mind that the LAN disk is only able to access the first partition and only if it's formatted using the FAT32 file system.

Formatting the drive will erase all data and settings of the LAN disk as well!



The users and passwords you set up for your network drive do not apply when the drive is connected via USB. You will have unlimited access to all files and folders!

3.1 Installation on a PC using USB

3.1.1 USB Connection

Before connecting the device, make sure the hard drive has been installed properly and the power supply has been connected to the main socket. If the drive has been pre-installed and setup already, just connect and turn it on.

- Turn on your computer and start Windows
- Connect the device via USB and turn it on
- Let Windows search and install the driver automatically
- Open "My Computer" to see your external hard drive

If the system doesn't recognise the drive, make sure it has been formatted properly by using the disk utility of the LAN disk.

If it has been formatted already, disconnect and re-connect the USB cable or turn on the power first, before connecting the USB cable.

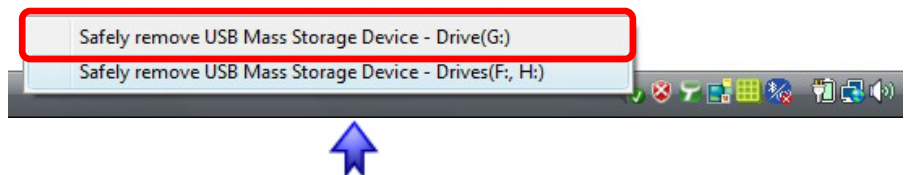
3.1.2 Remove Procedure

For the safe removal of your drive and to assure that no data is lost, always follow the correct unplug procedure. Otherwise, an error message will appear.

- Click on the taskbar icon for external hardware



- Choose your external hard drive and confirm to remove it





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3.2 Installation on a Mac using USB

3.2.1 USB Connection

Before connecting the device, make sure the hard drive has been installed properly and the power supply has been connected to the main socket. If the drive has been pre-installed and setup already, just connect and turn it on.

- Turn on your computer and start Mac OS
- Connect the device and turn it on
- No driver installation required
- The external drive will mount and show up on your desktop

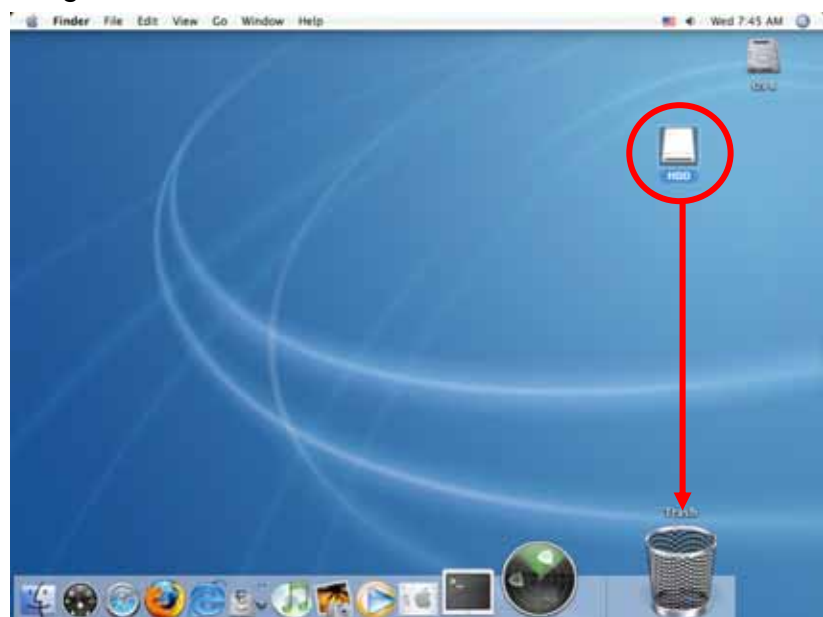
If the system doesn't recognise the drive, make sure it has been formatted properly by using the disk utility of the LAN disk.

If the drive has been formatted already, disconnect and re-connect the USB cable.

3.2.2 Remove Procedure

For the safe removal of your drive and to assure that no data is lost, always follow the correct unplug procedure.

- Drag the external hard drive icon into the trash bin.





The USB cable has to be disconnected in order for the network drive to work. It is not possible to use both interfaces at the same time!



To connect the LAN disk to your network, an additional switch, router or hub may be required.



If you connect the LAN disk to your computer directly, make sure to obtain the IP address and DNS settings automatically, otherwise you may not be able to find the device.

4 LAN Disk Setup

To configure your LAN disk, you will need to use a web browser, enter the IP address of your device and then use the web configuration for further setup.

Before trying to access the device, make sure the USB cable has been disconnected and the drive is connected to the same local network as your computer.

4.1 How to Login

4.1.1 Login on a PC

Open your web browser and type STORAGE or if connected directly to your computer, type 169.254.0.1 into the URL field and hit the Enter key to connect.



If you have more than one device connected at the same time, type STORAGE-xxxx, where the xxxx stands for the last four digits of your Mac address as seen on the bottom of your device (example STORAGE-2343).

Default Login

Username: admin

Password: admin

Note: We strongly suggest you to change the password as soon as you are logged in, to prevent unauthorized access.



The LAN disk utility is only available for Windows.



In order for the LAN disk utility to find and access the network drive, your firewall at UDP port 14675 has to be opened.

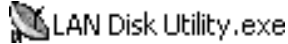


Instead of selecting your device from the list, you could also use its IP address and enter that into the URL field of your web browser.

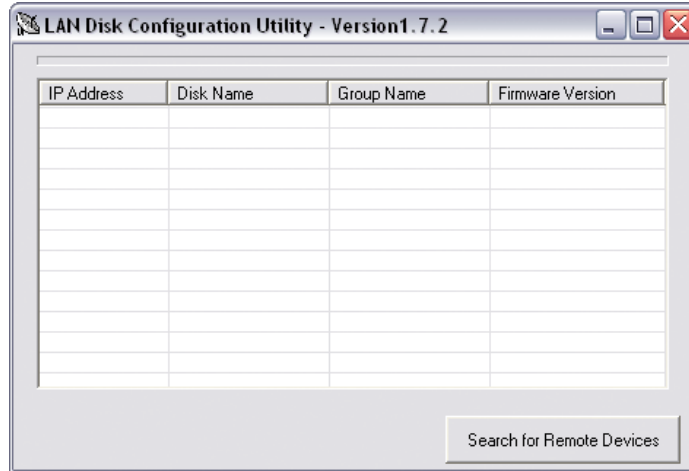
4.1.2 LAN Disk Utility

If typing STORAGE in your web browser does not work, use the LAN disk utility that has been included on the CD.

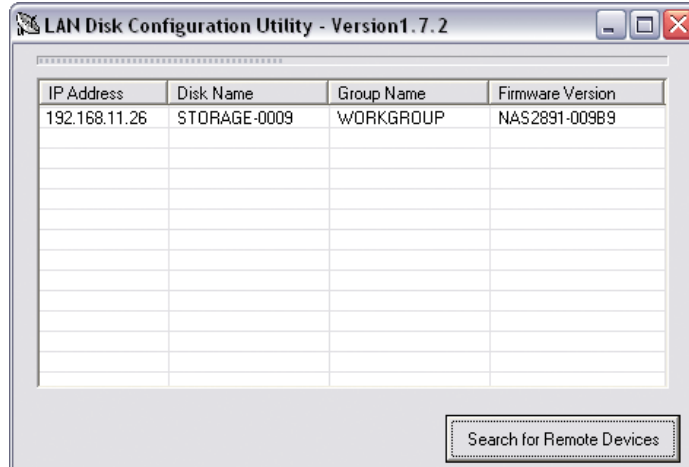
1. Start the LAN disk utility (double click on the EXE file).



2. Click on "Search for Remote Devices".



3. Select your device from the list of available network drives.



4. By clicking on your device, a pop-up message will appear. Enter the admin password to login.



5. Click on "Management" to setup your device.



Instead of using the terminal to find out the IP address of your network drive, you could also access the DHCP records on your router and see which IP has been assigned to your device.

In an office or company, please contact your system administrator for help to setup your device.

4.1.3 Login on a Mac

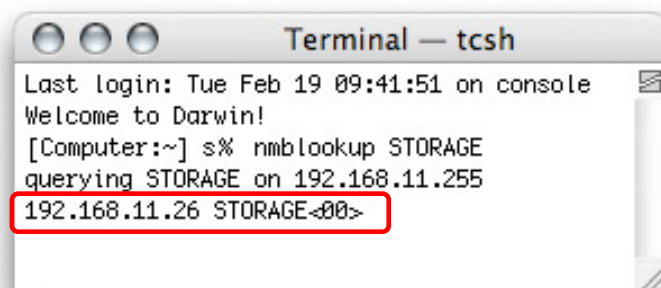
You will have to find out the IP address of your network drive and then use the web browser to access the configuration page.

1. Turn on your device and make sure it is connected to the same local network as your computer.
2. Start the Terminal utility, which is usually located in your Applications folder under Utilities.



Terminal

3. Type `nmblookup STORAGE`. This is the default name of your network drive, so if that has previously been changed and you don't know the correct name, reset the device first. The complete command looks like this:
`nmblookup STORAGE`
4. After entering the previous command and hitting the Enter key, it should return an IP address, followed by the name you just entered.



If you have more than one device connected at the same time, type `nmblookup STORAGE-xxxx`, whereas the `xxxx` stands for the last four digits of your Mac address as seen on the bottom of your device (example `STORAGE-2343`).



The IP address as seen in the screen captures is for reference only. Your IP address will most likely be different.

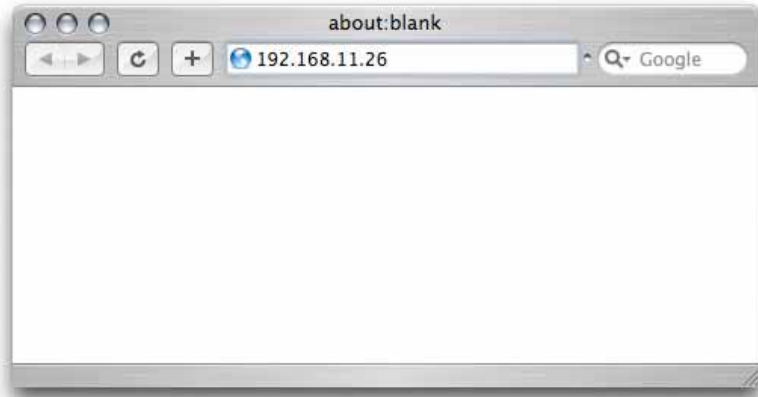


To reset the device, to its factory default settings, press and hold the reset button, turn on the power and wait for the LED to stop blinking (~30 sec). Release the button and reboot the LAN disk.



If you connect the LAN disk to your computer directly, make sure to obtain the IP address and DNS settings automatically, otherwise you may not be able to find the device.

5. Open your web browser and enter the IP address from the previous step to access the web configuration interface.



6. Press the Enter key and you will be asked for the username and password to login.

Default Login

Username: admin

Password: admin

Note: We strongly suggest you to change the password as soon as you are logged in, to prevent unauthorized access.

4.1.4 Peer to Peer

If you connect the network drive directly to your computer via Ethernet cable, you can access it using its default IP 169.254.0.1. Open the web browser and enter 169.254.0.1 to access the configuration page.

Note: You can use the standard patch cable that has been included with your product. There is no need for a crossover cable because the DHCP server of the network drive will turn on automatically.



To reset the device, to its factory default settings, press and hold the reset button, turn on the power and wait for the LED to stop blinking (~30 sec). Release the button and reboot the LAN disk.



By default, the encoding is set to English. If you want to store or transfer files with a different encoding (different language), choose the corresponding language from the drop down list.

If the encoding does not match the language of your files, the transfer can not be completed and file names will be corrupted.

4.2 Web Configuration

Open your web browser, enter the IP address of your network drive and login. The default login is admin/admin.

4.2.1 Status

System Information	
Host Name	STORAGE-0009 <input type="button" value="Change"/>
Group Name	WORKGROUP <input type="button" value="Change"/>
Administrator	admin <input type="button" value="Change"/>
Date/Time	2007/01/01 14:58:40 GMT1 <input type="button" value="Change"/>
Language	English <input type="button" value="Change"/> help
Firmware Version	NAS2891-009B9 LOADER 3.2
Network Information	
IP Address	192.168.11.26
MAC Address	00:0b:b4:00:00:09
DHCP Server	OFF <input type="radio"/> ENABLE <input checked="" type="radio"/> DISABLE <input type="button" value="Apply"/>
Service Information	
Samba Service	<input checked="" type="radio"/> ENABLE <input type="radio"/> DISABLE <input type="button" value="Apply"/>
FTP Service	<input checked="" type="radio"/> ENABLE <input type="radio"/> DISABLE <input type="button" value="Apply"/>
Disk Information	
Disk ID	[Model: ST3300831AS] [FW: 3.03] [SN: 4NF0AYT1]
Free Size	286085 MB free
Total Size	286168 MB

- **Host Name:** This name is used to identify your device on the network. If you prefer a different name that is easier to identify, click on Change and type in a new name.
- **Group Name:** This should be the same name as your workgroup. In general, the default, WORKGROUP will be OK but if your workstation belongs to a different group, click on Change to modify the workgroup.

On a PC, right click on My Computer and choose Properties. Go to the Computer Name tab to see your current workgroup.

For a Mac to join a Windows workgroup, open the directory access utility (under Applications → Utilities). Select SMB and click Configure to modify the settings (administrator access is required to access this option).

Identification	
Host Name	STORAGE-0009
Group Name	WORKGROUP
<input type="button" value="OK"/> <input type="button" value="Cancel"/>	

Note. First character can not be number (0~9).



The date and time settings are only accurate as long as the power is turned on.

If SNTP is disabled and you turn off or remove the power supply, the date and time have to be set again!



If SNTP is set to Auto and a time server is selected, it will automatically synchronise the time at boot up.



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- **Administrator:** This is the account used to manage the settings of your network drive. The admin user name can not be changed but we strongly recommend changing the password as soon as you have logged in for the first time, to prevent any unauthorised access.

Click on Change, enter your new password, click OK to apply it and you will be asked to login again with your new password.

The image shows a dialog box titled "Administration". It contains three input fields: "Administrator" with the value "admin", "Password" (empty), and "Verify Password" (empty). The password field has a note "(Max 12 Bytes)". At the bottom, there are "OK" and "Cancel" buttons.

- **Date/Time:** Click on Change to setup the correct date and time. By default, SNTP is disabled, so you can enter the date and time manually, then click OK to save the settings.

If internet access is available, we recommend setting SNTP to AUTO instead. Select a time server from the list, choose your time zone and if necessary select the option for daylight savings. Click OK to apply the new settings and it will automatically synchronise date & time with the time server.

The image shows a dialog box titled "Date and Time". It has fields for "Date" (2007 / 01 / 01) and "Time" (16 : 19 : 52). Below these are radio buttons for "SNTP" with "AUTO" and "DISABLE" options. A "Time Server" dropdown menu is set to "clock.isc.org". A "Time Zone" dropdown menu is set to "(GMT+01:00) Amsterdam, Berlin, Bern, Paris, Rome, Stockholm, Vienna". There is a checkbox for "Daylight Saving Time" which is unchecked. "OK" and "Cancel" buttons are at the bottom.

- **Language:** By default, the encoding is set to English. If you want to store or transfer files with a different encoding (different language), choose the corresponding language from the drop down list. Click on Help for further details.

In order to transfer and view the files correctly, it is important that you select the correct language!



It is recommended to periodically check the website of your vendor for possible updates.



If you modify the partitions or file system when the drive is connected via USB, keep in mind that the LAN disk is only able to access the first partition and only if it's formatted using the FAT32 file system.

If the disk information shows that the drive has not been found, use the disk utility to format it again.

- **Firmware Version:** Displays the current firmware and loader version. Check your vendor's website for possible updates.
- **Network Information:** Displays the current IP address and the MAC address of your network drive.

The DHCP server should be disabled in order not to interfere with your existing DHCP server. In most circumstances, your router will be assigning the IP addresses or in a company, a dedicated DHCP server might already be running.

When the network drive is connected directly to your computer via patch cable but without a router, the DHCP server will be turned on. This will allow you to connect to the network drive without crossover cable.

- **Service Information:** By default, both Samba and FTP services are enabled, allowing you to transfer files via FTP or mount the network drive using SMB.

If you only use one of these services, we recommend disabling the other one for security reasons. You can always enable it again in the future.

- **Disk Information:** Displays details about the installed hard drive and the capacity.

If you do not see any details, it is possible that the drive has not yet been installed or it has not been recognised because it has not yet been formatted. Make sure the hard drive has been installed properly and then use the disk utility to format it.



To find out the correct settings for a static IP setup, refer to your router settings or ask your system administrator.

4.2.2 IP Config

IP Config	
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Automatic IP	
<input type="radio"/> Static IP as below	
IP	192.168.11.26
SubnetMask	255.255.255.0
Gateway	192.168.11.1
Primary DNS	192.168.11.1
Secondary DNS	0.0.0.0

By default, the IP Config is set to Automatic IP. This is the recommended setting and will allow the network drive to obtain its IP address automatically.

If you prefer setting it manually, select the Static IP option, enter your own values and click Apply to confirm the new settings.

Setting it manually is useful when it often obtains a different IP address but you need to have a static IP address in order to mount the network drive or set up port forwarding as an example.

4.2.3 Maintenance

Firmware Upload
Select new firmware to upload. Please don't turn off the power and close the web browser when the firmware is uploading.
<input type="text"/> <input type="button" value="Browse..."/> <input type="button" value="Upload"/>

System Reboot
Click the Reboot button to have the device perform a software restart. The SYSTEM LED will blink as the device restarts and then remain on if the restarts is successful. Please wait about a minute before refreshing your browser before logging in again.
<input type="button" value="Reboot"/>

Factory Defaults
Click the "Reset" button to clear all configuration and restore to default settings. Please don't turn off the power and close the web browser when the system is changing the settings. Please click "Reboot" button after reset.
<input type="button" value="Reset"/>

The tools found under maintenance can be used to upgrade the firmware of your LAN disk and to reset the device to its factory default settings. Read the description displayed for each tool for more details.



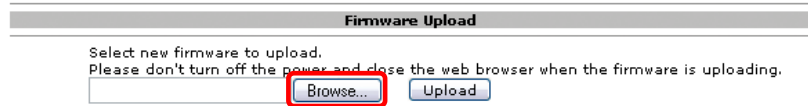
It is recommended to periodically check the website of your vendor for possible updates.



Never turn off your device during the firmware upgrade procedure or it may damage it!

- **Firmware Upload:** Here you can update the loader and firmware for your network drive.

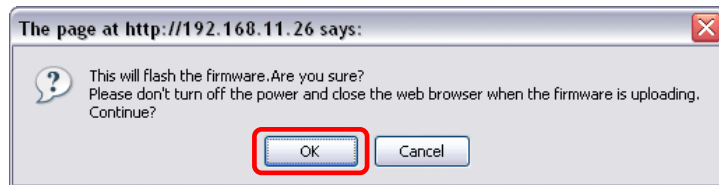
1. Download the latest firmware and loader from your vendor's website.
2. Store the files on your computer and unzip them if necessary.
3. Click on Browse and locate the firmware (BIN file).



4. Click on Upload.

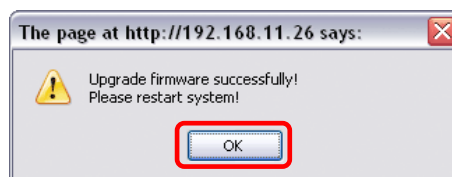


5. Confirm the pop-up message to start the upgrade.



6. Wait and DO NOT click anywhere else or turn off the power! This might take a few minutes.

7. Once the upgrade is done, it will prompt you to reboot the device.



8. Click on Reboot to restart the device.
9. Wait for about one minute and then go to the Status page to confirm the upgrade was successful.



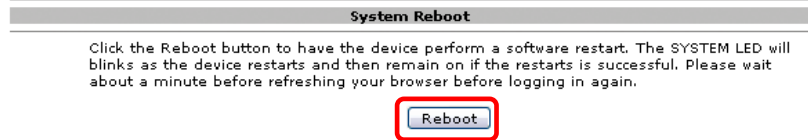
Make sure all current operations are done before rebooting the device.



Resetting the device will remove all folders from the sharing list, erase the FTP accounts and reset all other settings!

- **System Reboot:** This can be used to restart the network drive after a firmware upgrade.

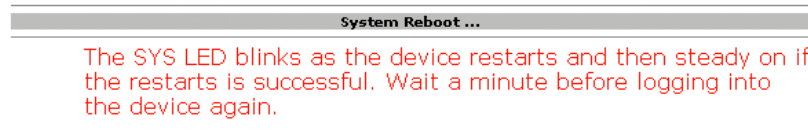
1. Click on Reboot.



2. Confirm the pop-up message to restart the device.



3. Wait for about one minute before refreshing the page.

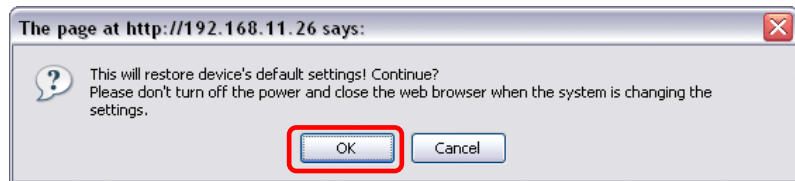


- **Factory Defaults:** If you experience problems and after a firmware upgrade, it is recommended to reset all settings.

1. Click on Reset.



2. Confirm the pop-up message to reset all settings.



3. Click on Reboot to restart the device.





The public folder is created by default. To access it, move it to the sharing list.



Only use the English alphabet and no special characters when creating new folders.

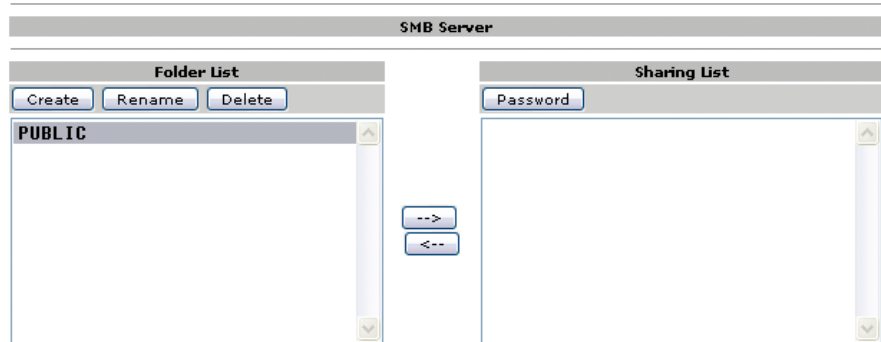


Only the folders on the sharing list will be accessible on the network. Use the arrow buttons to add and remove the folders from that list.



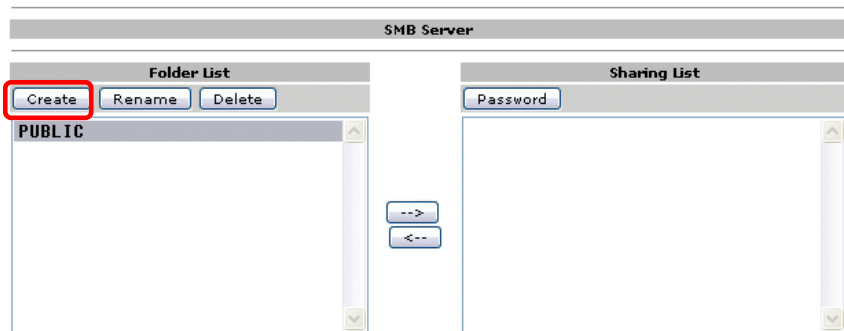
Deleting a folder will also erase all the files on the hard drive that are stored inside that directory!

4.2.4 SMB Server

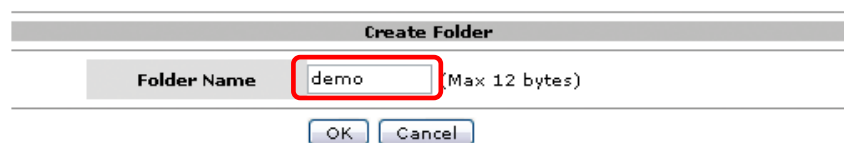


Only use the English alphabet for folder names and no special characters or spaces. You can create a maximum of 16 folders. The default ports used by the SMB server are 137-139.

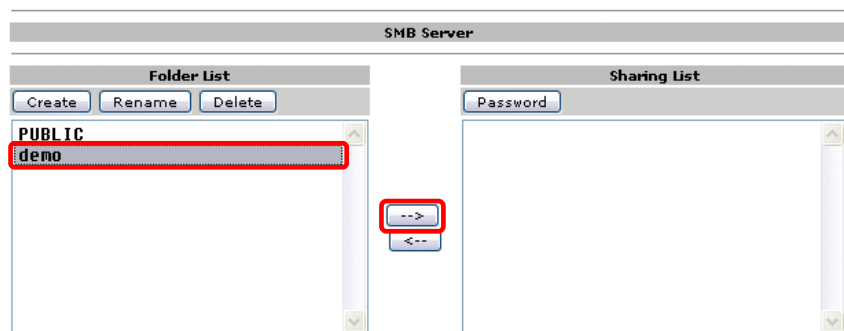
1. To create and share a new folder, click on Create.



2. Type a name for the new folder and click OK (max 12 bytes).



3. Select the new folder and click on the right arrow button to move it to the sharing list, making it accessible to all users.





The password is optional and only required if you like to limit access to it.



A star mark after the folder name means that this directory is password protected.

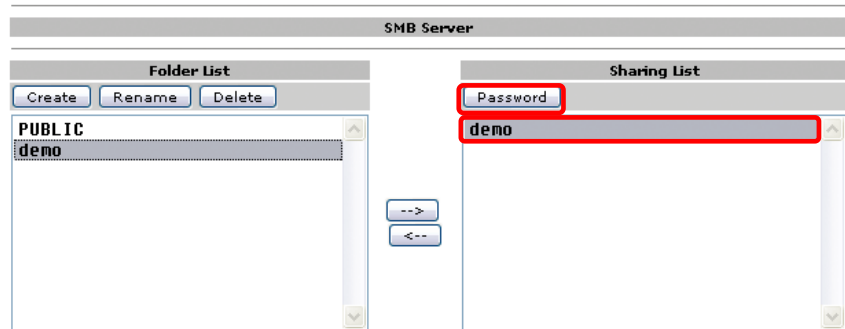


You don't usually have to enter a username but if it's required for login, use guest.

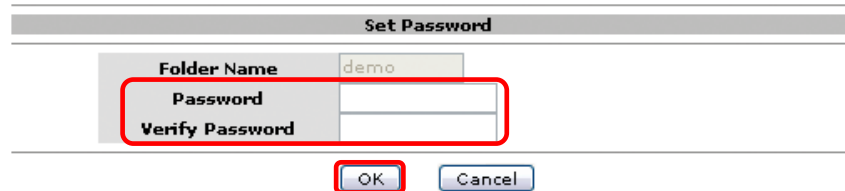


Remember to enable the Samba service on the Status page when you plan on using the SMB server.

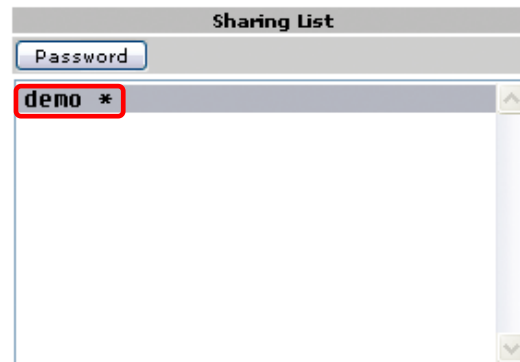
4. To limit access, you can set an optional password. Select the folder in the sharing list and click on Password.



5. Enter a new password for this folder. When the user tries to access this folder later, this will be the password they need to type in.



6. In the sharing list, the folder will now have a star mark. This means that it is password protected.



Now that you have set up the folders that you wish to share on your LAN disk, you can access them from other computers on your local network.

You can remove the folders from the sharing list at any time and also rename them if required. When deleting, remember that this will also remove all the files in that directory!



Remember to enable the FTP service on the Status page when you plan on using the FTP server.



When you change the port number for the FTP server, remember to adjust your firewall, or otherwise the FTP access will most likely be blocked.



If the anonymous FTP account is set to a shared folder with password protected access, the password will be ineffective and the directory can be accessed via FTP.

4.2.5 FTP Server

The screenshot shows two parts of the web interface. The top part is titled "FTP Configuration" and includes a section for "FTP Server Configuration" with a "Port" field set to "21" and a note "21 or 1025-65500". There are radio buttons for "Enable" and "Disable", with "Disable" selected. Below that are radio buttons for "Read only" and "Read/Write", with "Read only" selected. A "Home Directory" dropdown menu is set to "PUBLIC". An "Apply" button is visible. The bottom part is titled "Account List" and has buttons for "Add", "Modify", "En/Disable", and "Delete". Below these buttons is a table with columns: "[User Name]", "[Password]", "[Access]", and "[En/Disable]". The table is currently empty.

When creating FTP accounts only use the English alphabet and no special characters or spaces.

- **FTP Server Configuration:** The standard port for the FTP service is 21. If required, you can change it and use any port number from 1025-65500 but in general, we recommend using the default of 21.
- **Allow Anonymous:** This will allow an FTP user to login without username or password. For security reasons, it's best to keep this disabled.

If you like to grant FTP access to an anonymous user, set it to Enable. Decide if that user will have read only or read & write access and select the home directory for the anonymous user. Click on Apply to save the new settings.

1. To add a new account, click on Add.

This screenshot is similar to the one above, showing the "Account List" section. The "Add" button is highlighted with a red rectangle. The table below it remains empty.



Only use the English alphabet and no special characters or spaces for the FTP account.



Only the folders on the sharing list will be accessible for the FTP user. Use the arrow buttons to add and remove the folders from that list.

2. Enter a name for the new FTP account (max 12 bytes) and click on Add.

FTP Add Account

Account Name (Max 12 Bytes)

3. Select the new account from the list and click on Modify.

Account List

[User Name]	[Password]	[Access]	[En/Disable]
demo	-----	RO	ENABLED

4. Here you have the option to add a password and change the access rights for that particular FTP account.

Modify FTP Account

Account demo

Password (Max 12 Bytes)

Access Read only Read/Write

Folder List

Sharing List

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5. Set a new password (max 12 bytes) and decide if the user can only view and download the files (read only) or if files can also be uploaded, modified and deleted (read/write). Click on Modify to apply the new settings.

Modify FTP Account

Account demo

Password (Max 12 Bytes)

Access Read only Read/Write



The password of a SMB folder does not apply to the FTP account. As long as the folder is in the sharing list for that particular FTP account, the user will have access to that directory.

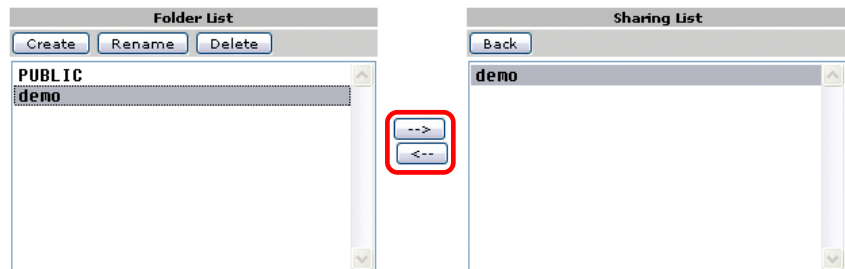


Deleting a folder will also erase all the files on the hard drive that are stored inside that directory!

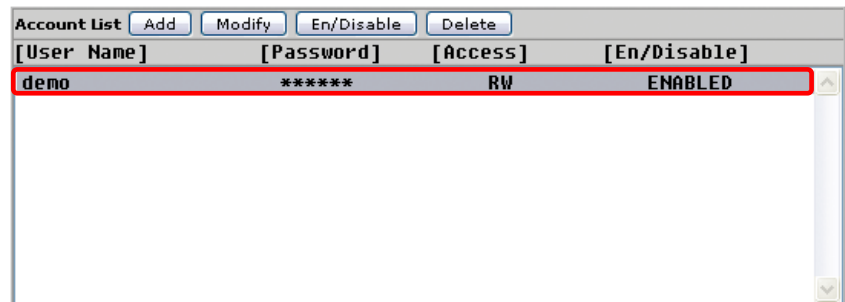
6. For the FTP user to access the files, move the folder you want to share by clicking on the right arrow button to the sharing list.

The folders from the SMB server will be available here but you can also add new and modify existing ones if required.

Use the arrow buttons to add and remove the folders from the sharing list. Use the Create button to add more folders and the delete button to erase a folder and all its content.



7. Click on Back to return to the FTP server page.
8. In the account list, you can see an overview of the existing FTP accounts and their status. You can change them at any time by selecting the account and modifying, disabling or deleting it.



Note: For FTP file transfers we recommend using a dedicated FTP application.



The UPnP AV server of the LAN disk is designed only for the Xbox 360 video console from Microsoft and it's only possible to share photos and music files.



The file sharing can be disabled at any time by clicking on Disable for either the photo or music directory.

4.2.6 XBOX360 Media

UPnP AV Server

Sharing List	Photo Directory
PUBLIC	Disable Disable

Sharing List	Music Directory
PUBLIC	Disable Disable

The UPnP AV server can be used to share your photos and music files that are stored on the LAN disk with an Xbox 360 video game console from Microsoft that is connected to the same local network.

1. Select the folder where your photos are stored from the sharing list.

UPnP AV Server

Sharing List	Photo Directory
PUBLIC demo PUBLIC	Disable Disable

Sharing List	Music Directory
PUBLIC	Disable Disable

2. Click on Set to enable the file sharing with your Xbox 360 and save the new setting.

UPnP AV Server

Sharing List	Photo Directory
demo	Set Disable Disable

Sharing List	Music Directory
PUBLIC	Set Disable Disable

3. The photo directory should now list the new folder.

UPnP AV Server

Sharing List	Photo Directory
demo	Set demo Disable

Sharing List	Music Directory
PUBLIC	Set Disable Disable

4. Follow the same steps to share your music as well.



If you modify the partitions or file system when the drive is connected via USB, keep in mind that the LAN disk is only able to access the first partition and only if it's formatted using the FAT32 file system.



Formatting the drive will erase all data, as well as the SMB folders and FTP accounts!



To save energy and keep the drive cool, it is recommended to set a sleep time.

4.2.7 Disk Utility

Disk Utility

Format Disk

Sleep Time (min) 0 to disable, range 5-60 to enable.

Scan Disk

- **Format Disk:** Use this tool to format your hard drive and prepare it for the LAN disk. When you format it using this disk utility, it will create a single partition using the FAT32 file system.

If you create other partitions or choose a different file system when connected through USB, keep in mind that the LAN disk is only able to recognise the first partition and it has to be the FAT32 file system!

- **Sleep Time:** Set a time from 5 to 60 minutes. When the drive is idle for longer than that, it will automatically go into stand-by mode and spin down.

If you need immediate access to the drive, set it to 0 and the drive will keep spinning at all times.

- **Scan Disk:** Click on Start to scan the disk for errors. A report will be shown in the field below. If errors are found, it is recommended to format the drive again and/or connect it via USB to a computer to scan for and fix the errors. Use the Delete Error Msg button to erase any old reports.

5 Network Storage

To access the data on the LAN disk via the network connection, you may use either FTP or SMB. Before you can access the shared folders, you will have to set up your shares and FTP accounts. See chapter 4 for more details about the setup.



Instead of using the IP address, you can also use the host name. As an example, you can type \\STORAGE into the address field or if you have modified it, also your new host name.

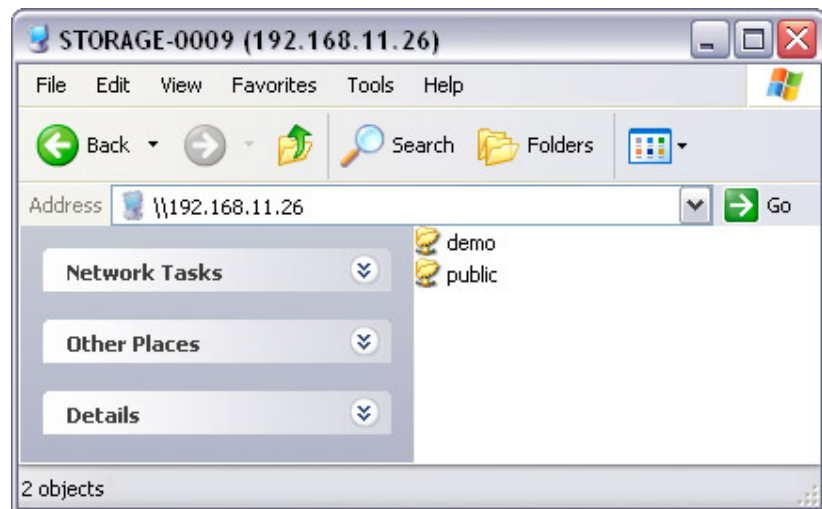


When you have to access multiple folders with different passwords or have modified the settings without a computer restart, go to Tools and disconnect the temporary network drives first before accessing a new folder.

5.1 File Access on a PC

5.1.1 Windows Explorer

Use Windows Explorer and type \\ followed by the IP address or \\STORAGE into the address field and press the Enter key on your keyboard. It will then list all available folders on your LAN disk.



You can copy files to the network storage as if it were a folder on your local drive. Depending on the bandwidth, you can also open and directly play the files, although we recommend always transferring the data to your local drive first.

Note: To create a permanent link to your network drive, see [Mapping a Network Drive](#).



Mapping the network drive will allow you to create a permanent link that is easier to access even after restarting the computer and it can also be used to store files from within other applications.

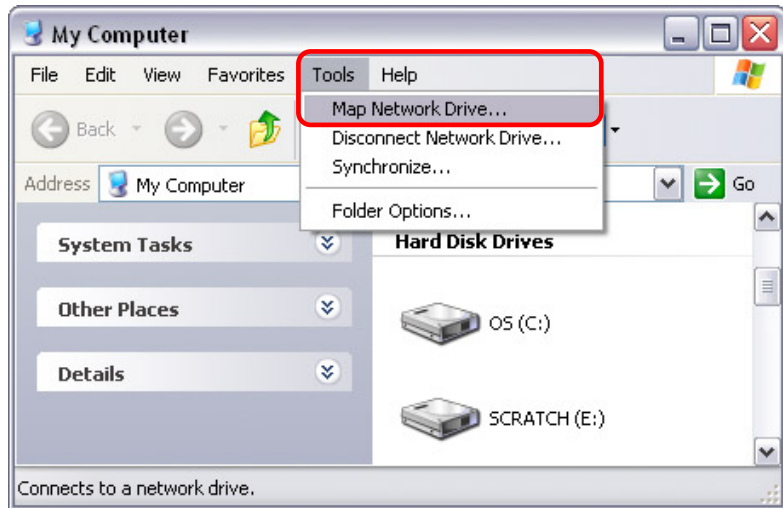


It is recommended to select the option to reconnect at logon when you map the network drive, otherwise you will have to map it again after a restart.

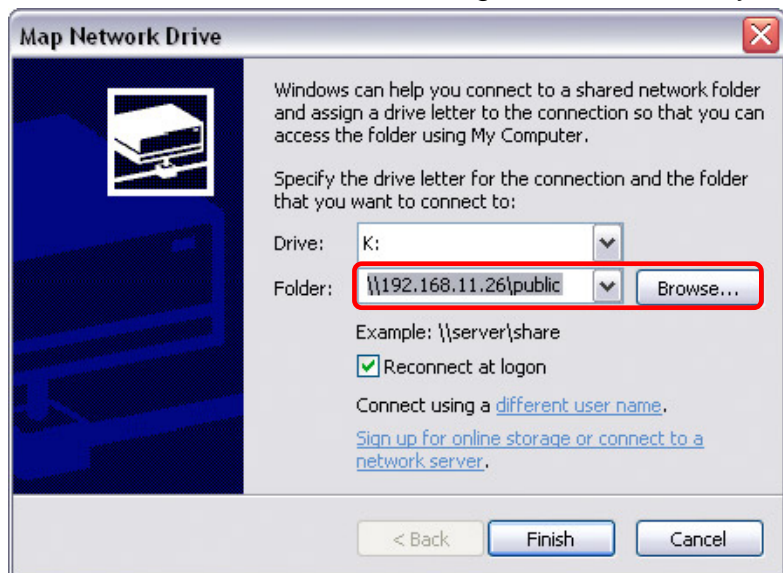
5.1.2 Mapping a Network Drive

For a more convenient access, we recommend mapping the LAN disk as a network drive.

1. Double click on My Computer, go to the Tools menu and select “Map Network Drive...”.



2. Follow the setup wizard and fill in the path to your LAN disk. Alternatively, you can also browse for the shares by clicking on the Browse button and locating the drive that way.



When entering the IP address, also add the folder:
\\192.168.11.26\public

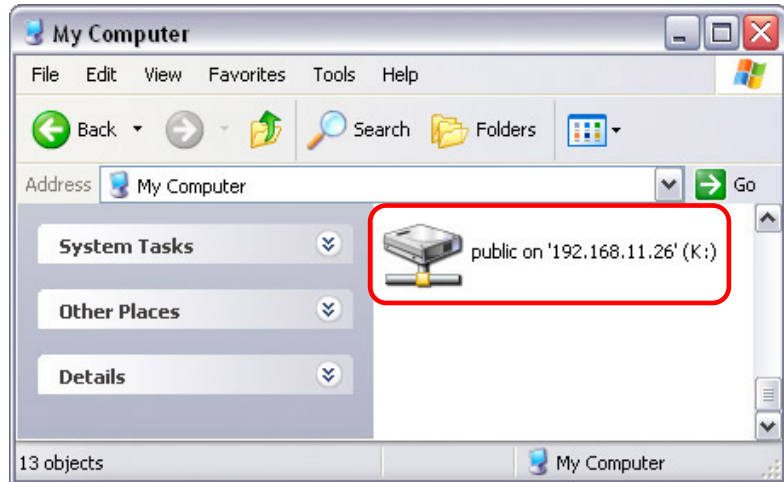


For temporary access, you can also simply go to My Network Places, view the workgroup computers and select your LAN disk from the list to access the folders



If you experience problems with the access, disconnect all network drives on the LAN disk, reboot your computer and then try again.

3. Once the drive has been mapped, you are able to find and access it under My Computer. This link will still be there even after rebooting your Operating System.



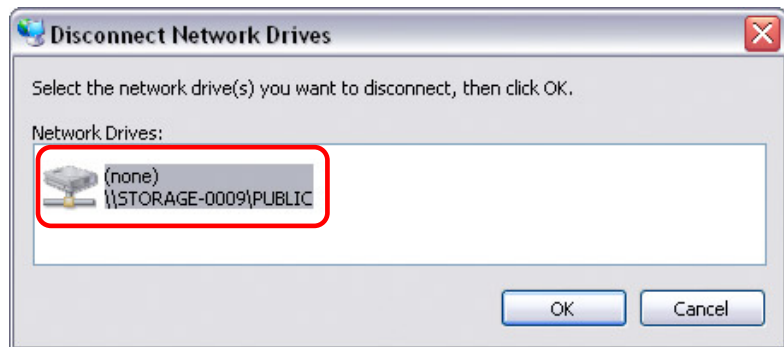
5.1.3 Disconnecting a Network Drive

When you don't need a mapped network drive any more, we recommend disconnecting it. It is also necessary to disconnect a temporary network drive when you try to login with a new password but have not restarted the computer in between.

1. Double click on My Computer, go to the Tools menu and select "Disconnect Network Drive..."



2. Select any temporary or mapped network drives that you would like to remove and click OK.



5.1.4 FTP

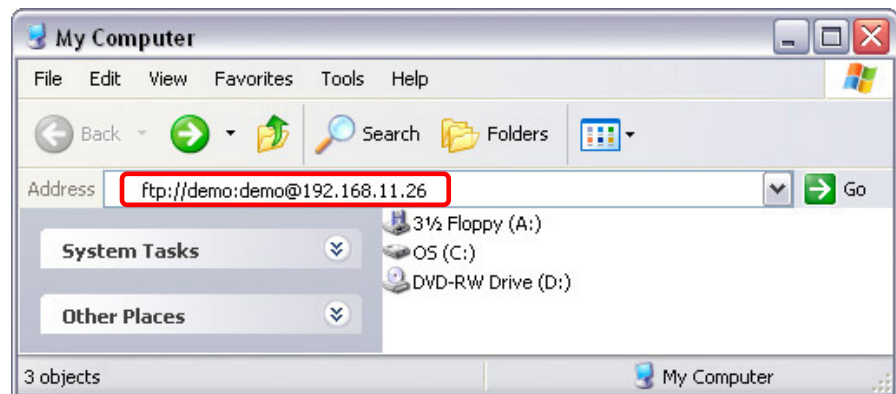
Use Windows Explorer and type ftp:// followed by the IP address of your LAN disk. Add the user name and password in front of the IP address with an @ sign in between like this:
ftp://demo:demo@192.168.11.26



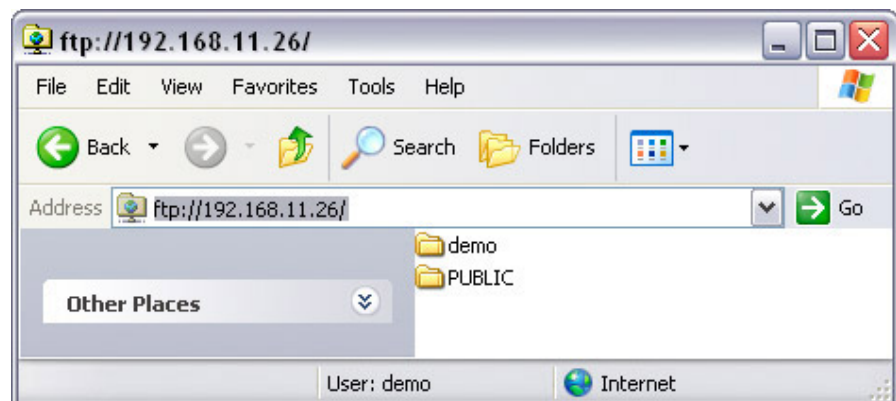
For FTP transfers, we recommend installing and using a dedicated FTP application, which can either be a free utility or shareware program.



Files can not be opened directly via FTP, you will always have to transfer them to your computer first.



After login, you can access the available folders and transfer your files.





You don't usually have to enter a username but if it's required for login, use guest.



For folders without password protection, simply leave the password field empty and click OK to access it.

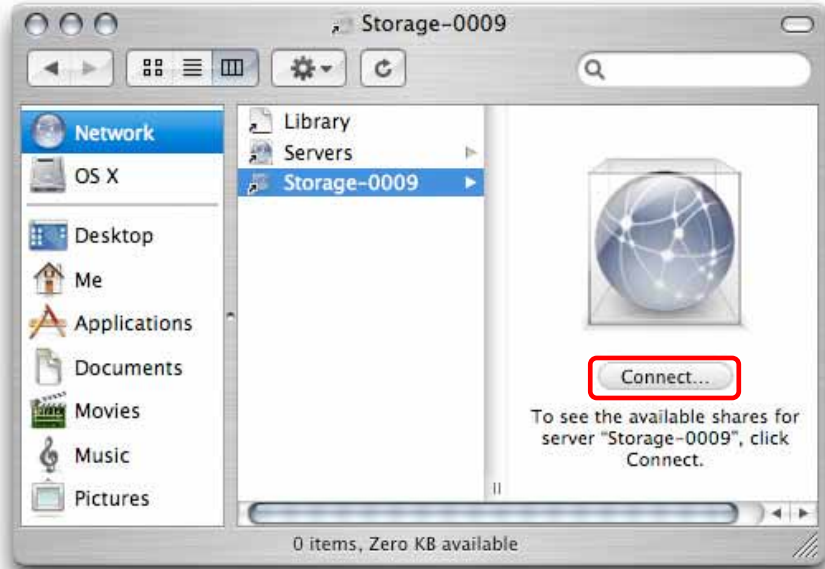


Instead of the IP address, you can also type `smb://STORAGE` or the full name `STORAGE-xxxx`, where `xxxx` stands for the last four digits of your LAN disk's Mac address.

5.2 File access on a Mac

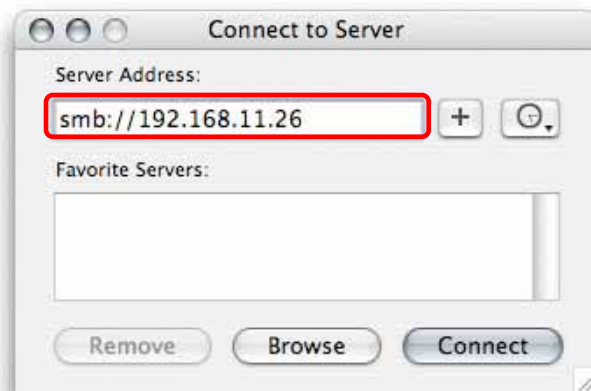
5.2.1 SMB

To mount and access the network drive, open your Finder, click on "Go" and choose "Network". Browse for your network drive with the name STORAGE and click on Connect to access it.

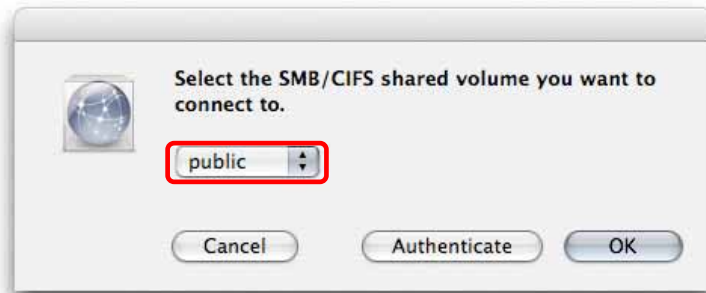


Alternatively, you can use the "Connect to Server" command.

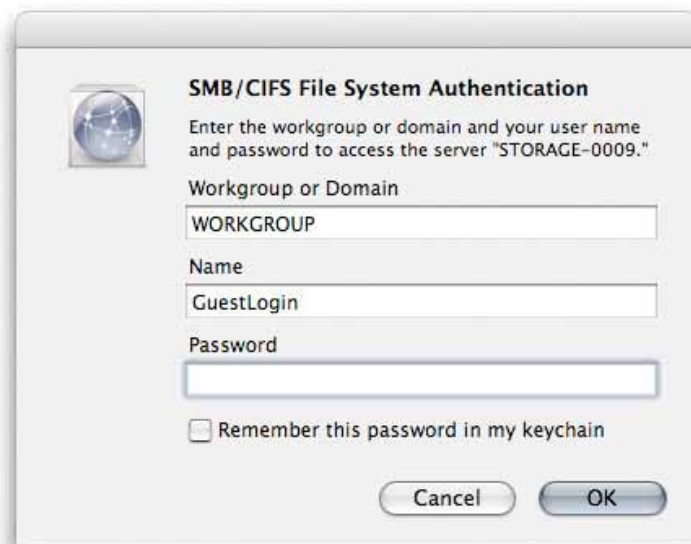
1. Click on "Go" and choose "Connect to Server".
2. Type `smb://` followed by the IP address of your LAN disk or click on the Browse button to locate the folder on your network. Click on the Connect button once the server address has been filled out.



3. Choose a folder from the list and click OK.



4. You don't usually have to change the user name but if your default name does not work, try using guest. If a password has been set, enter it, otherwise leave the password field empty and click OK to mount the drive on your desktop.



5. To access the network drive and transfer your files, click on the icon on your desktop. When not needed any more, drag the icon to the trash bin to eject the drive.



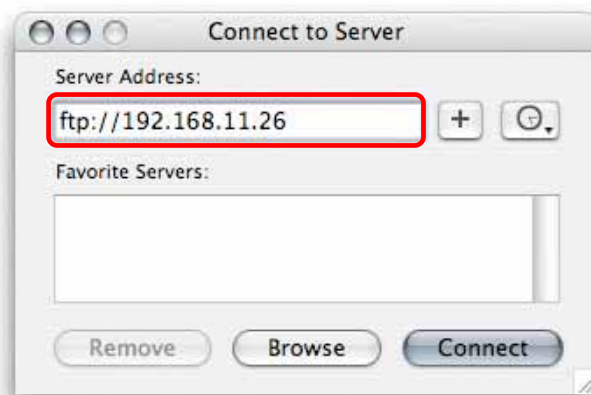


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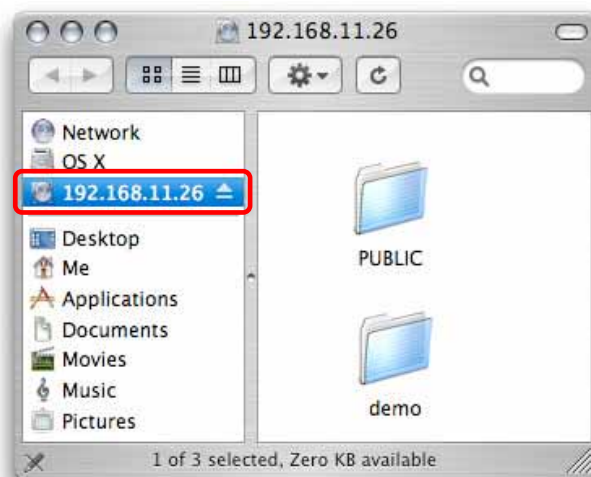
5.2.2 FTP

The FTP utility on the Mac will be able to read the data on the network drive but you can not upload new data to it. To do that, you will need to install a dedicated FTP application, which can either be a free utility or professional shareware program.

1. Click on “Go” and choose “Connect to Server”.
2. Type ftp:// followed by the IP address of your LAN disk. Click on the Connect button once the server address has been filled out.



3. Enter the correct username and password.
4. The available folders will now be listed and you can access and download the files.





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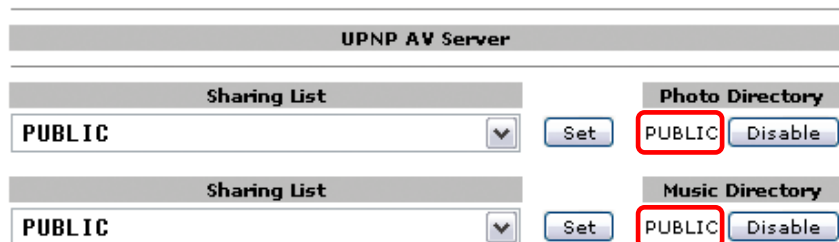
The file sharing can be disabled at any time by clicking on Disable for either the photo or music directory.

5.3 Xbox 360 UPnP Media Server

The UPnP AV server can be used to share your photos and music files that are stored on the LAN disk with an Xbox 360 video game console from Microsoft that is connected to the same local network.

Before you start, make sure both devices are connected to the same local network and are turned on.

1. On your LAN disk, go to the XBOX360 Media page and make sure that both photo and music directory are set to a shared folder and not disabled.



2. On your Xbox 360, go to media, select either Music or Pictures and press A to continue.



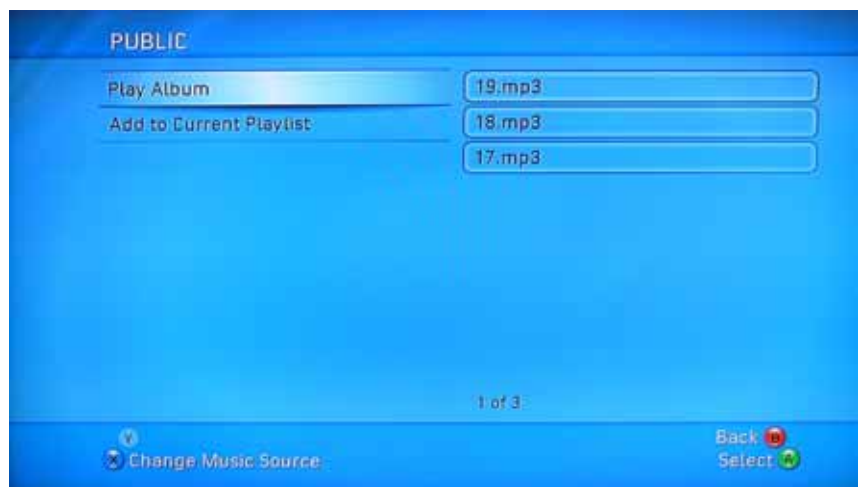


The password protection for SMB folders does not apply for the Xbox 360 video console. You will be able to access a password protected folder even without having to use the password.

3. Press X to change the source and select your network drive. It should show up as STORAGE-xxx and display the folder that you have set up earlier on your LAN disk.



4. Inside the shared folder, you can access your pictures or music files, depending on which mode you are currently using.



5. Select the files you would like see or listen to and start playback.
6. Enjoy!



If you experience network connection problems, use the IP address instead of the STORAGE name.



LAN disk settings do not apply when the disk is mounted via USB connection.

6 Appendix

6.1 FAQ

Q: I forgot my login, what do I do?

A: If you forgot your personal login for the LAN disk, press and hold the reset button, turn on the power and wait for the LED to stop blinking (~30 sec). Release the button and reboot the LAN disk. This will reset the device to its factory default settings.

Q: SMB access doesn't work on Mac OS 10.4.

A: With earlier versions of Mac OS 10.4, the LAN disk can not be accessed through SMB. Please upgrade to Mac OS 10.4.3 or later to resolve this problem.

Q: FTP access on my Mac doesn't work properly!

A: The FTP utility on the Mac will be able to read the data on the LAN disk but you can not write new data to the drive. To upload files, you will need to install a dedicated FTP application.

Q: I can not access the web configuration interface, what's the correct IP?

A: See chapter 4.1 about how to login. If none of these instructions help, reset your device. Connect it directly to your computer via Ethernet cable and access the web configuration using 169.254.0.1.

Q: My HDD is not recognised.

A: The LAN disk can only access the first partition and it has to be formatted using the FAT32 file system. We recommend using the disk utility of the LAN disk to format the drive.

Q: Which ports do I have to open on my firewall?

A: Depending on the services that are used, the following TCP ports will have to be opened for the LAN disk: FTP port 21, SMB ports 137-139, HTTP port 80 and UDP port 14675 for the LAN disk utility.



For RMA and other questions, please contact your vendor or check out their online support area!

Q: I get Error Code -36

A: The Finder cannot complete the operation because some data in "smb://storage" could not be read or written. If you get this error message, use the IP address instead of STORAGE.

1. Log in as admin using your web browser.
2. Under SMB Server, make sure the folder you want to access is in the Sharing List (e.g. PUBLIC without password).
3. Go to IP Config, make sure it is set to Automatic IP and write down the IP address you see there.
4. Go to your Finder and select Go/Connect to Server
5. Type smb://IP/PUBLIC and click on Connect. For the IP use the IP address you wrote down in step 3, for PUBLIC use the folder name you added to the Sharing List in step 2.
6. If the LAN disk is connected directly to your computer using the Ethernet cable, the default IP address is 169.254.0.1.

6.2 About Data Backup

To protect your files and help prevent the loss of your data, we strongly recommend that you keep two copies of your data, one copy on your LAN disk and a second copy either on your internal drive or another storage media such as a CD, DVD, Tape or an additional external drive.

Any loss or corruption of data while using the LAN disk is the sole responsibility of the user, and under no circumstances will the manufacturer be held liable for compensation or the recovery of this data.



Please read your warranty carefully, as this may vary between different vendors!

6.3 About this Manual

This manual was written using the M9-SATA USB/LAN model M9-LN2U2RGS, the loader v3.2 and the firmware NAS2891-009B9.

The firmware this manual is based on might be different from your device. Images and descriptions might therefore slightly vary between this manual and the actual product you have.

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