

Re: Wireless Router into Netopia Router Into VPN

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If you're using the same IP network/subnet on your wireless access point/devices as on your domain, you can't use VPN – you're already on the same network. VPN requires two different IP networks.

Wireless networks can be great, but open you up to a lot of security risks.

Make sure you

- a) disable SSID broadcast
- b) change the admin password on the access point
- c) ideally use WPA; if not possible, at the very least force 128-bit SSL

IBC wrote:

- > *We purchased an inexpensive wireless router to do some experimenting*
- > *in the office. I have plugged the WAN port of the new wireless router*
- > *(DLink DI-624) into one of the LAN ports on our Netopia router. This*
- > *set up works perfectly for creating a separate network for the*
- > *wireless and I can access the internet just fine. The trouble comes*
- > *when I try to VPN from the wireless into our network. I get the*
- > *"Connecting" screen, I get the "Verifying username and Password"*
- > *screen, but it just hangs there until it times out. I have a wireless*
- > *DLink setup at home and I have successfully VPN'ed into the office*
- > *with it several times. I brought that laptop into the office, and it*
- > *does the same hanging routine. So, I KNOW I have the PC set up*
- > *properly, and the logs show a connection attempt, but there isn't any*
- > *username or password info in the log.*
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- > *I checked the router log and see a suspicious pattern of dropped*
- > *packets (ICMP from the netopia on what looks to be port 32). This is*
- > *a default rule on the router. Maybe a red herring.*
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- > *Any ideas where to look?*
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- > *(I understand I could have gotten a WAP and tied right into the*
- > *network, but we wanted the functionality of letting clients browse*
- > *the internet while staying off our network)*

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But it sounds like your wireless access point is indeed on your network –
no? Am I misreading your post?

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> *Thanks!*