

## Re: Rebuilding Simple Home Network – Finding Highest Security Level Avail on Ea Comp

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On Mar 6, 6:08 pm, "John" <a> wrote:

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What "security" are you referring to?  
Wireless security? Windows XP  
(firewall) security?

Wireless security, I guess. The only security I'm aware of is located only in the router's setup, online. The Linksys WRT54GX2 router is configured with WPA/WPA2 Personal, with WPA enabled and WPA2 disabled. TKIP encryption. But I thought I read that both computers on the network (during set up) must be configured to use the same security level? Can't mix WEP and WPA for instance.

Ok, so WiFi security it is. That is correct, you can't set your Linksys to use WPA and your laptop to use WEP or WPA2 for instance. If you set Linksys to use WPA (preferably WPA2 if your laptop WLAN card supports it), you must also set your laptop computer to use WPA security.

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I would like to increase my security from WPA to the highest available. So, that brings us back to my original question: How do I find the highest security level available on each computer[’s WLAN card]? Where do I look? In the paperwork? In the system somewhere?

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