

Re: Two wireless adapters in one laptop ???

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In article <irc402d751k153461fmvg2gqb6hqt0hif@xxxxxxxx>, malamilia@xxxxxxxxxxxx wrote:

Here is an update:

The Linksys unit never did work right. All day Friday and Saturday, it would not even see the router which is only a few inches away. I returned the unit the the store yesterday. I may try another type of Linksys but if the problem is driver related I would like to try a different make.

My local Best buy and Staples carry D-Link and Netgear USB Wireless adapters – all within the same price range. Any preference to either one ??

Thanks.

I've had so many problems with Linksys network adapters, wired and wireless, on so many versions of Windows, that I won't buy anything from Linksys. If one of my consulting clients asks me to install a Linksys adapter, I say that I'll do it, but I won't guarantee that it will work.

I've had very good results with Netgear and D-Link, with a slight preference for Netgear.

I just purchased the Netgear WG111v2 54Mbps Wireless USB Adapter – installed the drivers and fired it up. It picked up the router, but cannot negotiate a connection. I disabled it and enabled the Intel Pro mini adapter built-in with lap top – no connection problem. I am

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restoring windows to last week in the hope that any traces of linksys is gone and will re-install the Netgear.

I'm I doing anything wrong ?

Without more details, it's hard to say what's wrong.

Make sure that the encryption settings are identical on the router and the network adapter. If MAC address filtering is enabled on the router, add the network adapter's MAC address to the allowed list. Make sure that the router and the network adapter agree on whether they allow 802.11b, 802.11g, or both.

What did you do to try to connect to the wireless router, and what happened when you did it? If there was an error message, what did it say? The more details you give, the more likely it is that someone can help.

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Best Wishes,
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