

Firmware Upgrade Procedures: Linksys WRT54GL v1 fw ddwrt_v24_sp1_std_generic_10011

1. General Information

Make: Linksys

Model: WRT54GL

Hardware Version: any

Firmware Version: ddwrt_v24_sp1_std_generic_10011

MAC Address Info:

WLAN MAC: two higher than LAN MAC.

LAN MAC: labeled on the bottom of the device.

WAN MAC: one higher than LAN MAC.

Example: if the LAN MAC printed on the device is 00:11:DE:AD:BE:EF, then the WAN MAC is 00:11:DE:AD:BE:F0 and the WLAN MAC is 00:11:DE:AD:BE:F1.

Defaults Settings/Configuration:

Default LAN IP Address: 192.168.1.1

Web Interface Username: root

Default Web Interface Password: admin

IMPORTANT: These instructions assume that the device is already running a stock ddwrt_v24_sp1_std_generic_10011 firmware. Do not upgrade the device to the ddwrt firmware if it is running the original Linksys manufacturer's firmware; instead, see the ddwrt website for instructions on how to convert the device to run the ddwrt firmware (you must first upgrade to a "mini" ddwrt firmware).

2. Wired Upgrade Procedure

Prerequisites:

- client computer with ethernet interface and firmware file
- ethernet cable
- device LAN IP address (referred to below as <Device_LAN_IP_Address>)
- device web interface password

Limitations: if the device is running a CB firmware, under certain situations you may need to reference the CB User's Manual to perform a firmware upgrade.

Firmware Filename: dd-wrt.v24_std_generic_[X].bin (where [X] is an optional string)

Instructions:

- Connect a wired (ethernet) client with DHCP enabled to a LAN port on the device with an ethernet cable. If you are not served an IP address by the device, you will need to determine the device LAN IP address (see next step) and manually assign the wired client an IP address in the same subnet as the device LAN IP address. For example, if the device LAN IP address is 192.168.1.1, assign yourself an IP address of 192.168.1.11.
- Determine the <Device_LAN_IP_Address>. If the device is running DHCP, the device LAN IP address is likely the default gateway of your connected client; otherwise, if the device LAN IP address is not the default LAN IP address listed above, the device LAN IP address can be retrieved in wireless sniffer capture data (e.g., kismet).
- Log on to the device's web interface by opening a web browser and pointing it to http://<Device_LAN_IP_Address>, where “<Device_LAN_IP_Address>” is the device IP address determined from the previous step (i.e., not the literal string “<Device_LAN_IP_Address>”). For example, if the <Device_LAN_IP_Address> is 192.168.1.1, use <http://192.168.1.1>.
- At the login prompt, enter the web interface password and click OK.
- Then click the “Administration” link on the upper right tab.
- Then click the “Firmware Upgrade” tab.
- Click the “Browse...” button and browse to the dd-wrt.v24_std_generic_[X].bin firmware file on the client computer.
- Click the “Upgrade” button.
- Watch the interface for any additional steps/error messages/information.

Reboots Automatically After Upgrade: Yes

Approximate Upgrade Time: 130 seconds

Known Issues: None

3. Wireless Upgrade Procedure

Prerequisites:

- client computer with 802.11 wireless client card (or built-in 802.11 client hardware).
- wireless encryption (WEP, WPA, or WPA2) key (if wireless security is enabled)
- device LAN IP address (referred to below as <Device_LAN_IP_Address>)
- device web interface password

Limitations: None

Firmware Filename: dd-wrt.v24_std_generic_[X].bin (where [X] is an optional string)

Instructions:

- Connect/associate the wireless (802.11) client computer (with DHCP enabled) to the device. If wireless encryption (WEP, WPA, or WPA2) is enabled on the device, enter the key when prompted. If you are not served an IP address by the device, you will need to determine the device LAN IP address (see next step) and manually assign the wired client an IP address in the same subnet as the device LAN IP address. For example, if the device LAN IP address is 192.168.1.1, assign yourself an IP address of 192.168.1.11.
- Determine the <Device_LAN_IP_Address>. If the device is running DHCP, the device LAN IP address is likely the default gateway of your connected client; otherwise, if the device LAN IP address is not the default LAN IP address listed above, the device LAN IP address can be retrieved in wireless sniffer capture data (e.g., kismet).
- Log on to the device's web interface by opening a web browser and pointing it to http://<Device_LAN_IP_Address>, where “<Device_LAN_IP_Address>” is the device IP address determined from the previous step (i.e., not the literal string “<Device_LAN_IP_Address>”). For example, if the <Device_LAN_IP_Address> is 192.168.1.1, use <http://192.168.1.1>.
- At the login prompt, enter the web interface password and click OK.
- Then click the “Administration” link on the upper right tab.
- Then click the “Firmware Upgrade” tab.
- Click the “Browse...” button and browse to the dd-wrt.v24_std_generic_[X].bin firmware file on the client computer.
- Click the “Upgrade” button.
- Watch the interface for any additional steps/error messages/information.

Reboots Automatically After Upgrade: Yes

Approximate Upgrade Time: 130 seconds

Known Issues: None