



Dual Band WiFi Repeater

User Guide

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Preface

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Applicable models

This user guide is applicable to the following models. A18 is used for illustrations here unless otherwise specified. The contained images and UI screenshots are subject to the actual products.

Product model	Description
A18	AC1200 Dual Band WiFi Repeater
A15	AC750 Dual Band WiFi Repeater

Conventions

The typographical elements that may be found in this document are defined as follows.

Item	Presentation	Example
Cascading menus	>	System > Live Users
Parameter and value	Bold	Set User Name to Tom .
Variable	Italic	Format: XX:XX:XX:XX:XX:XX
UI control	Bold	On the Policy page, click the OK button.
Message	<i>u </i>	The "Success" message appears.

The symbols that may be found in this document are defined as follows.

Symbol	Meaning
	This format is used to highlight information of importance or special interest. Ignoring this type of note may result in ineffective configurations, loss of data or damage to device.
	This format is used to highlight a procedure that will save time or resources.

Acronyms and Abbreviations

Acronym and Abbreviation	Full Spelling
AES	Advanced Encryption Standard

Acronym and Abbreviation	Full Spelling
АР	Access Point
DHCP	Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol
DNS	Domain Name System
IP	Internet Protocol

Additional Information

For more information, search this product model on our website at <u>www.tendacn.com</u>.

Туре	Description
Quick Installation Guide	Used to help you quickly set up your product to access the internet, including internet setup guidance, hardware instructions, FAQs, etc.
User Guide	Used to help you understand more functions for your product, including the instructions to configure the functions.
Datasheet	Used to help you understand the basic parameters of your product, including product overview, specifications, etc.

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1 At a glance

1.1 Overview

With two external omni-directional antennas, the repeater can provide larger WiFi coverage, as well as ultra-fast data rate. With the upgrade Setup Wizard, it only takes you three steps to configure your repeater, which is easy to use. It works well with mainstream WiFi routers available on the market.

1.2 Features

- Supports 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz bands.
- Auto channel detection for stable, reliable and fast internet connection.
- Supports to extend a WiFi network without security or encrypted with WPA-PSK, WPA2-PSK and mixed WPA/WPA2-PSK.
- Mixed WPA/WPA2-PSK and AES encryption mechanism ensure higher network security.
- Repeater mode and AP mode for various application scenarios.

1.3 Getting to know your device

1.3.1 LED indicators (A18 is used for illustration)



LED	Status	Description
	Solid blue	The repeater is connected to your existing WiFi router, and its position is proper.
Signal	Solid red	The repeater is connected to your existing WiFi router, but its position is too far away from your router.
	Off	The repeater does not connect to your existing WiFi router.
	Solid on	A WPS connection is established.
WPS	Blinking	A WPS connection is being established.
	Off	The WPS function is disabled.
D\\/P	Solid on	The repeater is connected to a power source properly.
	Off	The repeater is not powered on.

1.3.2 Ports & Buttons



WPS button

Press the WPS button down for 1 second to perform WPS negotiation, the WPS LED indicator blinks, and enable the WPS function of another device within 2 minutes to establish a WPS connection.

RESET button

With the PWR LED indicator solid on, hold the RESET button down using a paper clip, and release it when all the LED indicators blink once then turn off. Wait until the PWR LED indicator lights solid on again, the repeater is reset successfully.

LAN port

- In Repeater mode, this port allows a wired device, such as a desktop computer, to be connected to the repeater to access the internet.
- In AP mode, it is used to connect to your upstream device such as a wired router, enabling the repeater access the internet.

1.3.3 Labels

The labels present SSID, login address and other information of the repeater.

Label on the top:



Rear label of A18:



WiFi Network Name (SSID)/SSID: It specifies the default wireless network name.

Default Access: It is used to log in to the repeater.

MAC: It specifies the MAC address of the repeater.

S/N: It specifies the serial number of device. You may need it when you need to send it to our technical staff for repair if there goes something wrong with your device.

2 Quick setup

2.1 Overview

The repeater supports 2 working modes: the Repeater mode and the AP mode. In Repeater mode, you can extend your existing WiFi network for broader WiFi coverage. While in AP mode, you can connect the repeater to a router through an Ethernet cable to convert the wired network to wireless one.

Choose your scenario and perform setup.

If you want to	Set the repeater to	See
Extend your current WiFi coverage	Repeater mode	2.2 Extending the current WiFi coverage
Convert wired network to wireless network	AP mode	2.3 Turning wired network to WiFinetwork

2.2 Extending the current WiFi coverage

Method 1: Extending your WiFi network using web UI (recommend)

- A desktop computer can connect to the WiFi network only when it is installed with a wireless adapter.
- The following describes the configuration steps using a mobile phone.
- **Step 1** Plug the repeater into a power outlet near the router in the same room. Wait until the PWR LED indicator turns solid blue.



Step 2 Connect your mobile phone to the repeater's WiFi network named **Tenda_EXT**.

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WLAN	
WLAN+ Enhanced Internet experience	Off >
AVAILABLE NETWORKS	
Tenda_EXT Connected (requires login/aut	thorization)
Tenda_02	
Saved, encrypted	
Tenda_03	
Saved, encrypted	
Tenda_01	
Saved, encrypted	
nova_01	
Encrypted (WPS available)	
nova_02	
Encrypted (WPS available)	T
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Scan WLAN Direct Co	More More

Step 3 After connecting to the repeater's SSID, you will be directed to the quick setup page.



₽TIP

If you cannot access the web UI of the repeater, you can try the following methods to troubleshoot:

- If a WiFi device is used, ensure that your WiFi device has connected to the repeater's WiFi
 network named Tenda_EXT, and the Mobile Data (if any) function is disabled. Then manually start
 a web browser on your WiFi device, and visit re.tenda.cn in the address bar.
- If a computer is used, ensure that your computer has connected to the repeater's WiFi network **Tenda_EXT**, and your computer has set to **Obtain an IP address automatically and Obtain DNS** server address automatically.
- Replace a web browser.
- <u>Reset the repeater</u>, and try again.

Step 4 Create a login password for security (recommend) and tap **Next**.

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network, you are
a login password. for your later login.
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Step 5 Select the WiFi network you want to extend, which is **Tenda_01** in this example.

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Select a WiFi network you want to extend			
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Tenda_01	₽ ₹		
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Tenda_03	Ê 🤶		
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Chinanet-5G-B795	((i·		
	<u></u>		
Rescan	Switch Mode		



If the repeater cannot find the WiFi network of your router. Try the following solutions:

- Ensure that the WiFi network of your router is enabled and can be detected by your WiFi device. Tap **Rescan**, and wait a moment.
- Change the channel of your router, and try again.
- Change the encryption type of the router to WPA-PSK or WPA2-PSK, and try again.
- **Step 6** Enter the password of the WiFi network you want to extend, change the SSID as needed, and tap **Extend**.

	🗟 " .॥ 71% 📧 11:45 AM	
Your existing WiFi network		
Enter the password of "Tend	la_01"	
The extended WiFi network		
SSID		
Tenda_01_EXT		
Password of the extended ne	etwork is same	
as your existing WiFi networ	k.	
Back	Extend	

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Configuration of **Repeater SSID** is a tradeoff between better roaming experience and convenient management. Therefore, modify it based on your actual requirement.

- If you keep it identical with your existing WiFi network name, you may enjoy a better roaming experience when moving around, but may have troubles when logging into the Web UI for management since your management device may stay connected to your existing WiFi network other than your repeater.
- If you set it differently from your existing WiFi network name, you can log into the Web UI conveniently so long as your management device is connected to your repeater's SSID, but the roaming experience may be affected.
- **Step 7** Wait until the Signal LED indicator turns blue or red. Then, relocate the repeater following the on-screen tips for optimal connection quality.



₽_{TIP}

For better performance:

- Place the repeater within the range of your existing WiFi network.
- Place it at a spacious position without obstacles.
- Keep it away from electronics with strong interference, such as microwave ovens, Bluetooth devices, and refrigerators.
- Adjust the antennas of the repeater upward and vertical to the ground.

----End

Connect your WiFi devices to the extended network to access the internet.

- SSID of the extended network: The SSID you set, or the original SSID with a suffix _EXT or _5GEXT.
- WiFi password of the extended network: The same as that of the existing router.

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≡ WLAN	
nova_01	
SSID2 Encrypted (WPS available)	() ()
Tenda_01_5GEXT Encrypted	
Tenda_01_EXT Encrypted	
Tenda_0310C8 Encrypted	
Tenda_456789 Encrypted	
Tenda_7DA090 Encrypted (WPS available)	
Tenda_7DA0A8 Encrypted (WPS available)	
Can BIAD WLAN Direct C	onfigure More

You can connect your wired devices to the LAN port of the repeater to access the internet as well.

\bigcup_{TIP}

If you want to modify the repeater's SSID and WiFi password later, refer to <u>Changing SSID & WiFi</u> password.

Method 2: Extending your WiFi network using WPS

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You can use this method if your router has a WPS button, which may be indicated by (), ws, or . Otherwise, use Method 1: Extending your WiFi network using web UI.

Step 1 Plug the repeater into a power outlet within 2 meters in the same room. Wait until the PWR LED indicator turns solid blue.



- **Step 2** Press the WPS button on the router, and then press the WPS button on the repeater within 2 minutes.
- **Step 3** Wait until the Signal LED indicator turns on.

₽TIP

If the Signal LED indicator does not turn on, use <u>Method 1: Extending your WiFi network using web</u><u>UI</u>.

- **Step 4** When the repeater expands your existing WiFi network successfully, plug the repeater into an outlet halfway between the router and the WiFi dead zone. The location you choose must be within the range of your existing WiFi network.
- **Step 5** Check the Signal LED indicator to see whether the repeater is at a proper position.
 - Blue: proper position
 - Red: move the repeater closer to the WiFi router
 - Off: move the repeater closer to the WiFi router

₽TIP

For better performance:

- Place the repeater within the range of your existing WiFi network.
- Place it at a spacious position without obstacles.
- Keep it away from electronics with strong interference, such as microwave ovens, Bluetooth devices, and refrigerators.
- Adjust the antennas upward and vertical to the ground.

----End

You can connect your wired devices to the LAN port of the repeater, or connect your WiFi devices to the extended network to access the internet.

- SSID of the extended network: your existing WiFi network with a suffix _EXT or _5GEXT.
- WiFi password of the extended network: the same as the existing router.

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≡ WLAN	
nova_01 Encrypted	
SSID2 Encrypted (WPS available)	
Tenda_01_5GEXT Encrypted	
Tenda_01_EXT Encrypted	
Tenda_0310C8 Encrypted	
Tenda_456789 Encrypted	

₽TIP

If you want to modify the repeater's SSID and WiFi password later, refer to <u>Changing SSID & WiFi</u> password.

2.3 Turning wired network to WiFi network

- Before you start, ensure that your WiFi router can access the internet.
- For better performance, keep the repeater away from products with strong interference, such as microwave, Bluetooth devices, and refrigerator.
- Place the repeater at a spacious position without obstacles.
- **Step 1** Plug your repeater to a power outlet. Wait until the PWR LED indicator turns solid blue.



- **Step 2** Connect the repeater to the LAN port of the router using an Ethernet cable.
- **Step 3** Connect your mobile phone or other WiFi device to the open SSID of the repeater named **Tenda_EXT**.
- Step 4 Create a login password (recommended), and tap Next.

🕽 Tenda	C
Create your lo	ogin password
For security of you	ur network, you are
recommended to se	et a login password.
This password is use	d for your later login.
Password (5 - 32 ch	aracters)
Confirm	5-4
Nevt	Not Now

Step 5 Tap **Switch Mode** at the lower-right corner.

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Select a WiFi networ extend	rk you want to
Tenda_test	ê 🤶
Tenda_AC18	₽ \$
Tenda_01	₽ 🤶
Tenda_83F1F0	((1-
Tenda-AC9	ê ş
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Tenda_02	Ê ≑
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Rescan Switch Mode	



Step 7 Customize the SSID and WiFi password as needed, and tap **Done**.

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Set an SSID and password fo	or the AP
SSID	
my_home_WiFi	
WiFi Password	
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Done Switc	h Mode

Step 6 Select **AP mode**, and tap **OK**.

Step 8 Wait a moment until the progress bar is complete.



----End

The **Created Successfully!** page appears. Connect your WiFi devices to the internet using the SSIDs shown on the page and WiFi password you set.

Created successfully!			
Please reconnect using the following SSIDs.			
my_home_WIFi 🚽 🛜			
my_home_WiFi_5GEXT 🔒 🤿			

3 Status

A computer is recommended for management of your repeater.

This chapter introduces how to:

- View internet connection status
- View attached device(s)
- Modify name(s) of attached device(s)
- Block/Unblock unknown device(s)

To access the page, choose **Status**.



3.1 Veiwing internet connection status

The internet connection status between the repeater and the existing WiFi router is shown as below:



3.2 Viewing attached device(s)

In this section, you can see the quantity of clients connected to the repeater. Clicking **Attached Device(s)** enables you to view the detailed information about online devices, including **Device Name**, **Connection Type**, and **MAC Address** etc.

Attached Device (2)				\times
Device Name	Connection Type	MAC Address	Add to Blacklist	
Catherine -PC 🥒	5G	C8:3A:35:00:01:90	Local	
Honor_9 🖉	5G	54:B1:21:56:62:45	Add	

3.3 Blacklist

3.3.1 Blocking unknown device(s)

Configuration procedure

- **Step 1** Choose **Status > Attached Device(s)** to access the configuration page.
- Step 2 Click Add to block unauthorized or unknown devices.

Attached Device (2)			×
Device Name	Connection Type	MAC Address	Add to Blacklist
Catherine -PC 🥒	5G	C8:3A:35:00:01:90	Local
Honor_9 🖉	5G	54:B1:21:56:62:45	Add

----End

Devices in the blacklist cannot connect to the repeater's WiFi network. Click **Status > Blacklist** to check the blocked devices.

3.3.2 Unblocking device(s)

Configuration procedure

- **Step 1** Choose **Status > Blacklist** to access the configuration page.
- **Step 2** Click **Remove** corresponded to the blocked device.

Blacklist (1)		\times
Device Name	MAC Address	Remove from Blacklist
Unknown	54:B1:21:56:62:45	Remove

----End

Devices removed from the **Blacklist** can connect to the repeater again.

4 Re-extend

If you need to use the repeater at another place, or if the wireless information (including SSID and/or WiFi password) of your existing router is modified, you can re-extend your repeater.

To access the page, choose **Re-extend**.

The repeater supports to re-extend:

- Only 2.4 GHz WiFi network
- Only 5 GHz WiFi network
- Both 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz networks at the same time. In this situation, ensure that the 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz SSIDs you choose are offered by the same WiFi router.

Configuration procedure

Step 1 (Click Re-extend	to	enter the	configuration	page.
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M Status	Re-extend				
Re-extend		Please sele	ect a 2.4 GHz WiFi network you want to	extend 🤇	e /
察 WiFi Settings		Select	SSID	Encrypt	WiFi Signal Strength
Operating Mode		0	Test		(ن
Administration		0	nova ppp		(i:
		0	Tenda_B15674		(î:
		0	JY_NAME		(c .
		0	Tenda_B		(c .
					Skip

Step 2 Select the 2.4 GHz WiFi network you want to re-extend. If you need to extend only a 5 GHz WiFi network, click **Sikp**.

1. Select the SSID from the list.

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If the WiFi network you want to extend is not on the list, you can try the following methods

- Click C.
- Ensure that your existing WiFi network is not hidden.
- Change the encryption type of the router to WPA-PSK or WPA2-PSK, and try again.
- 2. Enter the WiFi password of the 2.4 GHz WiFi network.
- **3.** Change the SSID (optional).

₽TIP

The default SSID of the extended WiFi network is your existing 2.4 GHz WiFi network's SSID with a suffix **_EXT**.

4. Click Next.

Re-extend	
	Your existing 2.4 GHz WiFi Network Enter the password of 'Test'.
	Extended 2.4 GHz WiFi Network
	Test_EXT Password of the extended network is same as your existing WiFi network.
	Back

- **Step 3** To re-extend the existing 5 GHz WiFi network, perform the following steps. Otherwise, click **Skip**.
 - **1.** Select the SSID from the list.

Please sel	ect a 5 GHz WiFi network you v	want to extend 💍	
Select	SSID	Encrypt	WiFi Signal Strength
٢	Test_5G	9	Ś
۲	-W15E_5G	a	(ŗ
۲	Tenda_83F370_5G		(î:
٢	AC18		((i·
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If the WiFi network you want to extend is not on the list, you can try the following methods

- Click C.
- Ensure that you existing WiFi network is not hidden.
- Change the encryption type of the router to WPA-PSK or WPA2-PSK, and try again.
- 2. Enter the WiFi password of the 5 GHz WiFi network.
- **3.** Change the SSID (optional).

₽_{TIP}

The default SSID of the extended WiFi network is your existing 5 GHz WiFi network's SSID with a suffix **_5GEXT**.

4. Click Next.

Re-extend	
	Your existing 5 GHz WiFi Network Enter the password of "Test_5G"
	Extended 5 GHz WiFi Network Extended 5 GHz SSID:
	Test_5G_5GEXT Password of the extended network is same as your existing WiFi network.
	Back

Step 4 Wait until the Signal LED indicator lights blue or red, and the following page appears.

Re-extend		
	Extended Successfully	
	You have been disconnected from the WiFi network. Please connect to: Test_EXT or Test_5G_5GEXT	
	Your existing WiFi Extender Router/Modem	

- **Step 5** Plug the repeater into an outlet halfway between the router and the WiFi dead zone. The location you choose must be within the range of your existing WiFi network. Check the Signal LED indicator to see whether the repeater is at a proper position.
 - Blue: Proper position
 - Red: Move the repeater closer to the WiFi router
 - Off: Move the repeater closer to the WiFi router

- For better performance, keep the repeater away from products with strong interference, such as microwave, Bluetooth devices, and refrigerator.
- Place the repeater at a spacious position without obstacles.

----End

You can connect your WiFi devices to the re-extended WiFi network using the SSIDs you set or the existing WiFi name with a suffix **_EXT/_5GEXT**.

5 WiFi settings

This module allows you to change the repeater's SSID and WiFi password, or to hide the repeater's SSID.

To access the page, choose **WiFi Settings**.

🐨 Status	WiFi Settings
Re-extend	2.4 GHz Network
🗢 WiFi Settings	SSID: W20E_EXT Hide
Operating Mode	WiFi Password: No Password
Administration	
	5 GHz Network
	SSID: W20E_EXT_5GEXT Hide
	WiFi Password: No Password
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Parameter description

Parameter	Description
SSID	It specifies the wireless network name of the repeater.
WiFi Password	Password used for wireless network connection. You are recommended to use the combination of digits, letters and special characters for higher security.
Hide	With this function enabled, wireless clients cannot detect the corresponding SSID, and you need to manually enter the SSID on the wireless client to access the wireless network. By default, this function is disabled.
No password	It indicates that a wireless network is not encrypted and any clients can access the network without a password. This option is not recommended as it leads to low network security.

5.1 Changing SSID & WiFi password

- **Step 1** Choose **WiFi Settings** to enter the configuration page.
- **Step 2** Change the **SSID** and **WiFi Password** of 2.4 GHZ and 5 GHz networks as needed.
- Step 3 Click Save.

----End

To access the internet on a mobile device, you need to connect to the new SSID using the WiFi password you set.

5.2 Hiding the repeater's WiFi networks

The repeater supports to hide its WiFi network so that wireless devices cannot scan it, thus improving the security of the repeater's WiFi network.

- **Step 1** Choose **WiFi Settings** to enter the configuration page.
- **Step 2** Tick **Hide** corresponded to the 2.4 GHz or 5 GHz network, and click **Save**.

₩ Status	WiFi Settings
Re-extend	2.4 GHz Network
👳 WiFi Settings	SSID: W20E_EXT Hide
Operating Mode	WiFi Password:
Administration	
	5 GHz Network
	SSID: W20E_EXT_5GEXT Hide
	WiFi Password: No Password
Copyright ©2019 Shenzhen Tenda Technology Co., Ltd.	Save Cancel

----End

After configuration, the repeater disconnects all clients connected to it.

To connect to the repeater's WiFi network again, you need to manually enter its SSID and WiFi password on your wireless devices.

To connect to the repeater's WiFi network again, you need to manually enter its SSID and WiFi password on your wireless devices.

- Scenario one: Connect mobile WiFi-enabled device to the hidden wireless network (Example: Android)
- **Step 1** Tap **Settings > WLAN** on the smart phone.
- **Step 2** Scroll down to the bottom, locate the **Add network** and tap it.

중 Tenda-5G-B688 66	>
중 Tenda_HasaEXT_5GEXT 5G	• >
Add network	>
WLAN SETTINGS	
Additional settings	>
0	
Refresh	

- **Step 3** On the **Add network** page that appears:
 - 1. Enter the repeater's SSID, which is **W20E_EXT** in this example.
 - 2. Select a security mode, which is **WPA/WPA2 PSK** in this example.

	×	Add network	\checkmark		
	SSID	W20E_EXT			
	SECURITY				
	None		>		
		Security			
>	None				
	WEP				
	WPA/WPA	A2 PSK			
	802.1x EAP				

3. Enter the repeater's WiFi password, and tap \checkmark .

×	Add network	\checkmark
SSID	W20E_EXT	
SECURITY		
WPA/W	PA2 PSK	>
Password		

----- End

Wait a moment. Your wireless device is connected to the repeater's WiFi network successfully.

- Scenario two: Connect laptop or desktop computer installed with a wireless adapter to the hidden wireless network (Example: Windows 7)
- **Step 1** Click the WiFi icon on the lower right corner.
- **Step 2** Scroll down to the bottom of the SSID list, and click **Other Network**.

CH36-2	<u>.</u>
CH149-6	31
Tenda_office	31
test_5G	atl I
Tenda_F1F7F8	.atl
wifi	.atl
Zivmens-5G	atl I
Tenda_office_5G	201
NOVA_2908	at l
Other Network	<u>.</u>
Other Network	- III.
Open Network and Sharin	g Center

There are two **Other Network**. The one indicated with is used to connect to an open network.

Step 3 Enter the repeater's SSID, which is **W20E_EXT** in this example, and click **OK**.



Step 4 Enter the repeater's WiFi password, which is **12345678** in this example, and click **OK**.

😰 Connect to a Netw	ork		×
Type the netwo	k security key		
Security key:	12345678		
	Hide characters		
		ОК	Cancel

---- End

Wait a moment. The computer is connected to the repeater successfully.

6 Operating mode

6.1 Overview

This repeater can operate in the following two modes:

- Repeater Mode: to extend WiFi coverage of your existing WiFi network. By default, the repeater works in this mode.
- AP Mode: to convert a wired network to a WiFi network.

To change the repeater's operating mode, choose **Operating Mode** to access the configuration page.

M Status	Operating Mode
Re-extend	Repeater Mode AP Mode
< WiFi Settings	Repeater mode: to extend the coverage of a WiFi network
Operating Mode	AP mode: to convert a wired network into a wireless network
Administration	
	Current Mode

6.2 Switching the repeater from repeater mode to AP Mode

- **Step 1** Choose **Operating Mode** to enter the configuration page.
- Step 2 Click AP Mode.
- **Step 3** Click **Switch Mode**.

Operating Mode	
	Repeater Mode AP Mode
A	P mode: to convert a wired network into a wireless network
Internet	Your existing WiFi Repeater Router/Modem
	Switch Mode

Step 4 Click **OK** on the pop-up window.

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The repeater is rebooted to enable the settings. The p about 1 minute.	rocess takes
OK Cancel	

Step 5 Wait a moment until the progress bar is complete, and you will be redirected to the Login page.

Rebooting24%	

- **Step 6** Connect to the internet.
 - 1. Connect your management PC to a SSID of the repeater, start a web browser, and visit **re.tenda.cn**. The following figure appears.

쩐 Status	Status AP Mode
♥ WiFi Settings	
Operating Mode	
Ø Administration	2.4G : W20E_EXT 5G : W20E_EXT_5GEXT
	Internet Your existing WiFi Router/Modem Repeater Client

2. Use an Ethernet cable to connect the LAN port of your repeater to a LAN port of your existing WiFi router. The following page appears.

M Status	Status AP Mode
⇔ WiFi Settings	
Operating Mode	1 Attached Device(s) Blacklist
Administration	2.4G: W20E_EXT 5G: W20E_EXT_5GEXT
	Internet Your existing WiFi Router/Modem Repeater Client
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----End

Now, the repeater works in AP mode. You can access the internet on your wireless devices by connecting the SSIDs of the repeater. If you want to change the SSIDs and passwords of the repeater, please refer to <u>changing SSID and password</u>.

6.3 Switching the repeater from AP mode to repeater mode

Configurations (except SSID and WiFi password you set) will be cleared when you switch from AP mode to Repeater mode, and you need to configure your repeater again.

Configuration procedure:

- **Step 1** Choose **Operating Mode** to enter the configuration page.
- Step 2 Click Repeater Mode.
- **Step 3** Click **Switch Mode**.

Operating Mode		
	Repeater Mode AP Mode Repeater mode: to extend the coverage of a WiFi network	
Internet	Your existing WiFi	Repeater
	Switch Mode	

Step 4 Click **OK** on the page that appears.

Tips	×
The repeater is rebooted to enab about 1	ole the settings. The process takes 1 minute.
ОК	Cancel

Step 5 Wait until the progress bar is complete. Then reconfigure it to <u>extend your existing WiFi</u> <u>coverage</u>.

----End

After you set it in repeater mode successfully, please remove the Ethernet cable between the repeater and your existing router.

7 Administration

This module allows you to set a login password, reboot or reset the repeater, export system logs, and upgrade the repeater.

🖌 Status	Administration			
♥ WiFi Settings	Set Logir	n Password		
Operating Mode	Old Passv	vord:	يكشرر	
Ø Administration	New Pass	word: Password (5 - 32 characters)) بمرد (ا	
	Confirm:		بهنر	
	Reboot:	Reboot		
	Reset:	Reset		
	Export:	Export Syslog		
	Firmware	e Upgrade: Firmware Upgrade		Current Firmware Version:V02.03.01.38_multi
		Save Cancel		

7.1 Setting login password

To ensure network security, a complicated login password is recommended. A login password consisting of more types of characters, such as uppercase letters, lowercase letters, and special characters, has better security.

Configuration procedure

- **Step 1** Choose **Administration** to enter the configuration page.
- Step 2 In the Old Password text box, enter the current login password of the repeater.
- **Step 3** In the **New Password** text box, set a new login password.
- **Step 4** In the **Confirm** text box, repeat the new login password.

Administration			
	Set Login Password		
	Old Password:		<i>ۍد</i> ر
	New Password:	Password (5 - 32 characters)	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~
	Confirm:		بهمشرو

Step 5 Click **Save** at the bottom of this page.

----End

The system logs you out automatically. Enter the new password to log in to the web UI of the repeater.

Tenda	
English	
Login Password	
Login	
Forgot your password?	

7.2 Rebooting the repeater

You are recommended to reboot the repeater when the configured parameters do not take effect, or the repeater does not work properly.

Configuration procedure

- **Step 1** Choose **Administration** to enter the configuration page.
- Step 2 Click Reboot.

Reboot: Reboot		
	Reboot:	Reboot

Step 3 Click **Reboot** on the pop-up window.

Reboot		×
	Current connections will be disconnected when rebooting. The process takes about 1 minute.	
	Reboot	

----End

Wait a moment until the progress bar is complete.

7.3 Resetting the repeater

You are recommended to reset the repeater if you forget your login password, or you cannot locate the problem that interrupts your repeater's WiFi network service.

Resetting the repeater clears all configurations. You need to configure the repeater again.

To reset the repeater, use either of the following methods:

Method 1:

With the PWR LED indicator solid on, hold the RESET button down using a paper clip, and release it when all the LED indicators blink once then turn off. Wait until the PWR LED indicator lights solid on again, the repeater is reset successfully.

Method 2:

Step 1 Log in to the web UI of the repeater, choose **Administration**.

Step 2 Click Reset.

Reset:	Reset

Step 3 Click Reset on the popup window.



----End

Wait a moment until the progress bar is complete. You need to reconfigure the repeater.

7.4 Exporting syslog

System log is used to record events happened when the repeater works. You can export the system log if necessary.

Choose Administration to enter the configuration page, click Export Syslog to export system logs.

Export:	Export Syslog	•

A file named **repeater system** will be downloaded to your local computer.

7.5 Upgrading firmware

- To enable your repeater to upgrade successfully, ensure that the firmware used to upgrade is applicable to the repeater.
- During upgrade, do not power off the repeater.

Configuration procedure:

Step 1 Go to <u>www.tendacn.com</u>, download the latest firmware package to your local computer, and unzip the package.

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Generally, the file format of a firmware is **.bin**.

- **Step 2** Log in to the web UI of the repeater and choose **Administration**.
- **Step 3** Click **Firmware Upgrade** and choose the firmware file you have unzipped.

Firmware Upgrade:	Firmware Upgrade	Current Firmware Version:V02.03.01.38_multi

Step 4 Click **OK** on the popup window.

Firmware Up	ograde		×
	Would you li	ike to upgrade?	
	ок	Cancel	

----End

Wait until the progress bar is complete. Log in to the web UI of the repeater, choose **Administration** and verify if the **Current Firmware Version** is the one you select to upgrade.

Appendixes

A.1 Configuring your computer to obtain an IP address automatically (Example: Windows 7)

Step 1 Click in the lower-right corner of the desktop and choose **Open Network and Sharing Center**.

Wireless Network Con	nection 4	•
NOVA_TESTING	Connected	100
Tenda_AC18		110
Tenda_AC9		10
Tenda_AC15		110
Tenda_i21		100
Tenda_i9		at l
Tenda_test		110
Tenda_AC9_5G_EXT		11

Step 2 Click Change adapter settings.



Step 3 Right-click **Wireless Network Connection**.



Step 4 Double-click Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4).



Step 5 Select **Obtain an IP address automatically** and **Obtain DNS server address automatically**, and click **OK**.

Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4)	Prope	erties			? <mark>X</mark>
General Alternate Configuration					
You can get IP settings assigned automatically if your network supports this capability. Otherwise, you need to ask your network administrator for the appropriate IP settings.					
Obtain an IP address automatical	у				
O Use the following IP address:					I
IP address:					
Subnet mask:		÷.,			
Default gateway:					
Obtain DNS server address autom	atical	ly			
OUse the following DNS server addr	resse	s:			I
Preferred DNS server:					
Alternate DNS server:		÷.,			
Validate settings upon exit				Adva	nced
			ОК		Cancel

Step 6 Click **OK** in the **Local Area Connection Properties** window.

----End

A.2 Default parameter values

The following table lists the default parameter values of the repeater.

Parameter	A18&A15
Login address	re.tenda.cn/192.168.0.254
Login password	None
Operating mode	Repeater mode
IP address	192.168.0.254
Subnet mask	255.255.255.0 ↓ TIP After expanding the network of the WiFi router successfully, the repeater obtains a subnet mask automatically from the DHCP server of the upstream device.
DHCP server status	Enabled \bigcirc_{TIP} It depends on whether the DHCP server is enabled of the upstream device. If the repeater expands the network of WiFi router successfully, the DHCP server will be disabled. Otherwise, it will be enabled.
SSID	Tenda_EXT
WiFi password	None