

# **EnRoute Series**

## **EN404/EN505/EN509/EN524-15/EN558-16**

### **Quick Start Guide**

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## Introduction

Thank you for choosing the Tranzeo EnRoute Wireless Mesh Router. The EnRoute allows a wireless mesh network to be rapidly deployed with little configuration required by the end user. This Quick Start Guide will familiarize you with the EnRoute and illustrate how to configure a number of EnRoute such that they can establish a mesh network that client devices can attach to.

## Items Needed For Quick Start Tasks

The following items are needed to complete the configuration examples described in this Quick Start Guide:

- Two or more EnRoute Wireless Mesh Routers, including all accessories shipped with it (power adapters, POE injectors, antennas)
- A PC with an SSH v2-capable terminal application (e.g. PuTTY or SecureCRT) or a web browser
- An Ethernet cable

## Terminology

The following terms will be referred to throughout this manual.

**Mesh cloud** – a group of nodes configured as one or more clusters

**Mesh cluster** – a group of two or more EnRoutes with at least one configured as a gateway

**Mesh node** – a single EnRoute device that is part of a mesh cluster

# EnRoute Capabilities

The EnRoute is capable of automatically forming a mesh network that allows devices connected to it, either with a wired or a wireless connection, to communicate with each other and external networks that are accessed through gateway nodes. The EnRoute has two radios, an 802.11a mesh backhaul radio and an access point radio for 802.11b/g-client devices. An EnRoute will currently support up to four virtual access points (APs), each with different access and performance settings. It is also possible to connect devices to an EnRoute using an Ethernet connection.

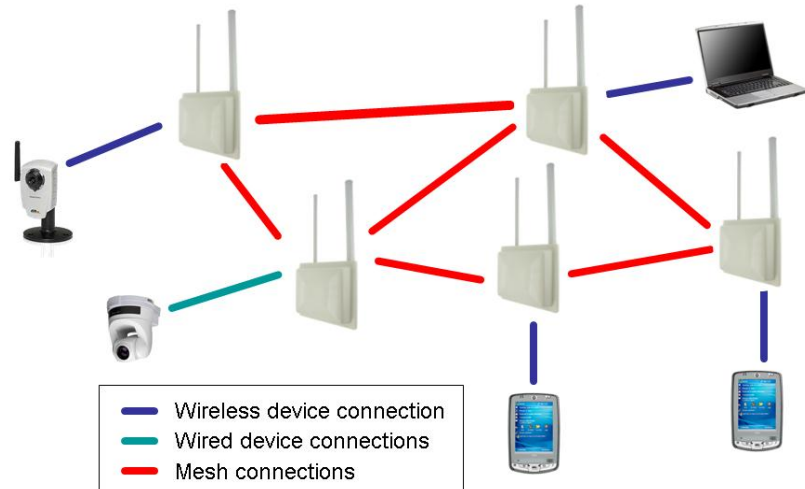


Figure 1. Example of an EnRoute stand-alone network – devices attach to the EnRoute through both wired and wireless connections

# EnRoute Models

There are six EnRoute models available, as shown in Table 1.

Model Number	Frequencies Supported
EN404	2.4, 4.9, 5.8 GHz (Any Radio)
EN505	2.4, 5.8 GHz (Any Radio)
EN509	900 MHz (Radio 0 Only) 2.4, 5.8 GHz (Radio 1 Only)
EN524-15	2.4 GHz (Radio 0 Only) 2.4, 5.8 GHz (Radio 1 Only)
EN558-16	5.8 GHz (Radio 0 Only) 2.4, 5.8 GHz (Radio 1 Only)

Table 1. EnRoute Models

**INFO** Throughout the manual, “EnRoute” will be used to collectively refer to this family of products. Where the functionality of the variants differ, the actual model number will be used.

# EnRoute Interfaces

The interfaces available on the EnRoute are Ethernet and two radio ports.

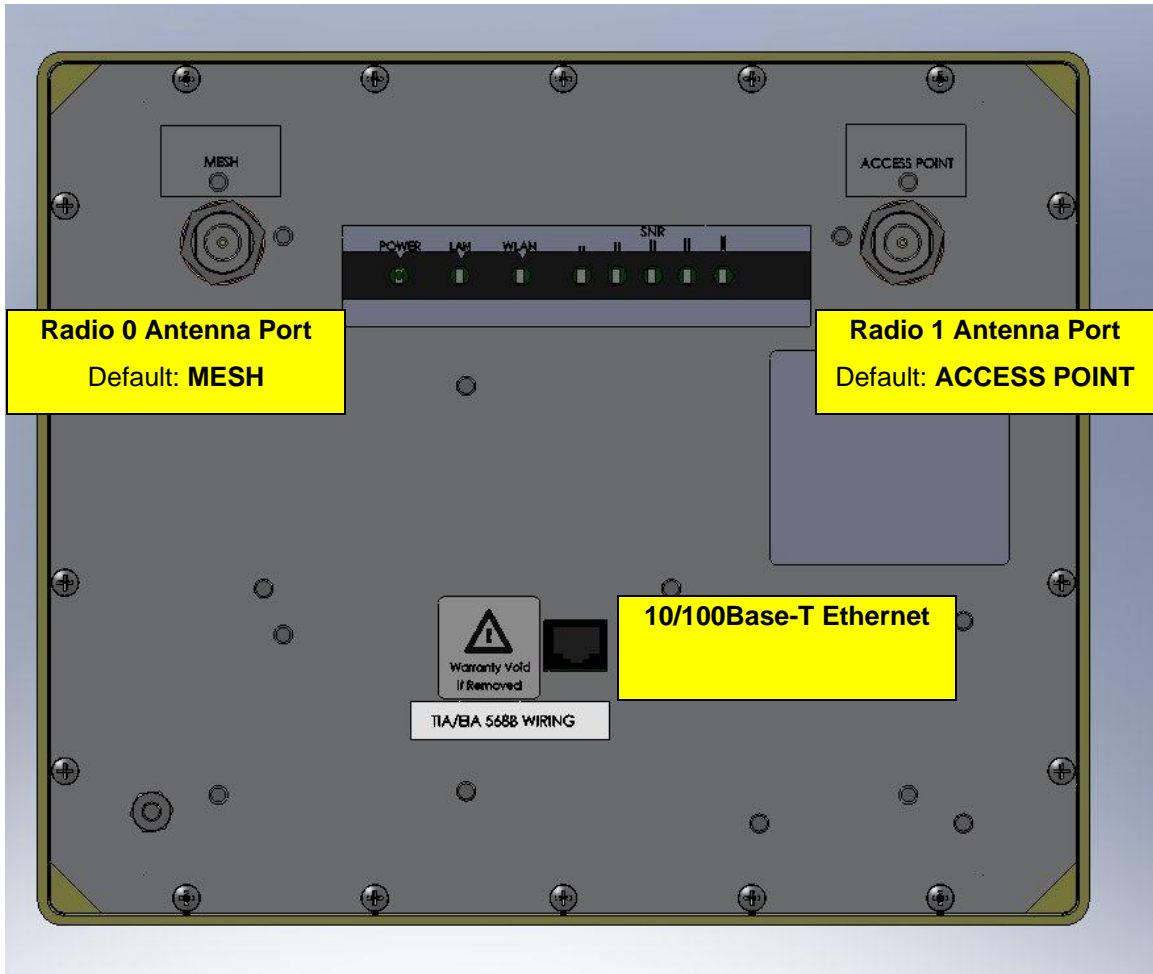


Figure 2. EnRoute interfaces (EN505 shown)

Interface	Description
Radio 0 Port	N-type antenna connector for Radio 0, which is associated with the for mesh interface by default
Radio 1 Port	N-type antenna connector for Radio 1, which is associated with the access point interface by default
Ethernet Port with Passive PoE	10/100Base-T Ethernet interface (RJ-45) with Passive PoE Support <i>Not compatible with IEEE 802.3af. See the EnRoute User's Guide for more information on the PoE operation.</i>

**INFO** The EN524-15 and EN558-16 are equipped with an integrated panel antenna for the access point, so only one antenna connector for the mesh interface is available on these two models.

## Quick Start Guide Configuration Overview

This quick start will walk you through how to configure a basic network using two or more EnRoutes. The guide shows how to:

1. Configure a mesh to have either an Internet extension or stand-alone network topology
2. Give each node a unique ID
3. Assign 802.11 channels used for mesh and AP communication
4. Set a custom WEP encryption key for one of the EnRoute's APs
5. Configure an EnRoute gateway that will be connected to an external network

The EnRoute User's Guide provides a more comprehensive overview of all of the EnRoute features, many of which are not described in this Quick Start Guide.

An EnRoute can be configured using a command-line interface (CLI) or a browser-based graphical user interface (GUI). Instructions for configuring the EnRoute using either interface are provided throughout the Quick Start Guide.

## Step 1

## Attach antennas to the EnRoute

Using the right-angle connectors, attach the supplied antennas to the mesh and access point (AP) radio ports on the back of the EnRoute radio. All of the EnRoute products are shipped with two omni directional antennas. The **bigger** diameter antenna is for operation at 2.4GHz, and the **smaller** diameter antenna is for operation at 5.8GHz.

It is important that you correctly match the antennas with the radio ports according to the frequency allocation plan for your network. Please refer to the User's Manual for deployment considerations. The location of the mesh and AP antenna ports are shown in Figure 2.

### INFO

Only the mesh antenna needs to be attached on the EN524-15 and EN558-16 models.



It is important that you tighten the N-type connections on both ends of the right-angle connectors. Also, ensure that the antennas are pointed in the desired direction(s), and are tightly wrapped with self-sealing weatherproof tape for maximum environmental protection and to prevent unintended movement.



Radio 0 and Radio 1 antenna ports are labeled MESH and ACCESS POINT, respectively, for your convenience to correspond to default settings. These settings can be changed via the web or CLI interfaces, in which case these labels may become irrelevant and should be changed accordingly.

## Step 2

## Connect the EnRoute to a PC for Configuration

An EnRoute is configured through its Ethernet port. Connect an Ethernet cable from the Ethernet port of the EnRoute to the computer that you will use to configure the unit. Alternatively, connect the EnRoute to an Ethernet network connected to the computer used for



configuration. The parameters for the EnRoute’s configuration Ethernet interface are listed in Table 2.

**INFO**

The EnRoute is equipped with an auto-sensing Ethernet port that allows both regular and cross-over cables to be used to connect to it.



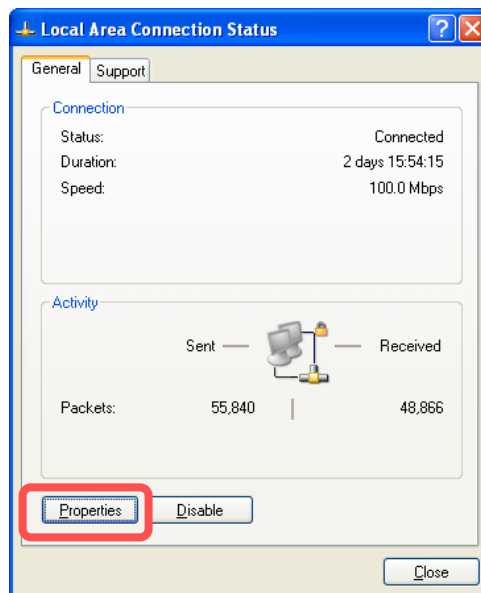
Since the configuration IP address (shown in Table 2) is the same for all EnRoutes, you should not simultaneously connect multiple EnRoutes to a common LAN and attempt to access them using the configuration IP address.

Parameter	Setting
IP address	169.254.253.253
Netmask	255.255.0.0

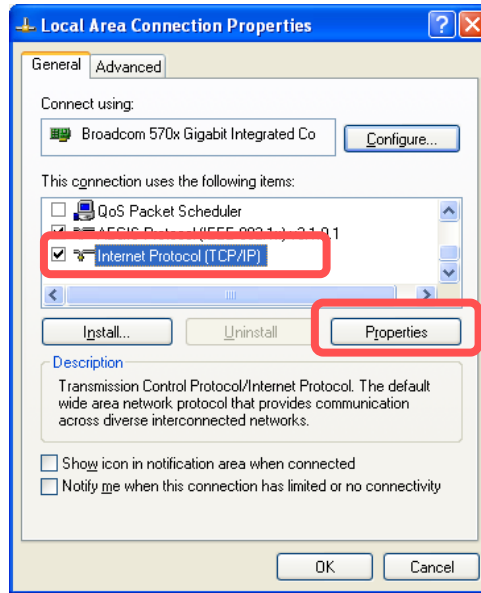
**Table 2. EnRoute Ethernet configuration interface settings**

The computer that you are using to configure the EnRoute needs to have an IP address on the same subnet as the EnRoute. The steps below describe how to set the IP address in Windows XP.

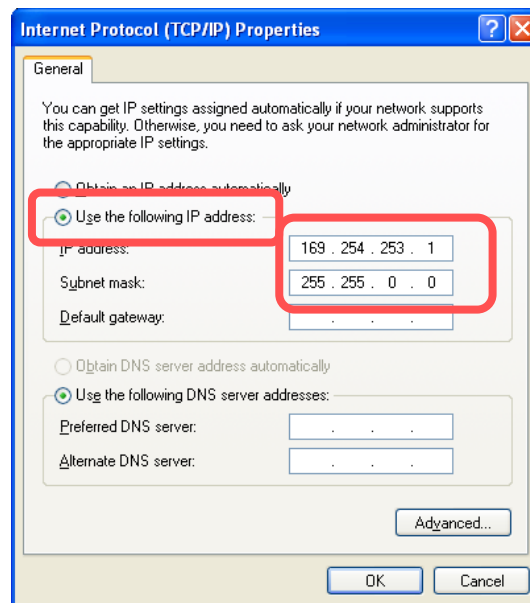
1. Open the “Control Panel”
2. Select “Network and Internet Connections” and then “Network Connections when using the Category View for the Control Panel or “Network Connections” when using the Classic View.
3. Double-click the connection you plan on using to connect to the EnRoute.
4. Click on the “Properties” button



5. Select “Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)” and click on “Properties”.



6. Select “Use the following IP address”, enter 169.254.253.1 as the IP address, set the subnet mask to 255.255.0.0, and then click on “OK”.



7. Click on “Close” to close the network connection properties window and click on “Close” to close the network connection status window.

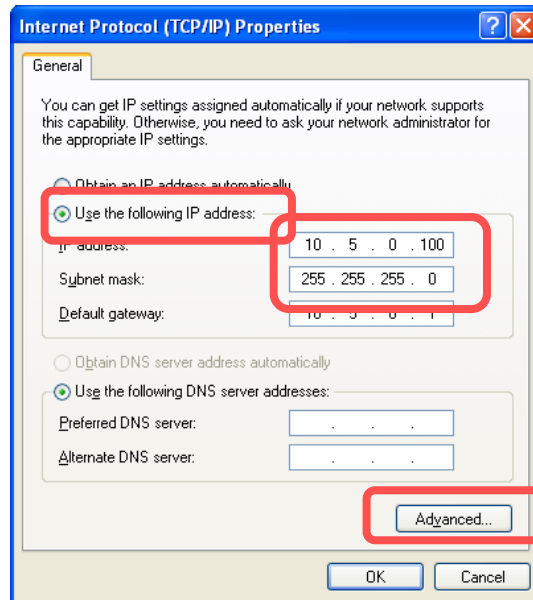
## Aliased IP Address

If you want to configure a network interface in Windows XP to have multiple IP addresses, follow the first five steps in the procedure above and then carry out the following steps.

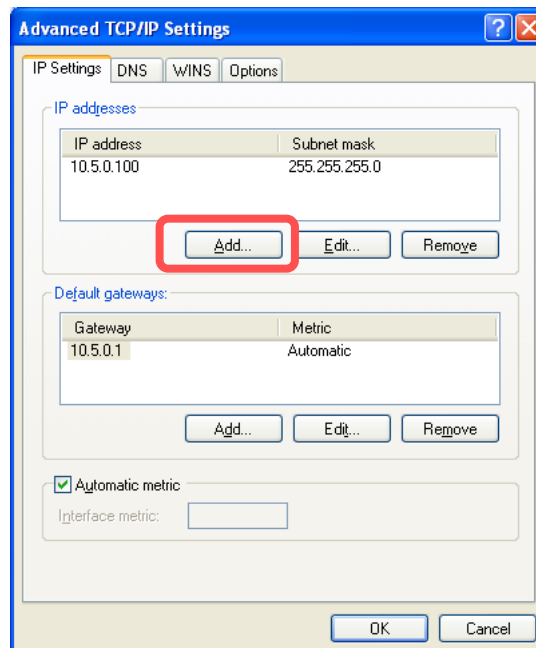
**INFO**

Assigning multiple IP addresses to a network interface allows you to use a single physical network interface to communicate directly with devices on multiple subnets. For example, the EnRoute can be on one subnet while the other devices on the LAN are on a different subnet.

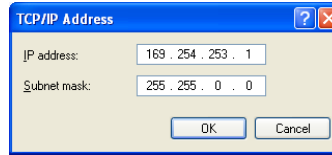
1. Select “Use the following IP address”, then enter the IP address and subnet that you want to use for communicating with devices other than the EnRoute.
2. Click on “Advanced...”



3. Click on the “Add...” button in the “IP addresses” box.



4. Enter 169.254.253.1 as the IP address and 255.255.0.0 as the subnet. This will be the address that is used to communicate with the EnRoute. Click on “OK”.



5. Click on “OK” to close the “Advanced TCP/IP Settings” window, click on “Close” to close the network connection properties window, and click on “Close” to close the network connection status window.



Windows XP does not include an SSH client application. You will need to install a 3<sup>rd</sup>-party client such as SecureCRT from Van Dyke software (<http://www.vandyke.com/products/securecr>) or the free PuTTY SSH client (<http://www.putty.nl/>) to connect to an EnRoute using SSH.

## Step 3 Power up the EnRoute and log in

Connect the EnRoute radio to the CPE port of the supplied POE injector using a normal Ethernet cable. Connect the power plug of the supplied DC adapter into the power jack of the POE injector, then plug the adapter into an AC outlet. The EnRoute radio will automatically power up. The boot process takes approximately 75-90 seconds.

Parameter	Setting
IP address	169.254.253.253
User name	admin
Default password	default

Table 3. EnRoute login parameters

Connect an Ethernet cable between the PC port of the POE Injector and your computer.

**INFO**

The EnRoute is equipped with an auto-sensing Ethernet port that allows both regular and cross-over cables to be used to connect to it.

### CLI

Log in to the EnRoute using an SSH v2 client. The IP address, username, and default password are listed in Table 3.



The EnRoute only supports SSH v2, and not SSH v1.

### Web Interface

Open a browser and enter the URL “https://169.254.253.253”. You will receive a warning about the site’s certificate. This warning can safely be ignored. Enter the username and password listed in Table 3 when prompted to login.

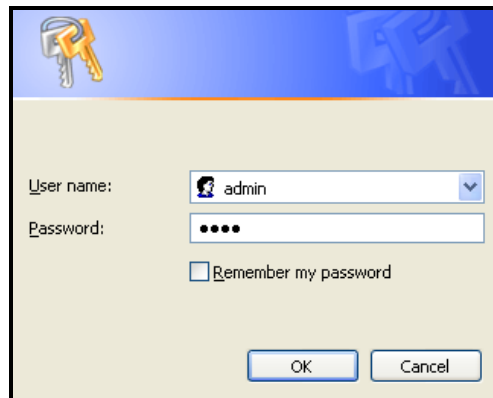


Figure 3. Web interface login

## Step 4

## Configure the EnRoute

All initial configuration of the EnRoute is done with Tranzeo's command line interface (CLI) or web interface. Descriptions for setting parameters are provided for both configuration approaches.

### CLI Overview

The structure of the CLI resembles the user interface commonly used for routers. Please note that after changing a setting with the CLI you will have to apply the changes for the setting to take effect. Note that some settings will trigger a reboot of the EnRoute while others will be applied on the fly.

The CLI presents you with a prompt, which indicates the currently selected interface. By default no interface is selected when you log in.

```
Last login: Mon Feb 20 23:11:57 2006 from 169.254.253.1
Shell timeout: 360 minutes.

Press '?' for help..
>
```

Figure 4. Prompt after login

Below we will configure several parameters for different interfaces. Thus it is important to ensure that you have the correct interface selected when setting a parameter. To select an interface, use the command

```
use <interface name>
```

#### INFO

In this document a 'use' command is always shown prior to a 'set' or 'get' command to avoid the possibility of applying a setting to the wrong interface. It is not necessary to enter the 'use' command if your prompt indicates that you already have selected the correct interface.

At any time you can get help information about the CLI by pressing '?'.

### Web Interface Overview

The web interface can be navigated by using the menu on the left side of the screen and the tabs and sub-tabs that are presented at the top of certain pages.

Many of the web interface pages allow you to set the EnRoute's operating parameters. Each page that contains settable parameters has a "Save Changes" button at the bottom of the

page. When you have made your changes on a page and are ready to commit the new configuration, click on the “Save Changes” button. It typically takes a few seconds to save the changes, after which the page will be reloaded.

For the changes to take effect, they must be applied. After one or more changes have been saved, a message reminding the user to apply these changes will be displayed at the top of the screen.

The screenshot shows the configuration page for a TRANZEO device. At the top, a message states "Configuration has been updated. Reboot required for changes to take effect." The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with options like "System Parameters" and "Save Changes". The main content area is titled "Configure your system parameters." and includes fields for Node Hostname (MR -1), Node ID (1), Mesh ID (253), and various support options like Multicast, LED, and Layer 2 Emulation. A "Save Changes" button is visible at the bottom of the configuration area.

Figure 5. Sample page showing "Save Changes" button and message prompting the user to reboot

## Parameters to Set

An overview of the parameters that should be set for a minimal EnRoute configuration is provided in the table below. After familiarizing yourself with the parameters, proceed to set them as described in the section following the table.

Interface	Parameter	Description	Suggested value	Default value
Sys	id.node	The unique identifier for the node in the mesh cluster. This value will be the last octet in the node’s mesh IP address. It can be set to any value from 1 to 254. All EnRoutes in a given mesh cluster require a unique sys.id.node value to identify them.	any value in the range from 1 to 254	253

Interface	Parameter	Description	Suggested value	Default value
Sys	id.mesh	An identifier in the range from 1 to 254 that uniquely identifies a mesh cluster. All nodes in a given cluster need to have the same mesh ID	1	253
sys	sys.scheme	The EnRoute's operating mode. Repeater mode allows devices to connect to it both through the built-in access point and the Ethernet port. Gateway mode is used to connect an EnRoute radio to an external network in an Internet extension topology.	aprepeater/ apgateway	aprepeater
wlan0	channel	The 802.11a channel used for the mesh network (must be 149, 153, 157, 161, or 165)	149	149
wlan0	txpower	Sets the transmit power for the mesh radio	30	30
wlan1	channel	The 802.11b/g channel used by the internal access points in an EnRoute	6	1
wlan1	ssid	The ESSID for the EnRoute's 'wlan1' access point	EnRoute_ap1	EnRoute_ap1
wlan1	wpa.enable	Controls whether WPA is enabled or not	yes	No
wlan1	wpa.key_mgmt	Controls what form of WPA is used	WPA-PSK	WPA-PSK
wlan1	wpa.passphrase	Sets WPA PSK value	N/A (pick a unique passphrase)	<blank>
wlan1	txpower	Sets the transmit power for the 'wlan1' access point radio	30	30

Many of these parameters can be set via the “Minimal Configuration” page (see Figures 6 & 7)

The screenshot shows the Tranzeo web interface. At the top left is the Tranzeo logo and 'WIRELESS TECHNOLOGIES INC.'. Below it is a navigation sidebar with options: Status, Profile Management, Initial Configuration (with sub-options: Minimal Configuration, Detailed Configuration, Radio Configuration, Interfaces, System Parameters, System Services, Security, QoS), Upgrade, Diagnostics, Apply Changes, and Reboot. The main content area is titled 'Basic/Initial Configuration' and contains three numbered sections:

- 1. Change the 'admin' password.** The default passwords should be changed to prevent unauthorized access to the nodes. A password must be a string of four to 32 characters. **Please note: changing the 'admin' password will force you to relog onto the webpages to continue with configuration.** There are two input fields: 'Admin Password:' and 'Verify Admin Password:', both with masked characters.
- 2. Set the operating scheme for the node.** Setting a scheme will configure the node with a set of reasonable defaults for the role you choose. The 'Scheme:' dropdown menu is set to 'Mesh Repeater + APs'.
- 3. Set the radio channels.** The operating channel/frequency for this radio. There are two dropdown menus: 'Radio 0 Channel:' set to '149 (5.745 GHz)' and 'Radio 1 Channel:' set to '1 (2.412 GHz)'.

Figure 6. Setting Admin Password, operating scheme, and radio channels



**4. Set the radio transmit power caps.**

Set the power to the maximum allowed value for your locale to achieve the best possible connectivity between devices. Please see the User's Manual for the legal values for your locale.

Radio 0 Transmit Power Cap:  dBm

Radio 1 Transmit Power Cap:  dBm

**5. Set the DNS servers.**

Specify DNS server(s) to allow hostnames to be resolved. You may specify one or two DNS servers by their IP addresses. If you need to add additional DNS servers, please see the User's Guide.

Primary DNS Server :  .  .  .

Secondary DNS Server :  .  .  .

**6. Set the node and mesh IDs.**

By setting the mesh and node IDs, the nodes will be able to form a mesh cluster and communicate with each other. The mesh ID identifies which mesh cluster this node is a member of and the node ID is a unique identifier for this node in the mesh cluster. Both of the IDs must be numbers between 1 and 254.

Node ID:

Mesh ID:

**7. Set the mesh ESSID.**

Set the mesh interface ESSID to a common value for all nodes in a mesh cluster. It should be different than the ESSID of any adjacent mesh clusters. The ESSID is a one to 32 character string, which can consist of any alphanumeric characters, spaces (' '), or these other characters: . ! @ # \$ % ^ & \* ( ) \_

Mesh ESSID:

**8. Set the AES encryption key for the mesh.**

Change the default AES encryption key to prevent unauthorized access to the mesh. The AES encryption key must be a 16 character alphanumeric string and cannot contain any characters other than a-z, A-Z and 0-9.

Mesh Key:

Verify Mesh Key:

Figure 7. Setting Transmit power, DNS server, Node ID, Mesh ID, Mesh ESSID, and AES key

## Restoring Factory Settings

Load the **FACTORY** profile to restore defaults settings via the “Load” tab on the “Profile Management” page (Figure 8).

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**Load Saved Profile**

This page allows you to restore a previously saved configuration from a profile on the node. Use Upload Profile page to upload a saved profile from your computer.

**NOTE: Loading a profile will overwrite all existing settings and replace them with those from the loaded profile.**

Please choose a profile from the list below to load onto this node.

Choose Profile:

Figure 8. Loading Factory Profile

## Set the Operating Scheme

The operating scheme determines a node’s role in the mesh network. Typically one of two configurations will be used in a network:

- All EnRoutes will be configured as repeater nodes to create a stand-alone mesh cluster.
- At least one of the EnRoutes in a mesh cluster will be configured as a gateway node, with the remaining nodes configured as gateways or repeaters. The gateway nodes are connected to an external network using the nodes’ Ethernet interfaces. This network configuration will create an Internet extension network.

Mode	Description	Ethernet interface
repeater	The EnRoute will function as a relay in the mesh network. Client devices can connect to the node using both wired (10/100 Ethernet) and wireless (built-in APs) interfaces. The node can provide IP addresses to clients on both the wired and wireless interfaces.	Client devices can connect to it. IP addresses can be provided to client devices using DHCP or be manually configured.
gateway	The EnRoute will function as a relay in the mesh network and a gateway to a WAN using the Ethernet interface for backhaul communication. Client devices can only connect to the node using only the wireless (built-in APs) interfaces. The node can provide IP addresses to clients on the wireless interface.	Used to connect the mesh cluster to a larger network. Will expect to be provided an IP address by a DHCP server or have a static address assigned to it.

**Table 4. EnRoute operating schemes**



The Internet extension network topology example described in this Quick Start Guide has one ‘apgateway’ per mesh cluster. Ensure that only one node in the network is configured as an ‘apgateway’.

### CLI

To set the EnRoute’s **Operating Scheme**, use the commands

```
> use sys
sys> set scheme=<operating scheme>
```

For example, to set the operating scheme ‘apgateway’ mode use:

```
> use sys
sys> set scheme=apgateway
```

### Web Interface

The **Operating Scheme** is Item 2 on the “Minimal Configuration” page.

## Set the Node ID

The node ID identifies a node in a mesh cluster and each node in a mesh cluster must be assigned a unique **Node ID** value. The allowable range for node IDs is 1 through 254.

### CLI

Set the node ID with

```
> use sys
sys> set id.node=<node ID>
```

### Web Interface

The **Node ID** is part of Item 6 on the “Minimal Configuration” page.

## Set the Mesh ID

The mesh ID identifies a mesh cluster. Each member of a mesh cluster must be assigned the same mesh ID. In order to support multiple different meshes in a single location, each mesh must have a unique mesh ID. The allowable range for mesh IDs is 1 through 254.

### CLI

Set the **Mesh ID** with

```
> use sys
sys> set id.mesh=<mesh ID>
```

### Web Interface

The **Mesh ID** is part of Item 6 on the “Minimal Configuration” page.

## Setting the Mesh Channel

All the nodes in a mesh need to be configured to use the same 802.11a channel. Valid values for a 20MHz channel setting are 149, 153, 157, 161, and 165. All of these channels are non-overlapping and reside in the 5.7-5.8 GHz ISM band.

### CLI

Set the channel used for the mesh with

```
> use wlan0
wlan0> set channel=<channel #>
```

### Web Interface

Set the Mesh Channel by setting **Radio 0 Channel** under Item 3 on the “Minimal Configuration” page.

## Setting the Mesh Radio Transmit Power

The allowed values for mesh radio transmit power are 1 through 30 regardless of channel. A setting of 60 is equal to 24 dBm.

### CLI

The mesh radio’s transmit power is set using the commands

```
> use wlan0
wlan0> set txpower=<tx power>
```



**You must set the value of ‘wlan0.txpower’ to be in the range from 1 to 60 to be in compliance with FCC regulations.**

### Web Interface

Set the mesh radio transmit power by setting **Radio 0 Transmit Power Cap** under Item 4 on the “Minimal Configuration” page.

## Setting the Access Point Channel

The channel used by the EnRoute’s built-in access points can be set. In a deployment with more than one EnRoute radio, the non-overlapping channels 1, 6 and 11 should be used in an alternating fashion to maximize throughput and minimize interference.

### CLI

The channel for the EnRoute’s access point 1 is set with

```
> use wlan1
wlan1> set channel=<channel #>
```

### Web Interface

Set the access point channel by setting **Radio 1 Channel** under Item 3 on the “Minimal Configuration” page.

## Setting the Access Point Radio Transmit Power

The maximum allowed value for 'txpower' depends on the access point channel that has been selected, as shown in Table 5. The minimum allowed value is 1.

Channel	Tx Power (dBm)	txpower setting
1	20 dBm	10
2 – 10	28 dBm	25
11	20 dBm	10

Table 5. Access point transmit power limits

### CLI

The access point radio's transmit power is set using the commands

```
> use wlan1
wlan1> set txpower=<tx power>
```



**You must set the value for 'wlan1.txpower' to be in the ranges shown in Table 5 to be in compliance with FCC regulations**

### Web Interface

Set the access point radio transmit power by setting **Radio 1 Transmit Power Cap** under Item 4 on the "Minimal Configuration" page.

## Setting the Mesh ESSID

Set the 'wlan0' mesh interface ESSID to a common value for all nodes in a mesh cluster. It should be different than the ESSID for any adjacent mesh clusters. By default the 'wlan0' ESSID is set to 'newMesh'

The SSID value must be a text string that has a maximum length of 32 characters. It must only contain alphanumeric characters, spaces, dashes ("-"), and underscores ("\_"). The SSID setting is case sensitive.

### CLI

The ESSID for the EnRoute's 'wlan0' mesh interface is set with

```
> use wlan0
wlan0> set essid=<ssid name>
```

### Web Interface

The **Mesh ESSID** is Item 7 on the "Minimal Configuration" page.

## Setting the AES Encryption Key for the Mesh

Change the default AES encryption key to prevent unauthorized access to the mesh. The mesh encryption key must be the same for all nodes in a mesh cluster.

The mesh “AES key” can either be specified as a 16-character ASCII string preceded by “s:” or a 32-character hexadecimal string.

### CLI

The mesh AES key for the EnRoute’s ‘wlan1’ access point is set with

```
> use wlan0
wlan0> set key="s:<ASCII key>
```

or using a hexadecimal key with

```
> use wlan0
wlan0> set key="<HEX key>
```

Encryption can be disabled by specifying a blank value as shown below.

```
> use wlan0
wlan0> set key=
```

### Web Interface

The **Mesh Key** is Item 8 on the “Minimal Configuration” page.

## Setting the Access Point ESSID

You can assign a common access point ESSID to all the EnRoute’s in your network or you can set ESSIDs to be unique for each EnRoute to enable client connections to specific mesh nodes. By default the ‘wlan1’ ESSID is set to ‘er500ap\_default1’

The ESSID name can contain only alphanumeric characters and the characters ‘\_’ and ‘-’. The maximum allowed length for an ESSID is 32 characters.

### CLI

The ESSID for the EnRoute’s ‘wlan1’ access point is set with

```
> use wlan1
wlan1> set essid=<ssid name>
```

### Web Interface

Set the ‘wlan1’ access point ESSID via the “wlan1” tab on the “Interfaces” page (see Figure 9).

The screenshot shows the configuration page for 'wlan1' in the Tranzeo EnRoute interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Overview', 'wlan0', 'wlan1', 'wlan2', 'wlan3', 'wlan4', 'eth0', 'VLANs', and 'Config If.'. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with categories like 'Status', 'Profile Management', 'Initial Configuration', 'Detailed Configuration', 'Radio Configuration', 'Interfaces', 'System Parameters', 'System Services', 'Security', 'QoS', 'Upgrade', 'Diagnostics', 'Review/Apply Changes', and 'Reboot'. The main configuration area for 'wlan1' includes the following settings:

- wlan1 State: enabled (change)
- Assoc. with: Radio 1 (change)
- Role: access (change)
- Mode: ap (change)
- IP Address: 10.253.253.1 (from implicit addressing)
- Gateway Address: 0.0.0.0 (from implicit addressing)
- Netmask: 255.255.255.128 (from implicit addressing)
- Broadcast: 10.253.253.127 (from implicit addressing)
- ESSID: er500ap\_default1
- Hide ESSID?: no
- Channel: 1 (change)
- VLAN State: disabled
- VLAN ID: 11
- NOTE: enabling VLAN on this interface requires VLAN to be configured on the backhaul interfaces.
- Transmit Power Cap: 30.0 dBm (change)
- Radio Rate: 54 Mbps (checked) Auto
- Use Short Preamble?: yes (change)
- Beacon Interval: 100 milliseconds
- Distance: 3 kilometers (change)
- Deny ANY SSID?: yes
- Enable CPE Statistics?: yes

A 'Save Changes' button is located at the bottom of the configuration area. On the right side, there is a 'wlan1' summary box with sections for 'IP Address / Gateway / Netmask / Broadcast', 'ESSID', 'Hide ESSID', and 'Channel'.

Figure 9. Setting the 'wlan1' access point ESSID

## Setting the Access Point Encryption Key

By default, the access point has a WEP encryption key set that clients must use in order to connect. It is recommended that WPA encryption is enabled instead of WEP.

### INFO

The minimum number of characters required for the WPA passphrase is 8. However, it is recommended that a longer passphrase, on the order of 15-20 characters, is used to increase the strength of the encryption used for the wireless link.

### INFO

It is possible to set different encryption keys for APs on different EnRoutes. However, if this is done, it will not be possible for client devices to seamlessly connect to any of the EnRoutes using the same AP ESSID in a network since they use different encryption keys.

**CLI**

The example below shows how to enable WPA-PSK encryption for WLAN1.

```
> use wlan1
wlan1> set wpa.enable=yes
wlan1> set wpa.key_mgmt="WPA-PSK"
wlan1> set wpa.passphrase=<your passphrase>
```

**Web Interface**

Set the access point encryption key via the “WPA/WEP” sub-tab under the “AAA” tab on the “System Parameters” page (see Figure 10). Select ‘WPA-PSK’ from the drop-down menu for WLAN1 and enter a passphrase in the edit box below the drop-down menu.

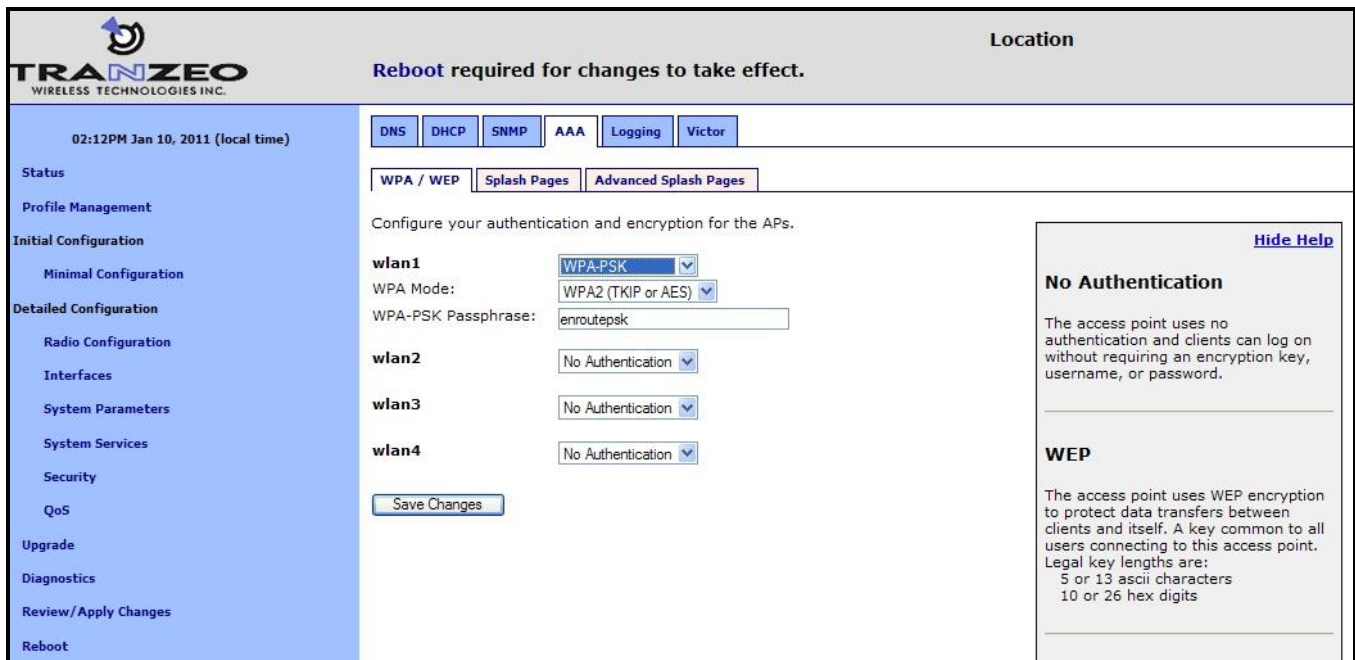


Figure 10. Setting ‘wlan1’ encryption settings

**Gateway Parameters**

If you have configured a node as a gateway (sys.scheme set to ‘apgateway’), you may need to change the settings for the parameters listed in the table below, depending on the network to which you are connecting the gateway.

It is not necessary to set these variables for repeater nodes.

Interface	Parameter	Description	Suggested value	Default value
sys	nat.enable	Controls whether NAT is enabled or disabled.	yes	no



Interface	Parameter	Description	Suggested value	Default value
eth0	dhcp	Controls whether the gateway will attempt to acquire an address via DHCP or use a static address	client	none
eth0	ip.address_force	IP address for the Ethernet interface	N/A	10.253.253.225
eth0	ip.broadcast_force	Broadcast address for the Ethernet interface	N/A	10.253.253.255
eth0	ip.netmask_force	Netmask for the Ethernet interface	N/A	255.255.255.224
eth0	ip.gateway_force	Gateway for the Ethernet interface	N/A	<blank>
firewall	enable	Controls the state of the EnRoute's firewall	yes	yes

## Enabling NAT

Network Address Translation (NAT) isolates your mesh cluster from the network that the cluster gateway is connected to through its Ethernet port. The mesh nodes and their client devices are able to communicate with devices connected to the external network, however, devices on the external network cannot initiate communication with any mesh nodes, or clients of mesh nodes, other than the mesh gateway.

The advantages of using NAT are:

- You can easily attach a mesh to an existing network. You do not need to modify any settings on the router on your existing network to forward packets to the addresses used in your mesh.
- The mesh nodes are shielded from the network that the gateway is attached to.
- You only consume a single IP address on your existing network when connecting the mesh to it.

The main disadvantage of using NAT is that you are not able to initiate connections with mesh nodes or their clients from outside the mesh network



If you do not enable NAT, you will have to configure the router on the LAN segment that the mesh cluster gateway is connected to to forward all traffic for the following subnets to IP address of the mesh cluster gateway's Ethernet interface:

```
<sys.id.lanprefix>.<sys.id.mesh>.0.0/255.255.0.0
<sys.id.mesh_prefix>.<sys.id.mesh>.0/255.255.255.0
```

## CLI

To set the NAT state, use the commands

```
> use sys
sys> set nat.enable=<yes|no>
```

**Web Interface**

Set the NAT state via the “eth0” tab on the “Interfaces” page (see Figure 11).

The screenshot shows the EnRoute Web Interface configuration page for the 'eth0' interface. The interface is currently set to 'gateway' mode. The 'Enable NAT' option is set to 'disabled'. Other settings include IP Address: 10.253.253.225, Gateway Address: . . . , Netmask: 255.255.255.224, and Broadcast: 10.253.253.255. A 'Save Changes' button is visible at the bottom of the configuration area.

**Figure 11. Setting the NAT state**

**Gateway: Ethernet DHCP Client**

When configured as a gateway, the EnRoute can be configured to use DHCP to get an address for its Ethernet interface.

To enable the DHCP client mode for the Ethernet interface, set the value of the ‘dhcp’ parameter in the ‘eth0’ interface to ‘client’. To disable it, set the ‘dhcp’ parameter to ‘none’.

**CLI**

```
> use eth0
eth0> set dhcp=<client|none>
```

**Web Interface**

Set the backhaul interface DHCP client state on the “DHCP” sub-tab under the “DHCP” tab on the “System Parameters” page (see Figure 12).

**Location**

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**TRANZEO**  
WIRELESS TECHNOLOGIES INC.

DNS DHCP **SNMP** AAA Logging Victor

DHCP **Centralized DHCP** Cent. DHCP Routing

Configure DHCP.

**wlan1**  
 Mode: server  
 Always Broadcast: no  
 Default Lease Timeout: 86400 seconds  
 Maximum Lease Timeout: 86400 seconds  
 Reserved DHCP Range: 0  
 IP Address Range (Start): 1 (actual value: 1)  
 IP Address Range (Size): 127 (actual value: 127)

**wlan2**  
 Mode: server  
 Always Broadcast: no  
 Default Lease Timeout: 86400 seconds  
 Maximum Lease Timeout: 86400 seconds  
 Reserved DHCP Range: 0  
 IP Address Range (Start): 129 (actual value: 0)  
 IP Address Range (Size): 31 (actual value: 255)

**wlan3**  
 Mode: server  
 Always Broadcast: no  
 Default Lease Timeout: 86400 seconds  
 Maximum Lease Timeout: 86400 seconds  
 Reserved DHCP Range: 0  
 IP Address Range (Start): 161 (actual value: 0)  
 IP Address Range (Size): 31 (actual value: 255)

**wlan4**  
 Mode: server  
 Always Broadcast: no  
 Default Lease Timeout: 86400 seconds  
 Maximum Lease Timeout: 86400 seconds  
 Reserved DHCP Range: 0

**Mode**  
 Sets the DHCP mode supported by the interface. The three possible modes are:

- none - no DHCP services are provided
- local server - a DHCP server will respond to client DHCP requests on the interface
- central server - the node will provide DHCP addresses from a centralized DHCP server (only available if Centralized DHCP is enabled).
- client - the node will attempt to acquire an address for the interface via DHCP (only valid for the wired interface with the node in gateway or bridge mode)

**Default Lease Timeout**  
 The default lease time the DHCP server will assign to DHCP clients. If a DHCP request from a client does not contain a lease time request, this is the lease time that will be used.

**Maximum Lease Timeout**  
 The maximum lease time the DHCP server will assign to DHCP clients. DHCP client lease time requests in excess of this value will be responded to with this lease time.

**Reserved Address Range**  
 The number of addresses set aside

Figure 12. Setting the backhaul DHCP configuration

## Gateway: Manually Configuring the Ethernet Interface

If you have disabled DHCP for the Ethernet interface, you will need to manually configure the interface.



If you have configured the Ethernet interface to be a DHCP client, any settings you manually configure will be overridden when the EnRoute has received an address and other configuration information from a DHCP server.

The settings that need to be entered are the IP address, the broadcast address, the netmask, and, optionally, a gateway for the interface.

**CLI**

These IP address-related parameters are set using the following commands:

```
> use eth0
eth0> set ip.address_force=<your.ip.address.here>
eth0> set ip.netmask_force=<your.net.netmask.here>
eth0> set ip.broadcast_force=<your.broadcast.address.here>
eth0> set ip.gateway_force=<your.gateway.address.here>
```

**Web Interface**

Set the IP parameters for the wired/backhaul Interface via the “eth0” tab on the “Interfaces” page (see Figure 13).

The screenshot shows the Tranzeo web interface for configuring the eth0 interface. The left sidebar contains navigation options like Status, Profile Management, Initial Configuration, Detailed Configuration, Radio Configuration, Interfaces, System Parameters, System Services, Security, QoS, Upgrade, Diagnostics, Apply Changes, and Reboot. The main content area has tabs for Overview, wlan0, wlan1, wlan2, wlan3, wlan4, eth0, VLANs, and Config If. The eth0 tab is active, showing configuration options for DHCP, QoS, and interface settings. The interface is currently enabled and configured as a gateway. The IP address is set to 10.253.253.225, the netmask is 255.255.255.224, and the broadcast address is 10.253.253.255. A 'Save Changes' button is visible at the bottom of the configuration area. On the right, there is a 'Wired Interface Role' section with a table showing 'Gateway' selected for 'Backhaul' and 'Client access' for 'Repeater'. Below that is a 'VLAN' section with explanatory text.

Figure 13. Setting backhaul interface IP settings

## Setting the Firewall State

An EnRoute has a firewall that can be enabled or disabled. The firewall blocks communication based on a variety of parameters that can be configured with the CLI. The default settings are typically sufficient to allow most types of common communication. It is only suggested that you disable the firewall if you are encountering problems with establishing communication between your mesh and external devices.



If you have enabled NAT, you will have an implicit firewall that limits the type of inbound connections that are possible.

### CLI

The commands for controlling the state of the firewall are:

```
> use firewall
firewall> set enable=<yes|no>
```

### Web Interface

It is not currently possible to set the firewall state via the web interface.

## Optional Parameters

The parameters in the following table are optional to change. You can keep the default factory settings for these parameters, or configure them to conform to your network management framework. Be sure to set the interface using prior to setting these parameters.

```
use <interface name>
```

Interface	Parameter	Description	Suggested value	Default value
wlan0	essid	The ESSID used by the EnRoute for the mesh. This needs to be set to be the same for all EnRoute devices in a given mesh.	newMesh	newMesh
sys	id.lanprefix	The first octet of the local subnet for devices connected to an EnRoute	10	10
sys	id.meshprefix	The first two octets of the mesh IP addresses. It is recommended that this value is in the range from 172.16 to 172.29.	172.16 – 172.29	172.29
sys	shell.timeout	The CLI will automatically log out a user after a specified time of inactivity. This setting allows you to specify, in minutes, how long this timeout value is.	20	20

## Verifying Parameters

### CLI

You can use the following commands to verify parameter settings. Select an interface with

```
use <interface>
```

and then retrieve a parameter setting with

```
get <parameter name>
```

For example, to retrieve a node's ID, use the commands

```
> use sys  
sys> get id.node
```

The "\*" character can be used to specify wildcard characters. The example below illustrates how all the parameters in the 'sys' interface that start with 'id.' can be retrieved.

```
> use sys  
sys> get id.*
```

This command will return:

```
sys.id.lanprefix = 10  
sys.id.mesh = 4  
sys.id.meshprefix = 172.29  
sys.id.node = 7
```

**Web Interface**

Configuration values can be verified by bringing up the page on which they were set. Many current operating parameters are available on the web interface “Status” page (Figure 14).

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**Config Overview** | **Status** | Routing | ARP | Event Log | DHCP Events

**MG-253 Configuration**

**System Information**

Firmware version: ENROUTETAI\_20091016\_05\_10\_0289  
 Patch version(s):  
 SKU: EN505  
 Uptime: 0 days, 7 minutes  
 Mode: Gateway

**Radio 0**

802.11 Modes: 802.11a, 802.11g, 802.11b  
 Channel: 149 (5.745 GHz) (change)  
 Country Code: (840) United States  
 Card Type: 4F

**Radio 1**

802.11 Modes: 802.11a, 802.11g, 802.11b  
 Channel: 1 (2.412 GHz) (change)  
 Country Code: (840) United States  
 Card Type: 4E

**Wireless Fabric™ (mesh)**

Associated with: Radio 0 (change)  
 Role: mesh (change)  
 ESSID: newMesh1 (change)  
 Cell ID: 7e:85:cf:b1:94:81  
 IP Address: 172.29.253.253  
 Netmask: 255.255.0.0  
 MAC Address: 06:0B:6B:2E:3B:D8

**Access Point 1 (wlan1)**

Enabled: yes (change)  
 Associated with: Radio 1 (change)  
 Role: access (change)  
 ESSID: er500ap\_default1 (change)  
 DHCP: server (change)  
 Encryption: none (change)  
 VLAN: disabled (change)  
 IP Address: 10.253.253.1 (change)  
 Netmask: 255.255.255.128 (change)  
 MAC Address: 06:19:70:32:03:A8

**Access Point 2 (wlan2)**

Enabled: no (change)  
 Associated with: Radio 1 (change)  
 Role: access (change)  
 ESSID: er500ap\_default2 (change)  
 DHCP: server (change)  
 Encryption: none (change)

Figure 14. Sample status page

## Step 5

## Reboot the EnRoute

Reboot the EnRoute either by removing power and reapplying it, issuing the CLI command

```
reboot
```

at a CLI command prompt, or clicking on the “Reboot now” button on the “Reboot” page in the web interface (Figure 15).

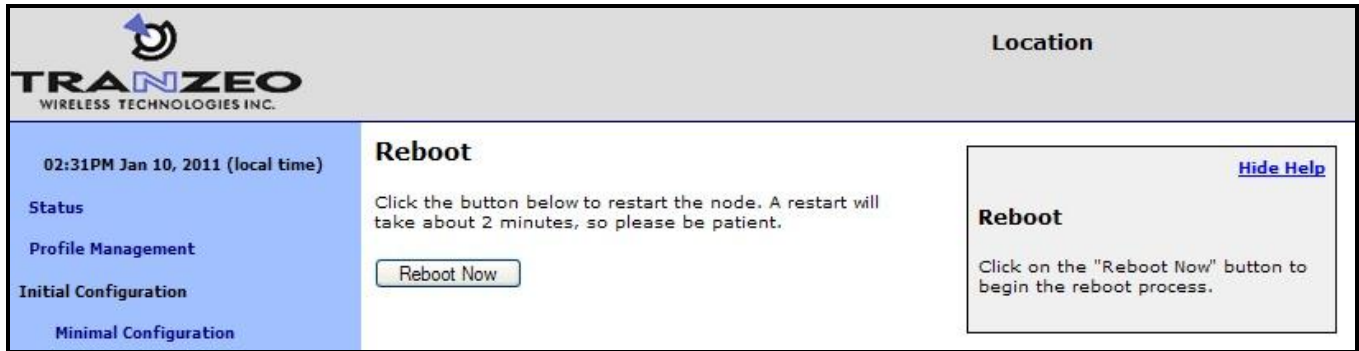


Figure 15. Rebooting the node

By rebooting the node, the configuration changes that have been made will take effect.

## Step 6

## Configure other EnRoutes to be used in the network

Repeat steps 1 through 5 for all the EnRoutes to be used in the network.



Remember to assign unique node ID (sys.id.node) values to all EnRoutes used in the network.



If you are setting up a Internet extension network, remember to set one node to be an 'apgateway' by configuring its sys.scheme parameter appropriately.



## Using Victor to Locate and Change IP Address of EnRoute Radios

The Tranzeo Victor Program is a utility that allows users to quickly locate and change the IP address of Tranzeo radios. It sends out a broadcast on the network and displays a list of other Tranzeo radios connected, from which you can configure the IP address for your device.

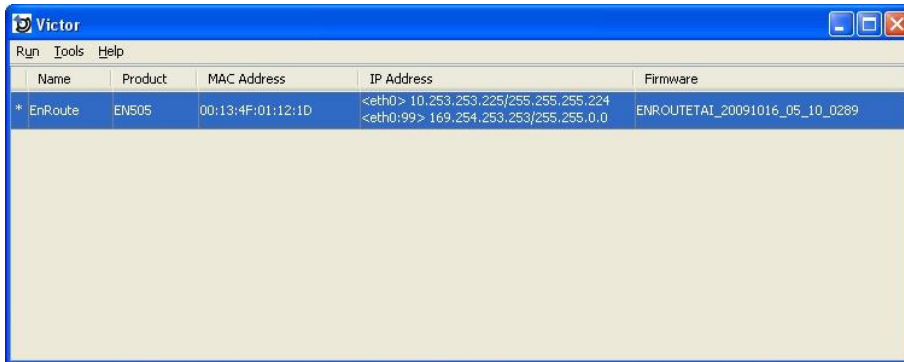


Figure 16. Victor’s Scan Results Screen

You can display the EnRoute information by highlighting a device, and selecting Details from the Run menu.

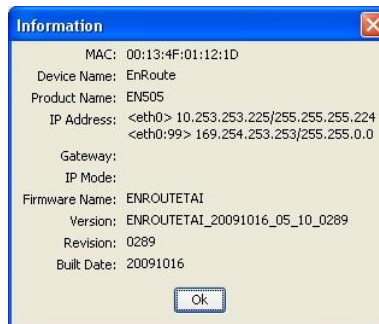


Figure 17. Victor’s Mesh Details Screen

You can change the IP address and subnet of the Configuration Interface:



Figure 18. Victor’s IP Address Change Screen

### INFO

You can download the latest version of Victor from the Tranzeo Support Website.

## Enabling Victor Access

Victor Scans is enabled by default in the EnRoute radios. You may disable Victor access via the Victor tab on the “System Services” page (Figure 19).

The screenshot shows the EnRoute configuration interface. At the top left is the TRANZEO WIRELESS TECHNOLOGIES INC. logo. Below the logo is a navigation menu with categories: Status, Profile Management, Initial Configuration (with sub-items Minimal Configuration and Detailed Configuration), and System Parameters. The main content area has a header with the word "Location" on the right and a row of tabs: DNS, DHCP, SNMP, AAA, Logging, and Victor. The Victor tab is selected. Below the tabs, the text "Configure Victor Access." is displayed. Underneath, there is a label "Victor Scans" followed by a dropdown menu currently set to "enabled". A "Save Changes" button is located below the dropdown. On the right side of the page, there is a help box titled "Victor" with a "Hide Help" link. The help text reads: "The Victor utility can find nodes on a network, even if you do not know its IP address. If this is set to 'enabled', the node will respond to Victor requests. If it is set to 'disabled', Victor will not be able to detect this node."

Figure 19. Configuring Victor's Access