How to set your network settings for DHCP for Windows

Note:
- When making any network configuration changes, you must have administrator privileges on the computer in order to complete these instructions
- You may need your Windows CD to complete these instructions

Windows 7
To set your network card for DHCP, follow these steps:
1. Click the **Start** button
2. Click **Control Panel**
3. Click **Network and Internet**
4. Click **View network status and task**s under **Network and Sharing Center**
5. Click **Change adapter settings** on the left navigation bar
6. Right-click on the network adapter who wish to change, such as Local Area Connection
7. Select **Properties**
8. Highlight **Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4)**
9. Click **Properties**
10. In the **General** tab, ensure that **Obtain an IP address automatically** radio button is selected

    Note: Prior to making this change, right down the **IP**, **Subnet Mask** and **Default Gateway** information as it will be lost if **Obtain an IP address automatically** is selection so you may change the network information at a later time.

11. Click OK twice and exit back to the Desktop

Windows Vista
To set your network card for DHCP, follow these steps:
1. Click the **Start** button
2. Click **Control Panel**
3. Click **Network and Sharing Center**
4. Click **View Status** under **Network** section for the connection type
5. Click **Properties**
6. Highlight **Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4)**
7. Click **Properties**
8. In the **General** tab, ensure that **Obtain an IP address automatically** radio button is selected

    Note: Prior to making this change, right down the **IP**, **Subnet Mask** and **Default Gateway** information as it will be lost if **Obtain an IP address automatically** is selection so you may change the network information at a later time.

9. Click OK twice and exit back to the Desktop

Windows XP

To set your Network card for DHCP, follow these steps:

Classic View*:*
1. Click the **Start** button
2. Click **Settings**
3. Select **Control Panel**
4. Double-click **Network Connections**
5. Right-click on the **Local Area Connection** (for your network card)
6. Select **Properties**
7. Highlight **Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)**
8. Click **Properties**
9. In the **General** tab, ensure that **Obtain an IP address automatically** radio button is selected

> **Note:** Prior to making this change, right down the **IP**, **Subnet Mask** and **Default Gateway** information as it will be lost if **Obtain an IP address automatically** is selection so you may change the network information at a later time.

10. Click **OK** twice

(Non-Classic View)
1. Click the **Start** button
2. Right-click on **My Network Places**
3. Select **Properties**
4. Right-click on your **Local Area Connection**
5. Select **Properties**
6. Highlight **Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)**
7. Click **Properties**
8. In the **General** tab, ensure that **Obtain an IP address automatically** radio button is selected

> **Note:** Prior to making this change, right down the **IP**, **Subnet Mask** and **Default Gateway** information as it will be lost if **Obtain an IP address automatically** is selection so you may change the network information at a later time.

9. Click **OK** twice

Windows 2000:

To set your Network card for DHCP, follow these steps:
1. Click the **Start** button
2. Select **Settings**
3. Select **Network and Dial-up Connections**
4. Right-click on **Properties**
5. Highlight **Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)**
6. Click **Properties**
7. In the **General** tab, ensure that **Obtain an IP address automatically** radio button is selected

> **Note:** Prior to making this change, right down the **IP**, **Subnet Mask** and **Default Gateway** information as it will be lost if **Obtain an IP address automatically** is selection so you may change the network information at a later time.

8. Click **OK** twice
9. Restart your computer

Windows 95/98/ME

1. Click the **Start** button
2. Select **Settings**
3. Select **Control Panel**.
4. Double-click the **Network** icon.
5. If the Your Network is Not Complete. Do You Want to Continue? Window opens, click the **Yes** button.
6. Select the **Configuration** tab.
7. Select **TCP/IP**.
8. Click the **Properties** button.
9. Select the **IP Address** tab.
10. Select the **Obtain an IP Address Automatically** option.

    Note: Prior to making this change, right down the **IP**, **Subnet Mask** and **Default Gateway** information as it will be lost if **Obtain an IP address automatically** is selection so you may change the network information at a later time.

11. Click **OK**
12. Save the settings
13. Click **OK**
    Note: Windows may copy files and prompt you for your Windows Operating System CD
14. Restart your computer

Windows NT

1. Click the **Start** button
2. Select **Settings**
3. Select **Control Panel**.
4. Double-click the **Network** icon.
5. Select the **Protocols** tab.
6. Double-click **TCP/IP->[Your Ethernet Card]**.

    Note: The name of your Ethernet card will appear in place of [Your Ethernet Card].

7. Select the **IP Address** tab.
8. Select **Obtain an IP Address from a DCHP Server**.

    If a window opens asking you if you want to enable DHCP, click the **Yes** button.

    Note: Prior to making this change, right down the **IP**, **Subnet Mask** and **Default Gateway** information as it will be lost if **Obtain an IP address automatically** is selection so you may change the network information at a later time.

9. Click **OK**.
10. Restart your computer.