

**deco**<sup>™</sup> | Whole Home Powerline Mesh Wi-Fi System  
Seamless Roaming | Parental Controls | Easy Setup | Powerline Backhaul

# User Guide

**AC1200 + AV1000 Whole Home  
Powerline Mesh Wi-Fi System  
Deco P9**



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# About This Guide

This guide provides a brief introduction to Deco Whole Home Powerline Mesh Wi-Fi System and the Deco app, as well as regulatory information.

Features available in Deco may vary by model and software version. Deco availability may also vary by region or ISP. All images, steps, and descriptions in this guide are only examples and may not reflect your actual Deco experience.

## Conventions

In this guide, the following conventions are used:

Convention	Description
Deco	Stands for Deco Whole Home Powerline Mesh Wi-Fi System/ Unit.
<u>Underline</u>	Hyperlinks are in teal and underlined. You can click to redirect to a website or a specific section.
Teal	Key information appears in teal, including management page text such as menus, items, buttons and so on.
Note:	Ignoring this type of note might result in a malfunction or damage to the device.
Tips:	Indicates important information that helps you make better use of your device.

## More Info

- Specific product information can be found on the product page at <https://www.tp-link.com>.
- A community is provided for you to discuss our products at <https://community.tp-link.com>.
- Our Technical Support contact information can be found at the [Help center](#) of the Deco app and the [Contact Technical Support](#) page at <https://www.tp-link.com/support>.

## Speed/Coverage/Device Quantity Disclaimer

Maximum wireless transmission rates are the physical rates derived from IEEE Standard 802.11 specifications. Range, coverage, and maximum quantity of connected devices are based on test results under normal usage conditions. Actual wireless data throughput, wireless coverage, and quantity of connected devices are not guaranteed and will vary as a result of 1) environmental factors, including building materials, physical objects, and obstacles, 2) network conditions, including local interference, volume and density of traffic, product location, network complexity, and network overhead, and 3) client limitations, including rated performance, location, connection quality, and client condition.

## MU-MIMO Disclaimer

Use of MU-MIMO requires clients to also support MU-MIMO.

## Seamless Roaming Disclaimer

Clients need to support 802.11k/v/r and may require additional set up. Performance may vary depending on the client device.

## IoT Compatibility Disclaimer

IoT compatibility refers only to smart devices that can be controlled via the Deco app.

# Appearance

Each Deco has an LED that changes color according to its status, two RJ-45 Ethernet ports, a power slot, and a Reset button. See the explanation below:



# Set Up Your Deco

The intuitive Deco app guides you through an easy setup process that gets each unit up and running and all your devices connected and online. Follow the steps below to set up your Deco Whole Home Mesh Wi-Fi System.

## 1. Download and install the Deco app

Scan the QR code below or go to Google Play or the Apple App Store to download the Deco app. Install the app on your Android or iOS smartphone or tablet.



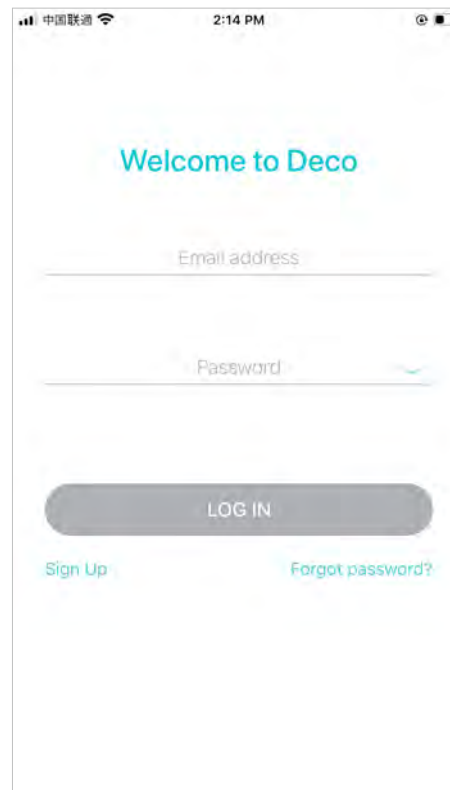
or



## 2. Log in or sign up with TP-Link ID

Open the app. Use your TP-Link ID to log in.

If you don't have a TP-Link ID, tap [Sign Up](#). The Deco app will guide you through the rest.



## 3. Identify Your Deco

Identify your Deco from the model list.



#### 4. Connect Deco to your modem

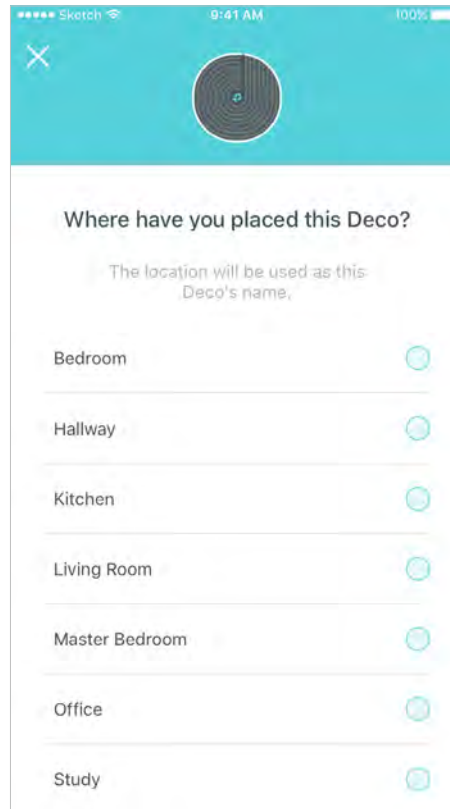
Power off your modem. Connect your Deco to the modem and power them both on.

If you don't have a modem, connect the Ethernet outlet directly to your Deco.



#### 5. Select a location

Select a location for this Deco. If its location is not listed, you can create a new one by choosing Custom.



#### 6. Set Up Internet Connection

Select the internet connection type and enter the information. If you are not sure, contact your internet service provider.



## 7. Create your Wi-Fi network

Set a network name and a password. These will be the name and password you use to connect your devices to Wi-Fi.

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### Create your Wi-Fi Network

This will be the name and password you'll use to access your network. Your password must be at least 8 characters.

Network Name

Password

It is recommended to set a password using a combination of letters, numbers and symbols.

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## 8. Connect to your Wi-Fi network

Connect your devices to the Deco's Wi-Fi to continue the set up.

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### Connect to your Wi-Fi network

Connect your phone/tablet to the Deco's Wi-Fi to continue the setup.

Network Name  
Deco P9

Password

CONNECT

## 9. Setup complete

Your Deco network is now up. Add more Decos or complete the setup and connect all devices to the Deco network.

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### Your Deco network is now up


Your Deco is ready to use. Please connect all devices to the Deco network for better connections.

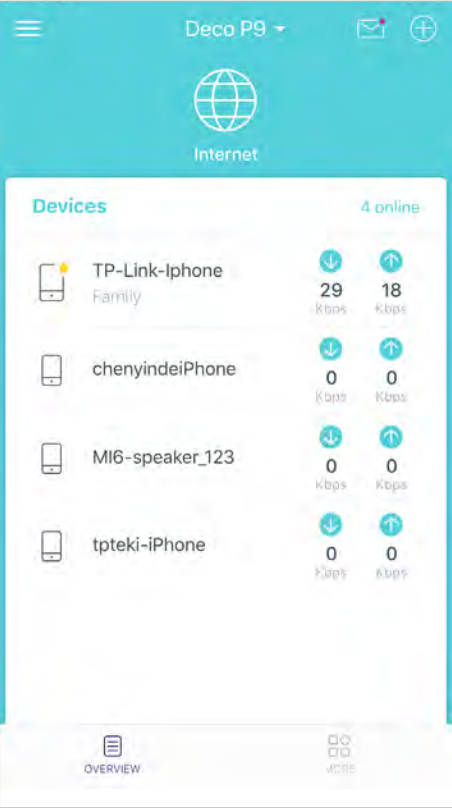
ADD ANOTHER DECO

DONE

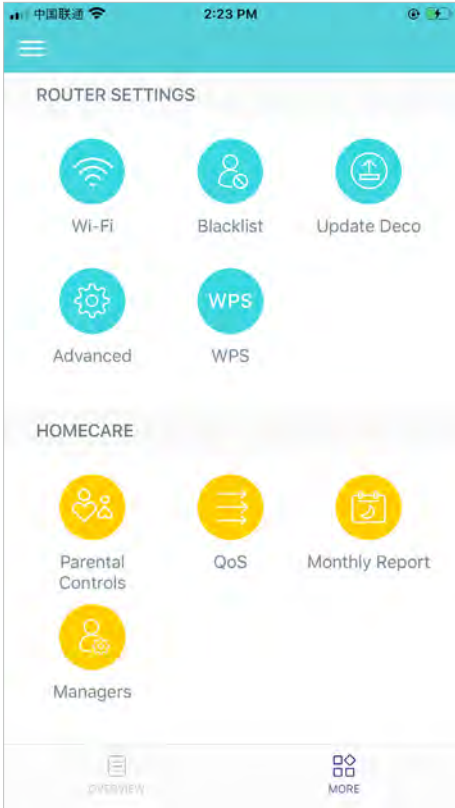
# Dashboard

After you successfully set up your Deco network, you will see the dashboard of the Deco app. Here you can get an overview of the network status and set up various advanced features.

Tap  to get an overview of the network status



Tap  to set up more features

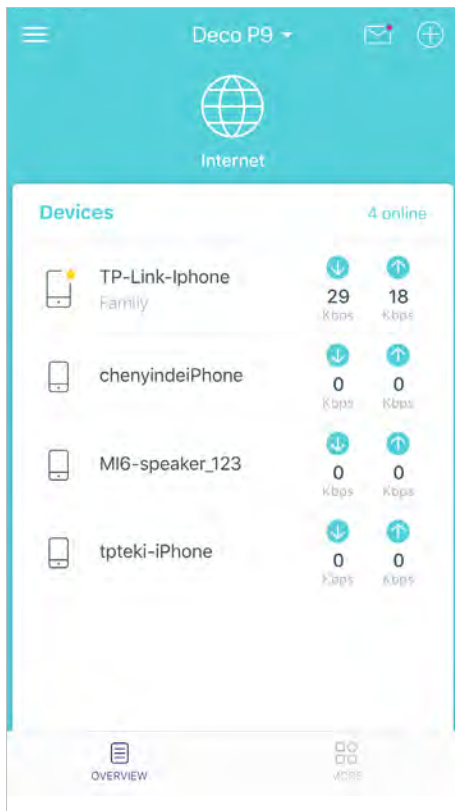




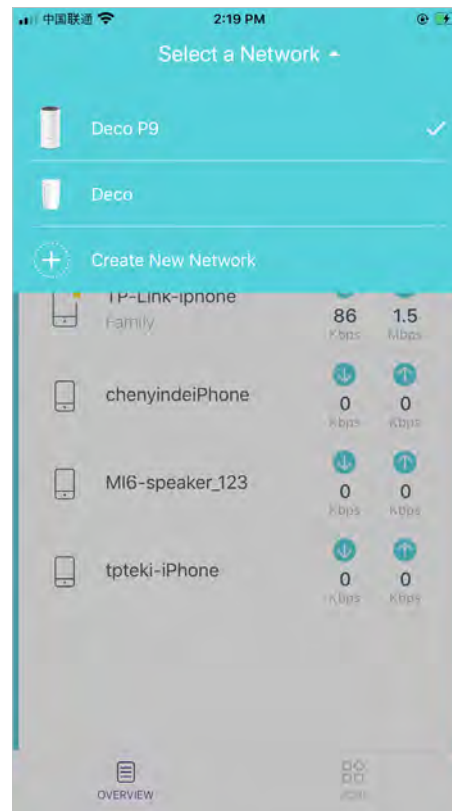
# Overview


In Overview, you can check the working status of all the Decos, manage the connected devices, create new networks, add more devices, use friends of Deco, and more.

Tap  to enter OVERVIEW




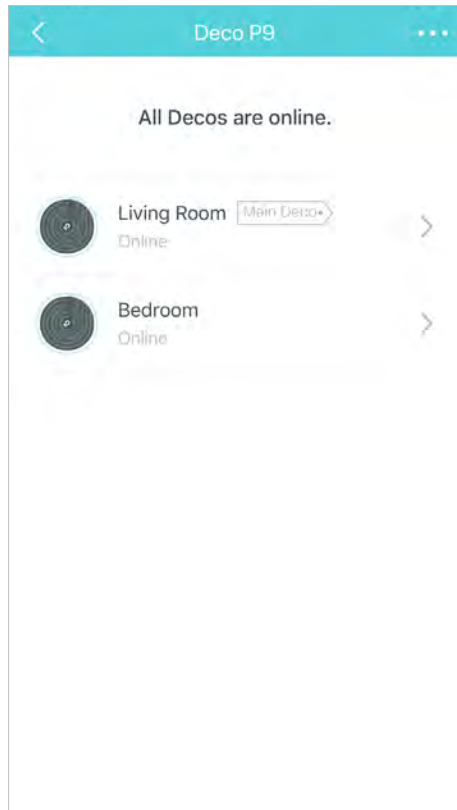
Tap  to create new networks



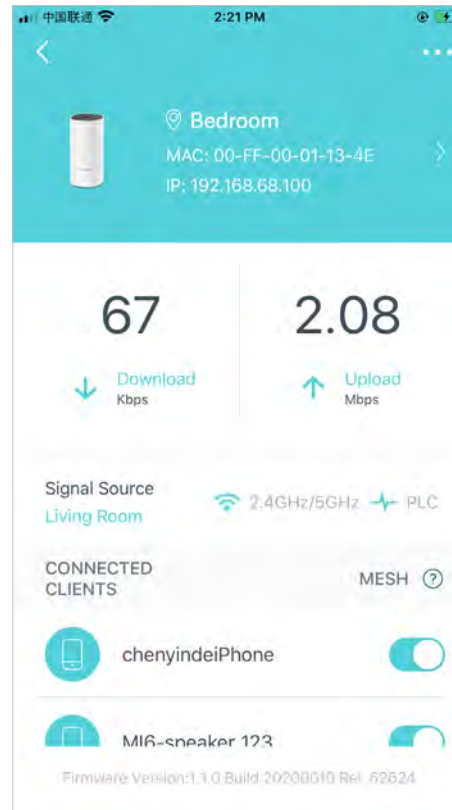
Tap  to add more Decos



Tap  to check all Decos' status



Select a Deco to view the details

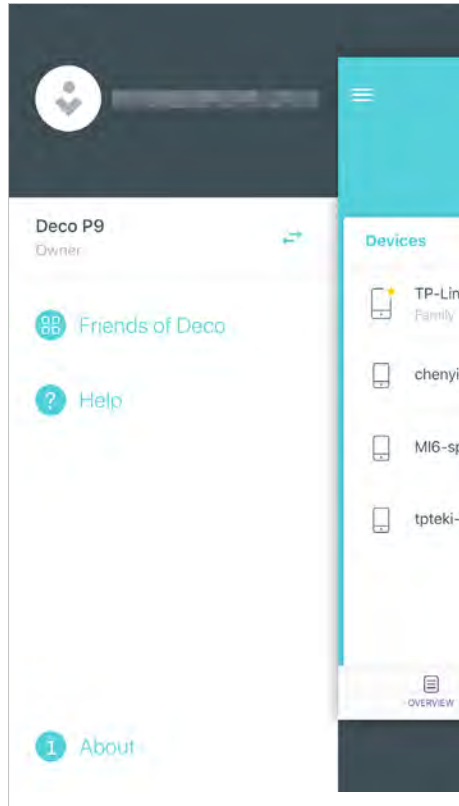



Tap a client on the Devices list to check the details

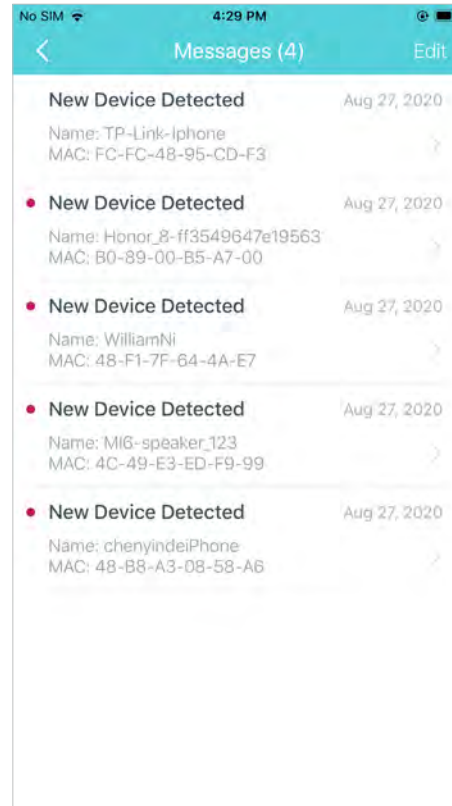
\*Tap [Belongs to](#) to add a unique profile for the device



Swipe right to open the menu for more information about Deco



Tap  on the Dashboard to view notifications about new devices, Deco updates, monthly reports, and more



# Wi-Fi Settings

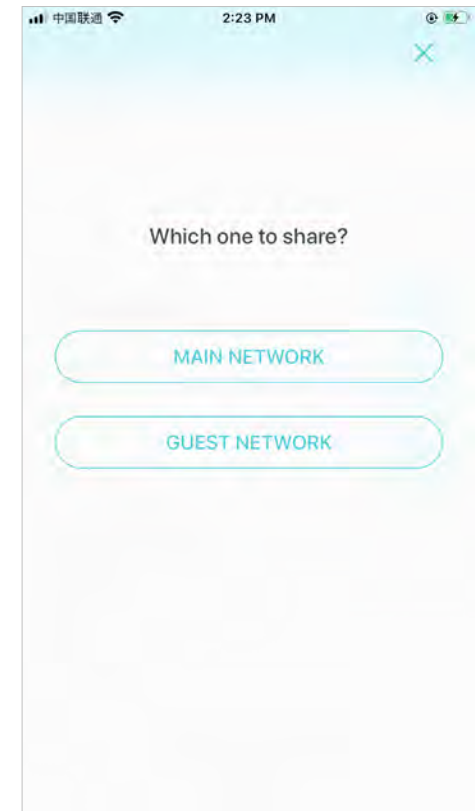
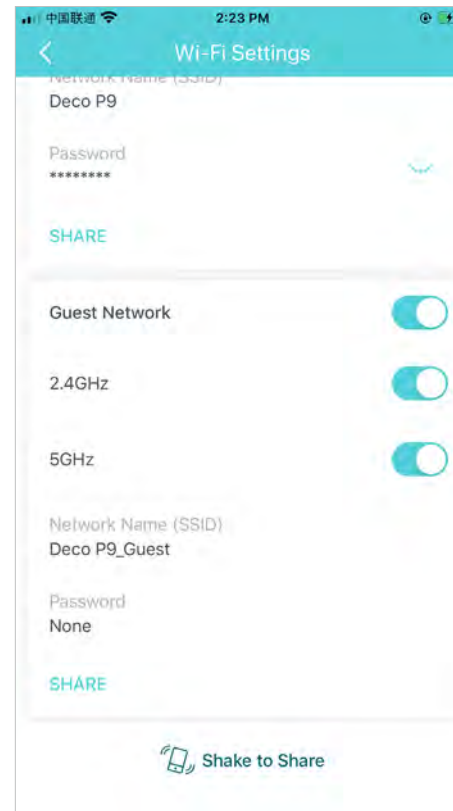
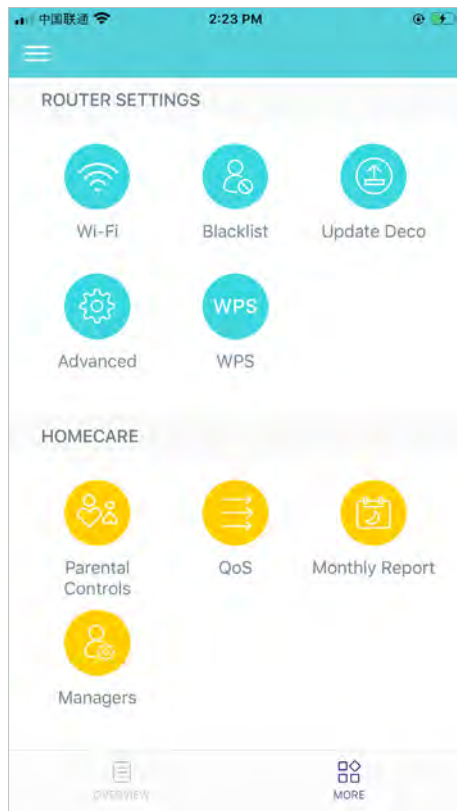
You can change the network name and password of your main network, create a separate network for guests, and shake your device to share the network details easily with family and friends.

Tap  > Wi-Fi

Manage main Wi-Fi network


Enable guest network

Shake to share your network



# Blacklist

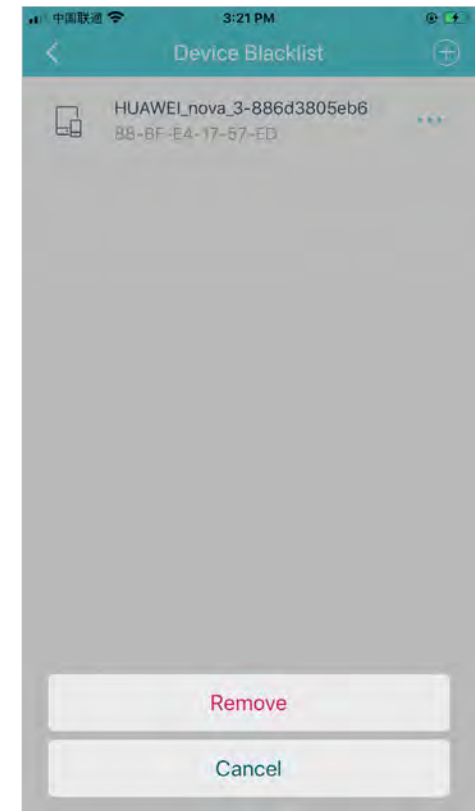
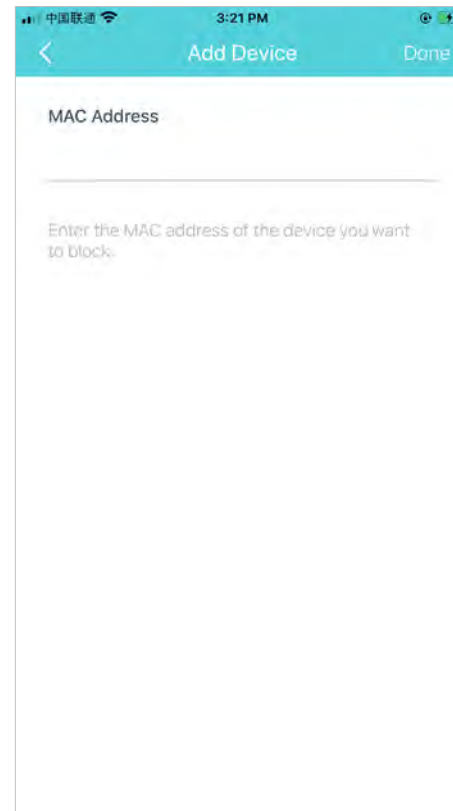
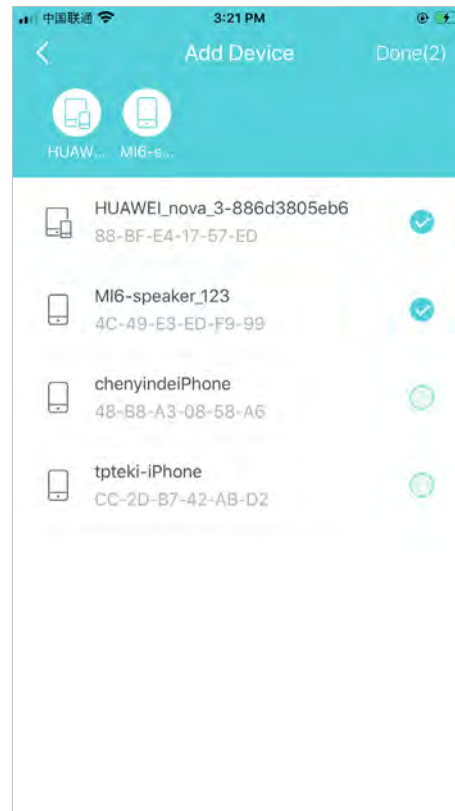
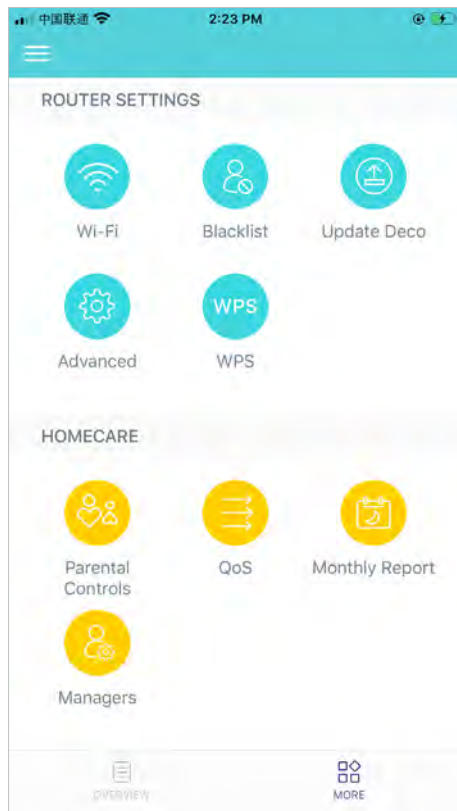
Compile a blacklist to avoid devices added on the blacklist to access to your network, ensuring the safety of your personal information shared in the network.

Tap  > Blacklist

Add clients to blacklist

Add other devices to blacklist

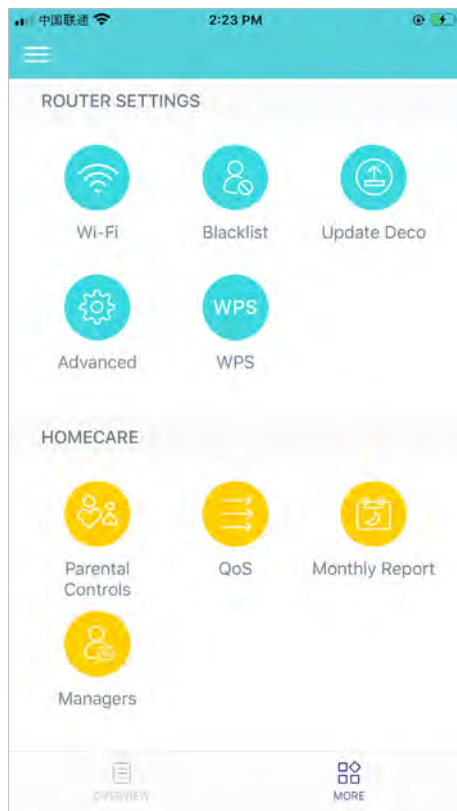
Manage blacklist



# Online Update

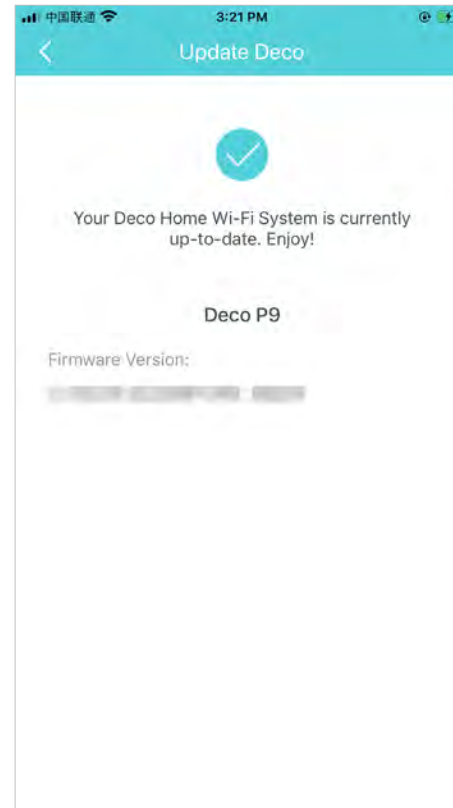
TP-Link is dedicated to improving product features and providing a better customer experience. An up-to-date firmware provides better and more stable network performance. Always update your Deco to the latest firmware version when prompted in the Deco app.

Tap  > Update Deco




Update your Deco to the latest version

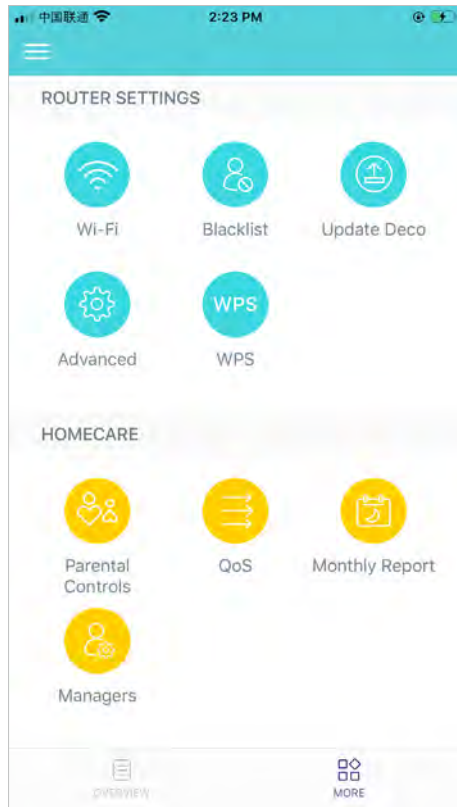
 Tip: If the firmware update fails, please reboot the main Deco, move the Satellite Deco closer to the main Deco, then try to update again.



# Advanced Features

Additional features are available under the Advanced menu. You can modify WAN settings (IPv4 & IPv6), add IPv6 firewall rules, modify LAN IP, set up DHCP server, enable VLAN/IPTV/MAC Clone mode, reserve the same IP address for a specific device, set up port forwarding rules to make your local computers accessible to other devices over the internet, enable TP-Link DDNS, SIP ALG, fast roaming and beamforming, control Deco's LED, change the working mode, and configure the notification settings.

Tap  > Advanced

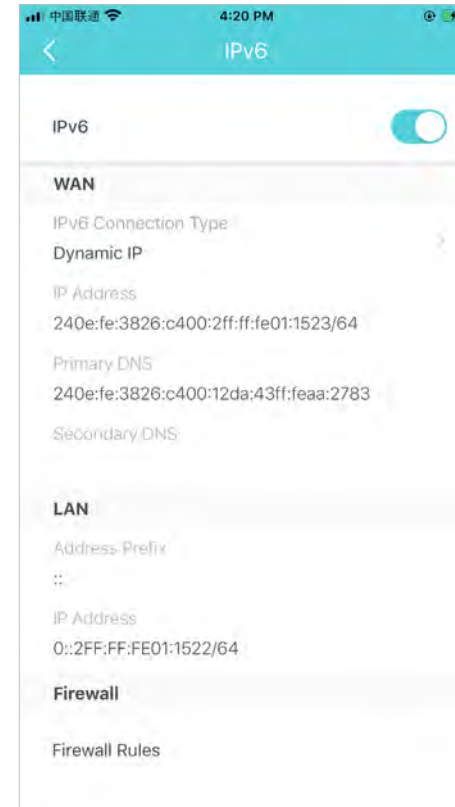


View IPv4 details or change internet connection type

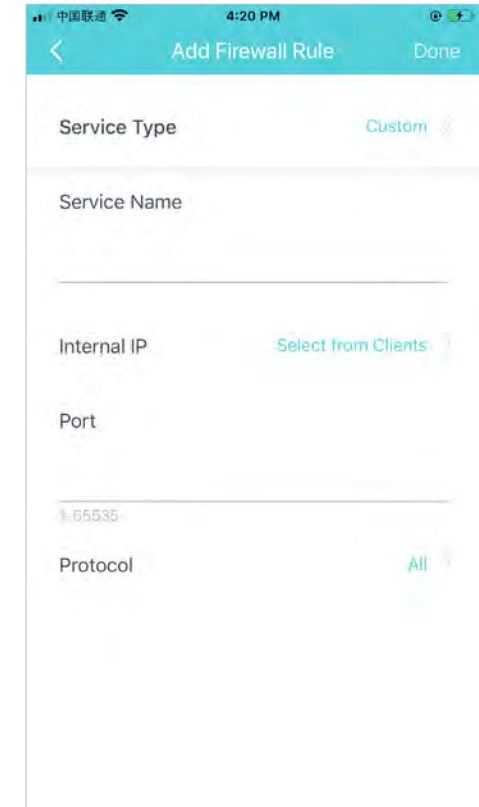
\*Enable [Ignore Ping from WAN](#) to prevent external Ping attacks



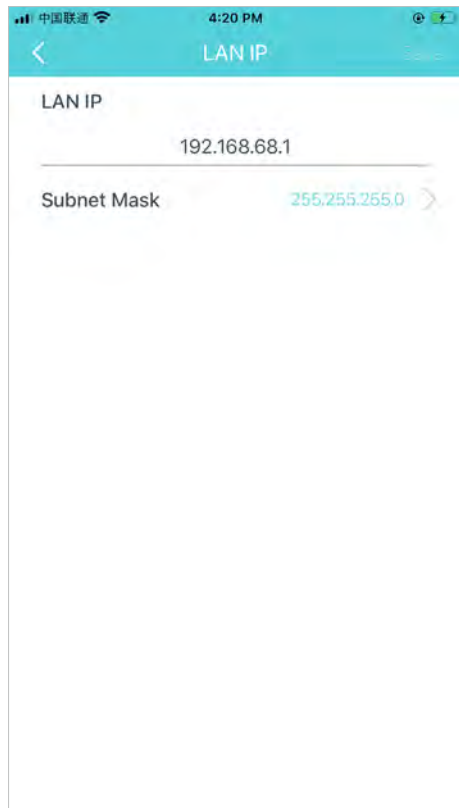
Enable IPv6



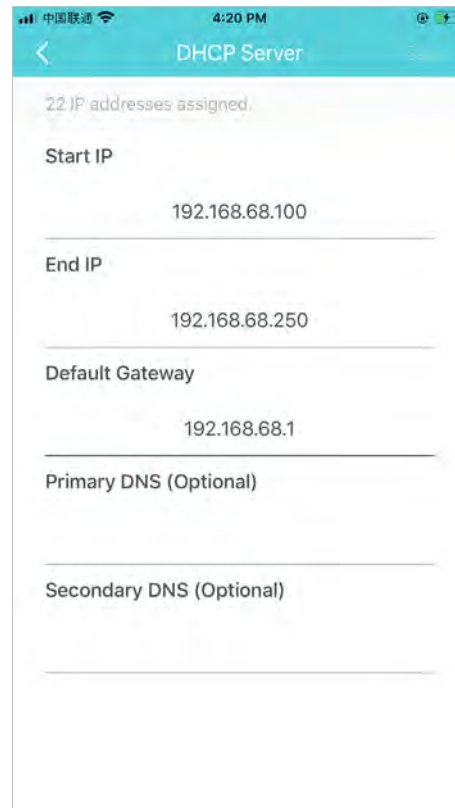
Add IPv6 firewall rules



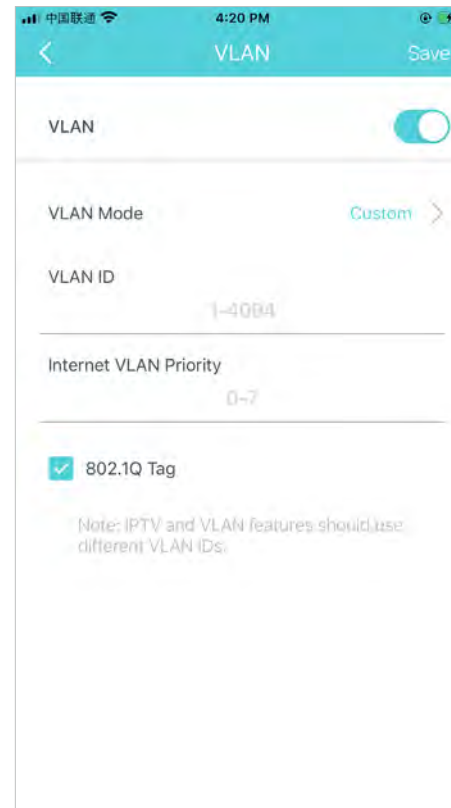
### Modify LAN IP



### Set DHCP server



### Enable VLAN mode

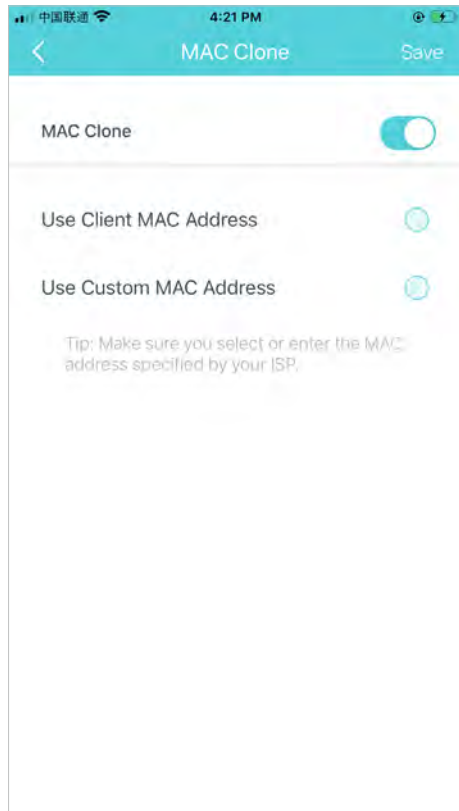


### Enable IPTV mode

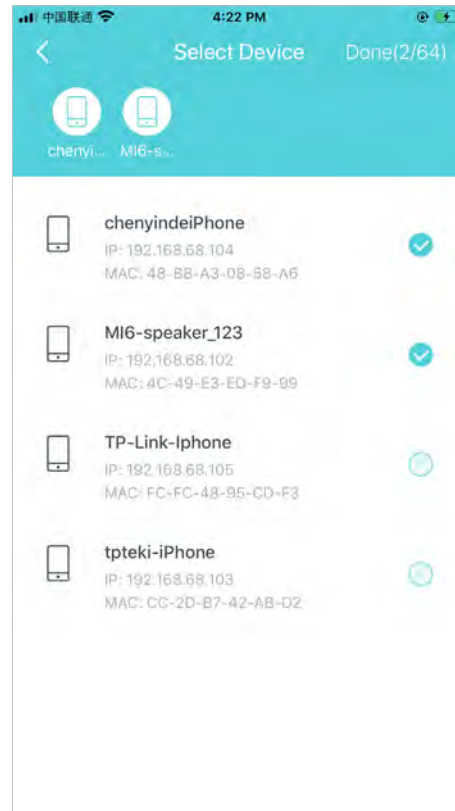




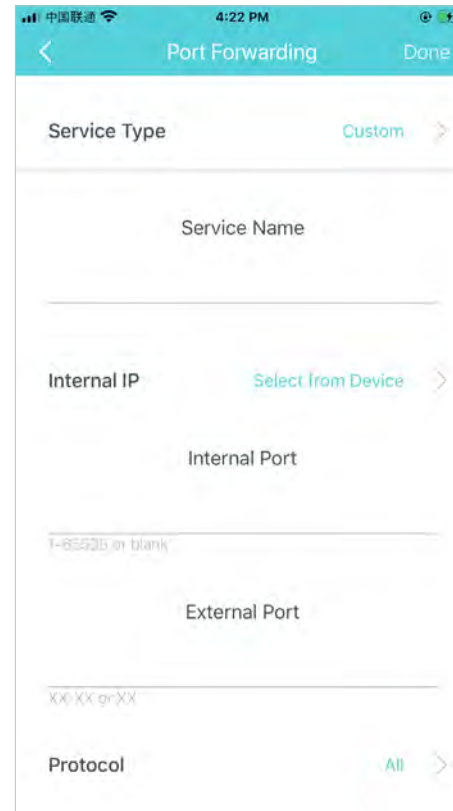
Enable MAC Clone



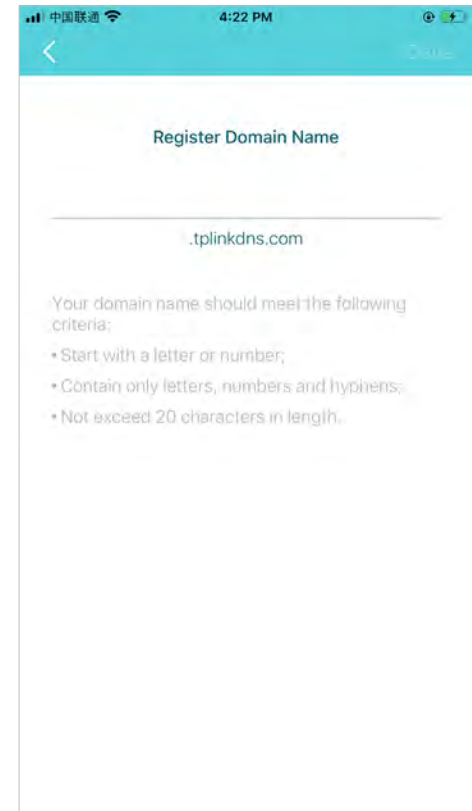
Reserve IP addresses for specific devices



Set up port forwarding rules



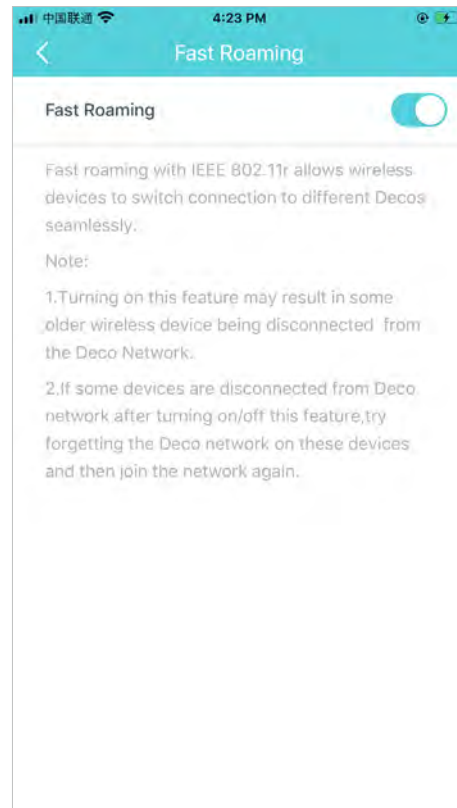
Register a TP-Link DDNS domain name



## Enable SIP ALG



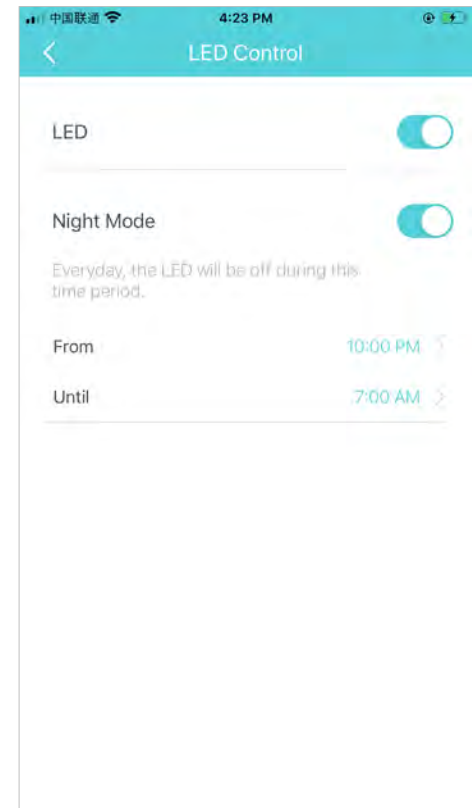
## Enable Fast Roaming



## Enable Beamforming

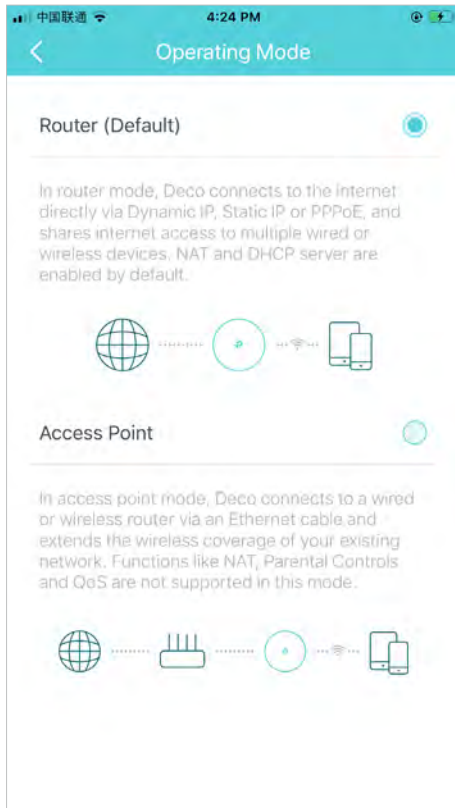


## Enable LED controls

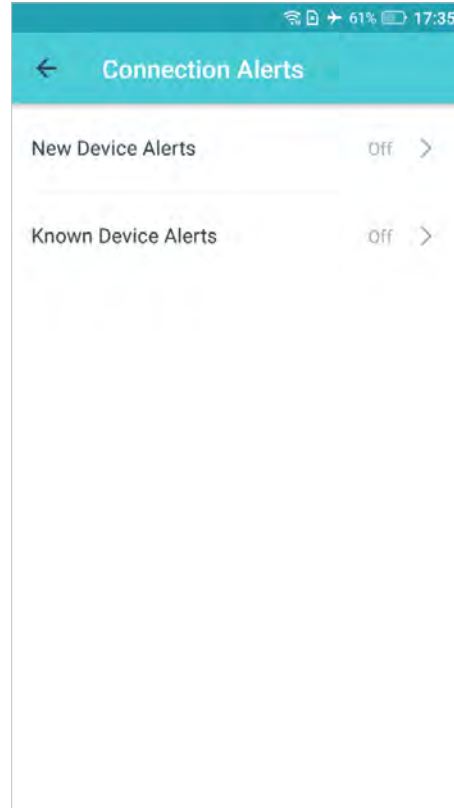


## Change the operating mode

■ Note: When the Deco works in Access Point mode, advanced features such as Parental Controls, QoS, IPv4, Address Reservation, Port Forwarding, and DHCP server are not available.

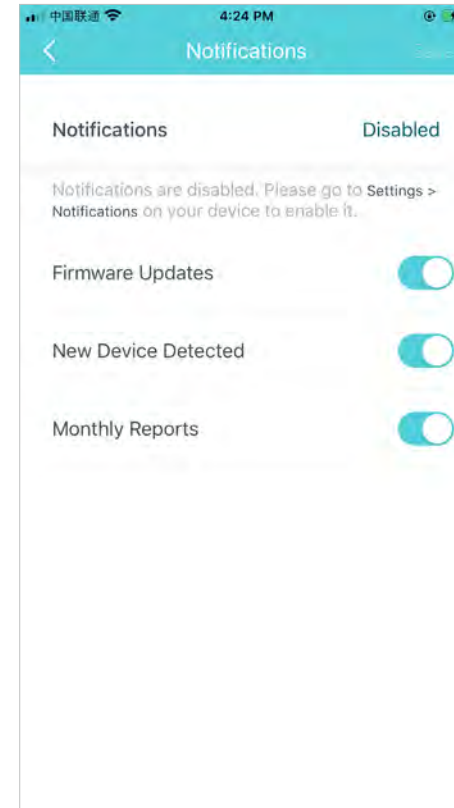


## Set connection alerts



## Set notifications

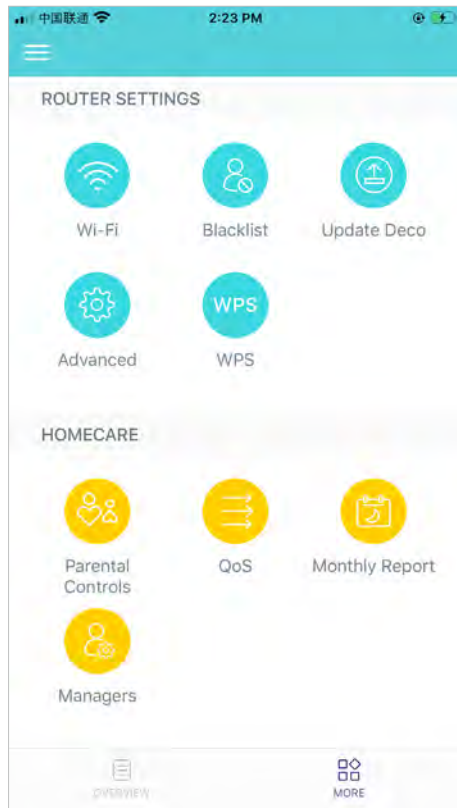
■ Note: If the Notifications option shows "Disabled" as below, go to Settings > Notifications on your mobile device to enable it.



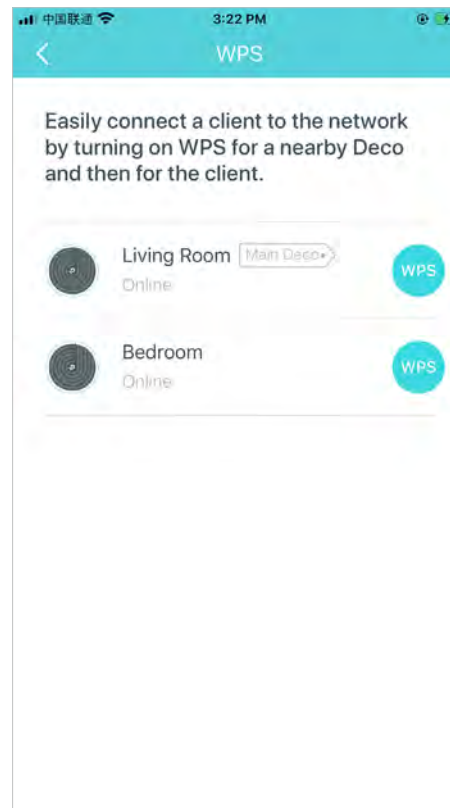
# WPS

WPS (Wi-Fi Protected Setup) helps you to quickly and securely connect a client to a network with a tap without entering any password.

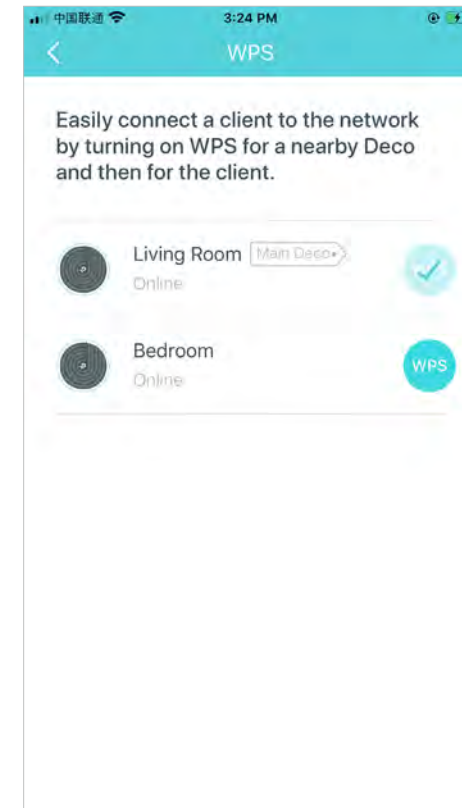
Tap  > WPS



Tap the **WPS** icon on Deco app and then on your client



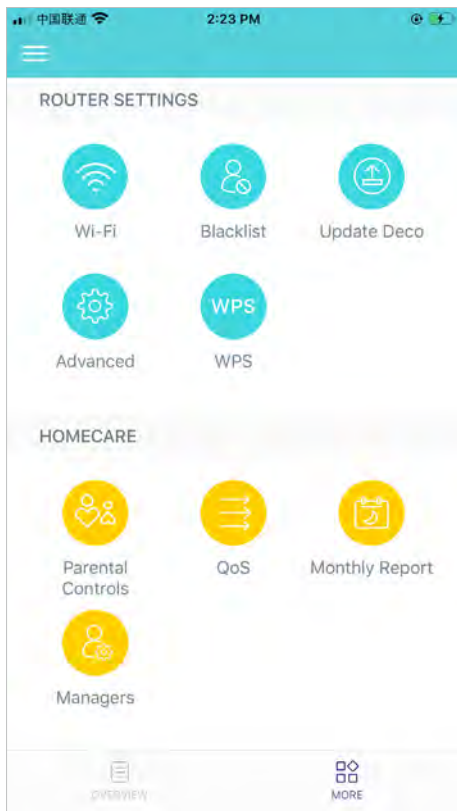
Successfully connected to the network



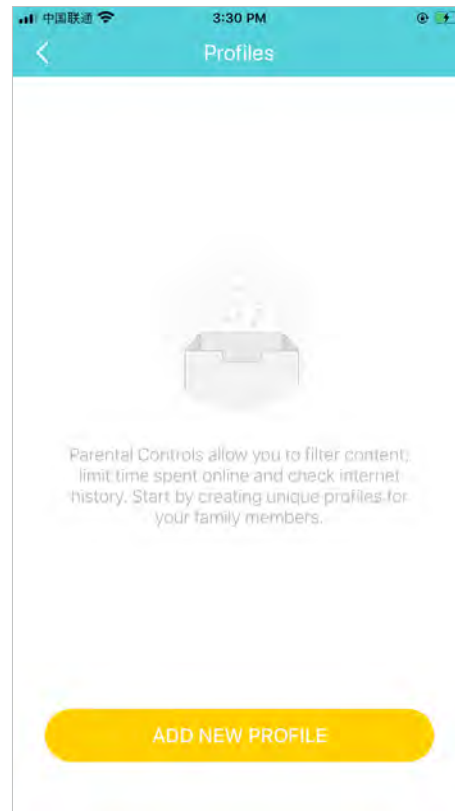
# Parental Controls

Parental Controls allow you to create profiles for family members and specify the devices that belong to them. Filter online content for your children, control when and how long they can access the internet, track the websites they visit and pause the internet if necessary.

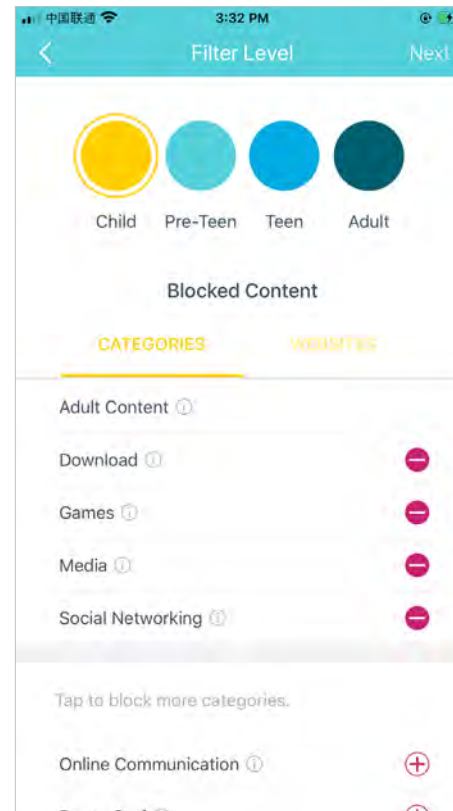
Tap  > Parental Controls



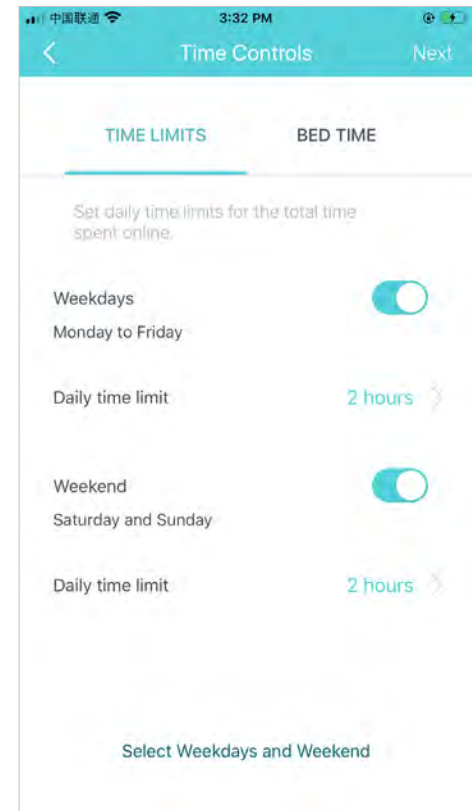
Add new profile



Set filter level



Set time controls



# QoS

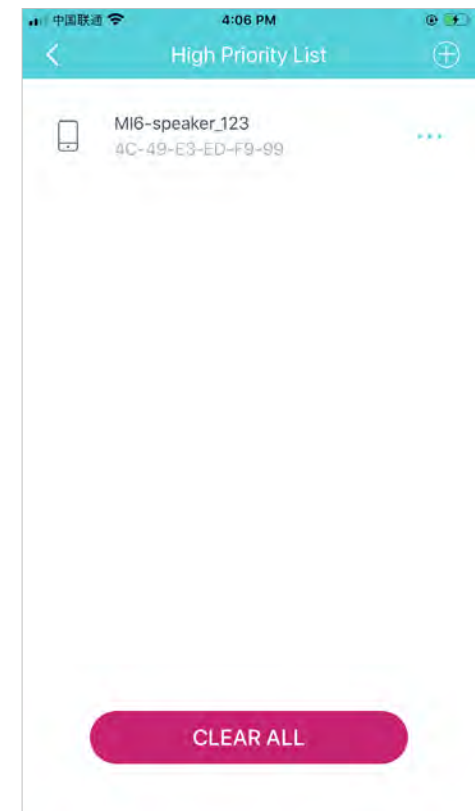
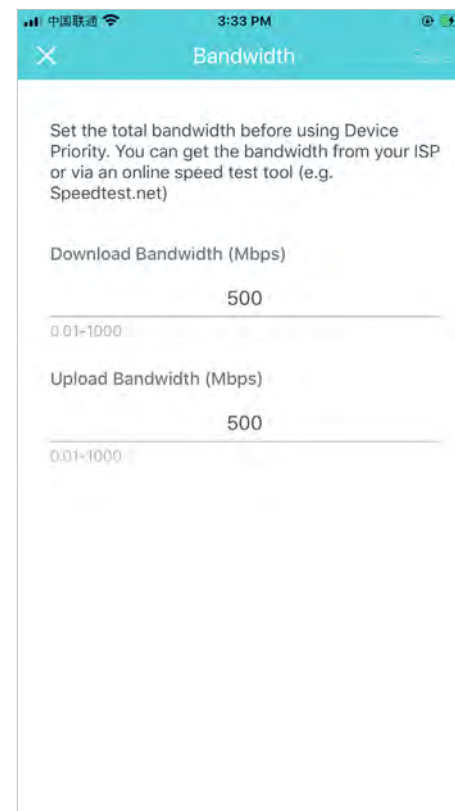
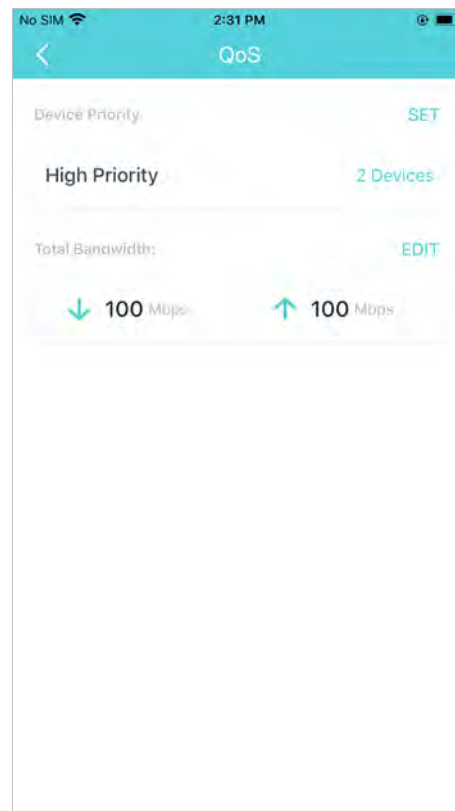
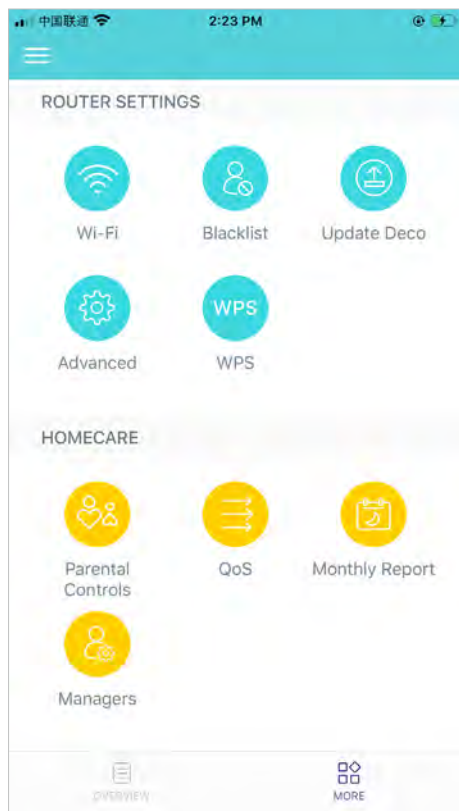
QoS (Quality of Service) helps you set priority for specific devices, so that they can perform better with lower latency. Prioritize devices to guarantee a faster network connection when you need it the most.

Tap  > QoS

View current QoS status

Set a total bandwidth for the QoS feature

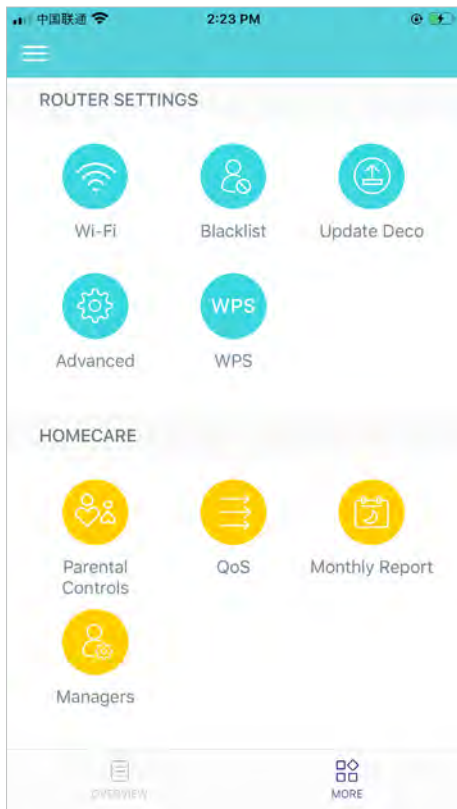
Add devices to high priority list



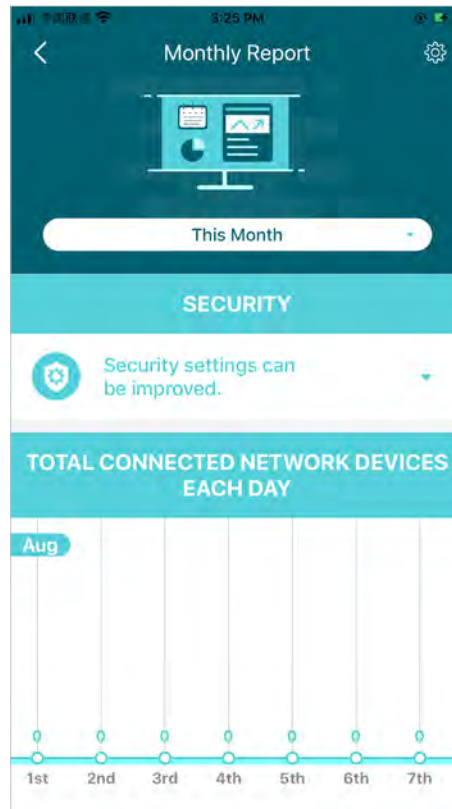
# Monthly Report

Review the monthly usage statistics, such as security threats and total connected network devices each day.

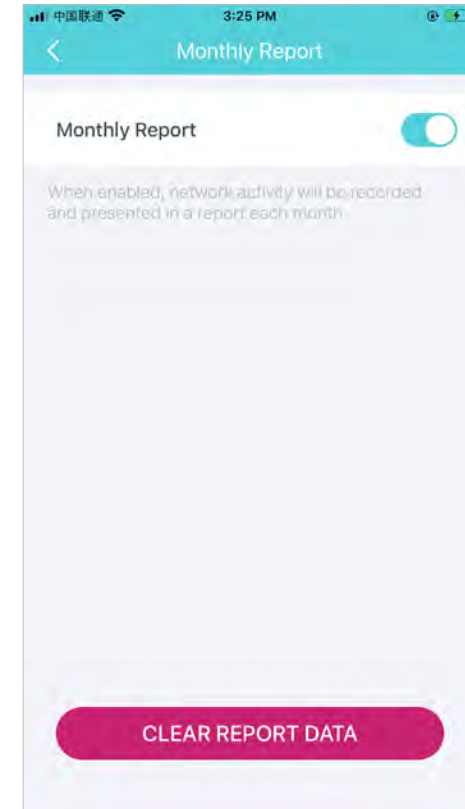
Tap  > Monthly Report



View monthly reports




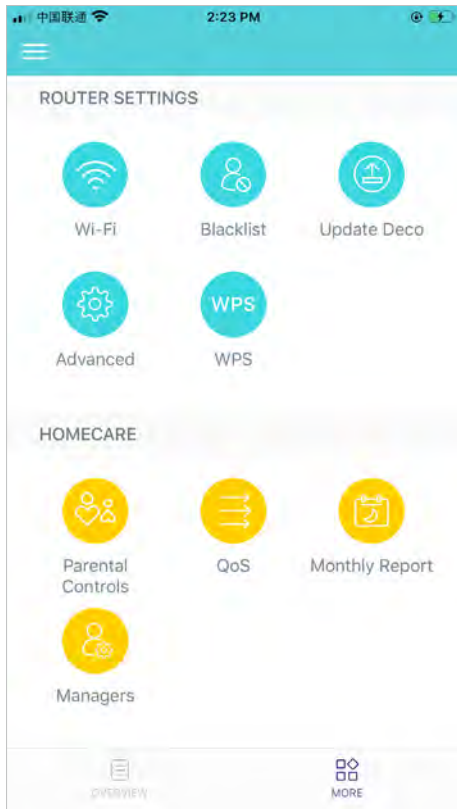
Enable/disable Monthly Report and clear report data



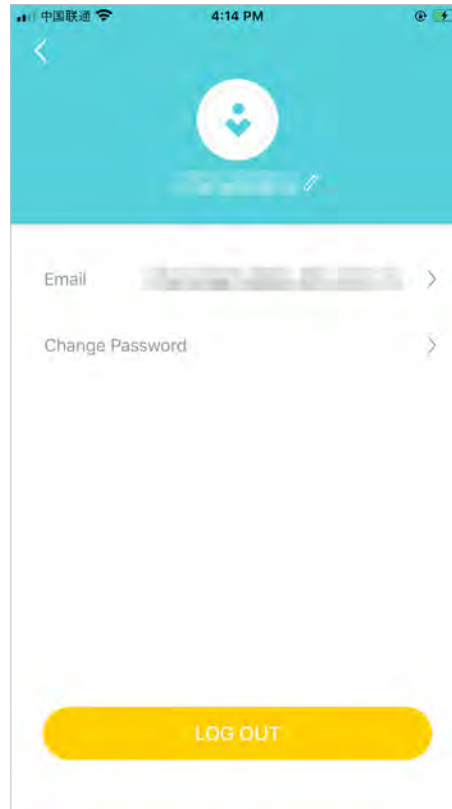
# Managers

Add friends and family members to help manage your network. Each manager should have their own TP-Link ID.

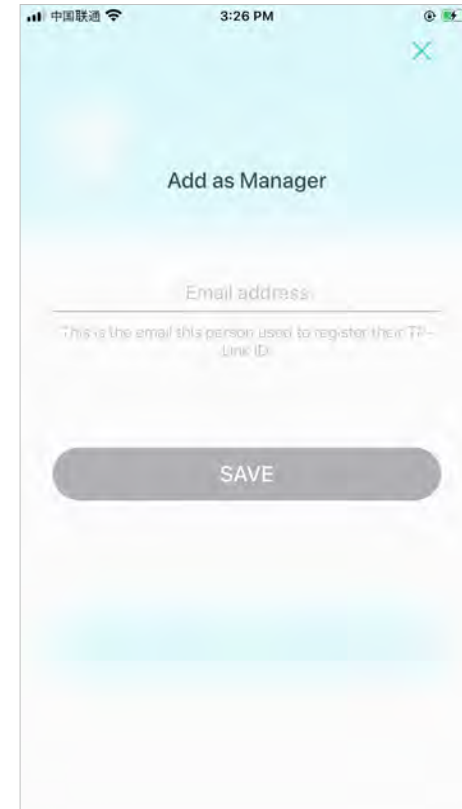
Tap  > Managers



Configure your accounts



Add other accounts as managers





# Authentication

## FCC Compliance Information Statement



**Product Name:** AC1200 + AV1000 Whole Home Powerline Mesh Wi-Fi System

**Model Number:** Deco P9

**Responsible party:**

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This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/ TV technician for help.

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

1. This device may not cause harmful interference.
2. This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Any changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

Note: The manufacturer is not responsible for any radio or TV interference caused by unauthorized modifications to this equipment. Such modifications could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

### **FCC RF Radiation Exposure Statement**

This equipment complies with FCC RF radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This device and its antenna must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.

"To comply with FCC RF exposure compliance requirements, this grant is applicable to only Mobile Configurations. The antennas used for this transmitter must be installed to provide a separation distance of at least 20 cm from all persons and must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter."

We, **TP-Link USA Corporation**, has determined that the equipment shown as above has been shown to comply with the applicable technical standards, FCC part 15. There is no unauthorized change is made in the equipment and the equipment is properly maintained and operated.

Issue Date: 2020-09-10

## CE Mark Warning



This is a class B product. In a domestic environment, this product may cause radio interference, in which case the user may be required to take adequate measures.

### OPERATING FREQUENCY(the maximum transmitted power)

2412MHz—2483.5MHz (20dBm)

5150MHz—5250MHz (23dBm)

### EU declaration of conformity

TP-Link hereby declares that the device is in compliance with the essential requirements and other relevant provisions of directives 2014/53/EU, 2009/125/EC, 2011/65/EU and (EU)2015/863. The original EU declaration of conformity may be found at <https://www.tp-link.com/en/ce>

### RF Exposure Information

This device meets the EU requirements (2014/53/EU Article 3.1a) on the limitation of exposure of the general public to electromagnetic fields by way of health protection.

The device complies with RF specifications when the device used at 20 cm from your body.

**Attention: This device may only be used indoors in all EU member states and EFTA countries.**

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	EE	EL	ES	FI	FR	HR	HU	IE
	IS	IT	LI	LT	LU	LV	MT	NL
	NO	PL	PT	RO	SE	SI	SK	UK

### Canadian Compliance Statement

This device contains licence-exempt transmitter(s)/receiver(s) that comply with Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada's licence-exempt RSS(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

1. This device may not cause interference.
2. This device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

L'émetteur/récepteur exempt de licence contenu dans le présent appareil est conforme aux CNR d'Innovation, Sciences et Développement économique Canada applicables aux appareils radio exempts de licence. L'exploitation est autorisée aux deux conditions suivantes :

1. L'appareil ne doit pas produire de brouillage;
2. L'appareil doit accepter tout brouillage radioélectrique subi, même si le brouillage est susceptible d'en compromettre le fonctionnement.

### **Caution:**

The device for operation in the band 5150–5250 MHz is only for indoor use to reduce the potential for harmful interference to co-channel mobile satellite systems;

### **Avertissement:**

Le dispositif fonctionnant dans la bande 5150-5250 MHz est réservé uniquement pour une utilisation à l'intérieur afin de réduire les risques de brouillage préjudiciable aux systèmes de satellites mobiles utilisant les mêmes canaux;

### **Radiation Exposure Statement:**

This equipment complies with IC radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This equipment should be installed and operated with minimum distance 20cm between the radiator & your body.

### **Déclaration d'exposition aux radiations:**

Cet équipement est conforme aux limites d'exposition aux rayonnements IC établies pour un environnement non contrôlé. Cet équipement doit être installé et utilisé avec un minimum de 20 cm de distance entre la source de rayonnement et votre corps.

### **Industry Canada Statement**

CAN ICES-3 (B)/NMB-3(B)

### **Korea Warning Statements:**

해당 무선설비는 운용중 전파혼신 가능성이 있음.

### **NCC Notice & BSMI Notice:**

注意!

依據 低功率電波輻射性電機管理辦法

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取得審驗證明之低功率射頻器材，非經核准，公司、商號或使用者均不得擅自變更頻率、加大功率或變更原設計之特性及功能。

低功率射頻器材之使用不得影響飛航安全及干擾合法通信；經發現有干擾現象時，應立即停用，並改善至無干擾時方得繼續使用。

前述合法通信，指依電信管理法規定作業之無線電通信。

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5.7.9.1應避免影響附近雷達系統之操作。

### 安全諮詢及注意事項

- 請按照本產品注明的電源類型使用本產品。
- 清潔本產品之前請先切斷電源。請勿使用液體、噴霧清潔劑或濕布進行清潔。
- 注意防潮，請勿將水或其他液體潑灑到本產品上。
- 插槽與開口供通風使用，以確保本產品的操作可靠並防止過熱，請勿堵塞或覆蓋開口。
- 請勿將本產品置放於靠近熱源的地方。除非有正常的通風，否則不可放在密閉位置中。
- 不要私自拆開機殼或自行維修，如產品有故障請與原廠或代理商聯繫。

### 限用物質含有情況標示聲明書

單元	限用物質及其化學符號					
	鉛 Pb	汞 Hg	鎘 Cd	六價鉻 Cr <sup>+6</sup>	多溴聯苯 PBB	多溴二苯醚 PBDE
PCB	○	○	○	○	○	○
外殼	○	○	○	○	○	○
電源供應器	—	○	○	○	○	○
其他及其配件	—	○	○	○	○	○

備考1. 超出0.1 wt %” 及 “超出0.01 wt %” 系指限用物質之百分比含量超出百分比含量基準值。  
備考2. “○” 系指該項限用物質之百分比含量未超出百分比含量基準值。  
備考3. “—” 系指該項限用物質為排除項目。



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### Safety Information

- Keep the device away from water, fire, humidity or hot environments.
- Do not attempt to disassemble, repair, or modify the device. If you need service, please contact us.
- Do not use the device where wireless devices are not allowed.
- Plug the powerline devices directly into the wall outlets but not the power strips.

Please read and follow the above safety information when operating the device. We cannot guarantee that no accidents or damage will occur due to improper use of the device. Please use this product with care and operate at your own risk.

### Explanation of the symbols on the product label

Symbol	Explanation
	AC voltage
	Indoor use only
	Class II equipment
	Caution
	Operator's manual
	Warning electric shock
	Fuse is used in neutral N

Symbol	Explanation
 The image shows the standard WEEE (Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment) recycling symbol. It consists of a crossed-out wheeled bin, with a small circle containing a lightning bolt symbol at the bottom right, indicating that the product is an electrical or electronic device. Below the bin is a small black rectangular bar.	<p>RECYCLING</p> <p>This product bears the selective sorting symbol for Waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE). This means that this product must be handled pursuant to European directive 2012/19/EU in order to be recycled or dismantled to minimize its impact on the environment.</p> <p>User has the choice to give his product to a competent recycling organization or to the retailer when he buys a new electrical or electronic equipment.</p>