How to connect to a wireless network under Windows Vista

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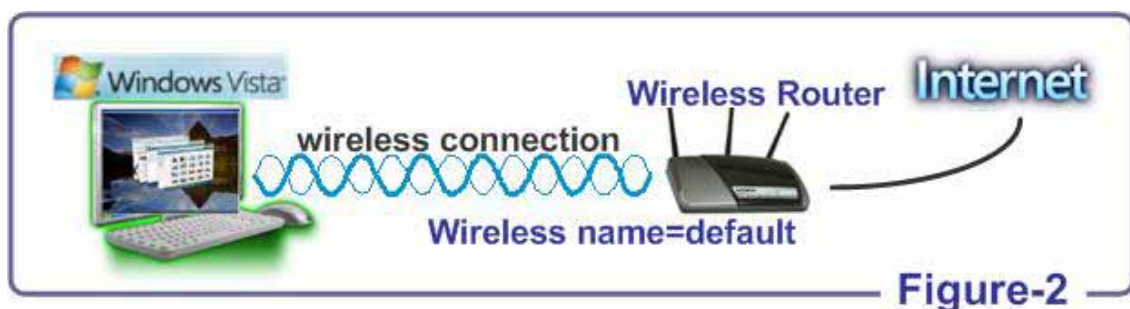**This FAQ applies to the following models and Operation System:**

All series of the Edimax wireless access points and routers with access point function

Windows Vista

Introduction: **Using Windows built-in wireless software to access the Internet wirelessly.**
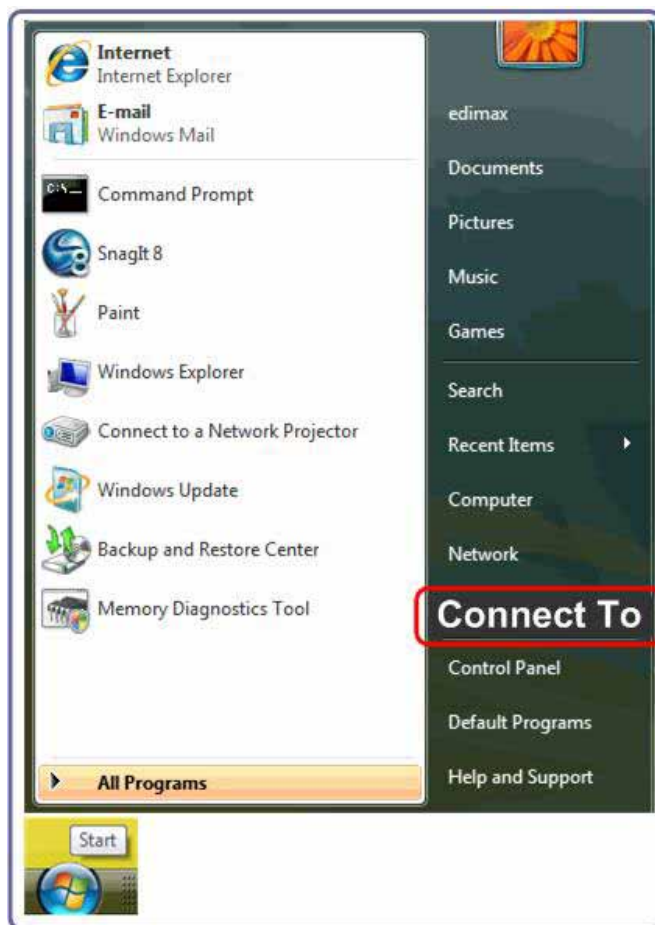
You can configure connections to wireless networks with third party software (proprietary software) or with Vista built-in software. This FAQ will walk you through setting up a wireless network with the Vista built-in software. It's assumed that the Vista PC can already access the Internet using the Edimax wireless router with a wired cable and the driver of the wireless card has been installed successfully as shown in the **Figure-1.**

Figure-1

Once the above assumption is ensured, we will describe in detail how to connect to a wireless network using the "Connect to a network" dialog box in Windows Vista as shown in the **Figure-2.**

Figure-2

Step by Step:

Step.1
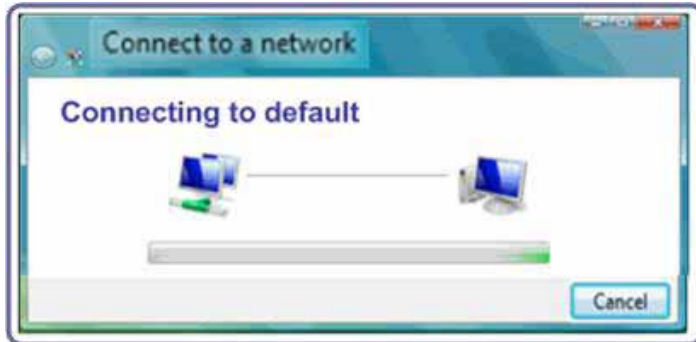Click "Start", and then "Connect To" from Windows Vista desktop

Step.2
Click "default".
(this is the wireless name of the Edimax wireless router)

If the wireless name "default" is not displayed, please check whether the wirelss name of your wireless router (or access point) was changed or the Vista driver of the wireless card has been installed successfully.

Step.3
Click "Connect Anyway"
(There will be a pop-up window prompting you to enter the wireless key if you enabled the wireless security in the Edimax router)

Step.4
Wireless connection is proceeding

Step.5
Click "Close"

The configuration is complete.

Troubleshooting: What if I still can not connect to the Internet

Check the below if you are still unable to connect to the Internet wirelessly.

1. The security key is set in the wireless router (or access point).

If your wireless network is secured, you will be prompted to enter a security key. Please double-check whether the exactly same security key is entered on your wireless router and your Vista prompt as shown in the **Figure-2.**
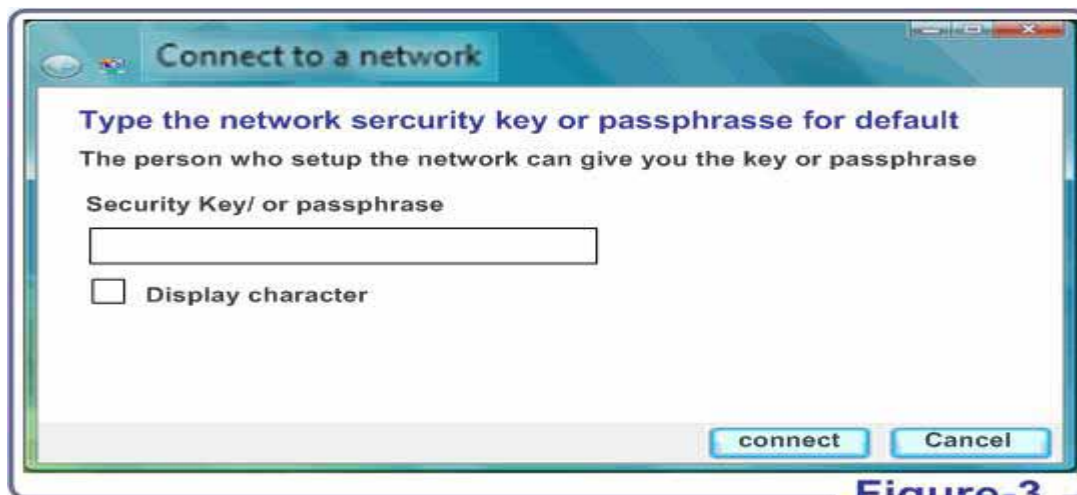

Figure-3

2. The Vista driver is not installed. Please get a valid Vista driver and install the driver again.

3. Connecting to wireless network succeeds but still can not access the Internet.

Double-check whether the PCs can access the Internet using wired cables. If the wired PCs can not reach the Internet, so do the wireless PCs.