

Wireless networks

What is a wireless network?

Wireless networks are another means by which data can be exchanged between a computer and a network, including the internet. A wireless network is any network servicing computers or other devices (e.g. mobile phones), in which the connections do not use cables of any kind. Wireless communication usually uses radio waves, but infrared communication is also used.

In wireless networking all devices using the network need to have a wireless network interface card through which they gain access to the network. The card is used to transmit data across the network and to receive incoming data from the network. The network itself will contain routers and network access points.

