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About This Guide

This installation guide explains how to deploy the C-460 access point (AP).

Important: Please read the EULA before installing the access point (AP). You can download and read the EULA from: <https://www.arista.com/en/support/product-documentation>. Installing the AP constitutes your acceptance of the terms and conditions of the EULA mentioned above.

Intended Audience

This guide can be referred to by anyone who wants to install and configure the access point.

Document Overview

This guide contains the following chapters:

- Package Content
- Access Point Overview
- Install the Access Point
- Access Point Troubleshooting

Note: All instances of the term ‘server’ in this document refer to the Wireless Manager unless the server name or type is explicitly stated.

Product and Documentation Updates

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Package Content

The access point (AP) package must contain the components shown in the following figure.

Figure 2-1: Package Components

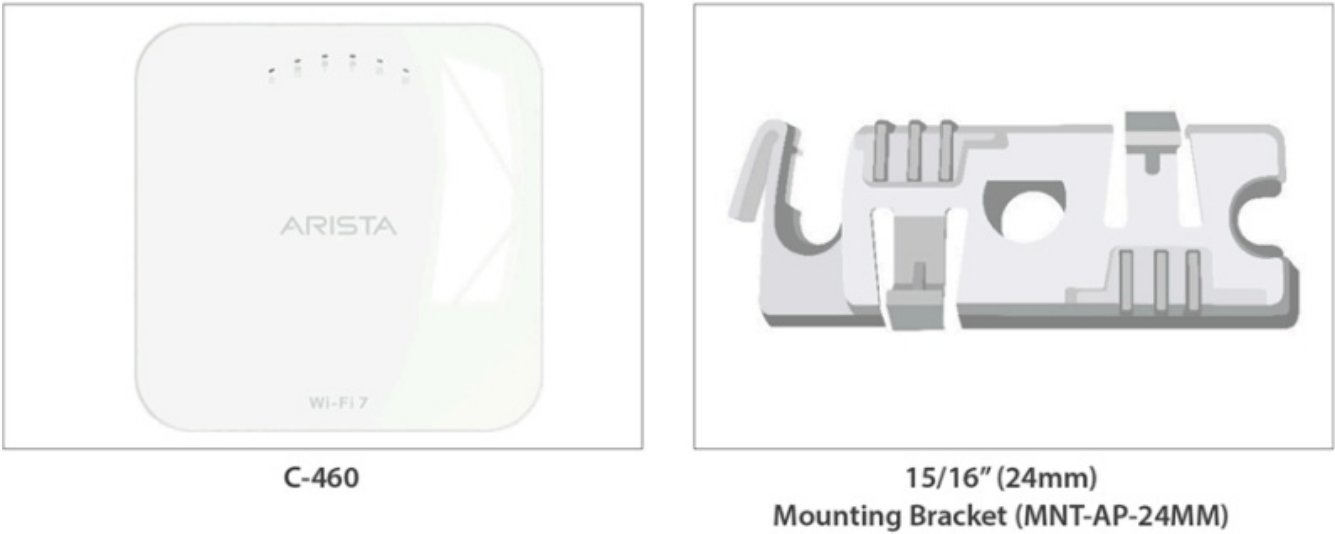


Table 1: Labels: Package Components

| Label | Description |
|-------|---|
| 1 | C-460 Access Point |
| 2 | 15/16" (24 mm) Mounting Bracket (MNT-AP-24MM) |

Important: The MAC address of the AP is printed on a label at the bottom of the product and the packaging box. Note down the MAC address before mounting the AP on the ceiling or at a location that is difficult to access. If the package is not complete, please contact the Arista Networks Technical Support Team at supportcampus@arista.com or return the package to the vendor or dealer where you purchased the product.

Access Point Overview

C-460 is a multi-radio 802.11be access point. Refer to the datasheet for more information.

Note: This equipment is suitable for use in environment air spaces (plenums).

This chapter provides an overview of the access point (AP) and describes:

- Front Panel
- Rear Panel
- Side Panel

Front Panel

The front panel of the AP has 6 LEDs that indicate the status of various AP functions.

Figure 3-1: Front Panel LEDs



Table 2: Labels: Front Panel LEDs

| Label | Description |
|-------|---------------|
| 1 | Power |
| 2 | 2.4 GHz Radio |
| 3 | 5 GHz Radio |
| 4 | 6 GHz Radio |
| 5 | LAN1 |
| 6 | LAN2 |

Power LED: The following table describes the Power LED states.

Table 3: Power LED States Description

| | Green | Orange |
|-----------------|--|-------------------------------|
| Solid | Running at full capability | Running at reduced capability |
| Blinking | Received IP address, but not connected to the server | Did not receive an IP address |

Reduced capability indicates that the AP is getting lower than the required maximum power from the PoE++ switch. It means the AP is getting 802.3at instead of 802.3bt.

LAN1 LED: ON when the corresponding interface is up.

LAN2 LED: ON when the corresponding interface is up and either wired guest or link aggregation is configured.

Radio LEDs: ON when the corresponding radio is operational.

Rear Panel

The rear panel of the AP has its DC power port and 802.3bt compliant PoE++ LAN ports to power the device and connect it to a wired LAN.

Figure 3-2: Rear Panel

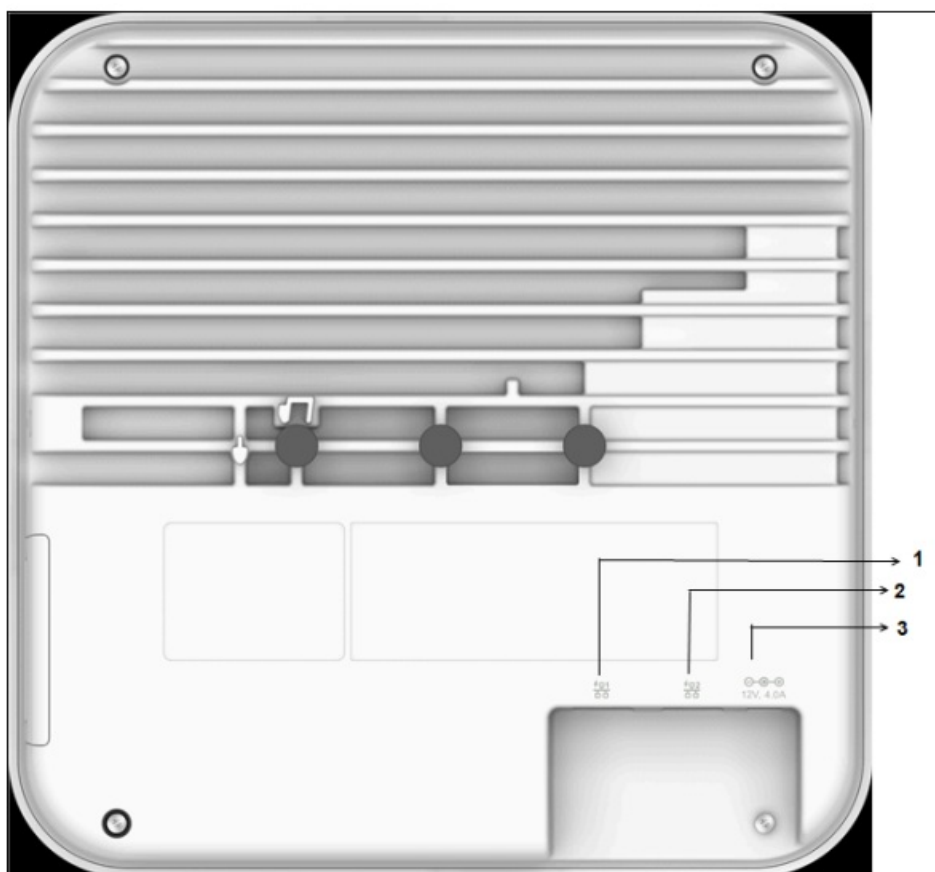


Table 4: Labels: Rear Panel

| Label | Description |
|-------|-------------|
| 1 | LAN1, POE++ |
| 2 | LAN2, POE++ |
| 3 | DC Power |

Table 5: Port Details

| Port | Description | Connector Type | Speed/Protocol |
|-------|--|--|-------------------------------|
| Power | 12V DC/4.0A | 5.5 mm overall diameter / 2.1 mm center pinhole | N/A |
| LAN 1 | 10 Gigabit Ethernet with 8 02.3bt compliant PoE | RJ-45 | 11.5/8.6/1.4 Gbps Ethernet |
| LAN 2 | 10 Gigabit Ethernet with 8 02.3bt compliant PoE | RJ-45 | 11.5/8.6/1.4 Gbps Ethernet |

Side Panel

The side panel of the AP has a reset pinhole, USB port, and console port.

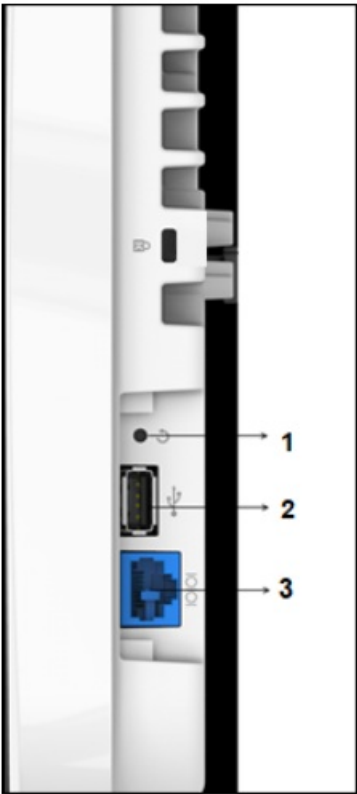


Figure 3-3: Side Panel

Table 6: Labels: Side Panel

| Label | Description |
|-------|-------------|
| 1 | Reset |
| 2 | USB |
| 3 | Console |

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When you reset the AP, the following settings are reset:

- The config shell password is reset to config.
- The server discovery value is erased and changed to the default, redirector.online.spectraguard.net (Primary) and wifi-security-server (secondary).
- All the VLAN configurations are lost.
- If a static IP is configured on the AP, the IP address is erased and DHCP mode is set. The factory default
- The IP address of the AP is 169.254.11.74.

Install the Access Point

This chapter contains the stepwise procedure to install the access point (AP).

Zero-Configuration of the Access Point

Zero-configuration is supported under the following conditions:

- The device is in AP mode with background scanning on and no SSID configured.
- A DNS entry wifi-security-server is set up on all the DNS servers. This entry should point to the IP address of the server.
- By default, the AP looks for the DNS entry wifi-security-server.
- The AP is on a subnet that is DHCP-enabled.

Refer to these articles to understand how APs communicate with the server and the ports that you need to open to enable the communication:

- Wi-Fi Access Points-Server Communication
- TCP Ports and UDP Ports Used by Access Points

Important: If the AP is on a network segment that is separated from the server by a firewall, you must first open port 3851 for bidirectional User Datagram Protocol (UDP) and Transport Control Protocol (TCP) traffic on that firewall. This port number is assigned to Arista Networks. Zero-configuration cannot work if multiple APs are set up to connect to multiple servers. In this case, the APs must be configured manually. For details on how to configure an AP manually, see the Access Point Configuration Guide on our website at <https://www.arista.com/en/support/product-documentation>.

Take a configured AP; that is, ensure that a static IP is assigned to the AP or the settings have been changed for DHCP. Note the MAC address and the IP address of the AP in a safe place before it is installed in a hard-to-reach location. The MAC address of the AP is printed on a label at the bottom of the product. The steps to install the AP with no configuration (zero-configuration) are as follows:

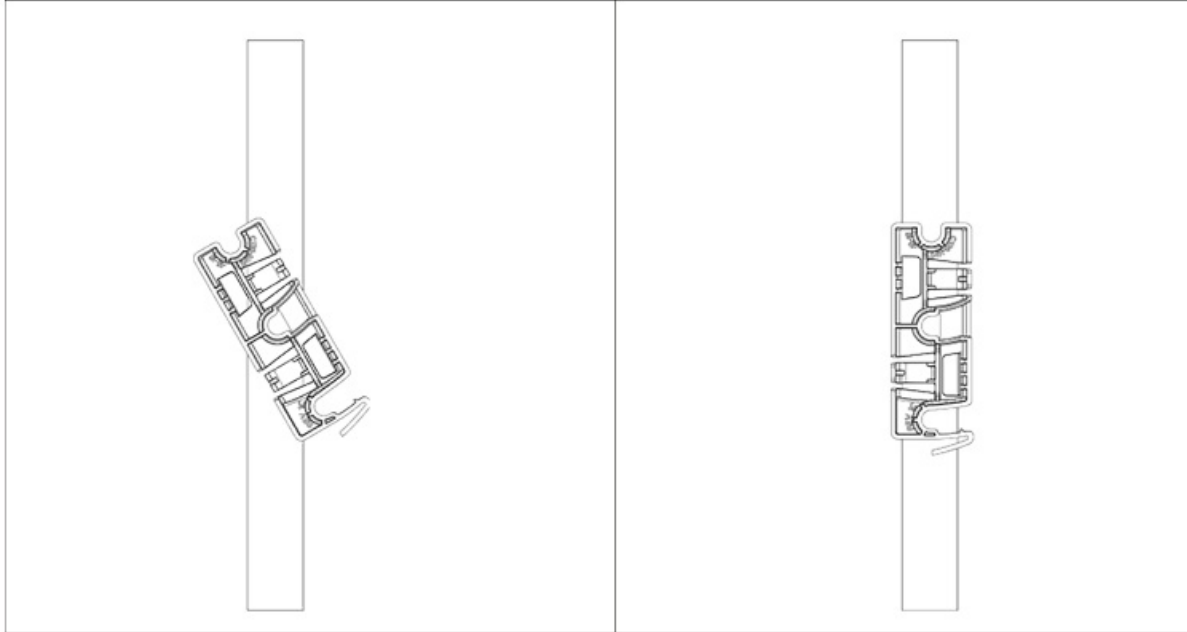
1. Ceiling Mount the Access Point or Wall Mount the Access Point
2. Connect the Access Point to the Network

3. Power the Access Point On

Ceiling Mount the Access Point

Mounting the access point (AP) on the ceiling consists of the following steps:

Affix the bracket to the T-grid: Use the mounting bracket to install the AP on the ceiling. Fix the bracket to the T-grid and rotate the bracket so that it snaps on the T-grid. The bracket is now parallel to an arm of the T-grid. Ensure that the bracket is properly snapped to the T-grid, as shown below.

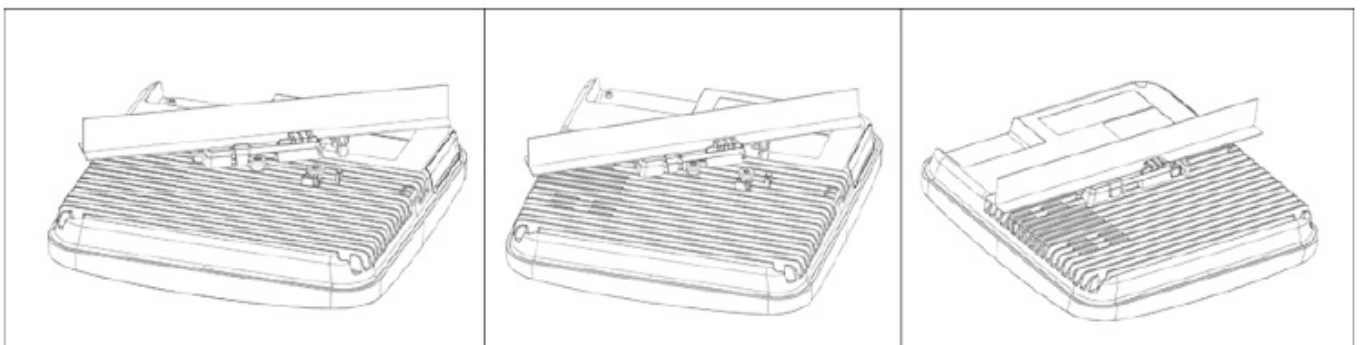


Mounting the AP on the bracket: Place the first mounting post on the rear side of the AP onto the lower notch of the bracket. Rotate the AP such that the center mounting post fits into the center notch on the bracket. Ensure that all the mounting posts on the rear side of the AP are snapped into the respective notches on the bracket. The mounting posts now properly fit in the respective notches of the bracket and the AP is mounted properly.

Mounting Instructions using the Silhouette/Interlude Bracket Mount:

The Silhouette/Interlude mounting bracket is not a part of the standard package and must be procured separately. The mounting instructions for the Silhouette/Interlude Bracket Mount are similar to the Standard Package Content's mounting instructions.

Note: As a best practice, label the APs using MAC addresses or use your convention. For example, use serial numbers so that you can easily identify the APs.



Wall Mount the Access Point

Note: The wall mounting accessory SKU (MNT-AP-FLAT-14CM) can be ordered and purchased separately. For instructions on wall mounting the access point, refer to the Wall Mount the Access Point article.

Power the Access Point On

You can power the access point (AP) on by plugging one end of the Ethernet cable into the PoE++ switch or injector and the other end into the Ethernet/PoE++ port on the AP. Ensure the PoE ++ source you are using is turned on. As an alternative to PoE++, you can insert a compatible power adapter plug into an AC power outlet and the other end into the power input port on the AP.

Note: If you are not using PoE++, ensure that you use only an AC power adapter supported by the AP.

Using the Access Point with Power Adapter

Use a compatible power adapter (Arista SKU: PWR-AP-W5) to power the AP.

Warning: The C-460 AP is intended to be supplied with a UL-listed PoE power source suitable for use at 45°C. The power output should meet LPS requirements or PS2, with a rating of 48V DC (1A minimum). The current supplied by PoE++ should be 850mA. If you are not using PoE++, ensure that you use only an AC power adapter supported by the AP.

The power adapter should be suitable for use at 45°C. This product is intended to be supplied by a Listed Direct Plug-In Power Unit marked as Class 2, Listed Power Adapter, or DC power source marked L.P.S. (or Limited Power Source) and rated from 12 V DC, 4A minimum. The maximum altitude of operation for the power adapter is 5000m.

To power up the device with a power adapter, perform the following steps:

1. Plug the power cable into the DC power receptacle at the rear of the AP.
2. Plug the other end of the power cable into a 110V~240V 50/60 Hz AC power source.
3. Wait until the AP is ready. Refer to the LED status table.

Connect the Access Point to the Network

To connect the AP to the network, perform the following steps:

1. Ensure that a DHCP server is available on the network to enable network configuration of the AP.
2. Add the DNS entry wifi-security-server on all DNS servers. This entry must point to the IP address of the server.
3. Ensure that DHCP is running on the subnet to which the AP is connected.
4. Check the LEDs on the AP to ensure that it is connected to the server.
5. Log on to the server using ssh and run the get sensor list command.

You will see a list of all Arista devices that are recognized by the server. Single Sign-On users can go to the Monitor tab in CloudVision Cognitive Unified Edge and check whether the access point is visible under the Monitor tab.

Note: If zero configuration fails, the AP must be configured manually.

Important: If DHCP is not enabled on a subnet, the AP cannot connect to that subnet with zero configuration. If the DNS entry is not present on the DNS servers, or if you do not have the DHCP server running on the subnet, you must manually configure the AP. For details on configuring an AP manually, see the Access Point Configuration guide on our website at <https://www.arista.com/en/support/product-documentation>.


Connect the Access Point using PoE.

If you are using a PoE injector, make sure the data connection is plugged into a suitable switch port with proper network connectivity. For PoE port details, see the Rear Panel section.

Access Point Troubleshooting

The table below lists some of the troubleshooting guidelines for the access point (AP).

Documents / Resources

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|  <p>The image shows the cover of the ARISTA C-460 Access Point Quick Start Guide. It features the ARISTA logo at the top, a small image of the access point, and the text 'Quick Start Guide' and 'C-460 Access Point'. There is also a QR code and some small text at the bottom.</p> | <p>ARISTA C-460 Access Point [pdf] User Guide C-460 Access Point, C-460, Access Point, Point</p> |
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