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Model: R7000-100PES

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Product Overview

The NETGEAR R7000 Nighthawk AC1900 is a high-performance dual-band wireless router designed to provide fast and reliable internet connectivity for homes and small offices. It supports the 802.11ac Wi-Fi standard, offering combined speeds of up to 1900 Mbps across its 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz bands. Equipped with Gigabit Ethernet ports and a powerful dual-core processor, this router is suitable for demanding applications such as online gaming, HD video streaming, and connecting multiple devices simultaneously.

1.2 Package Contents

- NETGEAR R7000 Nighthawk AC1900 Smart WiFi Router
- Three (3) Detachable Antennas
- Ethernet Cable
- Power Adapter (Input Voltage: 100-240V)
- Quick Start Guide

2. SETUP

2.1 Physical Connection

1. **Position the Router:** Place the router in a central location to ensure optimal Wi-Fi coverage throughout your area. Avoid placing it near large metal objects, concrete walls, or other electronic devices that may cause interference.
2. **Attach Antennas:** Screw the three detachable antennas onto the connectors on the back and sides of the router. Adjust them vertically for best performance.

3. **Connect to Modem:** Connect one end of the provided Ethernet cable to the yellow Internet port (WAN) on the back of the R7000 router. Connect the other end to an Ethernet port on your modem.
4. **Connect to Power:** Connect the power adapter to the router's power port and plug it into an electrical outlet. Press the Power On/Off button if necessary. Wait for the Power LED on the front of the router to turn solid white.
5. **Connect Devices:** You can connect your computer or other devices to the router using an Ethernet cable (to one of the four yellow LAN ports) or wirelessly using the default Wi-Fi network name (SSID) and password found on the router's label.



Figure 1: Rear panel connections of the NETGEAR R7000 router.

2.2 Initial Configuration

After physical setup, you will need to configure the router:

1. Open a web browser on a computer or device connected to the router.
2. Type routerlogin.net or 192.168.1.1 into the address bar and press Enter.
3. Follow the on-screen instructions of the NETGEAR genie setup wizard to configure your internet connection and personalize your Wi-Fi network name (SSID) and password.
4. It is recommended to change the default administrator password for security purposes.

3. OPERATING THE ROUTER

3.1 Connecting Devices

Wi-Fi Connection: On your wireless device, search for available Wi-Fi networks. Select your router's Wi-Fi network name (SSID) and enter the password. The R7000 supports both 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz bands, allowing you to connect devices to the most suitable network for their needs.

WPS (Wi-Fi Protected Setup): For compatible devices, press the WPS button on the router and then activate WPS on your device within two minutes to establish a secure wireless connection without

entering a password.

Ethernet Connection: For wired devices, connect an Ethernet cable from the device to any of the four yellow LAN ports on the router.

3.2 Wireless Settings

You can customize your Wi-Fi settings by logging into the router's web interface (outerlogin.net). Here you can:

- Change the Wi-Fi network names (SSIDs) for both 2.4 GHz and 5 GHz bands.
- Update your Wi-Fi passwords.
- Select different security protocols (WPA2-PSK is recommended).
- Adjust wireless channels to avoid interference.

3.3 Guest Network

The R7000 allows you to set up a separate guest Wi-Fi network. This provides internet access to guests while keeping your main network and connected devices secure and private. You can enable, configure, and set a unique password for the guest network through the router's web interface.

3.4 USB Storage

The router features a USB 3.0 port on the front and a USB 2.0 port on the rear. You can connect a USB storage device (like a flash drive or external hard drive) to either port to create network-attached storage (NAS). This allows you to share files and media across your network or access them remotely using NETGEAR ReadySHARE features.



Figure 2: Front view of the NETGEAR R7000 router, showing the USB 3.0 port.

4. MAINTENANCE

4.1 Firmware Updates

Regularly updating your router's firmware is crucial for security, performance, and access to new features. You can check for and install firmware updates through the router's web interface, usually found under the 'Advanced' or 'Administration' sections. It is recommended to perform updates during off-peak hours and not to interrupt the process once started.

4.2 Resetting the Router

If you encounter persistent issues or forget your router's login credentials, you may need to perform a factory reset. This will revert all settings to their default values. To perform a factory reset:

1. With the router powered on, use a paperclip or similar pointed object to press and hold the Reset button (located on the rear panel) for about 7-10 seconds.
2. Release the button when the Power LED starts blinking.
3. The router will restart with factory default settings. You will then need to reconfigure it using the initial setup process.

5. TROUBLESHOOTING

5.1 Common Issues

- **No Internet Connection:** Check the Internet LED on the router. If it's amber or off, ensure your modem is working correctly and the Ethernet cable is securely connected to the router's yellow Internet port. Restart both your modem and router.
- **Slow Wi-Fi Speed:** Ensure your devices are connected to the appropriate Wi-Fi band (5 GHz for faster speeds, 2.4 GHz for better range). Check for interference from other devices. Consider repositioning the router.
- **Cannot Access Router Settings:** Verify that your device is connected to the router (either wired or wirelessly). Try clearing your browser's cache or using a different browser. Ensure you are typing `routerlogin.net` or `192.168.1.1` correctly. If you forgot the password, perform a factory reset.

5.2 LED Indicators

The LEDs on the front of the router provide status information:

- **Power LED:** Solid white indicates the router is powered on and operating normally. Blinking white indicates a firmware upgrade or factory reset.
- **Internet LED:** Solid white indicates a successful internet connection. Amber indicates no internet connection. Blinking white indicates data activity.
- **Wi-Fi 2.4 GHz / 5 GHz LEDs:** Solid white indicates the respective Wi-Fi band is enabled. Blinking white indicates wireless activity.
- **Ethernet LAN LEDs (1-4):** Solid white indicates a device is connected to that port. Blinking white indicates data activity.
- **USB LED:** Solid white indicates a USB device is connected. Blinking white indicates data activity on the USB port.

6. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	NETGEAR
Model Name	R7000 Nighthawk AC1900
Item Model Number	R7000-100PES
Connectivity Technology	Ethernet, Wi-Fi
Wireless Communication Standard	802.11ac (Dual-Band: 2.4 GHz & 5 GHz)
Ethernet Ports	1x Gigabit WAN, 4x Gigabit LAN
USB Ports	1x USB 3.0, 1x USB 2.0
Special Feature	WPS (Wi-Fi Protected Setup)
Product Dimensions	11.22 x 7.26 x 1.97 inches
Item Weight	1.65 pounds
Input Voltage	100-240V
Color	Black
Date First Available	December 19, 2013

7. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

7.1 Warranty Information

This product is covered by a manufacturer's limited warranty. The specific terms and duration of the warranty may vary by region and purchase date. Please refer to the warranty card included with your product or visit the official NETGEAR website for detailed warranty information.

7.2 Technical Support

For further assistance, technical support, or to access the latest drivers and documentation, please visit the official NETGEAR support website. You can find FAQs, troubleshooting guides, and contact information for customer service there.

NETGEAR Support Website: www.netgear.com/support/