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1. INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential instructions for setting up, operating, and maintaining your T-Mobile 5G High-Speed Home Internet Wi-Fi Gateway. This device combines the functionalities of a router and a modem, converting a 5G signal into a Wi-Fi network for your home. Please read this manual thoroughly before use to ensure optimal performance and safety.

Note: This product is a renewed device. While it has been inspected and tested to work and look like new, it is important to understand its operational requirements, especially regarding SIM card compatibility and service activation with T-Mobile.

2. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Please verify that all items are present in your package:

- T-Mobile 5G High-Speed Home Internet Wi-Fi Gateway
- Power Adapter

Important: A SIM card is **not** included with this renewed device. You will need a compatible T-Mobile Home Internet SIM card to activate service.

3. SETUP

3.1 SIM Card Installation

1. Ensure the Gateway is powered off and unplugged.
2. Locate the SIM card slot, typically at the bottom or side of the device.
3. Carefully insert your T-Mobile Home Internet SIM card into the slot until it clicks into place. Refer to the device's physical markings for correct orientation.

3.2 Device Placement

Optimal placement is crucial for signal strength and Wi-Fi coverage. Consider the following:

- Place the Gateway in a central location within your home, away from obstructions like thick walls, large metal objects, or other electronic devices that may cause interference.
- Position the Gateway near a window if possible, as this can improve 5G signal reception.
- The device has an internal battery that can assist in finding the best signal location before permanent power connection. Observe the signal indicator on the device's display.

3.3 Powering On

1. Connect the power adapter to the Gateway and then plug it into a wall outlet.
2. The device will automatically power on and begin its startup sequence. This may take a few minutes.
3. Observe the LED indicator on the top of the device. It will cycle through various states as it establishes a connection to the T-Mobile 5G network.

Figure 1: T-Mobile 5G High-Speed Home Internet Wi-Fi Gateway. This image displays the T-Mobile 5G High-Speed Home Internet Wi-Fi Gateway. It is a cylindrical device, dark gray in color, with a T-Mobile logo near the base. The top features a circular LED display indicating connection status and signal strength.

4. OPERATING THE GATEWAY

4.1 Understanding Indicator Lights

The circular display on top of the Gateway provides visual feedback on its status:

- **Connection Status:** Indicates whether the device is connected to the T-Mobile network.
- **Signal Strength:** Displays the strength of the 5G signal received, typically shown as bars. More bars indicate a stronger signal.
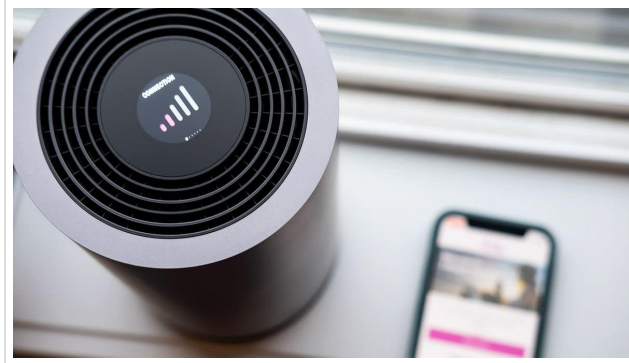

Figure 2: Top view of the T-Mobile 5G Gateway. A close-up top view of the T-Mobile 5G High-Speed Home Internet Wi-Fi Gateway. The circular display clearly shows the 'CONNECTION' status and signal strength bars. A smartphone is visible in the blurred background, suggesting device connectivity.

4.2 Connecting Devices to Wi-Fi

Once the Gateway is connected to the internet (indicated by a stable connection status on the display), you can connect your devices:

1. Locate the Wi-Fi network name (SSID) and password on the label at the bottom or back of your Gateway.
2. On your device (smartphone, laptop, tablet), open Wi-Fi settings.
3. Select your Gateway's SSID from the list of available networks.
4. Enter the Wi-Fi password when prompted.

4.3 Accessing Gateway Settings

For advanced settings, such as changing Wi-Fi names or passwords, port forwarding, or parental controls, you can typically access the Gateway's web interface:

- Connect a device to the Gateway's Wi-Fi network.
- Open a web browser and enter the Gateway's default IP address (e.g.,192.168.1.1 or 192.168.0.1). This IP address is usually found on the device label.
- Log in using the administrator username and password, also found on the device label.

5. MAINTENANCE

To ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your Gateway:

- Keep the device in a well-ventilated area to prevent overheating.
- Clean the exterior with a soft, dry cloth. Avoid liquid cleaners.
- Periodically check for firmware updates through the Gateway's web interface, if available.
- Avoid placing heavy objects on top of the Gateway.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

6.1 No Internet Connection

- **Check SIM Card:** Ensure the SIM card is correctly inserted and is a T-Mobile Home Internet SIM.
- **Check Signal:** Verify the signal strength indicator on the Gateway. If signal is weak or absent, try repositioning the device.
- **Power Cycle:** Unplug the power adapter, wait 30 seconds, then plug it back in.
- **T-Mobile Service Activation:** It is crucial to confirm compatibility and activation with T-Mobile directly. Some users have reported difficulties activating service with devices not purchased directly from T-Mobile for new accounts. Please contact T-Mobile customer support to verify your service eligibility and device activation status.

6.2 Slow Internet Speeds

- **Signal Strength:** Ensure the Gateway has a strong 5G signal.
- **Device Placement:** Optimize the Gateway's location for better signal reception and Wi-Fi coverage.
- **Network Congestion:** Performance can vary based on network traffic in your area.
- **Wi-Fi Interference:** Move the Gateway away from other electronics (cordless phones, microwaves) that might interfere with Wi-Fi signals.

6.3 Wi-Fi Not Visible or Connecting

- **Gateway Status:** Ensure the Gateway is powered on and has an active internet connection.
- **Password:** Double-check that you are entering the correct Wi-Fi password.
- **Restart Device:** Restart both the Gateway and the device you are trying to connect.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Brand	T-Mobile
Model Name	T-Mobile 5G High-Speed Home Internet Wi-Fi Gateway
ASIN	B09WF7BVBR
Connectivity Technology	Wi-Fi
Wireless Communication Standard	802.11ax (Wi-Fi 6)
Frequency Band Class	Dual-Band
Special Feature	WPS
Antenna Type	Internal
Item Weight	3.76 pounds
Package Dimensions	12.36 x 5.39 x 5.39 inches
Manufacturer	T-Mobile

Feature	Detail
Date First Available	March 24, 2022

8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

As a renewed product, specific warranty terms may vary. Please refer to the warranty information provided by the seller (Amazon Renewed or Re-Com) at the time of purchase. For technical support related to your T-Mobile Home Internet service or device functionality, please contact T-Mobile customer support directly. For issues related to the renewed product's condition or return policy, contact the seller or Amazon Renewed support.