Installation

Follow these instructions to begin using your A6100 WiFi USB Adapter.

To set up your adapter:

1. Insert the resource CD in your computer CD drive.
   
   **Note:** If your computer does not have a CD drive, download the A6100 resource CD driver by visiting [http://support.netgear.com](http://support.netgear.com). Click the Support for Home Products button and enter A6100 in the search field.
   
   If the Resource CD screen does not display, browse the files on the CD and double-click Autorun.exe.

2. Click the Setup link.
   
   The Software Update Check screen displays.

3. Install the setup software.
   
   You have two options:
   
   • **Connected to the Internet.** If you are connected to the Internet, click the Check for Updates button. After the software checks for updates, the Update Check Complete screen displays. Click the Continue button. The Welcome screen displays.
   
   • **Not connected to the Internet.** If you are not connected to the Internet, click the Install from CD button. The Welcome screen displays.

4. Click the I agree radio button to accept the license agreement and then click the Next button.
   
   A message displays asking you to wait while software is installed. After a few minutes, NETGEAR genie prompts you to insert your adapter.

5. Insert the adapter into a USB port on your computer, as shown:

6. Click the Next button.
   
   The NETGEAR genie screen displays.
NETGEAR genie displays a list of wireless networks in your area.

Join a Wireless Network
You can join a wireless network from the NETGEAR genie, or you can use Wi-Fi Protected Setup (WPS) if your wireless router supports it.

- **NETGEAR genie**: From the NETGEAR genie screen, click the **Join a Network** button. Select your wireless network and click the **Connect** button. If the network is secure, enter its password or network key.
- **WPS**: Press and hold the **WPS** button on the adapter for two seconds. Within two minutes, press the **WPS** button on your wireless router or gateway.

The adapter joins the network, which can take a few minutes. Your settings are saved in a profile.

Check Your Connection Status
When you install your adapter, the NETGEAR genie icon displays in the Windows system tray and on the desktop. You can double-click this icon to open NETGEAR genie to make changes or connect to a different wireless network. The color of the icon indicates the strength of your wireless connection:
- **White**: 3–5 bars (strong connection)
- **Yellow**: 1–2 bars (weak connection)
- **Red**: 0 (zero) bars (no connection)

If you remove your adapter, NETGEAR genie is not available, so the icon does not display. When you insert the adapter again, the icon returns.

Support
Thank you for selecting NETGEAR products.

After installing your device, locate the serial number on the label of your product and use it to register your product at https://my.netgear.com.

You must register your product before you can use NETGEAR telephone support. NETGEAR recommends registering your product through the NETGEAR website. For product updates and web support, visit http://support.netgear.com.

NETGEAR recommends that you use only the official NETGEAR support resources.

You can get the user manual online at http://downloadcenter.netgear.com or through a link in the product’s user interface.

For the current EU Declaration of Conformity, visit http://support.netgear.com/app/answers/detail/a_id/11621/.