

# **Configuring the Client Adapter**

This chapter explains how to set the configuration parameters for a specific profile. The following topics are covered in this chapter:

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# **Overview**

When you choose to create a new profile or modify an existing profile on the Cisco Aironet Desktop Utility (Profile Management) window, the Profile Management windows appear. These windows enable you to set the configuration parameters for that profile.

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If you do not change any of the configuration parameters for a newly created profile, the default values are used.



If you are planning to set parameters on more than one of the Profile Management windows, wait until you are finished with all of the windows before clicking **OK**. When you click **OK**, you are returned to the Cisco Aironet Desktop Utility (Profile Management) window.

Each of the Profile Management windows (listed below) contains parameters that affect a specific aspect of the client adapter:

- General—Prepares the client adapter for use in a wireless network
- Advanced—Controls how the client adapter operates within an infrastructure or ad hoc network
- Security—Controls how a client adapter associates to an access point, authenticates to the wireless network, and encrypts and decrypts data

Table 5-1 enables you to quickly locate instructions for setting each Profile Management window's parameters.

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# **Setting General Parameters**

The Profile Management (General) window (see Figure 5-1) enables you to set parameters that prepare the client adapter for use in a wireless network. This window appears after you click **New** or **Modify** on the Cisco Aironet Desktop Utility (Profile Management) window.

Figure 5-1 Profile Management (General) Window

Profile N	lanagement				? 🗙
General	Security Advanced				
	Profile Settings				
	Profile Name:				
	Client Name:				
	Network Names				
	SSID1:				
	SSID2:				
	SSID3:				
				ок (	Cancel

Table 5-2 lists and describes the client adapter's general parameters. Follow the instructions in the table to change any parameters.

Parameter	Description		
Profile Name	The name assigned to the configuration profile.		
	Range: You can key in up to 32 ASCII characters.		
Client Name	A logical name for your workstation. It enables an administrator to ascertain which devices are connected to the access point without having to memorize every MAC address. This name is included in the access point's list of connected devices. The client name is filled in automatically but can be changed.		
	Range: You can key in up to 16 ASCII characters.		
	<b>Default:</b> The name of your computer		
	<b>Note</b> Each computer on the network should have a unique client name.		

Table 5-2 Profile Management General Parameters

Parameter	Description			
SSID1	The service set identifier (SSID) identifies the specific wireless			
	network that you want the client adapter to access.			
	Range: You can key in up to 32 ASCII characters (case sensitive).			
	Default: A blank field			
	<b>Note</b> If you leave this parameter blank, your client adapter can associate to any access point on the network that is configured to allow broadcast SSIDs. If the access point with which the client adapter is to communicate is not configured to allow broadcast SSIDs, the value of this parameter must match the SSID of the access point. Otherwise, the client adapter is unable to access the network.			
	<b>Note</b> You must enter an SSID if this profile is configured for use in an ad hoc network.			
SSID2	An optional SSID that identifies a second distinct network and enables the client adapter to roam to that network without having to be reconfigured.			
	Range: You can key in up to 32 ASCII characters (case sensitive).			
	Default: A blank field			
	<b>Note</b> If a profile specifies more than one SSID, it cannot be included in auto profile selection.			
	<b>Note</b> This field is unavailable for any profiles that are included in auto profile selection or configured for use in an ad hoc network.			
SSID3	An optional SSID that identifies a third distinct network and enables the client adapter to roam to that network without having to be reconfigured.			
	Range: You can key in up to 32 ASCII characters (case sensitive).			
	Default: A blank field			
	<b>Note</b> If a profile specifies more than one SSID, it cannot be included in auto profile selection.			
	<b>Note</b> This field is unavailable for any profiles that are included in auto profile selection or configured for use in an ad hoc network.			

Table 5-2 Profile Management General Parameters (continued)

Go to the next section to set additional parameters, or click **OK** to save your changes and return to the Cisco Aironet Desktop Utility (Profile Management) window.

# **Setting Advanced Parameters**

The Profile Management (Advanced) window (see Figure 5-2) enables you to set parameters that control how the client adapter operates within an infrastructure or ad hoc network. To open this window, click the **Advanced** tab from any Profile Management window.

Figure 5-2 Profile Management (Advanced) Window

Profile Management	? 🛛
General Security Advanced	
Transmit Power Level 802.11b/g: 100 mW	Power Save Mode: CAM (Constantly Awake Mode)
802.11a: 40 mW 💌	802.11b Preamble: 💿 Short & Long 🔿 Long Only
Wireless Mode	Wireless Mode When Starting Ad Hoc Network
<ul> <li>5 GHz 54 Mbps</li> <li>2.4 GHz 11 Mbps</li> <li>2.4 GHz 54 Mbps</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>○ 5 GHz 54 Mbps</li> <li>○ 2.4 GHz 54/11 Mbps</li> </ul>
802.11 Authentication Mode Auto Open OShared	Preferred APs
	OK Cancel

Table 5-3 lists and describes the client adapter's advanced parameters. Follow the instructions in the table to change any parameters.

Parameter	Description		
Transmit Power Level	transr power allow	nits. Although the ada r level that is actually ed by your country's r	ver level at which your client adapter apter supports up to 100 mW, the transmit used is limited to the maximum value egulatory agency (FCC in the U.S., DOC in ELEC in Japan, etc.).
	<b>Options:</b> Dependent on the radio band used and the power table programmed into the client adapter; see the table below.		
	Defau	-	wer level programmed into the client adapter our country's regulatory agency
	Radio	Band	Transmit Power Level
	802.1	1b/g	10, 20, 30, 50, 63, or 100 mW
	802.1	1a	10, 13, 20, 25, or 40 mW
	Note	lower when operation	s maximum transmit power level may be ng in 802.11g mode than when operating in o 802.11g-specific regulatory limitations in
	Note	Reducing the transr decreases radio ran	nit power level conserves battery power but ge.

Table 5-3	Profile Management Advanced Parameters
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Description				
Sets your client adapter to its optimum power consumption setting.				
<b>Options:</b> CAM (Constantly Awake Mode), Fast PSP (Power Save Mode), or Max PSP (Max Power Saving)				
Default: CAM (Constantly Awake Mode)				
Power Save Mode Description				
CAM (Constantly Awake Mode)	Keeps the client adapter powered up continuously so there is little lag in message response time.			
	Consumes the most power but offers the highest throughput. Is recommended for desktop computers and devices that use AC power.			
Fast PSP (Power Save Mode)	Switches between PSP mode and CAM mode, depending on network traffic. This mode switches to CAM when retrieving a large number of packets and switches back to PSP after the packets have been retrieved.			
	Is recommended when power consumption is a concern but you need greater throughput than that allowed by Max PSP			
Max PSP (Max Power Saving)	Causes the access point to buffer incoming messages for the client adapter, which wakes up periodically and polls the access point to see if any buffered messages are waiting for it. The adapter can request each message and then go back to sleep.			
	Conserves the most power but offers the lowest throughput. Is recommended for devices for which power consumption is the ultimate concern (such as small battery-powered devices).			
	Sets your client adapter to         Options: CAM (Constantly Mode), or Max P         Default: CAM (Constantly         Power Save Mode         CAM (Constantly Awake Mode)         Fast PSP (Power Save Mode)         Fast PSP (Power Save Mode)         Max PSP (Max Power			

Table 5-3 Profile Management Advanced Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Description			
Network Type	Specifies the type of network in which your client adapter is installed. Options: Infrastructure or Ad Hoc Default: Infrastructure			
	Ad Hoc	Often referred to as <i>peer to peer</i> . Indicates that your wireless network consists of a few wireless devices that are not connected to a wired Ethernet network through an access point. For example, an ad hoc network could be set up between computers in a conference room so that users can share information in a meeting.		
	Infrastructure	Indicates that your wireless network is connected to a wired Ethernet network through an access point.		
802.11b Preamble	Determines whether your client adapter uses both short and long radio headers or only long radio headers. The adapter can use short radio headers only if the access point is also configured to support them and is using them. If any clients associated to an access point are using long headers, then <i>all</i> clients in that cell must use long headers, even if both this client and the access point have short radio headers enabled.			
	Short radio headers improve throughput performance; long radio headers ensure compatibility with clients and access points that do not support short radio headers.			
	Options: Short & Long or Long Only			
	Default: Short & Long			
	<b>Note</b> This parameter is disabled if the Wireless Mode parameter is set to 5 GHz 54 Mbps only.			

Table 5-3 Profile Management Advanced Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Description		
Wireless Mode	-	ies the frequency and rate at which your client adapter should it packets to or receive packets from access points.	
	Option	ns: 5 GHz 54 Mbps, 2.4 GHz 11 Mbps, and 2.4 GHz 54 Mbps	
	Defau	It: All options selected	
	Note	When more than one option is selected, the client adapter attempts to use the wireless modes in this order: 5 GHz 54 Mbps, 2.4 GHz 54 Mbps, 2.4 GHz 11 Mbps.	
	Note	If you choose 2.4 GHz 11 Mbps, the client adapter can associate to access points containing an 802.11b or 802.11g radio at 802.11b data rates. If you choose 2.4 GHz 54 Mbps, the client adapter can associate to access points containing an 802.11b radio at 802.11b data rates or to access points containing an 802.11g radio at 802.11b or 802.11g data rates.	
	Note	Your client adapter's wireless mode must match that of the access points with which it is to communicate. Otherwise, your client adapter may not be able to associate to them.	
Wireless Mode When Starting Ad Hoc Network	-	ies the frequency and rate at which your client adapter should it packets to or receive packets from other clients (in ad hoc	
	Optio	ns: 5 GHz 54 Mbps or 2.4 GHz 54/11 Mbps	
	Default: 5 GHz 54 Mbps		
	Note	The client scans the band(s) specified by the Wireless Mode parameter before creating a new ad hoc cell based on the band specified by the Wireless Mode When Starting Ad Hoc Network parameter.	
	Note	Your client adapter's wireless mode must match that of the other clients with which it is to communicate. Otherwise, your client adapter may not be able to associate to them.	

Table 5-3	Profile Management Advanced Parameters (continued)
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Parameter	Description		
Channel	Specifies the channel that your client adapter uses for communication in a 2.4-GHz ad hoc network. The available channels conform to the IEEE 802.11 Standard for your regulatory domain.		
	The channel of the client adapter must be set to match the channel used by the other clients in the wireless network. If the client adapter does not find any other ad hoc clients, this parameter specifies the channel with which the adapter will start its cell.		
	Range: Dependent on regulatory domain Example: 1 to 11 (2412 to 2462 MHz) in North America		
	<b>Default:</b> Auto (the client automatically determines the channel on which to start communications)		
	<b>Note</b> This parameter is available only when 2.4 GHz 54/11 Mbps selected for the Wireless Mode When Starting Ad Hoc Networ parameter. When 5 GHz 54 Mbps is selected, the Channel parameter is set to Auto automatically.		
	<b>Note</b> Refer to Appendix D for a list of channel identifiers, channel center frequencies, and regulatory domains for each channel.		

Table 5-3 Profile Management Advanced Parameters (continued)

Parameter	Description				
802.11 Authentication Mode	Specifies how your client adapter attempts to authenticate to an access point. Open and shared authentication do not rely on a RADIUS server on your network.				
	Options: Auto, Open, or Shared				
	Default: Open				
	802.11	Authentication Mode	Description		
	Auto		Causes the client adapter to attempt to authenticate using shared authentication. If it fails, the client adapter then attempts to authenticate using open authentication.		
	Open		Enables your client adapter, regardless of its WEP settings, to authenticate and attempt to communicate with an access point. However, communication can occur only if the adapter's WEP key matches that of the access point.		
	Shared		Enables your client adapter to authenticate and communicate only with access points that have the same WEP key.		
			During shared key authentication, the access point sends an unencrypted challenge packet to the client adapter, which encrypts the packet and sends it back to the access point. The access point attempts to decrypt the encrypted packet and sends an authentication response packet indicating the success or failure of the decryption back to the client adapter. If the packet is successfully encrypted/ decrypted, the user is considered to be authenticated.		
	<b>Note</b> Cisco recommends that Auto and Shared not be used bec they present a security risk.				
	<b>Note</b> Your client adapter's 802.11 authentication mode settimatch that of the access points with which it is to commotherwise, your client adapter may not be able to auth to them.		ccess points with which it is to communicate.		
	Note	_	nfigured for use in an ad hoc network or is use static WEP, this parameter is unavailable, cation is used.		

#### Table 5-3 Profile Management Advanced Parameters (continued)

If this profile is configured for use in an infrastructure network and you want to specify up to four access points to which the client adapter should attempt to associate, click **Preferred APs**. The Preferred Access Points window appears (see Figure 5-3).

Figure 5-3 Preferred Access Points Window

Preferred Access Points	2 🛛
Specified Access Point MAC Addresse	es
Access Point 1:	
Access Point 2:	
Access Point 3:	
Access Point 4:	
Access Folint 4.	
	OK Cancel

Leave the Access Point 1 through Access Point 4 fields blank or enter the MAC addresses of up to four preferred access points to which the client adapter can associate; then click **OK**. (The MAC address should consist of 12 hexadecimal characters.) If the specified access points are not found or the client adapter roams out of range, the adapter may associate to another access point.

Go to the next section to set additional parameters or click **OK** to save your changes and return to the Cisco Aironet Desktop Utility (Profile Management) window.

# **Setting Security Parameters**

The Profile Management (Security) window (see Figure 5-4) enables you to set parameters that control how the client adapter associates to an access point, authenticates to the wireless network, and encrypts and decrypts data. To access this window, click the **Security** tab from any Profile Management window.

-Set Se	ecurity Options			
	◯ WPA	WPA EAP Type:	LEAP	
	🔘 WPA Passphrase			
	🔘 802.1x	802.1x EAP Type:	LEAP	
	🔘 Pre-Shared Key (Static WI	EP)		
	<ul> <li>None</li> </ul>			
	Configure		Allow Association to Mixed Cells	

Figure 5-4 Profile Management (Security) Window

This window is different from the other Profile Management windows in that it includes many security features, each of which involves a number of steps. In addition, the security features themselves are complex and need to be understood before they are implemented. Therefore, this section provides an overview of the security features as well as procedures for using them.

However, before you determine the appropriate security settings for your client adapter, you must decide how to set the **Allow Association to Mixed Cells** parameter, which appears at the bottom of the Profile Management (Security) window and is not associated to any of the security features. See the "Setting the Allow Association to Mixed Cells Parameter" section below.

## Setting the Allow Association to Mixed Cells Parameter

The Allow Association to Mixed Cells parameter indicates whether the client adapter can associate to an access point that allows both WEP and non-WEP associations. Follow these steps to set this parameter.



This parameter is unavailable if the WPA or WPA Passphrase security option is selected.

#### **Step 1** Perform one of the following:

- Check the Allow Association to Mixed Cells check box if the access point to which the client adapter is to associate (or the VLAN to which the client will be assigned) has WEP set to Optional and static WEP is enabled on the client adapter. Otherwise, the client is unable to establish a connection with the access point.
- Uncheck the Allow Association to Mixed Cells check box if the access point to which the client adapter is to associate (or the VLAN to which the client will be assigned) does not have WEP set to Optional. This is the default setting.



For security reasons, Cisco recommends that WEP-enabled and WEP-disabled clients not be allowed in the same cell because broadcast packets are sent unencrypted, even to clients running WEP. However, you can enable VLANs on the access point to separate WEP-enabled and WEP-disabled clients.

#### **Step 2** Perform one of the following:

- If you do not want to change any other parameters on the Profile Management (Security) window, click **OK** to save your changes and return to the Cisco Aironet Desktop Utility (Profile Management) window.
- If you want to change some of the other parameters on the Profile Management (Security) window, go to the next section.

### **Overview of Security Features**

You can protect your data as it is transmitted through your wireless network by encrypting it through the use of wired equivalent privacy (WEP) encryption keys. With WEP encryption, the transmitting device encrypts each packet with a WEP key, and the receiving device uses that same key to decrypt each packet.

The WEP keys used to encrypt and decrypt transmitted data can be statically associated with your adapter or dynamically created as part of the EAP authentication process. The information in the "Static WEP Keys" and "EAP (with Dynamic WEP Keys)" sections below can help you to decide which type of WEP keys you want to use. Dynamic WEP keys with EAP offer a higher degree of security than static WEP keys.

WEP keys, whether static or dynamic, are either 40 or 128 bits in length. 128-bit WEP keys offer a greater level of security than 40-bit WEP keys.



Refer to the "Additional WEP Key Security Features" section on page 5-18 for information on three security features that can make your WEP keys even more secure.

#### **Static WEP Keys**

Each device (or profile) within your wireless network can be assigned up to four static WEP keys. If a device receives a packet that is not encrypted with the appropriate key (as the WEP keys of all devices that are to communicate with each other must match), the device discards the packet and never delivers it to the intended receiver.

You do not need to re-enter static WEP keys each time the client adapter is inserted or the Windows device is rebooted because the keys are stored (in an encrypted format for security reasons) in the registry of the Windows device. When the driver loads and reads the client adapter's registry parameters, it also finds the static WEP keys, unencrypts them, and stores them in volatile memory on the adapter.

The Define Pre-Shared Keys window enables you to view the WEP key settings for a particular profile and to assign new WEP keys or overwrite existing WEP keys. Refer to the "Enabling Static WEP" section on page 5-22 for instructions.

#### EAP (with Dynamic WEP Keys)

The standard for wireless LAN security, as defined by IEEE, is called *802.1X for 802.11*, or simply *802.1X*. An access point that supports 802.1X and its protocol, Extensible Authentication Protocol (EAP), acts as the interface between a wireless client and an authentication server, such as a RADIUS server, to which the access point communicates over the wired network.

Four 802.1X authentication types are available in ADU for use with Windows 2000 or XP:

• EAP-Cisco Wireless (or LEAP)—This authentication type leverages Cisco Key Integrity Protocol (CKIP) and MMH message integrity check (MIC) for data protection. ADU offers a variety of LEAP configuration options, including how a username and password are entered to begin the authentication process.

The username and password are used by the client adapter to perform mutual authentication with the RADIUS server through the access point. The username and password need to be re-entered each time the client adapter is inserted or the Windows device is rebooted unless you configure your adapter to use saved LEAP credentials.

RADIUS servers that support LEAP include Cisco Secure ACS release 2.6 or later, Cisco Access Registrar release 1.7 or later, Funk Software's Steel-Belted RADIUS release 4.1 or later, and Meetinghouse Data Communications' AEGIS release 1.1 or later.

• **EAP-TLS**—This authentication type uses a dynamic session-based WEP key derived from the client adapter and RADIUS server to encrypt data. It uses a client certificate for authentication.

RADIUS servers that support EAP-TLS include Cisco Secure ACS release 3.0 or later and Cisco Access Registrar release 1.8 or later.

• **PEAP (EAP-GTC)**—This PEAP authentication type is designed to support One-Time Password (OTP), Windows NT or 2000 domain, and LDAP user databases over a wireless LAN. It is based on EAP-TLS authentication but uses a password instead of a client certificate for authentication. PEAP (EAP-GTC) uses a dynamic session-based WEP key derived from the client adapter and RADIUS server to encrypt data. If your network uses an OTP user database, PEAP (EAP-GTC) requires you to enter a hardware or software token password to start the EAP authentication process and gain access to the network. If your network uses a Windows NT or 2000 domain user database or an LDAP user database (such as NDS), PEAP (EAP-GTC) requires you to enter your username, password, and domain name in order to start the authentication process.

RADIUS servers that support PEAP (EAP-GTC) authentication include Cisco Secure ACS release 3.1 or later.

• **PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2)**—This PEAP authentication type is based on EAP-TLS authentication but uses a password instead of a client certificate for authentication. PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2) uses a dynamic session-based WEP key derived from the client adapter and RADIUS server to encrypt data.

RADIUS servers that support PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2) authentication include Cisco Secure ACS release 3.2 or later.

When you enable EAP on your access point and configure your client adapter for LEAP, EAP-TLS, PEAP (EAP-GTC), or PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2), authentication to the network occurs in the following sequence:

1. The client associates to an access point and begins the authentication process.



The client does not gain full access to the network until authentication between the client and the RADIUS server is successful.

- 2. Communicating through the access point, the client and RADIUS server complete the authentication process, with the password (LEAP and PEAP) or certificate (EAP-TLS) being the shared secret for authentication. The password is never transmitted during the process.
- **3.** If authentication is successful, the client and RADIUS server derive a dynamic, session-based WEP key that is unique to the client.
- 4. The RADIUS server transmits the key to the access point using a secure channel on the wired LAN.
- 5. For the length of a session, or time period, the access point and the client use this key to encrypt or decrypt all unicast packets (and broadcast packets if the access point is set up to do so) that travel between them.

Refer to the "Enabling LEAP" section on page 5-24 for instructions on enabling LEAP or to the "Enabling EAP-TLS or PEAP" section on page 5-27 for instructions on enabling EAP-TLS, PEAP (EAP-GTC), or PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2).

Note

Refer to the IEEE 802.11 Standard for more information on 802.1X authentication and to the following URL for additional information on RADIUS servers: http://www.cisco.com/univercd/cc/td/doc/product/software/ios120/12cgcr/secur\_c/scprt2/scrad.htm

#### Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA)

Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA) is a standards-based, interoperable security enhancement that provides data protection and access control for existing and future wireless LAN systems. It is derived from and is forward-compatible with the upcoming IEEE 802.11i standard. WPA leverages Temporal Key Integrity Protocol (TKIP) and Michael message integrity check (MIC) for data protection and 802.1X for authenticated key management.

WPA supports two mutually exclusive key management types: WPA and WPA passphrase (also known as *WPA Pre-Shared Key* or *WPA-PSK*). Using WPA, clients and the authentication server authenticate to each other using an EAP authentication method, and the client and server generate a pairwise master key (PMK). The server generates the PMK dynamically and passes it to the access point. Using WPA passphrase, however, you configure a passphrase (or pre-shared key) on both the client and the access point, and that passphrase is used as the PMK.

Refer to the "Enabling WPA Passphrase" section on page 5-23 for instructions on using a WPA passphrase, the "Enabling LEAP" section on page 5-24 for instructions on enabling LEAP with WPA, or the "Enabling EAP-TLS or PEAP" section on page 5-27 for instructions on enabling EAP-TLS, PEAP (EAP-GTC), or PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2) with WPA.



WPA must also be enabled on the access point. Access points must use Cisco IOS Release 12.2(11)JA or later to enable WPA. Refer to the documentation for your access point for instructions on enabling this feature.

### Fast Roaming (CCKM)

Some applications that run on a client device may require fast roaming between access points. Voice applications, for example, require fast roaming to prevent delays and gaps in conversation. Fast roaming is enabled automatically for LEAP-enabled CB21AG and PI21AG clients using WPA but must be enabled on the access point.

During normal operation, LEAP-enabled clients mutually authenticate with a new access point by performing a complete LEAP authentication, including communication with the main RADIUS server. However, when you configure your wireless LAN for fast roaming, LEAP-enabled clients securely roam from one access point to another without the need to reauthenticate with the RADIUS server. Using Cisco Centralized Key Management (CCKM), an access point that is configured for wireless domain services (WDS) uses a fast rekeying technique that enables client devices to roam from one access point to another typically in under 150 milliseconds (ms). Fast roaming ensures that there is no perceptible delay in time-sensitive applications such as wireless Voice over IP (VoIP), enterprise resource planning (ERP), or Citrix-based solutions.



Access points must use Cisco IOS Release 12.2(11)JA or later to enable fast roaming. Refer to the documentation for your access point for instructions on enabling this feature.



The Microsoft Wireless Configuration Manager and the Microsoft 802.1X supplicant, if installed, must be disabled in order for fast roaming to operate correctly. If your computer is running Windows XP and you chose to configure your client adapter using ADU during installation, these features should already be disabled. Similarly, if your computer is running Windows 2000, the Microsoft 802.1X supplicant, if installed, should already be disabled. Refer to Chapter 10 if you need additional information.

#### **Reporting Access Points that Fail LEAP Authentication**

The CB21AG and PI21AG client adapters and the following access point firmware versions support a feature that is designed to detect access points that fail LEAP authentication:

- 12.00T or later (access points running VxWorks)
- Cisco IOS Release 12.2(4)JA or later (1100 series access points)
- Cisco IOS Release 12.2(8)JA or later (1200 series access points)
- Cisco IOS Release 12.2(13)JA or later (350 series access points)

An access point running one of these firmware versions records a message in the system log when the client discovers and reports another access point in the wireless network that has failed LEAP authentication.

The process takes place as follows:

- 1. A client with a LEAP profile attempts to associate to access point A.
- 2. Access point A does not handle LEAP authentication successfully, perhaps because the access point does not understand LEAP or cannot communicate to a trusted LEAP authentication server.
- 3. The client records the MAC address for access point A and the reason why the association failed.
- 4. The client associates successfully to access point B.

- 5. The client sends the MAC address of access point A and the reason code for the failure to access point B.
- 6. Access point B logs the failure in the system log.

<u>Note</u>

This feature does not need to be enabled on the client adapter or access point; it is supported automatically by both devices. However, the access points must use the specified firmware versions or later.

#### Additional WEP Key Security Features

The three security features discussed in this section (MIC, TKIP, and broadcast key rotation) are designed to prevent sophisticated attacks on your wireless network's WEP keys. These features do not need to be enabled on the client adapter; they are supported automatically in the client adapter software. However, they must be enabled on the access point.



Refer to the documentation for your access point for instructions on enabling these security features.

#### **Message Integrity Check (MIC)**

MIC prevents bit-flip attacks on encrypted packets. During a bit-flip attack, an intruder intercepts an encrypted message, alters it slightly, and retransmits it, and the receiver accepts the retransmitted message as legitimate. The MIC adds a few bytes to each packet to make the packets tamper-proof.

The Advanced Status window indicates if MIC is being used, and the Advanced Statistics window provides MIC statistics.

#### **Temporal Key Integrity Protocol (TKIP)**

This feature, also referred to as *WEP key hashing*, defends against an attack on WEP in which the intruder uses the initialization vector (IV) in encrypted packets to calculate the WEP key. TKIP removes the predictability that an intruder relies on to determine the WEP key by exploiting IVs. It protects both unicast and broadcast WEP keys.



TKIP is enabled automatically when WPA is enabled, and it is disabled when WPA is disabled.

#### **Broadcast Key Rotation**

When you enable broadcast WEP key rotation, the access point provides a dynamic broadcast WEP key and changes it at the interval you select.

## **Synchronizing Security Features**

In order to use any of the security features discussed in this section, both your client adapter and the access point to which it will associate must be set appropriately. Table 5-4 indicates the client and access point settings required for each security feature. This chapter provides specific instructions for enabling the security features on your client adapter. Refer to the documentation for your access point for instructions on enabling any of these features on the access point.

Security Feature	Client Setting	Access Point Setting		
Static WEP with open authentication	Choose Open authentication and Pre-Shared Key (Static WEP) and create a WEP key	Set up and enable WEP and enable Open Authentication for the SSID		
Static WEP with shared key authentication	Choose Shared authentication and Pre-Shared Key (Static WEP) and create a WEP key	Set up and enable WEP and enable Shared Key Authentication for the SSID		
WPA passphrase (or WPA Pre-Shared Key)	Choose WPA Passphrase and enter the passphrase	Choose a cipher suite, enable Open Authentication and WPA for the SSID, and enter a WPA Pre-Shared Key		
		Note To allow both WPA and non-WPA clients to use the SSID, enable optional WPA.		
LEAP authentication	Choose 802.1x and LEAP; then set LEAP settings	Set up and enable WEP and enable Network-EAP for the SSID		
LEAP authentication with WPA	Choose WPA and LEAP; then set LEAP settings	Choose a cipher suite that includes TKIP and enable Network-EAP and WPA for the SSID		
		Note To allow both WPA and non-WPA clients to use the SSID, enable optional WPA.		
EAP-TLS authentication				
If using ADU to configure card	Choose 802.1x and EAP-TLS; then set EAP-TLS settings	Set up and enable WEP and enable Open Authentication for the SSID and specify the use of EAP		
If using Windows XP to configure card	Choose Enable network access control using IEEE 802.1X and Smart Card or other Certificate as the EAP Type	Set up and enable WEP and enable Open Authentication for the SSID and specify the use of EAP		

Security Feature	Client Setting	Access Point Setting		
EAP-TLS authentication wi	th WPA			
If using ADU to configure card	Choose WPA and EAP-TLS; then set EAP-TLS settings	Choose a cipher suite that includes TKIP; then enable WPA and Open Authentication for the SSID and specify the use of EAP		
		Note To allow both WPA and non-WPA clients to use the SSID, enable optional WPA.		
If using Windows XP to configure card B02.1X and Smart Card or ot Certificate as the EAP Type		Choose a cipher suite that includes TKIP; then enable WPA and Open Authentication for the SSID and specify the use of EAP		
		Note To allow both WPA and non-WPA clients to use the SSID, enable optional WPA.		
PEAP authentication				
If using ADU to configure card	Choose 802.1x and PEAP (EAP-GTC) or PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2); then set PEAP settings	Set up and enable WEP and enable Open Authentication for the SSID and specify the use of EAP		
If using Windows XP to configure card	Choose Enable network access control using IEEE 802.1X and PEAP as the EAP Type	Set up and enable WEP and enable Open Authentication for the SSID and specify the use of EAP		
PEAP authentication with V	VPA			
If using ADU to configure card	Choose WPA and PEAP (EAP-GTC) or PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2); then set PEAP settings	Choose a cipher suite that includes TKIP; then enable WPA and Open Authentication for the SSID and specify the use of EAP		
		Note To allow both WPA and non-WPA clients to use the SSID, enable optional WPA.		
If using Windows XP to configure card	Enable WPA and choose Enable network access control using IEEE 802.1X and PEAP as the EAP Type	Choose a cipher suite that includes TKIP; then enable WPA and Open Authentication for the SSID and specify the use of EAP		
		<b>Note</b> To allow both WPA and non-WPA clients to use the SSID, enable optional WPA.		

Table 5-4 Client and Access Point Security Settings (continued)

Security Feature	Client Setting	Access Point Setting	
Fast roaming (CCKM)	Choose WPA and LEAP; then set LEAP settings	Use Cisco IOS Release 12.2(11)JA or later, choose a cipher suite that is compatible with CCKM, and enable Network-EAP and CCKM for the SSID	
		Note To allow both 802.1X clients and non-802.1X clients to use the SSID, enable optional CCKM.	
Reporting access points that fail LEAP authentication	No settings required; automatically enabled	No settings required; automatically enabled in the firmware versions listed on page 5-17.	
MIC	No settings required; automatically enabled	Set up and enable WEP with full encryption, set MIC to MMH or check the Enable MIC check box, and set Use Aironet Extensions to Yes	
ТКІР	No settings required; automatically enabled	lly Set up and enable WEP, set TKIP to Cisco or check the Enable Per Packet Keying check box, and set Use Aironet Extensions to Yes	
Broadcast key rotation	Enable LEAP, EAP-TLS, or PEAP	Set up and enable WEP and set Broadcast WEP Key Rotation Interval to any value other than zero (0)	

Table 5-4	Client and Access Point Security Settings (continued)
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### **Enabling Static WEP**

Follow the steps below to enable static WEP for this profile.

Step 1 Choose Pre-Shared Key (Static WEP) on the Profile Management (Security) window.

**Step 2** Click **Configure**. The Define Pre-Shared Keys window appears (see Figure 5-5).

Figure 5-5 Define Pre-Shared Keys Window

	Hexadecimal (0-9, A-F)	'ext (all keyboard characters)
Encryption Keys		
	Fransmit Key	WEP Key Size 40 128
WEP Key 1:	0	• •
WEP Key 2:	0	• •
WEP Key 3:	0	○ ○
WEP Key 4:	0	

**Step 3** Choose one of the following WEP key entry methods:

- Hexadecimal (0-9, A-F)—Specifies that the WEP key will be entered in hexadecimal characters, which include 0-9, A-F, and a-f.
- **ASCII Text (all keyboard characters)**—Specifies that the WEP key will be entered in ASCII text, which includes alpha characters, numbers, and punctuation marks.



ASCII text WEP keys are not supported on the Cisco Aironet 1200 Series Access Points, so you must choose the Hexadecimal (0-9, A-F) option if you are planning to use your client adapter with these access points.

Step 4 For the static WEP key that you are entering (1, 2, 3, or 4), choose a WEP key size of 40 or 128 on the right side of the window. 128-bit client adapters can use 40- or 128-bit keys, but 40-bit adapters can use only 40-bit keys. If 128 bit is not supported by the client adapter, this option is unavailable.

- **Step 5** Obtain the static WEP key from your system administrator and enter it in the blank field for the key you are creating. Follow the guidelines below to enter a new static WEP key:
  - WEP keys must contain the following number of characters:
    - 10 hexadecimal characters or 5 ASCII text characters for 40-bit keys
      - Example: 5A5A313859 (hexadecimal) or ZZ18Y (ASCII)
    - 26 hexadecimal characters or 13 ASCII text characters for 128-bit keys

Example: 5A583135333554595549333534 (hexadecimal) or ZX1535TYUI354 (ASCII)



You must enter hexadecimal characters if your client adapter will be used with Cisco Aironet 1200 Series Access Points.

- Your client adapter's WEP key must match the WEP key used by the access point (in infrastructure mode) or clients (in ad hoc mode) with which you are planning to communicate.
- When setting more than one WEP key, the keys must be assigned to the same WEP key numbers for all devices. For example, WEP key 2 must be WEP key number 2 on all devices. When multiple WEP keys are set, they must be in the same order on all devices.



All existing static WEP keys are displayed as bullets for security reasons. If you need to modify a WEP key, simply click in the WEP key field, delete the bullets, and enter a new key.

- **Step 6** Click the **Transmit Key** button to the left of the key you want to use to transmit packets. Only one WEP key can be selected as the transmit key.
- Step 7 Click OK in each window to save your changes and to return to the Cisco Aironet Desktop Utility (Profile Management) window.

### **Enabling WPA Passphrase**

Follow the steps below to enable WPA passphrase (also known as WPA Pre-Shared Key) for this profile.

- Step 1 Choose WPA Passphrase on the Profile Management (Security) window.
- **Step 2** Click **Configure**. The Define WPA Pre-Shared Key window appears (see Figure 5-6).



Define WPA Pre-Shared Key		? 🛛
Enter a WPA Passphrase between 8 and 64 charact	ters long.	
	OK	Cancel

- **Step 3** Obtain the WPA passphrase for the access point (in an infrastructure network) or other clients (in an ad hoc network) from your system administrator and enter it in the WPA passphrase field. Follow the guidelines below to enter a WPA passphrase:
  - WPA passphrases must contain 8 to 63 ASCII text characters or 64 hexadecimal characters.
  - Your client adapter's WPA passphrase must match the passphrase used by the access point with which you are planning to communicate.
- **Step 4** Click **OK** in each window to save your changes and to return to the Cisco Aironet Desktop Utility (Profile Management) window.

## **Enabling LEAP**

Before you can enable LEAP authentication, your network devices must meet the following requirements:

• Access points to which your client adapter may attempt to authenticate must use the following firmware versions or later: 11.23T (access points running VxWorks), Cisco IOS Release 12.2(4)JA (1100 series access points), Cisco IOS Release 12.2(8)JA (1200 series access points), or Cisco IOS Release 12.2(13)JA (350 series access points).



To use WPA or fast roaming, access points must use Cisco IOS Release 12.2(11)JA or later. To use the Reporting Access Points That Fail LEAP Authentication feature, access points must use the firmware versions listed on page 5-19.

• All necessary infrastructure devices (such as access points, servers, etc.) must be properly configured for LEAP authentication.

Follow the steps below to enable LEAP authentication for this profile.

- **Step 1** Perform one of the following on the Profile Management (Security) window:
  - If you want to enable LEAP without WPA, choose **802.1x** under Set Security Options and **LEAP** in the 802.1x EAP Type drop-down box.
  - If you want to enable LEAP with WPA, choose **WPA** under Set Security Options and **LEAP** in the WPA EAP Type drop-down box.



 Refer to the "Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA)" section on page 5-16 for additional information on WPA.

**Step 2** Click **Configure**. The LEAP Settings window appears (see Figure 5-7).

Figure	5-7	LEAP	Settings	Window
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LEAP Settings	2 🔀 🤊				
LEAP username and passwo	rd settings				
Use Temporary User Name and Password					
Ouse Windows User Name and Password					
Manually Prompt for LEAP User Name and Password					
Use Saved User Nar	me and Password				
User Name:					
Password:					
Confirm Password:					
Domain;					
Include Windows Logon Domain with User Name					
No Network Connection Unless User Is Logged In					
LEAP Authentication Timeout Value (in seconds)					
	OK Cancel				

- **Step 3** Choose one of the following LEAP username and password setting options:
  - Use Temporary User Name and Password—Requires you to enter the LEAP username and password each time the computer reboots in order to authenticate and gain access to the network.
  - Use Saved User Name and Password—Does not require you to enter a LEAP username and password each time the computer reboots. Authentication occurs automatically as needed using a saved username and password (which are registered with the RADIUS server).
- **Step 4** Perform one of the following:
  - If you chose Use Temporary User Name and Password in Step 3, choose one of the following options:
    - Use Windows User Name and Password—Causes your Windows username and password to also serve as your LEAP username and password, giving you only one set of credentials to remember. After you log in, the LEAP authentication process begins automatically. This option is the default setting.
    - Manually Prompt for LEAP User Name and Password—Requires you to manually invoke the LEAP authentication process as needed using the Manual LEAP Login option in the Action drop-down menu or ASTU. You are not prompted to enter a LEAP username and password during the Windows login. This option might be used to support a software token one-time password system or other systems that require additional software that is not available at login.
  - If you chose Use Saved User Name and Password in Step 3, follow these steps:
    - a. Enter a username and password in the appropriate fields.
    - **b.** Re-enter the password in the Confirm Password field.
    - **c.** If you wish to specify a domain name that will be passed to the RADIUS server along with your username, enter it in the Domain field.
- Step 5 If you work in an environment with multiple domains and therefore want your Windows login domain to be passed to the RADIUS server along with your username, check the Include Windows Logon Domain with User Name check box. The default setting is checked.



If you chose to use a saved username and password but do not check the Include Windows Logon Domain with User Name check box, the saved domain name is not passed to the RADIUS server.

- Step 6 If you want to force the client adapter to disassociate after you log off so that another user cannot gain access to the wireless network using your credentials, check the No Network Connection Unless User Is Logged In check box. The default setting is checked.
- **Step 7** In the LEAP Authentication Timeout Value field, choose the amount of time (in seconds) before a LEAP authentication is considered to be failed and an error message appears.

Range: 30 to 500 seconds

Default: 90 seconds

- **Step 8** Click **OK** in each window to save your changes and to return to the Cisco Aironet Desktop Utility (Profile Management) window.
- **Step 9** Refer to Chapter 6 for instructions on authenticating using LEAP.

# **Enabling EAP-TLS or PEAP**

Before you can enable EAP-TLS or PEAP authentication, your network devices must meet the following requirements:

- You must have a valid Windows username and password, and the password cannot be blank.
- The appropriate certificates must be installed on your computer. EAP-TLS requires both a Certificate Authority (CA) certificate and a user certificate while PEAP requires only a CA certificate.



• Contact your system administrator if you need help obtaining and importing the necessary certificates.

• Access points to which your client adapter may attempt to authenticate must use the following firmware versions or later: 12.00T (access points running VxWorks), Cisco IOS Release 12.2(4)JA (1100 series access points), Cisco IOS Release 12.2(8)JA (1200 series access points), or Cisco IOS Release 12.2(13)JA (350 series access points).



To use WPA or fast roaming, access points must use Cisco IOS Release 12.2(11)JA or later.

• All necessary infrastructure devices (such as access points, servers, gateways, user databases, etc.) must be properly configured for the authentication type you plan to enable on the client.

Follow the instructions in one of the sections below to enable EAP-TLS or PEAP authentication for this profile:

- Enabling EAP-TLS, 5-27
- Enabling PEAP (EAP-GTC), 5-29
- Enabling PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2), 5-31

#### **Enabling EAP-TLS**

Follow the steps below to enable EAP-TLS authentication for this profile.

**Step 1** Perform one of the following on the Profile Management (Security) window:

- If you want to enable EAP-TLS without WPA, choose **802.1x** under Set Security Options and **EAP-TLS** in the 802.1x EAP Type drop-down box.
- If you want to enable EAP-TLS with WPA, choose **WPA** under Set Security Options and **EAP-TLS** in the WPA EAP Type drop-down box.



Refer to the "Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA)" section on page 5-16 for additional information on WPA.

**Step 2** Click **Configure**. The Define Certificate window appears (see Figure 5-8).

Define Certificate	? 🛽
Select a Certificate	
Administrator [Issued: 9/10/2003]	*
Server Properties	
<any></any>	*
Server/Domain Name	
Login Name	
	OK Cancel

Figure 5-8 Define Certificate Window

- **Step 3** Choose your server certificate in the Select a Certificate drop-down list.
- **Step 4** Choose the certificate authority from which the server certificate was downloaded in the Server Properties drop-down list.
- **Step 5** Leave the Server/Domain Name field blank to allow the client to accept a certificate from any server that supplies a certificate signed by the certificate authority listed in the Server Properties drop-down list.
- **Step 6** If the Login Name field is not filled in automatically, enter your username in this format: *username@domain* (for example, jsmith@acs-test.cisco.com).
- **Step 7** Click **OK** in each window to save your changes and to return to the Cisco Aironet Desktop Utility (Profile Management) window.
- **Step 8** Refer to Chapter 6 for instructions on authenticating using EAP-TLS.

#### **Enabling PEAP (EAP-GTC)**

Follow the steps below to enable PEAP (EAP-GTC) for this profile.

- **Step 1** Perform one of the following:
  - If you want to enable PEAP (EAP-GTC) without WPA, choose **802.1x** under Set Security Options and **PEAP (EAP-GTC)** in the 802.1x EAP Type drop-down box.
  - If you want to enable PEAP (EAP-GTC) with WPA, choose WPA under Set Security Options and **PEAP (EAP-GTC)** in the WPA EAP Type drop-down box.



- **Note** Refer to the "Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA)" section on page 5-16 for additional information on WPA.
- Step 2 Click Configure. The Define PEAP (EAP-GTC) Configuration window appears (see Figure 5-9).

Figure 5-9 Define PEAP (EAP-GTC) Configuration Window

	ificate Authority:
<any></any>	×
🛛 Use Windo	ows User Name
lser Name:	Administrator
Set Passwor	b
🔘 Toker	
💿 Static	Password

- **Step 3** Choose the certificate authority from which the server certificate was downloaded in the Network Certificate Authority drop-down list.
- **Step 4** Perform one of the following to specify the username that will be used for inner PEAP tunnel authentication:
  - If you want your Windows username to also serve as your PEAP username, check the Use Windows User Name check box. This option gives you only one username to remember.
  - If you want to enter a separate PEAP username (which is registered with the RADIUS server) in addition to your regular Windows username in order to start the PEAP authentication process, enter your PEAP username in the User Name field.



**Note** Your Windows username is filled in automatically. Simply delete your Windows username and enter your separate PEAP username.

Step 5 Choose either Token or Static Password, depending on your user database.



If you choose Token, you must use a hardware token device or the Secure Computing SofToken program (release 2.1 or later) to obtain the one-time password and enter the password when prompted during the authentication process. Secure Computing PremierAccess release 3.1.1 or later is the only supported token server.

- **Step 6** Perform one of the following:
  - If you are finished configuring PEAP (EAP-GTC) for this profile, go to Step 7.
  - If you want to implement added security by further refining the network certificate that will be accepted and controlling the string used to set up the outer PEAP tunnel, follow these steps:
    - a. Click Advanced. The Advanced Configuration window appears (see Figure 5-10).

Figure 5-10 Advanced Configuration Window

Advanced Configuration	? 🛛
Specific Server or Domain:	
OK	Cancel

- **b.** Leave the Specific Server or Domain field blank to allow the client to accept a certificate from any server that supplies a certificate signed by the certificate authority listed in the Network Certificate Authority drop-down list on the Define PEAP (EAP-GTC) Configuration window.
- **c.** If the Login Name field is not filled in automatically, enter your username with nothing after it (for example, jsmith).
- d. Click **OK** to save your settings.
- **Step 7** Click **OK** in each window to save your settings and to return to the Cisco Aironet Desktop Utility (Profile Management) window.
- **Step 8** Refer to Chapter 6 for instructions on authenticating using PEAP (EAP-GTC).

#### **Enabling PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2)**

Follow the steps below to enable PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2) for this profile.

- **Step 1** Perform one of the following:
  - If you want to enable PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2) without WPA, choose **802.1x** under Set Security Options and **PEAP** (EAP-MSCHAP V2) in the 802.1x EAP Type drop-down box.
  - If you want to enable PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2) with WPA, choose WPA under Set Security Options and PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2) in the WPA EAP Type drop-down box.

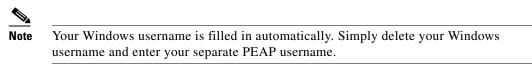
- **Note** Refer to the "Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA)" section on page 5-16 for additional information on WPA.
- **Step 2** Click **Configure**. The Define PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2) Configuration window appears (see Figure 5-11).



Define PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2) Configuration	? 🔀
Server	
<any></any>	~
✓ Use Windows User Name and Password	
User Information for PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2) Authentication	
User Name: Administrator	
Password:	
Confirm Password:	
Advanced OK	Cancel

**Step 3** Choose the certificate authority from which the server certificate was downloaded in the Server drop-down list.

- **Step 4** Perform one of the following to specify the username and password that will be used for inner PEAP tunnel authentication:
  - If you want your Windows username and password to also serve as your PEAP username and password, check the Use Windows User Name and Password check box.
  - If you want to use a distinct username and password (which are registered with the RADIUS server) to start the PEAP authentication process, follow these steps:
    - a. Enter your PEAP username and password in the corresponding fields.



- b. Re-enter your password in the Confirm Password field.
- **Step 5** Perform one of the following:
  - If you are finished configuring PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2) for this profile, go to Step 6.
  - If you want to implement added security by further refining the network certificate that will be accepted and controlling the string used to set up the outer PEAP tunnel, follow these steps:
    - a. Click Advanced. The Advanced Configuration window appears (see Figure 5-12).

Figure 5-12 Advanced Configuration Window

Advanced Configuration	? 🔀
Specific Server or Domain:	
Login Name:	
OK Cancel	

- **b.** Leave the Specific Server or Domain field blank to allow the client to accept a certificate from any server that supplies a certificate signed by the certificate authority listed in the Server drop-down list on the Define PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2) Configuration window.
- **c.** If the Login Name field is not filled in automatically, enter your username with nothing after it (for example, jsmith).



Some RADIUS servers require that the same name be entered for both the inner and outer PEAP tunnels. That is, the same name may need to be entered in both the Login Name field and the User Name field on the Define PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2) Configuration window. Contact your system administrator for information.

d. Click **OK** to save your settings.

- **Step 6** Click **OK** in each window to save your changes and to return to the Cisco Aironet Desktop Utility (Profile Management) window.
- **Step 7** Refer to Chapter 6 for instructions on authenticating using PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2).

### **Disabling Static WEP, WPA Passphrase, or EAP**

To disable static WEP, WPA passphrase, or EAP authentication [LEAP, EAP-TLS, PEAP (EAP-GTC), or PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2)] for a particular profile, choose **None** on the Profile Management (Security) window and click **OK**.



Choosing any security option other than Pre-Shared Key (Static WEP) on the Profile Management (Security) window disables static WEP automatically.

Note

Choosing **Pre-Shared Key** (Static WEP) or WPA Passphrase on the Profile Management (Security) window disables EAP automatically.

