

RE: absurdly simple LAN problem

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*>Is what I'm trying to do even possible? Or am I missing something
>obvious?*

Have you made your mind up because of the operation type of your network?

Peer-to-peer or ad-hoc mode:

This mode is a method for wireless devices to directly communicate with each other. Operating in ad-hoc mode allows wireless devices within range of each other to discover and communicate in peer-to-peer fashion without involving central access points. This is typically used by two PCs to connect to one another, so that one can share the other's Internet connection for example, as well as for wireless mesh networks.

Infrastructure mode

This mode of wireless networking bridges a wireless network to a wired Ethernet network. Infrastructure mode wireless also supports central connection points for WLAN clients. A wireless access point is required for infrastructure mode wireless networking, which serves as the central WLAN communication station. This is typically used by a stand-alone base-station (such as a Broadband/ADSL connection box).

Cheers,
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