

Re: OT: ADSL safe practices and setting up a home network

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Aaron Konstam wrote:

On Thu, 2006-04-13 at 21:39 -0700, Richard England wrote:

I'm looking into entering the 21st century and need some help finding out how to go about setting up an ADSL connection at my home. Can anyone give me some good novice references for what is required for a safe connection in the way of cable modems, routers, hardware firewalls, and how this is all connected?

Any pointers gratefully accepted, and feel free to email me directly.

Thank you,

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I see other peoples advice. My experience with SBC (now AT&T) they will get you a modem and wired and wireless router for about \$50. Then the

I got just the MoDem, no router. I bought a D-Link router (wireless), and disabled the wireless part and removed the antenna. I don't need no snoopin'.

only problem is they are stuck on Windows configuration for which they give you a CD. So you can:

This was my experience, as well. They **only** support Windows. If I call them with a problem, they argue with me about what OS I'm running. It is either MacOS or some version of Windows. I've had one tell me repeatedly that I was running Windows XP, while I told him repeatedly I wasn't running any version of Windows. Finally, I told him I was running Linux, and he said "Oh, you're running Linux. We don't support Linux." and he hung up.

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Anyway, I had to borrow a Windows machine in order to start service.
The router I was able to configure simply using my browser.

1. Go into New York mode and tell them they have to show you hoe to configure your router whcih I did the firsat itme.
2. Find a Windows box and run the configure CD which I did the second time.

If you just get a modem you can buy a linksys router and wireless access point (G type) which comes also with a CD with detailed instructions. That part is really a no brainer. Firewall is installed and normally ther eis place for 4 hardwired machines and lots of wireless machines in both cases.

Mike

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