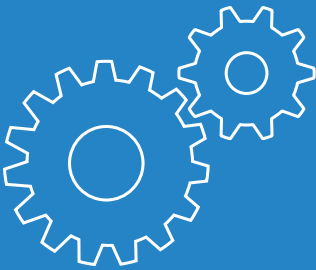


# LANCOM Websmart Switches Installation Guide



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# Introduction

## Overview

LANCOM switches are the foundation for a reliable infrastructure. These switches deliver multiple intelligent features for improving the availability of your critical business applications, protecting your data, and optimizing your network bandwidth to deliver information and applications more effectively. Easy to set up and use, they provide the ideal combination of economic efficiency and technical capabilities from entry level to enterprise level networks. All models offer enhanced security and management functions. In addition, they have networking features to support common applications of data, voice, security and wireless networking.

## Switch Architecture

The switches performs a wire-speed, non-blocking switching fabric. This allows wire-speed transport of multiple packets at low latency on all ports simultaneously. The switch also features full-duplex capability on all ports, which effectively doubles the bandwidth of each connection. The switches use store-and-forward technology to ensure maximum data integrity. With this technology, the entire packet must be received into a buffer and checked for validity before being forwarded. This prevents errors from being propagated throughout the network.

## Network Management

The switch can be managed over the network with a web browser. These switches include a built-in network management agent that allows it to be managed in-band using SNMP or RMON (Groups 1, 2, 3, 9) protocols.

# Network Planning

## Introduction to Switching

A switch allows simultaneous transmission of multiple packets, it can partition a network more efficiently than bridges or routers. Therefore, the switch has been recognized as one of the most important device for today's networking technology.

When performance bottlenecks are caused by congestion at the network access point such as file server, the device can be connected directly to a switched port. And, by using full-duplex mode, the bandwidth of the dedicated segment can be doubled to maximize throughput. When networks are based on repeater (hub) technology, the distance between end stations is limited by a maximum hop count. However, a switch can subdivide the network into smaller and better manageable segments and recombine them to larger networks, thus removing the limitations by the maximum hop count.

A switch can be easily configured in any Ethernet, Fast Ethernet, or Gigabit Ethernet network to significantly increase bandwidth while using conventional cabling and network cards.

## Application Examples

The switches implement Gigabit Ethernet TP ports with auto MDIX and slots for removable SFP modules which support comprehensive types of fiber connection, such as LC and BiDi-LC modules. It is not only designed to segment your network, but also to provide a wide range of options in setting up network connections. Some typical applications are described below.

Among others, the switches are suitable for the following applications:

- Remote site application is used in Enterprise or SMB
- Peer-to-peer application is used in two remote offices
- Office network

## Installation

For safe and secure installation of your LANCOM device, please observe the safety instructions and the instructions for positioning and mounting.

### Positioning and mounting

Please observe the instructions for the positioning and mounting of the device in the Quick Reference Guide.

In order to avoid damage, note the temperature range given in the Quick Reference Guide. Further, ensure there is adequate ventilation and do not place the device in direct sunlight.

Notes on the individual interfaces, switches and displays on your device are available in the supplied Quick Reference Guide.

### Safety advice

This section contains notices which should be observed to avoid injury to persons or damage to your device.

#### Proper usage

Operate the device only as described in the accompanying documentation. Pay particular attention to all warnings and safety instructions. Use only those third-party devices and components that are recommended or approved by the manufacturer.

#### General safety

This device is powered by electricity. Adhere strictly to the safety requirements outlined in the documentation with regard to the voltages to be

applied. Never operate damaged components. Turn a device on only if the housing is closed.

Opening the housing is reserved exclusively for the manufacturer's authorized technicians. Never insert pointed objects (thin screwdrivers, wires, etc.) into the product's interior. Risk from electric shock!

Any work required for the electrical installation must be carried out by a trained electrician.

Make sure that the electrical installation complies with local or national safety requirements.

## Initial Setup

### Selecting a Site

The switch can be mounted in a standard 19-inch equipment rack or on a flat surface. Be sure to follow the guidelines below when choosing a location.

- Position the switch near the devices you want to link and near a power outlet.
- Be able to maintain the temperature of the switch within the limits listed in the Hardware Quick Reference Guide.
- Have the switch accessible for installing, cabling, and maintaining the devices.
- Allow the status LEDs to be clearly visible



Make sure the twisted-pair Ethernet cable is always routed away from power lines, radios, transmitters or any other electrical interference.



Make sure that the switch is connected to a separate grounded power outlet that provides 100 to 240 VAC, 50 to 60 Hz

### Ethernet Cabling

To ensure proper operation when installing the switch into a network, make sure that the available cables are suitable for 100BASE-TX or 1000BASE-T operation. Check the following criteria against the current installation of your network:

- Cable type: Unshielded twisted pair (UTP) or shielded twisted pair (STP) cable with RJ-45 connectors; Category 5 or Category 5e with maximum length of 100 meters is recommend for 100BASE-TX, and



Category 5e or 6 with maximum length of 100 meters is recommended for 1000BASE-T

- Protection from radio frequency interference emissions
- Electrical surge suppression
- Separation of electrical wires and data – based network wiring
- Safe connections with no damaged cables, connectors or shields



## Package Content and Accessories

Before beginning with the installation, please check that nothing is missing from your package. Along with the LANCOM switch the box should contain the following accessories:

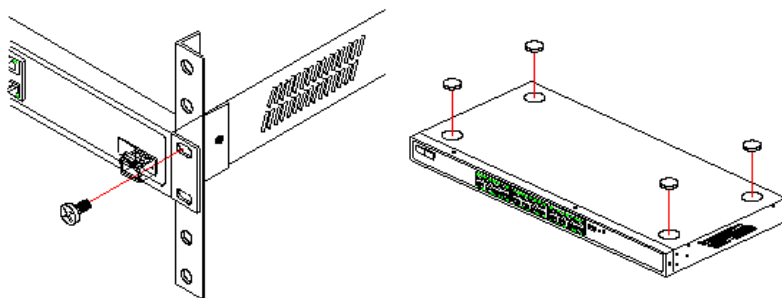
- Power cord
- 19" adapter (2 pieces) and mounting materials
- Serial cable (model dependent)
- Printed documentation

Should anything be missing, please immediately contact your dealer or the address on the delivery note supplied with your device. Ensure that you have all accessories at hand which might be required during installation.

## Mounting and Connecting the LANCOM Switch

Installing the LANCOM switch involves the following steps:

- Mounting – The device is designed for mounting in an available 19" unit in a server cabinet. Make use of the supplied mounting brackets for 19" cabinets. If necessary fix the rubber pads to the underside of the device to prevent any scratching to other equipment.



**i** Ensure that the device has sufficient ventilation to prevent damage from excessive heat build-up.

- LAN connection – Connect the network devices to the ports of the LANCOM switch by means of a suitable twisted-pair cable (TP cable). The connectors automatically detect the available data transfer speeds and the pin assignment (autosensing).

**i** Use only standard TP cables of category CAT 5 or better with a maximum length of 100 m to ensure the best possible data transfer. Crossover cables can be used thanks to the auto-sensing function.

- Supply power – Supply power to the device by means of the IEC power cable and/or an external power supply unit (model dependent).
- Ready for operation? – After a brief self-test, the power or system LED lights up continuously. Green Link/Act LEDs show which LAN connectors are used for a connection.

## Configuration

You can configure the device via a graphical user interface in a browser (WEBconfig): You need to have network access to the device's IP address from your computer. The computer requires an operating system that supports TCP/IP (e. g. Windows, Linux, BSD Unix, Apple Mac OS) and also access to the LAN and a webbrowser.

### WEBconfig

There are two ways of starting the configuration by browser:

- If you know the device's IP address, simply enter this into the address line of the browser. The factory settings for accessing the device are:  
User name: **admin**, password: **admin**.
- If you do not have the device's IP address, LANconfig can be used to search for it. To start LANconfig click on **Programs > LANCOM > LANconfig**. LANconfig automatically searches for all available devices in your network. Any available LANCOM routers or access points will be displayed in the list, including LANCOM switches. Double-click on this entry to start the browser automatically with the correct IP address. LANconfig is the free-of-charge and user-friendly software for the configuration of LANCOM devices on Microsoft Windows. LANconfig has a huge spectrum of applications, from the user-friendly commissioning of a single device with installation wizards to the comprehensive management of large-scale installations. You can find the download free of charge at:  
[www.lancom-systems.com/downloads/](http://www.lancom-systems.com/downloads/)

## What is the IP Address of my LANCOM Switch?

The current IP address of the LANCOM switch after being switched on depends on the network constellation.

- a Networks with DHCP server – In its factory settings, the LANCOM switch is set for auto DHCP mode, meaning that it searches for a DHCP server to assign it an IP address, subnet mask and gateway address. The assigned IP address can only be determined by using the appropriate tools (e.g. LANconfig) or via DHCP server. If the DHCP server is a LANCOM device, the IP address of the LANCOM switch can be read out from the DHCP table. If this is the case, the LANCOM switch can be accessed from any network computer that receives its IP address from the same DHCP server.
- Network without a DHCP server – If no DHCP server is present in the network, the LANCOM switch adopts an address which, depending on the model, may be **172.23.56.250** or **172.23.56.251**. If this is the case the LANCOM switch can be accessed from any network computer with its IP address set to the address range **172.23.56.x**.

## LANCOM Service & Support

You have chosen a LANCOM product with highest reliability. If you still encounter a problem, you are in best hands! The most important information regarding our Service and Support is summarized below, just in case.

### LANCOM Support

#### Installation Guide / Quick Reference Guide

If you encounter any problems when installing or operating your product, the included installation guide resp. quick reference guide may help you in many cases.

#### Support from reseller or distributor

You can contact your reseller or distributor for support:

[www.lancom-systems.com/how-to-buy/](http://www.lancom-systems.com/how-to-buy/)

#### Online

The LANCOM Knowledge Base, with more than 2,500 articles, is always available via our website:

[www.lancom-systems.com/knowledgebase/](http://www.lancom-systems.com/knowledgebase/)

If you have further questions please send us your query via our portal:

[www.lancom-systems.com/service-support/](http://www.lancom-systems.com/service-support/)

Online support is free of charge at LANCOM. Our experts will respond as quickly as possible.

#### Firmware

The latest firmwares and documentation for all Switch products can be downloaded free of charge from the download section on our website:

[www.lancom-systems.com/downloads/](http://www.lancom-systems.com/downloads/)

## Partner support

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## LANCOM Service

### Warranty

Within the EU all LANCOM Systems products come with a voluntary manufacturer warranty. The warranty period depends on the device type:

- 2 years for all LANCOM unmanaged and websmart switches as well as accessories
- 3 years for all LANCOM routers, gateways, WLAN controllers, and access points
- 5 years for all LANCOM managed switches

Within the EU: To apply for warranty you need an RMA number (Return of Material Authorization). In this case please contact our support team.

More information can be found under der following link:

[www.lancom-systems.com/repair/](http://www.lancom-systems.com/repair/)

Outside EU: Please contact your reseller or distributor.

### Lifecycle

The LANCOM lifecycle applies to the support of products. For more information please visit the LANCOM website:

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## Options for your individual requirements

LANCOM offers individually tailored value-added services according to your needs. Little money provides best protection for your investment.

Warranty extensions for additional safeguarding for your devices:

[www.lancom-systems.com/warranty-options/](http://www.lancom-systems.com/warranty-options/)

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