

# **Dell PowerConnect W-Series Instant Access Point User Guide**



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# About this Guide

Dell PowerConnect W-Series Instant Access Point is a simple, easy to deploy turn-key WLAN solution consisting of one or more access points. An Ethernet port with routable connectivity to the Internet or a self-enclosed network as long as there is an Ethernet port with link are the network infrastructures required to deploy the Dell PowerConnect W-Series Instant wireless network. Dell PowerConnect W-Series Instant is specifically designed for easy deployment and proactive management of networks for small customers or remote locations without an on-site IT administrator.

Dell PowerConnect W-Series Instant consists of at least one Instant Access Point (IAP) and a Virtual Controller (VC). The virtual controller resides within one of the access points. In Dell PowerConnect W-Series Instant deployment only the first IAP needs to be configured. After the first IAP is deployed, the subsequent IAPs will inherit all required information from the virtual controller. Dell PowerConnect W-Series Instant network can support upto 16 IAPs and 256 users.

## Objective

This user guide describes the various features supported by Dell PowerConnect W-Series Instant and provides detailed instructions for setting up and configuring a Dell Instant network.

## Intended Audience

This guide is intended for Dell PowerConnect W-Series Instant customers who will be configuring and using Dell Instant to set up the Dell Instant wireless network infrastructure.

## Conventions

The following conventions are used throughout this manual to emphasize important concepts:

**Table 1** *Conventions*

Type Style	Description
<i>Italics</i>	This style is used to emphasize important terms and provide cross-references to other books.
Screen input and output	This style is used to illustrate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Screen output</li><li>• On screen system prompt</li><li>• Filenames, software devices, and specific commands</li></ul>
<b>Bold</b>	This style is used to emphasize Instant UI elements. For example, name of a text box or the name of a drop-down list.

The following informational icons are used throughout this guide:



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NOTE: Indicates helpful suggestions, pertinent information, and important things to remember.

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WARNING: Indicates a risk of personal injury or death.

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CAUTION: Indicates a risk of damage to your hardware or loss of data.

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## Contacting Support

**Table 2** *Contacting Support*

Main Site	<a href="https://dell.com">dell.com</a>
Support Site	<a href="https://support.dell.com">support.dell.com</a>
Documentation Website	<a href="https://support.dell.com/manuals">support.dell.com/manuals</a>

This chapter provides information about the internal antenna patterns in W-IAP92, W-IAP93, and W-IAP105.

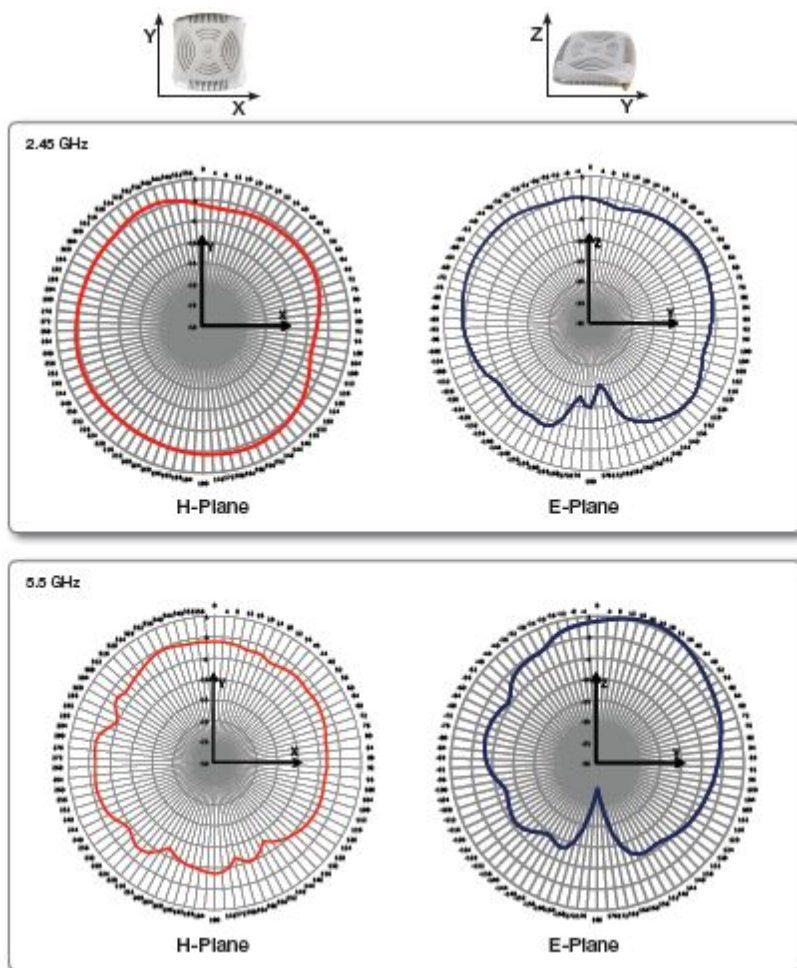
### W-IAP92 and W-IAP93 Antenna Patterns

The antenna specifications of W-IAP92 and W-IAP93 are as follows:

- W-IAP92: Dual, RP-SMA interfaces for external antenna support (supporting up to 2x2 MIMO with spatial diversity). For information to configure an external antenna, see [“Configuring an External Antenna” on page 63](#).
- W-IAP93: Integrated, omnidirectional antenna elements (supporting up to 2x2 MIMO with spatial diversity)
- Maximum antenna gain for W-IAP92 and W-IAP93:
  - 2.4 GHz/2.5 dBi
  - 5 GHz/5.8 dBi

[Figure 1](#) shows antenna patterns of W-IAP93 for 2.45 GHz and 5.5 GHz.

**Figure 1** W-IAP93 Antenna Pattern



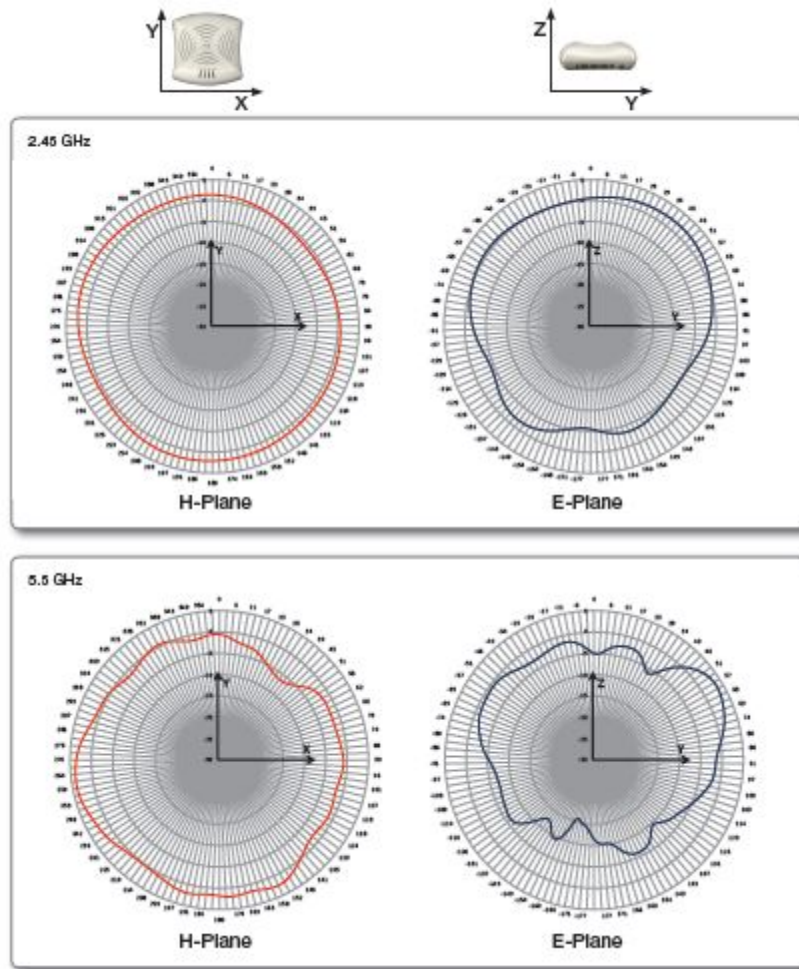
## W-IAP105 Antenna Pattern

The antenna specifications of W-IAP105 are as follows:

- 4 x integrated, omnidirectional antenna elements (supporting up to 2x2 MIMO with spatial diversity)
- Maximum antenna gain:
  - 2.4 GHz/2.5 dBi
  - 5.150 GHz to 5.875 GHz/4.0 dBi

Figure 2 shows antenna patterns of W-IAP105 for 2.45 GHz and 5.5 GHz.

**Figure 2** W-IAP105 Antenna Pattern





This chapter provides information that is required to setup Instant and access the Instant User Interface.

### Initial Setup

This section provides a pre-installation checklist and describes the initial procedures required to set up Dell Instant.

#### Pre-Installation Checklist

Before installing the Instant Access Point (IAP), make sure that you have the following:

- Ethernet cable of required length to connect the IAP to the home router.
- One of the following power sources:
  - IEEE 802.3af-compliant Power over Ethernet (PoE) source. The PoE source can be any power source equipment (PSE) switch or a midspan PSE device.
  - Dell power adapter kit (this kit is sold separately).

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NOTE: PoE is a method of delivering power on the same physical Ethernet wire that is used for data communication. Power for devices is provided in one of two ways:



Endspan: The switch that the AP is connected to can provide power.

Midspan: A device can sit between the switch and the AP.

The choice of endspan or midspan depends on the capabilities of the switch that the AP will be connected to. Typically if a switch is in place and does not support PoE, midspan power injectors are used.

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NOTE: A DNS server functions as a phonebook for the Internet and Internet users. It converts human readable computer hostnames into IP addresses and vice-versa. A DNS server stores several records for a domain name, such as address 'A' record, name server (NS), and mail exchanger (MX) records. Address 'A' record is the most important record that is stored in a DNS server because it provides the required IP address for a network peripheral or element.

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NOTE: The Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol (DHCP) is an auto-configuration protocol used on IP networks. Computers or any network peripherals that are connected to IP networks must be configured before they can communicate with other computers on the network. DHCP allows a computer to be configured automatically, thereby eliminating the need for a network administrator. DHCP also provides a central database to keep a track of computers connected to the network. This database helps in preventing any two computers from being configured with the same IP address.

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To complete the initial setup, perform the following tasks in the given order:

1. [“Connecting the W-IAP to a Power Source” on page 18](#)
2. [“Assigning an IP Address to the W-IAP” on page 18](#)

3. [“Connecting to the Provisioning Wi-Fi network” on page 18](#)
4. [“Login into Instant User Interface” on page 19](#)
5. [“Specifying the Country Code” on page 20](#) Skip this step, if you are installing the W-IAP in United States, Japan or Israel.

## Connecting the W-IAP to a Power Source

Based on the type of the power source that is used, perform one of the following steps to connect the W-IAP to the power source:

- PoE switch - Connect the ENET port of the W-IAP to the appropriate port on the PoE switch.
- PoE midspan - Connect the ENET port of W-IAP to the appropriate port on the PoE midspan.
- AC to DC power adapter - Connect the 12V DC power jack socket to the AC to DC power adapter.

## Assigning an IP Address to the W-IAP

The W-IAP needs an IP address for network connectivity. When you connect the W-IAP to a network, the W-IAP receives an IP address from a DHCP server. To get an IP address for an W-IAP, perform the following steps:

1. Connect the ENET port of W-IAP to a switch or router using an Ethernet cable. Ensure that the DHCP service is enabled on the network.
2. Connect the W-IAP to a power source. The W-IAP will receive an IP address provided by the switch or router.



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NOTE: After the IAP starts up, it will try to do DHCP if static IP configuration is not available. If DHCP times out, a default IP within 169.254.x.y/16 subnet will be configured on the IAP. The DHCP client will be still running so that when the DHCP service recovers the IAP will get a valid IP address and then reboots.

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## Connecting to the Provisioning Wi-Fi network

Connect a wireless enabled client to the provisioning Wi-Fi network. The provisioning network name is **instant**.

- In the Microsoft Windows operating system, click the wireless network connection icon in the system tray. The **Wireless Network Connection** box appears. Click on the **instant** network and click **Connect**.
- In the MAC operating system, click the AirPort icon. A list of available Wi-Fi networks is displayed. Click on the **instant** network.



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NOTE: While connecting to the provisioning Wi-Fi network, ensure that the client is not connected to any wired network.

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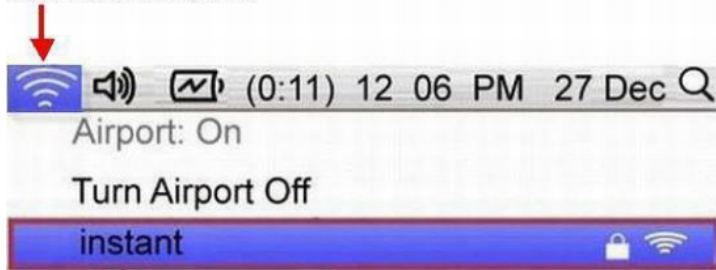
**Figure 3** Connecting to Provisioning Wi-Fi network - Microsoft Windows



Click here to see the list of wireless networks.  
Select instant from the list.

**Figure 4** Connecting to Provisioning Wi-Fi network - MAC OS

Click here to see the list of wireless networks.  
Select instant from the list.

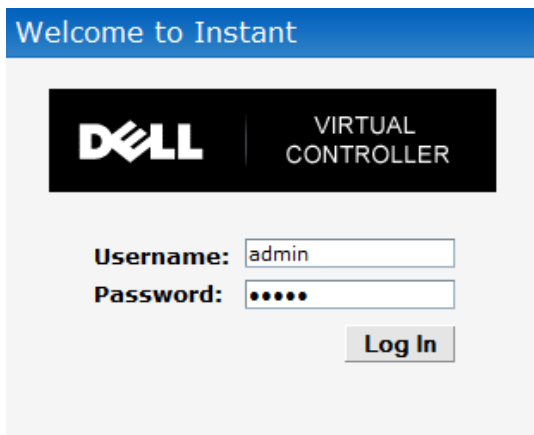


## Login into Instant User Interface

Open a web browser and enter <http://instant.dell-pcw.com> in the address field. In the login screen, enter the following credentials:

- Username - admin
- Password - admin

**Figure 5** Instant User Interface Login Screen



When you use the provisioning Wi-Fi network to connect to the internet, all browser requests are directed to the Instant user interface. For example, if you enter [www.example.com](http://www.example.com) in the address field, you will be directed to the Instant user interface. You can change the default login credentials after your first login.

## Specifying the Country Code



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NOTE: Skip this section, if you are installing the IAP in United States, Japan or Israel.

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Dell Instant Access Points are shipped in four variants:

- W-IAP - US (United States)
- W-IAP - JP (Japan)
- W-IAP - IL (Israel)
- W-IAP - ROW (Rest of World)

After you successfully login to the Instant user interface, a **Country Code** box appears if W-IAP-ROW APs are installed. Select the right country code for the installed W-IAP-ROW APs.

For the complete list of the countries that are supported in the W-IAP-ROW variant type, see “[Regulatory Domain](#)” on page 135.

**Figure 6** *Specifying the Country Code*



The Instant User Interface (UI) provides a standard web based interface that allows you to configure and monitor a Wi-Fi network. It is accessible through a standard web browser from a remote management console or workstation. JavaScript must be enabled on the web browser to view the Instant UI.

Supported browsers are:

- Internet Explorer 7 or higher
- Safari
- Chrome
- Mozilla Firefox



NOTE: The Instant UI logs out automatically if the window is unattended for about fifteen minutes.

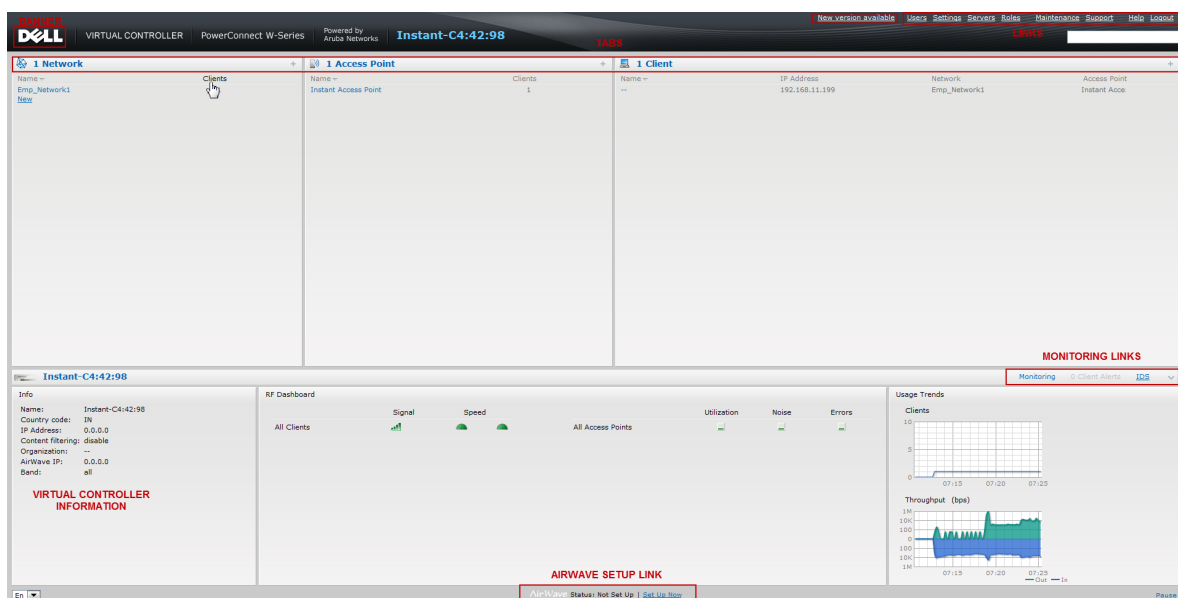
## Understanding the Instant UI Layout

The Instant UI consists of the following elements:

- Banner
- Search
- Tabs
- Links
- Views

These elements are explained in the following sections.

**Figure 7** Basic Sections in the Instant UI



## Banner

The banner is a horizontal grey rectangle that appears at the top left corner of the Instant UI. It displays the company name, logo, and virtual controller's name.

## Search

Administrators can search an IAP, Client or a Network using a simple **Search** dialog box in the UI. This Search option helps fill in the blank when you type in a word and suggested matches will be automatically displayed in a dynamic list. The list will become more relevant and detailed when more number of keywords are typed in. This is similar to the auto-complete feature of Google Search.

## Tabs

The Instant UI consists of the following tabs:

- **Networks** - Provides information about the Wi-Fi networks in the Dell Instant network.
- **Access Points** - Provides information about the IAPs in the Instant network.
- **Clients** - Provides information about the clients in the Instant network.

Each tab appears in a compressed view by default. A number, specifying the number of networks, IAPs, or clients in the network precedes the tab names. Click on the tabs to see the expanded view and click to compress the expanded view. Items in each tab are associated with a triangle icon. Click to sort the data in increasing or decreasing order. Each tab is explained in the following sections.

## Networks Tab

This tab displays a list of Wi-Fi networks that are configured in the Dell Instant network. The network names appear as links. The expanded view displays the following information about each Wi-Fi network:

- **Name** - Name of the network.
- **Clients** - Number of clients that are connected to the network.
- **Type** - Network type: Employee, Guest, or Voice.
- **Band** - Band in which the network is broadcast: 2.4 GHz band, 5.4 GHz band, or both.
- **Authentication Method** - Authentication method required to connect to the network.
- **Key Management** - Authentication key type.
- **IP Assignment** - Source of IP address for the client.

To add a Wi-Fi network, click the **New** link in the **Networks** tab. For more information about a wireless network and the procedure to add a wireless network, see [Chapter 4, “Wireless Network” on page 35](#).

An **edit** link appears on clicking the network name in the **Networks** tab. For information about editing a wireless network, see [“Editing a Network” on page 47](#). To delete a network, click **x** on the right side of the **edit** link.

**Figure 8** *Networks Tab - Compressed View and Expanded View*

The figure shows two screenshots of the Networks Tab. The top screenshot shows the compressed view with a header '2 Networks' and a table with columns 'Name' and 'Clients'. The bottom screenshot shows the expanded view with a header '2 Networks' and a table with columns: Name, Clients, Type, Band, Authentication Method, Key Management, and IP Assignment.

Name	Clients
<a href="#">Emp_Network1</a>	0
<a href="#">Guest_Network1</a>	0
<a href="#">New</a>	

Name	Clients	Type	Band	Authentication Method	Key Management	IP Assignment
<a href="#">Emp_Network1</a>	0	Employee	All	None	WPA2-AES	Default VLAN
<a href="#">Guest_Network1</a>	0	Guest	All	None	None	NAT Mode
<a href="#">New</a>						

## Access Points Tab

If the Auto Join Mode feature is enabled, a list of enabled and active IAPs in the Dell Instant network is displayed in the **Access Points** tab. The IAP names are displayed as links.

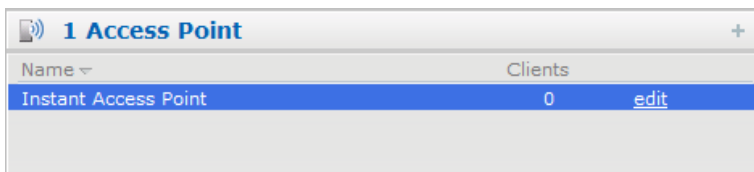
If the Auto Join Mode feature is disabled, then a **New** link appears. Click this link to add a new IAP to the network. Also, if an IAP is configured and not active, its MAC Address is displayed in red.

The expanded view displays the following information about each IAP:

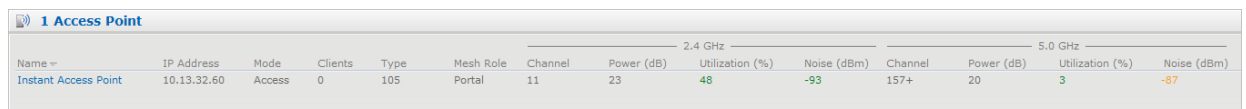
- **Name** - Name of the access point.
- **IP Address** - IP address of the IAP.
- **Mode** - Mode of the IAP.
- **Clients** - Number of clients that are connected to the IAP.
- **Type** - Model number of the IAP.
- **Mesh Role** - Role of the mesh IAP
- **Channel** - Channel the IAP is currently broadcasting on.
- **Power (dB)** - Maximum transmit EIRP of the radio.
- **Utilization (%)** - Utilization percentage of the IAP radios.
- **Noise (dBm)** - Noise floor of IAP.

An edit link appears on clicking the IAP name. For details about editing IAP settings see, “[Editing W-IAP Settings](#)” on page 56.

**Figure 9** Access Points Tab - Compressed View and Expanded View



Name	Clients
Instant Access Point	0 <a href="#">edit</a>



Name	IP Address	Mode	Clients	Type	Mesh Role	2.4 GHz				5.0 GHz			
						Channel	Power (dB)	Utilization (%)	Noise (dBm)	Channel	Power (dB)	Utilization (%)	Noise (dBm)
Instant Access Point	10.13.32.60	Access	0	105	Portal	11	23	48	-93	157+	20	3	-87

## Clients Tab

This tab displays a list of clients that are connected to the Dell Instant network. The client names appear as links. The expanded view displays the following information about each client:

- **Name** - Name of the client.
- **IP Address** - IP address of the client.
- **MAC Address** - MAC address of the client.
- **OS** - Operating system that the client is running on.
- **Network** - Network that the client is connected to.
- **Access Point** - IAP to which the client is connected.
- **Channel** - Channel that the client is currently broadcasting on.
- **Type** - Wi-Fi type of the client: A, G, AN, or GN.
- **Role** - Role assigned to the client.
- **Signal** - Signal strength.
- **Speed (mbps)** - Data transfer speed.

**Figure 10** Client Tab - Compressed View and Expanded View

1 Client Associated with Instant Access Point			
Name	IP Address	Network	Access Point
--	10.13.32.59	Emp_Network1	Instant Access Point

1 Client										
Name	IP Address	MAC Address	OS	Network	Access Point	Channel	Type	Role	Signal	Speed (mbps)
--	10.13.32.59	58:94:6b:79:73:58	--	Emp_Network1	Instant Access Point	157+	AN	Emp_Network1	55	6

## Links

The following links allow you to configure the features and settings for the Instant network. Each of these links is explained in the subsequent sections.

- [New version available](#)
- [Users](#)
- [Settings](#)
- [Servers](#)
- [Roles](#)
- [Servers](#)
- [Support](#)
- [Help](#)
- [Logout](#)
- [Monitoring](#)
- [Client Alerts](#)
- [IDS](#)
- [Language](#)
- [AirWave Setup](#)
- [Pause/Resume](#)

### New version available

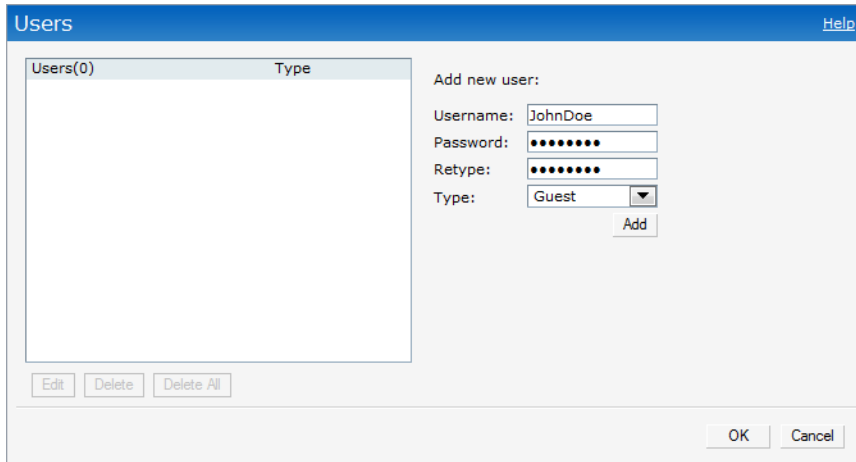
This link appears in the Instant UI only if a new image version is available on the image server and AirWave is not configured. For more information about the [New version available](#) link and its functions, see [“Firmware Image Server in Cloud Network” on page 61](#).

### Users

This link displays the [Users](#) box. This box contains fields that are required to add, edit, or delete a user or users. You can also specify the user type. Two types of users, employee and guest, will be using the Dell Instant network. For more information about users, see [Chapter 21, “User Database”](#).



**Figure 11** *Users Box*

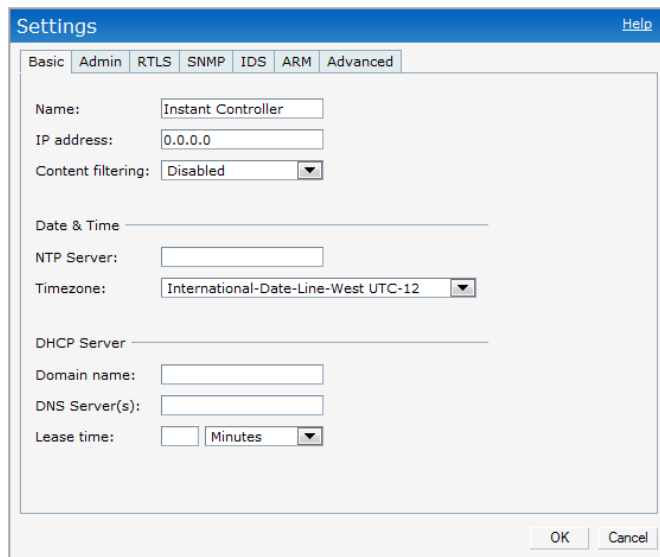


## Settings

This link displays the **Settings** box. The **Settings** box consists of the following tabs:

- **Basic** - View or edit the virtual controller's name, IP address, and Content filtering setting. For information about virtual controller settings and content filtering, see [Chapter 8, “Virtual Controller”](#) and [Chapter 13, “Content Filtering”](#).
- **Admin** - View or edit the admin credentials.
- **RTLS** - View or edit the RTLS server settings.
- **SNMP** - View or specify SNMP agent settings. For information see [Chapter 17, “SNMP”](#).
- **IDS** - View or select the Rogue AP classification and Containment methods to monitor the network for the presence of unauthorized IAPs and clients. For more information see [Chapter 16, “Intrusion Detection System”](#).
- **ARM** - View or assign channel and power settings for all the IAPs in the network. For information about ARM, see [Chapter 15, “Adaptive Radio Management”](#).
- **Advanced** - View or edit the preferred band for the network, dynamic RADIUS Proxy, and Auto join mode settings. For information about dynamic RADIUS Proxy and Auto join mode, see [“External RADIUS Server” on page 70](#) and [“Auto Join Mode” on page 53](#).

**Figure 12** *Settings Link - Default View*



## Servers

This link displays the **RADIUS Server** box. This box allows you to add new server. To add a new radius server, see [“Configuring an External RADIUS Server” on page 70](#).

## Roles

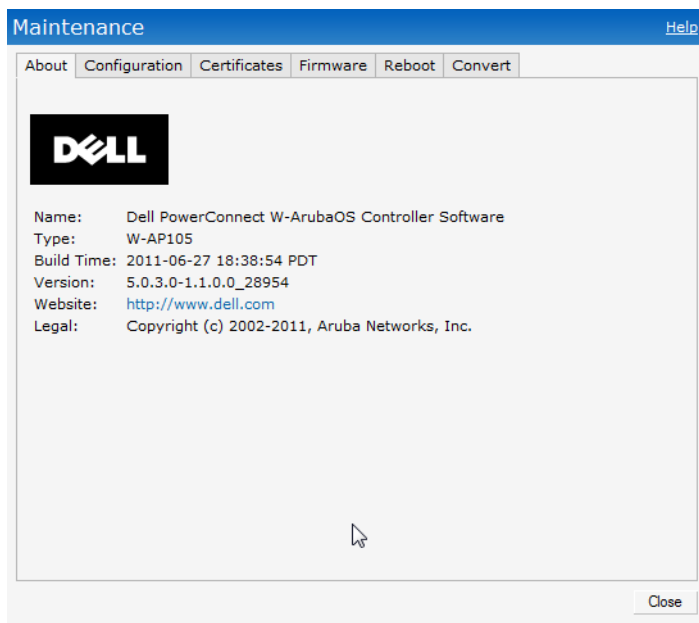
This link displays the **Roles** box. You can create new user roles and new rules for the user roles. For more information, see [“User Roles” on page 85](#).

## Maintenance

This link displays the **Maintenance** box. The **Maintenance** box allows you to maintain the Wi-Fi network. It consists of the following tabs:

- **About** - Displays the Build Time, IAP model name, Dell OS version, Dell website homepage, and Copyright information.
- **Configuration** - Displays the current configuration of the network. The Clear Configuration button allows you to delete or clear the current configuration of the network and reset to provisioning configuration.
- **Certificates** - Displays information about current certificate installed in the network. Provides interface to upload new certificates and to set passphrase for the certificates. For more information, see [“Certificates” on page 82](#).
- **Firmware** - Displays the current firmware version and provides options to upgrade to a new firmware version. For more information, see [“Manual Firmware Image Check and Upgrade” on page 63](#).
- **Reboot** - Displays the IAPs in the network and provides an option to reboot the required access point or all access points. For more information, see [“Rebooting the W-IAP” on page 61](#).
- **Convert** - Provides an option to change the virtual controller managed network to an Dell Mobility Controller managed network. For more information, see [“Migrating from a Virtual Controller Managed Network to Mobility Controller Managed Network” on page 59](#).

**Figure 13** *Maintenance Link - Default View*



## Support

This link displays the **Support** box. The **Support** box consists of following:

- **Command** drop-down list - Provides various options for which you can generate support logs.
- **Target** drop-down list - Provides a list of IAPs in the network.

- **Run** button - Click this button to generate the support log for the selected option and IAP.
- **Access point** tabs - Displays support log for the selected IAPs.

To view the logs and information, perform the following steps:

1. At the top right corner of Instant UI, click the **Support** link. The Support box appears.
2. Select the required option from the **Command** drop-down list. For example, Active Configuration.
3. Select all IAPs or required IAP from the **Target** drop-down list for which you want to view the Active configuration.
4. Click **Run**.




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NOTE: For more information, use the support commands under the supervision of Dell technical support.

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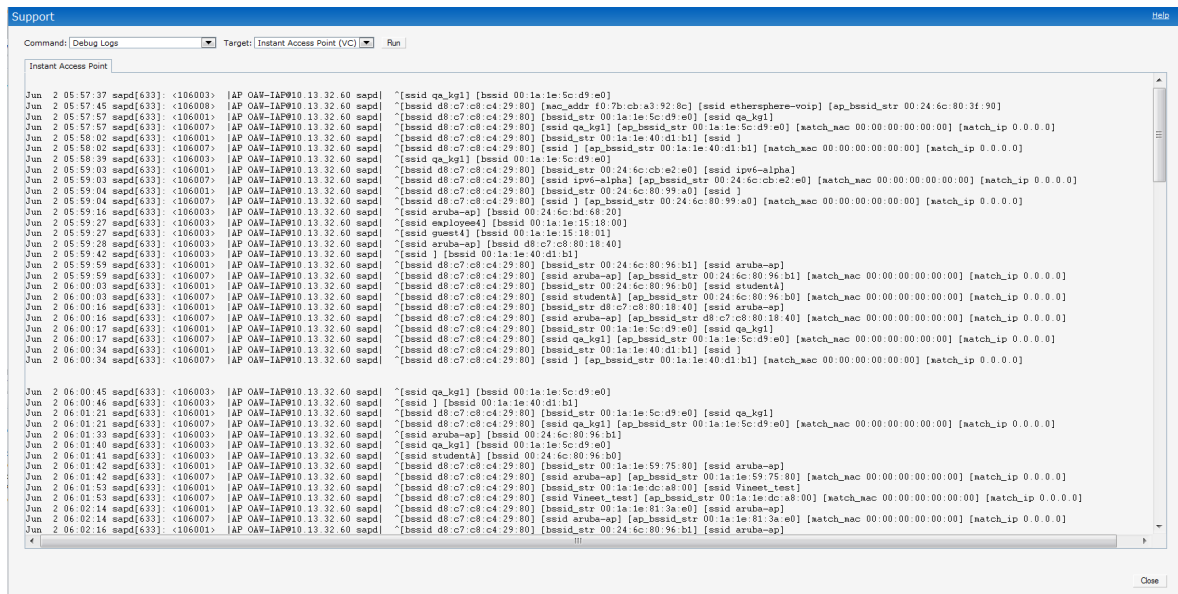
You can view the following information for each access point in the Dell Instant network using the support box:

- **AP Summary** - Displays the IAP configuration.
- **Debug Logs** - Displays debug logs of the selected IAP.
- **Driver Logs** - Displays the driver logs of the selected IAP.
- **Tech Support Dump** - Displays the technical support dump logs of the selected IAP.
- **Active Configuration** - Displays the active configuration of virtual controller.
- **Saved Configuration** - Displays the saved configuration of virtual controller.
- **AP Management Frames** - Displays the traced 802.11 management frames of the selected IAP.
- **AP Authentication Frames** - Displays the authentication trace buffer information of the selected IAP.
- **AP System Status** - Displays detailed system status information for the selected IAP.
- **AP Crash Info** - Displays crash log information (if it exists) for the selected IAP. The stored information is cleared from the flash after the AP reboots.
- **AP 802.1X Statistics** - Displays the 802.1X statistics of the selected IAP.
- **AP RADIUS Statistics** - Displays the RADIUS statistics of the selected IAP.
- **AP System Status** - Displays the system status of the selected IAP.
- **AP Client Table** - Displays information of the client connected to the selected IAP.
- **AP Association Table** - Displays information of the selected IAP association.
- **AP Allowed Channels** - Displays information of the allowed channels for the selected IAP.
- **AP Radio 0 Stats** - Displays aggregate debug statistics of the selected IAP Radio 0.
- **AP Radio 1 Stats** - Displays aggregate debug statistics of the selected IAP Radio 1.
- **Bridge Table** - Displays bridge table entry statistics including MAC address, VLAN, assigned VLAN, Destination and flag information for the selected IAP.
- **User Table** - Displays datapath user statistics such as current entries, pending deletes, high water mark, maximum entries, total entries, allocation failures, invalid users, and maximum link length for the selected IAP.
- **Session Table** - Displays the datapath session table statistics for the selected IAP.
- **Route Table** - Displays datapath route table statistics for the selected IAP.
- **Datapath Statistics** - Displays the hardware packet statistics for the selected IAP.
- **VLAN Table** - Displays the VLAN table information such as VLAN memberships inside the datapath including L2 tunnels for the selected IAP.
- **BSSID Table** - Displays the Basic Service Set (BSS) table of the selected IAP.

- **IDS Status** - Displays WLAN Interface, Data Structures, WLAN Interface Switch Status and RTLS Configuration tables for the selected IAP.
- **IDS AP Table** - Displays the Monitored IAP Table, which lists all the IAPs monitored by the selected IAP.
- **ARM Bandwidth Management** - Displays bandwidth management information for the selected IAP.
- **ARM History** - Displays the history of channel and power changes due to Adaptive Radio Management (ARM) for the selected IAP.
- **ARM Neighbors** - Displays the ARM settings for the selected IAP's neighbors.
- **ARM RF Summary** - Displays the state and statistics for all channels being monitored by the selected IAP.
- **ARM Scan Times** - Displays AM channel scan times for the selected IAP.

Use this command under the supervision of Dell technical support to help debug process errors.

**Figure 14 Support Box**

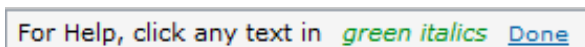


## Help

The **Help** link at the top right corner of the Instant UI allows you to view a short description or definition of selected terms and fields in the Instant UI. To activate the context-sensitive help, perform the following steps:

1. At the top right corner of Instant UI, click the **Help** link. The following box appears below the **Help** link.

**Figure 15 Help Link**




2. Click any text or term displayed in green italic to view its description or definition.
3. To disable the help mode, click the **Done** button.

## Logout

Use this link to logout of the Instant UI.

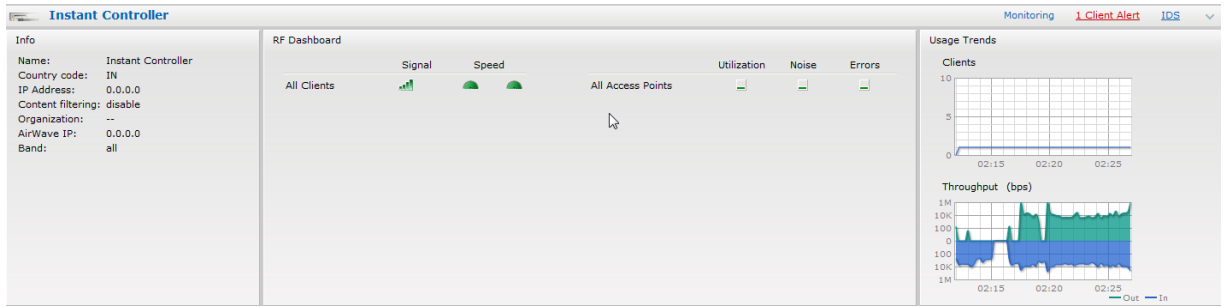
## Monitoring

This link displays the Monitoring pane. This pane can be used to monitor the Dell Instant network. Use the down arrow  located to the right side of these links to compress or expand the monitoring pane. The monitoring pane consists of the following sections:

- **Info**

- RF Dashboard
- Usage Trends

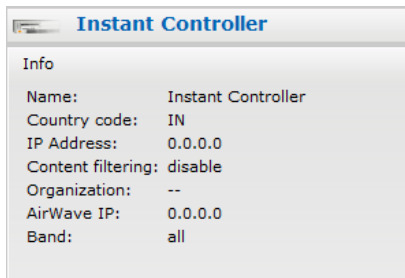
**Figure 16** *Monitoring on Instant UI*



**Info**

Displays the configuration information of the virtual controller by default. In a **Network View**, this section displays configuration information of the selected network. Similarly, in an **Instant Access Point View** or **Client View**, this section displays the configuration information of the selected IAP or the client.

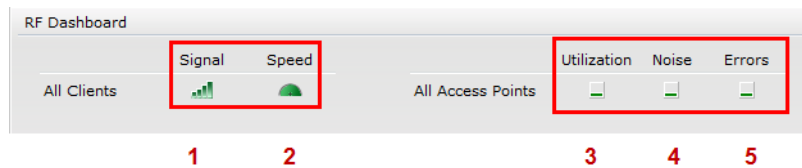
**Figure 17** *Info Section in the Monitoring Pane*



**RF Dashboard**

Allows you to view trouble spots in the network. It displays the following information:

**Figure 18** *RF Dashboard in the Monitoring Pane*



The following table lists the icons in the RF Dashboard.

**Table 3** *RF Dashboard Icons*

Icon	Name
1	Signal bar
2	Speed icon
3	Utilization icon
4	Noise icon
5	Errors icon

- Clients - Lists the clients with low speed or signal strength in the network.
  - Signal - Displays the signal strength of the client. Depending on the signal strength of the client, the color of the lines on the Signal bar changes from Green > Orange > Red.
    - Green - Signal strength is more than 20 decibels.
    - Orange - Signal strength is between 15 - 20 decibels.
    - Red - Signal strength is less than 15 decibels.

To view the signal graph for a client, click on the signal bar against the client in the Signal column.

- Speed - Displays the data transfer speed of the client. Depending on the data transfer speed of the client, the color of the Signal bar changes from Green > Orange > Red.
  - Green - Data transfer speed is more than 50 percent of the maximum speed supported by the client.
  - Orange - Data transfer speed is between 25 - 50 percent of the maximum speed supported by the client.
  - Red - Data transfer speed is less than 25 percent of the maximum speed supported by the client.

To view the data transfer speed graph of a client, click on the speed icon against the client in the Speed column.

- Access Points - Lists the IAPs whose utilization, noise, or errors are not within the specified threshold. The IAP names appear as links. When the IAP is clicked, the IAP configuration information is displayed in the Info section. The RF Dashboard section is pushed to the bottom left corner of the Instant UI. The RF Trends section appears in its place. This section consists of the Utilization, Band frames, Noise Floor, and Errors graphs. For more information on the graphs, see [Chapter 19, “Monitoring”](#) .
  - Utilization - Displays the radio utilization rate of the IAPs. Depending on the percentage of utilization, the color of the lines on the Utilization icon changes from Green > Orange > Red.
    - Green - Utilization is less than 50 percent.
    - Orange - Utilization is between 50 - 75 percent.
    - Red - Utilization is more than 75 percent.

To view the utilization graph of an IAP, click on the Utilization icon against the IAP in the Utilization column.

- Noise - Displays the noise floor of the IAPs. Noise is measured in decibels/meter. Depending on the noise floor, the color of the lines on the Noise icon changes from Green > Orange > Red.
  - Green - Noise floor is more than 87dBm.
  - Orange - Noise floor is between 80 dBm - 87 dBm.
  - Red - Noise floor is less than 80 dBm.

To view the noise floor graph of an IAP, click on the noise icon against the IAP in the Noise column.

- Errors - Displays the errors for the IAPs. Depending on the errors, color of the lines on the Errors icon changes from Green > Yellow > Red.
  - Green - Errors are less than 5000 frames per second.
  - Orange - Errors are between 5000 - 10000 frames per second.
  - Red - Errors are more than 10000 frames per second.

To view the errors graph of an IAP, click on the Errors icon against the IAP in the Errors column.

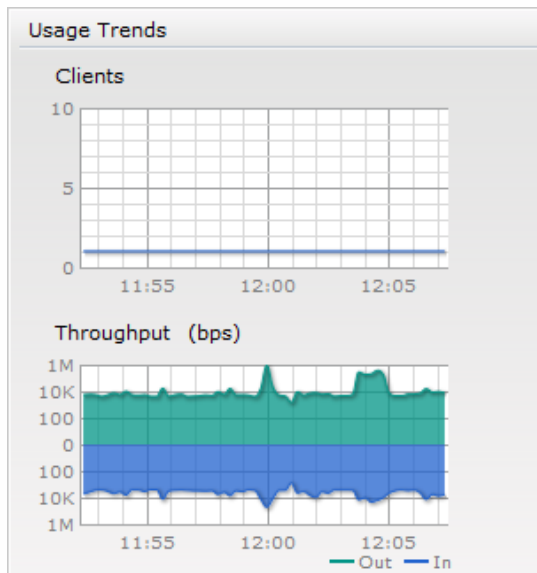
### Usage Trends

Displays the following graphs:

- Clients - In the default Virtual Controller view, the Clients graph displays the number of clients that were associated with the virtual controller for the last 15 minutes. In Network or IAP view, this graph displays the number of clients that were associated with the selected network or IAP for the last 15 minutes.

- Throughput - In the default Virtual Controller view, the Throughput graph displays the incoming and outgoing throughput traffic for the virtual controller for the last 15 minutes. In Network or IAP view, this graph displays the incoming and outgoing throughput traffic for the selected network or IAP for the last 15 minutes.

**Figure 19** Usage Trends Section in the Monitoring Pane



For more information about the graphs and monitoring procedures, see [Chapter 19, “Monitoring”](#).

### Client Alerts

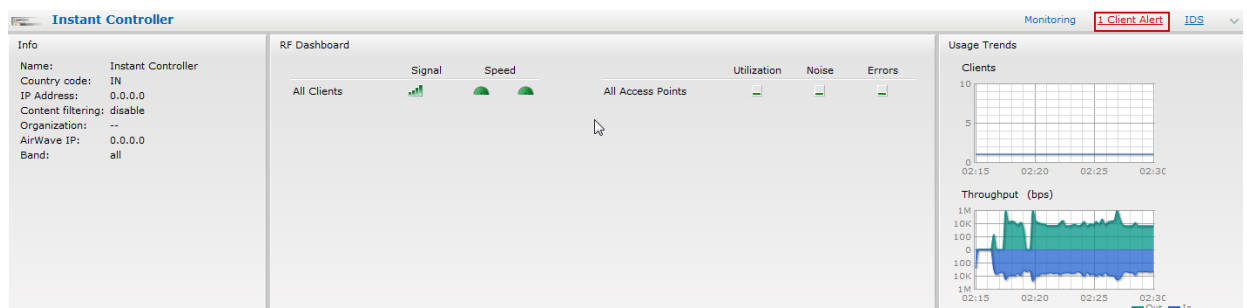
Alerts are generated when a user faces problems while accessing or connecting to the Wi-Fi network. The Client Alerts link appears in red only if there are any client alerts. Click this link to see the related alert. An alert consists of the following fields:

- Timestamp - Displays the time at which the client alert was recorded.
- MAC address - Displays the MAC address of the client.
- Description - Provides a short description of the error or alert.
- Details - Provides a detailed description of the error or alert.



NOTE: New alerts will be generated for an incomplete DHCP transaction of a client.

**Figure 20** Client Alerts link on Instant UI



**Figure 21 Client Alerts Link**

Timestamp	MAC Address	Description	Access Point	Details
09:30:52	58:94:6b:7a:e8:50	Integrity check failure in encrypted rInstant Access Point		more

For more information about alerts, see [Chapter 20, “Alert Types and Management”](#).

**IDS**

This link displays a list of foreign APs and foreign clients that are detected in the network. It consists of the following sections:

- Foreign Access Points Detected - Lists the APs that are not controlled by the virtual controller. The following information is displayed for each foreign AP:
  - MAC address - Displays the MAC address of the foreign AP.
  - Network - Displays the name of the network to which the foreign AP is connected.
  - Classification - Displays the classification of the foreign AP - Interfering IAP or Rogue IAP.
  - Channel - Displays the channel in which the foreign AP is operating.
  - Type - Displays the Wi-Fi type of the foreign AP.
  - Last seen - Displays the time when the foreign AP was last detected in the network.
  - Where - Provides information about the IAP that detected the foreign AP. Click the pushpin icon to view the information.
- Foreign Clients Detected - Lists the clients that are not controlled by the virtual controller. The following information is displayed for each foreign client:
  - MAC address - Displays the MAC address of the foreign client.
  - Network - Displays the name of the network to which the foreign client is connected.
  - Classification - Displays the classification of the foreign client - Interfering client.
  - Channel - Displays the channel in which the foreign client is operating.
  - Type - Displays the Wi-Fi type of the foreign client.
  - Last seen - Displays the time when the foreign client was last detected in the network.
  - Where - Provides information about the IAP that detected the foreign client. Click the pushpin icon to view the information.

For more information on the intrusion detection feature, see [Chapter 16, “Intrusion Detection System”](#).

**Figure 22 Intrusion Detection on Instant UI**

Foreign Access Points Detected						
MAC Address	Network	Classification	Chan.	Type	Last Seen	Where
00:1a:1e:17:da:c0	dgaurl-t...	Interfering	11	GN 20MZ	15:47:57	
00:24:6c:80:95:c8	ethersph...	Interfering	161	AN 40MZ	15:47:57	
00:24:6c:06:89:8a	tw-cert	Interfering	44	A	15:47:57	
00:1a:1e:82:b2:10	vj-wpa2p...	Interfering	60	A	15:47:57	
00:0b:86:50:47:48	c-portal-ap	Interfering	64	A	15:47:57	
00:1a:1e:40:bb:20	nh-rap-w...	Interfering	1	GN 20MZ	15:47:57	
00:1c:b0:eb:da:d0	IBM	Interfering	6	G	15:47:57	
00:24:6c:80:95:c9	ethersph...	Interfering	161	AN 40MZ	15:47:57	
00:24:6c:06:89:8b	Portal	Interfering	44	A	15:47:57	
00:24:6c:07:e8:a8	vlan-3-3	Interfering	36	AN 40MZ	15:47:57	
00:24:6c:80:6f:28	ethersph...	Interfering	149	AN 40MZ	15:47:57	
00:24:6c:80:95:ca	Aruba-In...	Interfering	161	AN 40MZ	15:47:57	
00:24:6c:80:4f:88	ethersph...	Interfering	157	AN 40MZ	15:47:57	
00:1a:1e:82:b2:12	vj-voice	Interfering	60	A	15:47:57	
00:1a:1e:17:dc:60	ipv6-alpha	Interfering	1	GN 20MZ	15:47:57	
00:24:6c:80:fd:78	ipv6-alpha	Interfering	44	AN 40MZ	15:47:57	
00:24:6c:84:21:08	raji-split-	Interfering	44	AN 40MZ	15:47:57	
00:24:6c:80:79:50	qa-st-pra...	Interfering	11	GN 20MZ	15:47:57	
00:24:6c:80:6f:29	ethersph...	Interfering	149	AN 40MZ	15:47:57	
00:24:6c:80:4f:89	ethersph...	Interfering	157	AN 40MZ	15:47:57	
00:24:6c:80:99:a8	ethersph...	Interfering	48	AN 40MZ	15:47:57	

Foreign Clients Detected						
MAC Address	Network	Classification	Chan.	Type	Last Seen	Where
00:27:10:8d:94:28	IBM	Interfering	1	B	15:48:12	
00:18:de:74:45:17	IBM	Interfering	6	G	15:48:12	
00:22:fa:7a:56:ae	IBM	Interfering	1	G	15:48:12	
00:26:c6:4c:1c:d4	IBM	Interfering	1	G	15:48:12	
00:27:10:8e:41:d4	IBM	Interfering	1	B	15:48:12	
00:19:7e:25:78:fd	IBM	Interfering	1	G	15:48:12	
00:1f:3c:1b:80:64	IBM	Interfering	1	G	15:48:12	
00:19:7e:4c:ea:cc	ethersph...	Interfering	149	A	15:48:12	
00:27:10:5c:ae:24	ethersph...	Interfering	161	AN 40MZ	15:48:12	
00:26:c7:47:e3:ba	ethersph...	Interfering	6	GN 20MZ	15:48:12	
00:17:ca:80:51:4c	ethersph...	Interfering	6	G	15:48:12	
00:26:c7:40:04:5a	ethersph...	Interfering	6	GN 20MZ	15:48:12	
00:26:c7:44:06:e8	ethersph...	Interfering	1	GN 20MZ	15:48:12	
00:26:c6:b7:7a:76	ethersph...	Interfering	161	AN 40MZ	15:48:12	
00:19:7e:65:78:d0	IBM	Interfering	6	B	15:48:12	
00:26:c6:bb:d8:08	ethersph...	Interfering	161	AN 40MZ	15:48:12	
f0:7b:cb:a3:92:8c	ethersph...	Interfering	6	GN 20MZ	15:48:12	
00:22:fa:bc:20:8a	ethersph...	Interfering	161	AN 40MZ	15:48:12	
00:24:d6:9d:cd:b4	ethersph...	Interfering	161	AN 40MZ	15:48:12	
00:26:c7:43:ff:8e	ethersph...	Interfering	6	B	15:48:12	
00:27:10:8e:6f:94	IBM	Interfering	1	G	15:48:12	



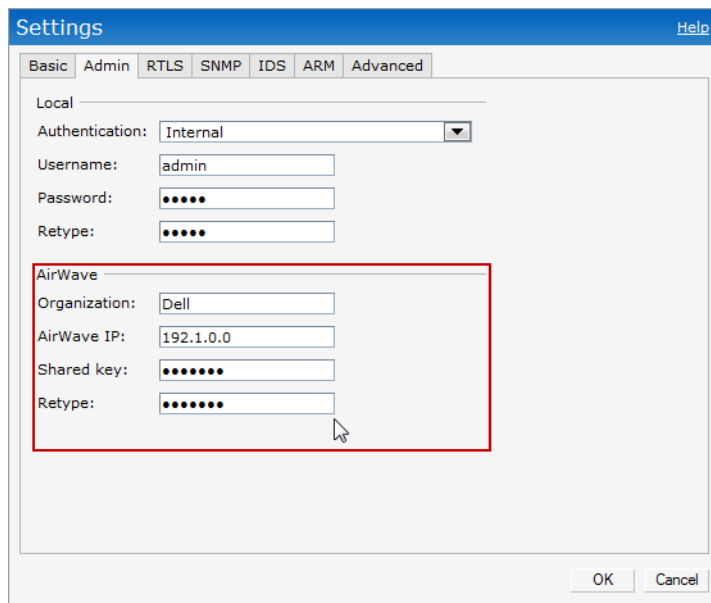
## Language

The language links are provided in the login screen to allow users to select the preferred language before logging in to the Instant UI. These links are located at the bottom left corner of the Instant UI. A default language is selected based on the language preferences in the client desktop operating system or browser. If Dell Instant cannot detect the language, then English (En) is used as the default language.

## AirWave Setup

AirWave is a solution for managing rapidly changing wireless networks. When enabled, AirWave allows you to manage the Instant network. For more information on AirWave, see [Chapter 18, “Airwave Integration and Management”](#). The AirWave status is displayed on the right side of the language links in the Instant UI. If the AirWave status is Not Set Up, click the **Set Up Now** link to set up the AirWave. The Settings box appears with **Admin** tab selected. For information to configure AirWave, see [“Configuring AirWave” on page 114](#).

**Figure 23** AirWave Setup Link – AirWave Configuration



The screenshot shows a 'Settings' dialog box with a blue header and a 'Help' link. The 'Admin' tab is selected. Under the 'Local' section, there are fields for 'Authentication' (set to 'Internal'), 'Username' (set to 'admin'), 'Password', and 'Retype'. The 'AirWave' section is highlighted with a red box and contains fields for 'Organization' (set to 'Dell'), 'AirWave IP' (set to '192.1.0.0'), 'Shared key', and 'Retype'. 'OK' and 'Cancel' buttons are at the bottom right.

## Pause/Resume

The **Pause/Resume** link is located at the bottom right corner of the Instant UI. The Instant UI is automatically refreshed after every 15 seconds by default.

Click the **Pause** link to pause the automatic refreshing of the Instant UI. When the automatic Instant UI refreshing is paused, the **Pause** link changes to **Resume**. Click the **Resume** link to resume automatic refreshing.

The **Pause** link is useful when you want to analyze or monitor the network or a network element and therefore do not want the user interface to refresh. Automatic refreshing allows you to get the latest information about the network and network elements.

## Views

Depending on the link or tab that is clicked, the Instant UI displays information about the virtual controller, Wi-Fi networks, IAPs, or the clients in the Info section. The views on the Instant UI are classified as follows:

- Virtual Controller view - The Virtual Controller view is the default view. This view allows you to monitor the Dell Instant network.
- Network view - The Network view provides information that is necessary to monitor a selected wireless network. All Wi-Fi networks in the Dell Instant network are listed in the Networks tab. Click the name of the network that you want to monitor. Network view for the selected network appears.

- Instant Access Point view - The Instant Access Point view provides information that is necessary to monitor a selected IAP. All IAPs in the Dell Instant network are listed in the Access Points tab. Click the name of the IAP that you want to monitor. Access Point view for that IAP appears.
- Client view - The Client view provides information that is necessary to monitor a selected client. In the Virtual Controller view, all clients in the Dell Instant network are listed in the Clients tab. Click the IP address of the client that you want to monitor. Client view for that client appears.

For more information on the graphs and the views, see [Chapter 19, “Monitoring”](#).

In a Wireless LAN (WLAN), laptops, desktops, PDAs, and other computer peripherals are connected to each other without any network cables. These network elements or clients use radio signals to communicate with each other. Wireless networks are set up based on the IEEE 802.11 standards. The IEEE 802.11 is a set of standards that are categorized based on the radio wave frequency and the data transfer rate. For more information about the IEEE 802.11 standards, see [Table 4](#).

**Table 4** IEEE 802.11 Standards

IEEE Network Standard	Frequency Used (in GHz)	Maximum Data Transfer Rate (in Mbps)
802.11a	5.0	54
802.11b	2.4	11
802.11g	2.4	54
802.11n	2.4 or 5.0	300

During start up, a wireless client searches for radio signals or beacon frames that originate from the nearest IAP. After locating the IAP, the following transactions take place between the client and the IAP:

1. Authentication - The IAP communicates with a RADIUS server to validate or authenticate the client.
2. Connection - After successful authentication, the client establishes a connection with the IAP.

## Network Types

Dell Instant wireless networks are categorized as:

- [Employee Network](#)
- [Voice Network](#)
- [Guest Network](#)

### Employee Network

An Employee network is a classic Wi-Fi network. This network type is supported with full customization on Dell Instant. It will be used by the employees in the organization. Passphrase based or 802.1X based authentication methods are supported on this network type. Employees can access the protected data of an enterprise through the employee network after successful authentication.

### Adding an Employee Network

This section provides the procedure to add an employee network.

1. In the **Networks** tab, click the **New** link. The **New Network** box appears.

**Figure 24** Adding an Employee Network - Basic Info Tab

The screenshot shows the 'New Network' configuration window with the 'Basic Info' tab selected. The window has a blue header with 'New Network' and a 'Help' link. Below the header are three tabs: '1 Basic Info' (highlighted in green), '2 Security', and '3 Access'. The main content area is titled 'Basic Information' and contains the following fields:

- Name (SSID):** A text input field with a '> More' link to its right.
- Primary usage:** Three radio buttons: 'Employee' (selected), 'Voice', and 'Guest'.
- Client IP assignment:** Four radio buttons: 'Network assigned' (selected), 'Default' (selected), 'VLAN ID: [ ]' (with an empty text box), and 'Virtual Controller assigned'.

At the bottom right of the window are 'Next' and 'Cancel' buttons.

2. In the **Basic Info** tab, perform the following steps:
  - a. Type a name for the network in the **Name (SSID)** text box.
  - b. Select the **Employee** radio button (this is selected by default) from the **Primary usage** options. This selection determines the primary usage of the network being added.
  - c. Select the required **Client IP assignment** option. Available options for an Employee network are **Network assigned - Default**, **Network assigned - VLAN ID**, and **Virtual Controller assigned**.

**Table 5** Conditions for Adding an Employee Network- Basic Info Tab

If	then,
You select the Network assigned - Default option	The client gets the IP address in the same subnet at the IAPs.
You select the Network assigned – VLAN ID option	The client gets the IP address from the specified VLAN. Enter the ID of the VLAN in the VLAN ID text box.
You select Virtual Controller assigned option	The client gets the IP address from the virtual controller. The virtual controller creates a private subnet and VLAN on the IAP's for the wireless clients. The virtual controller NATs all traffic that passes out of this interface. This setup eliminates the need for complex VLAN and IP address management for a multi-site wireless network.

3. Click the **More** link and perform the following steps (These steps are optional).
  - a. **Band** - Set the band at which the wireless network will transmit radio signals. Available options are **All**, **2.4 GHz**, and **5 GHz**. The **All** option is selected by default. It is also the recommended option.
  - b. **Hide SSID** - Select this check box if you want to hide the SSID (network name) from the users.

**Figure 25** Band and Hide SSID Settings

The screenshot shows the 'New Network' configuration interface. At the top, there are three tabs: '1 Basic Info' (highlighted in green), '2 Security', and '3 Access'. A 'Help' link is in the top right corner. Below the tabs is the 'Basic Information' section. It contains the following fields and options:

- Name (SSID):** A text input field containing 'Emp\_Network1' and a '< Less' link.
- Primary usage:** Three radio buttons: 'Employee' (selected), 'Voice', and 'Guest'.
- Band:** A dropdown menu set to 'All'.
- Hide SSID:** A checkbox that is currently unchecked.
- Client IP assignment:** Three radio buttons: 'Network assigned' (selected), 'VLAN ID: [input field]', and 'Virtual Controller assigned'.
- Bandwidth Limits:** Three checkboxes: 'Percentage of Airtime', 'Each user', and 'Each radio', all of which are unchecked.

At the bottom right of the form, there are 'Next' and 'Cancel' buttons.

4. Click **Next** and set appropriate security levels using the slider button in the **Security** tab. Default selection is **Personal**. Available options are **Enterprise**, **Personal**, and **Open**.

**Table 6** Conditions for Adding an Employee Network - Security Tab

If	then,
<p>You select the Enterprise security level</p>	<p>Perform the following steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Select the required key options from the Key management drop-down list. Available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WPA-2 Enterprise</li> <li>• WPA Enterprise</li> <li>• Both (WPA-2 &amp; WPA)</li> <li>• Dynamic WEP with 802.1x</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Select the required Authentication server option from the Authentication server 1 drop-down list. Available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• External - If you select this option, then an external radius server has to be configured to authenticate the users. For information on configuring an external RADIUS server, see <a href="#">Chapter 9, "Authentication"</a>.</li> <li>• Internal Server- If you select this option, then users who are required to authenticate with the internal RADIUS server must be added. Click the Users link to add the users.</li> </ul> </li> </ol> <p>For information on adding a user, see <a href="#">"Adding a User" on page 133</a>.</p>

**Table 6** Conditions for Adding an Employee Network - Security Tab (Continued)

If	then,
<p>You want to use the default security level, Personal</p>	<p>Perform the following steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Select the required key options from the Key management drop-down list. Available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● WPA-2 Personal</li> <li>● WPA Personal</li> <li>● Both (WPA-2 &amp; WPA)</li> <li>● Static WEP</li> </ul> <p>If you have selected Static WEP, then do the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Select appropriate WEP key size from the WEP key size drop-down list. Available options are 64-bit and 128-bit.</li> <li>● Select appropriate Tx key from the Tx Key dropdown list. Available options are 1, 2, 3, and 4.</li> <li>● Enter an appropriate WEP key and reconfirm.</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Select a passphrase format from the Passphrase format drop-down list. Available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 8-63 alphanumeric chars</li> <li>● 64 hexadecimal chars</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. Enter a passphrase in the Passphrase text box and reconfirm.</li> <li>4. Select the required option from the MAC authentication drop-down list. Available options are <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● None - This option provides open authentication. Any client that requests association is allowed to connect to the network. Open authentication is not recommended unless you want users to gain quick access to the network.</li> </ul> <p>External RADIUS Server - If you select this option, then an external radius server has to be configured to authenticate the users. For information on configuring external RADIUS server, see <a href="#">"Configuring an External RADIUS Server" on page 70.</a></p> </li> </ol>
<p>You select the Open security level</p>	<p>Select the required MAC authentication from the MAC authentication drop-down list. Available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● None - This option provides open authentication. Any client that requests association is allowed to connect to the network. Open authentication is not recommended unless you want users to gain quick access to the network.</li> <li>● External RADIUS Server - If you select this option, then an external radius server has to be configured to authenticate the users. For information on configuring an external RADIUS server, see <a href="#">"Configuring an External RADIUS Server" on page 70.</a></li> </ul>

**Figure 26** Security Tab - Enterprise

The screenshot shows the 'New Network' configuration window with the 'Security' tab selected. The window has a blue header with 'New Network' and a 'Help' link. Below the header are three tabs: '1 Basic Info', '2 Security', and '3 Access'. The 'Security' tab is active and displays the 'Security Level' section. On the left, a vertical slider indicates the security level, with 'Enterprise' selected at the top, 'Personal' in the middle, and 'Open' at the bottom. The 'Enterprise' level is associated with 'More Secure' at the top and 'Less Secure' at the bottom. To the right of the slider, the 'Key management' dropdown is set to 'WPA-2 Enterprise'. The 'Authentication server 1' dropdown is set to 'InternalServer', and the 'Authentication server 2' dropdown is set to '-- Select Server --'. Below these, the 'For internal server:' section has links for 'Users' and 'Certificates'. At the bottom right, there are 'Back', 'Next', and 'Cancel' buttons.

New Network Help

1 Basic Info 2 Security 3 Access

### Security Level

More Secure

Enterprise

Personal

Open

Less Secure

Key management: WPA-2 Enterprise

Authentication server 1: InternalServer

Authentication server 2: -- Select Server --

For internal server: [Users](#) [Certificates](#)

Back Next Cancel

**Figure 27** Security Tab - Personal

The screenshot shows the 'New Network' configuration window with the 'Security' tab selected. The 'Security Level' section features a vertical slider ranging from 'More Secure' (Enterprise) to 'Less Secure' (Open), with 'Personal' selected. To the right, the following settings are visible:

- Key management: WPA-2 Personal
- Passphrase format: 8-63 alphanumeric chars
- Passphrase: [Empty text field]
- Retype: [Empty text field]
- MAC authentication: Disabled

Navigation buttons at the bottom right include 'Back', 'Next', and 'Cancel'.

**Figure 28** Security Tab - Open

The screenshot shows the 'New Network' configuration window with the 'Security' tab selected. The 'Security Level' section features a vertical slider ranging from 'More Secure' (Enterprise) to 'Less Secure' (Open), with 'Open' selected. To the right, the following settings are visible:

- Encryption: None
- MAC authentication: Enabled
- Authentication server 1: InternalServer
- Authentication server 2: -- Select Server --
- For internal server: [Users](#) [Certificates](#)

Navigation buttons at the bottom right include 'Back', 'Next', and 'Cancel'.



5. Click **Next**. The **Access** tab appears. The **Allow any to all destinations** access rule is enabled by default. This rule allows traffic to all destinations. Instant Firewall treats packets based on the first rule matched. For more information, see [Chapter 12, “Instant Firewall”](#).

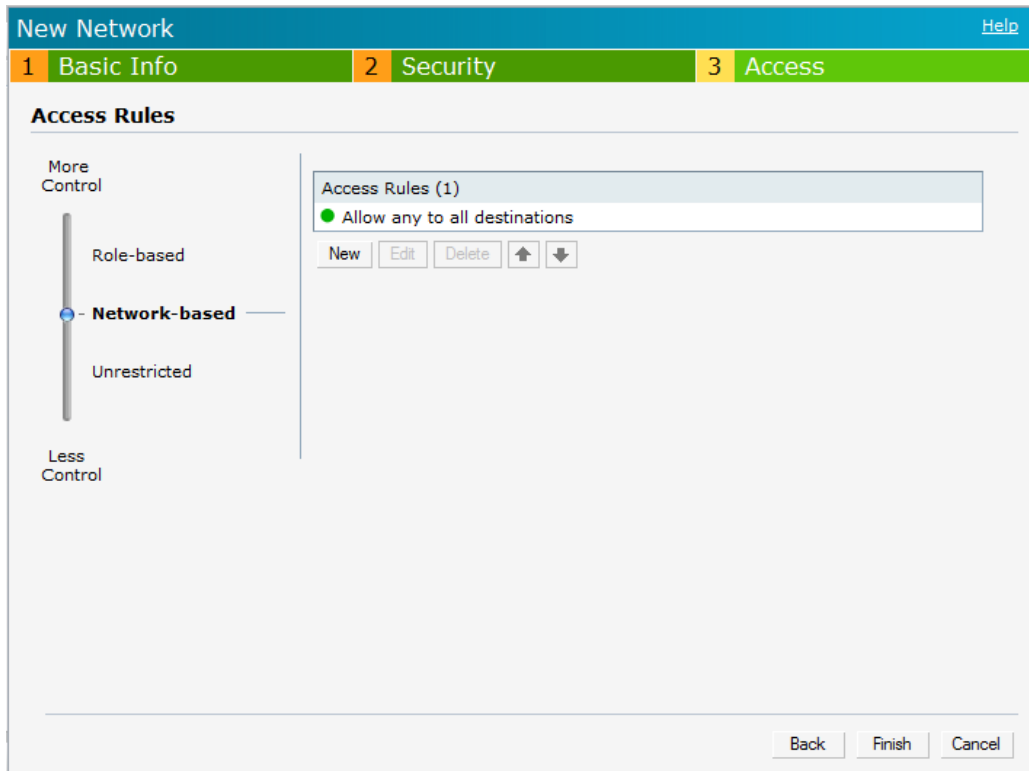
To edit the default rule, perform the following steps:

- a. Select the rule and click the **Edit** button.
- b. Select appropriate options in the **Edit Rule** box and click **OK**.

To define an access rule, perform the following steps:

- a. Click the **New** button.
- b. Select appropriate options in the **New Rule** box.
- c. Click **OK**.

**Figure 29** Adding an Employee Network - Access Rules Tab - Network



6. Click **Finish**. The network is added and listed in the **Networks** tab.

## Voice Network

Use the Voice network type when you want devices that provide only voice services like handsets or only applications that require voice-like prioritization need connectivity.

### Adding a Voice Network

This section provides the procedure to add a voice network.

1. In the **Networks** tab, click the **New** link. The **New Network** box appears.

**Figure 30** Adding a Voice Network - Basic Info Tab

In the **Basic Info** tab, perform the following steps:

- a. Type a name for the network in the **Name (SSID)** text box.
- b. Select the **Voice** radio button from the **Primary usage** options. This selection determines the primary usage of the network being added.
- c. Select the required **Client IP assignment** option. Available options for a Voice network are **Network assigned - Default**, **Network assigned - VLAN ID**, and **Virtual Controller assigned**.

**Table 7** Conditions for Adding a Voice Network - Basic Info Tab

<b>If</b>	<b>then,</b>
You select the Network assigned – Default option	The client gets the IP address in the same subnet at the IAPs.
You select the Network assigned – VLAN ID option	The client gets the IP address from the specified VLAN. Enter the ID of the VLAN in the VLAN ID text box.
You select Virtual Controller assigned option	The client gets the IP address from the virtual controller. The virtual controller creates a private subnet and VLAN for the IAPs and the wireless clients. The virtual controller NATs all traffic that passes out of this interface. This setup eliminates the need for complex VLAN and IP address management for a multi-site wireless network.

2. Click the **More** link and perform the following steps (These steps are optional).
  - a. **Band** - Set the band at which the wireless network will transmit radio signals. Available options are **All**, **2.4 GHz**, and **5 GHz**. The **All** option is selected by default. It is also the recommended option.
  - b. **Hide SSID** - Select this check box if you want to hide the SSID (network name) from the users.

- Click **Next** and set appropriate security levels using the slider button in the **Security** tab. Default selection is **Personal**. Available options are **Enterprise**, **Personal**, and **Open**.

**Table 8** Conditions for Adding a Voice Network - Security Tab

If	then,
<p>You select the Enterprise security level</p>	<p>Perform the following steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Select the required key options from the Key management drop-down list. Available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>WPA-2 Enterprise</li> <li>WPA Enterprise</li> <li>Both (WPA-2 &amp; WPA)</li> <li>Dynamic WEP with 802.1x</li> </ul> </li> <li>Select the required RADIUS server option from the RADIUS Server drop-down list. Available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>External - If you select this option, then an external radius server has to be configured to authenticate the users. For information on configuring an external RADIUS server, see <a href="#">"Configuring an External RADIUS Server" on page 70</a>.</li> <li>Internal - If you select this option, then users who are required to authenticate with the internal RADIUS server must be added. Click the Users link to add the users.</li> </ul> </li> </ol> <p>For information about adding a user, see <a href="#">"Adding a User" on page 133</a>.</p>
<p>You want to use the default security level, Personal,</p>	<p>Perform the following steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Select the required key options from the Key management drop-down list. Available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>WPA-2 Personal</li> <li>WPA Personal</li> <li>Both (WPA-2 &amp; WPA)</li> <li>Static WEP</li> </ul> <p>If you selected Static WEP, then do the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Select appropriate WEP key size from the WEP key size drop-down list. Available options are 64-bit and 128-bit.</li> <li>Select appropriate Tx key from the Tx Key drop-down list. Available options are 1, 2, 3, and 4.</li> <li>Enter an appropriate WEP key in the WEP Key text box and reconfirm.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Enter a passphrase in the Passphrase text box and reconfirm.</li> <li>Select the required option from the MAC authentication drop-down list. Available options are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None - This option provides open authentication. Any client that requests association is allowed to connect to the network. Open authentication is not recommended unless you want users to gain quick access to the network.</li> <li>External RADIUS Server - For information on configuring an external RADIUS server, see <a href="#">"Configuring an External RADIUS Server" on page 70</a>.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>
<p>You select the Open security level</p>	<p>Select the required MAC authentication from the MAC authentication drop-down list. Available options are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None - This option provides open authentication. Any client that requests association is allowed to connect to the network. Open authentication is not recommended unless you want users to gain quick access to the network.</li> <li>External RADIUS Server - For information on configuring an external RADIUS server, see <a href="#">"Configuring an External RADIUS Server" on page 70</a>.</li> </ul>

4. Click **Next**. The **Access** tab appears. The **Allow any to all destinations** access rule is enabled by default. This rule allows traffic to all destinations. Instant Firewall treats packets based on the first rule matched. For more information, see [Chapter 12, “Instant Firewall”](#).

To edit the default rule, perform the following steps:

- a. Select the rule and click the **Edit** button.
- b. Select appropriate options in the **Edit Rule** box and click **OK**.

To define an access rule, perform the following steps:

- a. Click the **New** button.
  - b. Select appropriate options in the **New Rule** box.
  - c. Click **OK**.
5. Click **Finish**. The network is added and listed in the **Networks** tab.

## Guest Network

The Guest wireless network is created for guests, visitors, contractors, and any non-employee users who will use the enterprise Wi-Fi network. The virtual controller assigns the IP address for the guest clients. Captive portal or passphrase based authentication methods can be set for this wireless network. Typically, a guest network is an un-encrypted network. However, you can specify encryption settings in the **Security** tab [step 5](#) of the following procedure.

## Adding a Guest Network

This section provides the procedure to add a guest network.

1. In the **Networks** tab, click the **New** link. The **New Network** box appears.

**Figure 31** Adding a Guest Network - Basic Info Tab

The screenshot shows the 'New Network' configuration window with three tabs: 'Basic Info' (selected), 'Security', and 'Access'. The 'Basic Information' section contains the following fields and options:

- Name (SSID):** Guest\_Network1 (with a '< Less' link).
- Primary usage:** Radio buttons for Employee, Voice, and Guest (selected).
- Band:** A dropdown menu set to 'All'.
- Hide SSID:** An unchecked checkbox.
- Client IP assignment:** Radio buttons for Network assigned, Default (selected), VLAN ID (with a text box), and Virtual Controller assigned.
- Bandwidth Limits:** Three checked checkboxes: 'Percentage of Airtime' (with a text box and '%' symbol), 'Each user' (with a text box and 'kbps' symbol), and 'Each radio' (with a text box and 'kbps' symbol).

At the bottom right, there are 'Next' and 'Cancel' buttons.

2. In the **Basic Info** tab, perform the following steps:
  - a. Type a name for the network in the **Name (SSID)** text box.

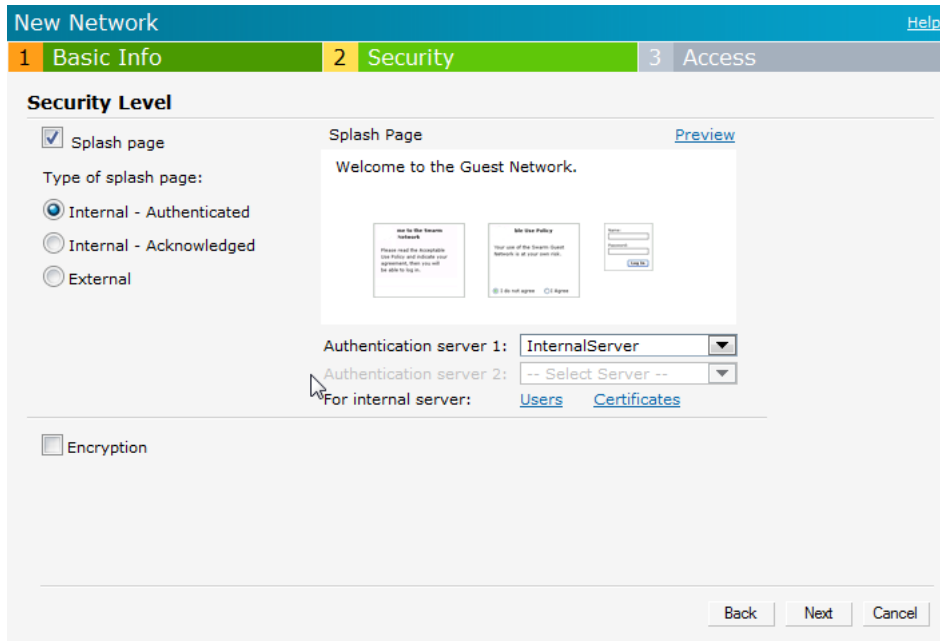
- b. Select the **Guest** radio button from the **Primary usage** options. This selection determines the primary usage of the network being added.  
The **Client IP assignment** selection automatically changes to **Virtual Controller assigned**. The virtual controller creates a private subnet and VLAN for the IAPs and the wireless clients. The virtual controller NATs all traffic out of this interface. For more information, see [Chapter 11, “Guest DMZ”](#) .
3. Click the **More** link and perform the following steps (These steps are optional).
  - a. **Band** - Set the band at which the network will transmit radio signals. Available options are **All**, **2.4 GHz**, and **5 GHz**. The **All** option is selected by default. It is also the recommended option.
  - b. **Hide SSID** - Select this check box if you want to hide the SSID (network name) from the users.
4. Click **Next**. The **Security** tab appears. This tab allows you to configure the captive portal page for the Guest network. Select one of the following splash page type:

**Table 9** *Conditions for Adding a Guest Network - Basic Info Tab*

Splash Page Type	Description and steps to set up
Internal - Authenticated	A user has to accept the terms and conditions and enter a username and password on the captive portal page. If this option is selected, then add the users who are required to use the captive portal authentication to the user database. Click the Users link to add the users. For information about adding a user, see <a href="#">“Adding a User” on page 133</a> . For information on customizing the splash page, see <a href="#">“Customizing a Splash Page” on page 78</a> .
Internal - Acknowledged	A user has to accept the terms and conditions for this splash page type. For information on customizing the splash page, see <a href="#">“Customizing a Splash Page” on page 78</a> .
External	An external server will be used to display the splash page to the user. If this option is selected, then do the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Enter the IP or hostname of the external server in the IP or hostname text box.</li> <li>2. Enter the URL of the captive portal page in the URL text box.</li> <li>3. Enter the number of the port to be used for communicating with the external server in the Port text box.</li> <li>4. In the Authentication text box, enter the unique signature that the external server will return in the response after a successful user authentication.</li> </ol>

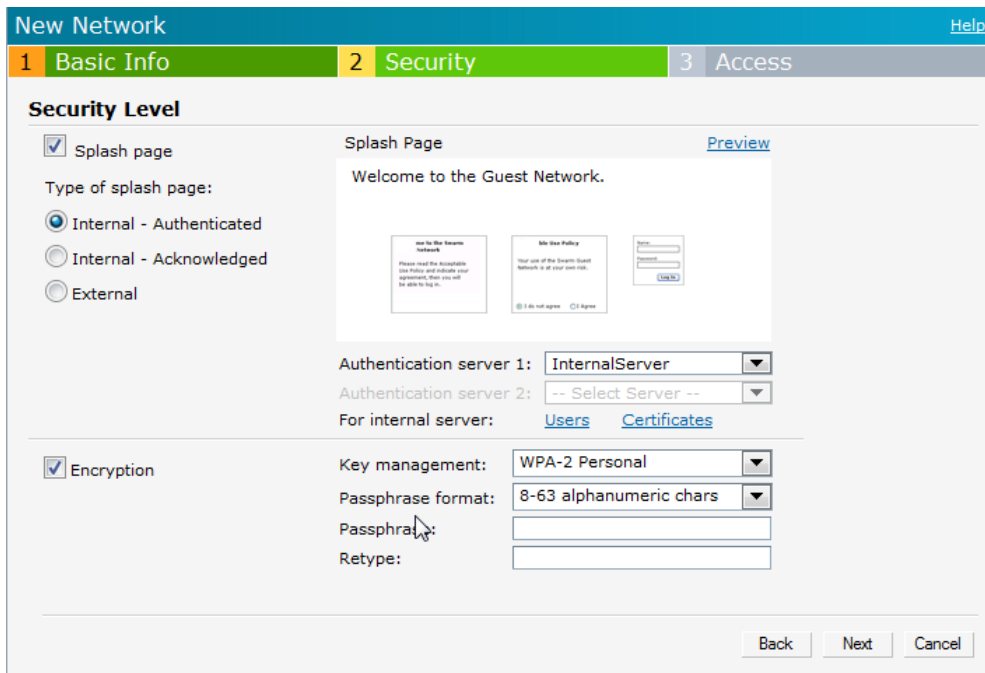
If you do not want to set the captive portal authentication, clear the **Splash page** check box.

**Figure 32** Adding a Guest Network - Splash Page Settings



5. Select the **Encryption** check box and perform the following steps (These steps are optional):
  - a. Select the required key management option from the **Key management** drop-down list. Available options are:
    - WPA-2 Personal
    - WPA Personal
    - Both (WPA-2 & WPA)
    - Static WEP. If you selected Static WEP, then do the following:
      1. Select the appropriate WEP key size from the **WEP key size** drop-down list. Available options are **64-bit** and **128-bit**.
      2. Select the appropriate Tx key from the **Tx Key** drop-down list. Available options are **1,2,3**, and **4**.
      3. Enter an appropriate WEP key in the **WEP Key** text box and reconfirm.
      4. Enter a passphrase in the **Passphrase** text box and reconfirm.

**Figure 33** Configuring a Splash Page - Encryption Settings



6. Click **Next**. The **Access** tab appears. The **Allow any to all destinations** access rule is enabled by default. This rule allows traffic to all destinations. Instant Firewall treats packets based on the first rule matched. For more information, see [Chapter 12, “Instant Firewall”](#).

To edit the default rule, perform the following steps:

- a. Select the rule and click the **Edit** button.
- b. Select appropriate options in the **Edit Rule** box and click **OK**.

To define an access rule, perform the following steps:

- a. Click the **New** button.
- b. Select appropriate options in the **New Rule** box.
- c. Click **OK**.

7. Click **Finish**.

## Editing a Network

To edit a network, perform the following steps:

1. In the **Networks** tab, click the network of the network which you want to edit. The **edit** link appears.
2. Click the **edit** link. The **Edit network** box appears.
3. Make the required changes in any of the tabs. Click **Next** or the tab name to move to the next tab.
4. Click **Finish**.

## Deleting a Network

To delete a network, perform the following steps:

1. In the **Networks** tab, click the network which you want to delete. An **x** appears against the network to be deleted.
2. Click **x**. A delete confirmation box appears.
3. Click **Delete Now**.

## Bandwidth Contracts

The IAP supports three types of bandwidth limits:

- **Percentage of Airtime:** % Air Time allocated to SSID
- **Each user:** Per User per SSID contract specified in kbps
- **Each radio:** Per radio per SSID contract specified in kbps



The Dell Instant secure enterprise mesh solution is an effective way to expand network coverage for outdoor and indoor enterprise environments without any wires. Using mesh, you can bridge multiple Ethernet LANs or you can extend your wireless coverage. As traffic traverses across mesh IAPs, the mesh network automatically reconfigures around broken or blocked paths. This self-healing feature provides increased reliability and redundancy: the network continues to operate if an IAP stops functioning or a connection fails.



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NOTE: A mesh network can be configured only on IAP-105. By default, the 5Ghz radio is always enabled on the mesh.

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This chapter describes the Dell Instant secure enterprise mesh architecture, in the following topics:

### Mesh Instant Access Points

Mesh IAPs learn about their environment when they boot up. Mesh IAPs are either configured as a mesh portal (MPP), an IAP that uses its wired interface to reach the controller, or a mesh point (MP), an IAP that establishes an all-wireless path to the mesh portal. Mesh IAPs locate and associate with their nearest neighbor, which provides the best path to the mesh portal. Mesh portals and mesh points are also known as mesh nodes, a generic term used to describe IAPs configured for mesh.

A mesh radio's bandwidth can be shared between mesh-backhaul traffic and client traffic. You can, however, configure a radio for mesh services only. If you have a dual-radio IAP, a mesh node can be configured to deliver client services on one radio and both mesh and WLAN services to clients on the other. If you configure a single-radio IAP to deliver mesh services only (by disabling the mesh radio in its 802.11a or 802.11g radio profile) that mesh node will not deliver WLAN services to its clients.

By default, IAPs operate as thin IAPs, which means their primary function is to receive and transmit electromagnetic signals; other WLAN processing is left to the controller. When planning a mesh network, you manually configure IAPs to operate in mesh portal or mesh point roles. Unlike a traditional WLAN environment, local mesh nodes provide encryption and traffic forwarding for mesh links in a mesh environment. Virtual IAPs are still applied to non-mesh radios.

### Mesh Portals

The mesh portal (MPP) is the gateway between the wireless mesh network and the enterprise wired LAN. You configure an IAP to perform the mesh portal role, which uses its wired interface to establish a link to the wired LAN. You can deploy multiple mesh portals to support redundant mesh paths (mesh links between neighboring mesh points that establish the best path to the mesh portal) from the wireless mesh network to the wired LAN.

The mesh portal broadcasts the configured mesh service set identifier (MSSID/mesh cluster name), and advertises the mesh network service to available mesh points. Neighboring mesh points that have been provisioned with the same MSSID authenticate to the portal and establish a secure mesh link over which traffic is forwarded. The authentication process requires secure key negotiation, common to all IAPs, and the mesh link is established and secured using Advanced Encryption Standard (AES) encryption. Mesh portals also propagate channel information, including CSAs.

### Mesh Points

The mesh point (MP) is an IAP configured for mesh and assigned the mesh point role. Depending on the IAP model, configuration parameters, and how it was provisioned, the mesh point can perform multiple tasks. The

mesh point provides traditional WLAN services (such as client connectivity, intrusion detection system (IDS) capabilities, user role association, and Quality of Service (QoS) for LAN-to-mesh communication) to clients and performs mesh backhaul/network connectivity. A mesh radio can be configured to carry mesh-backhaul traffic only. Mesh points use one of their wireless interfaces to carry traffic and reach the controller.



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NOTE: Any provisioned IAP that has an ethernet link is a mesh portal, and the IAP without an ethernet link is a mesh point.

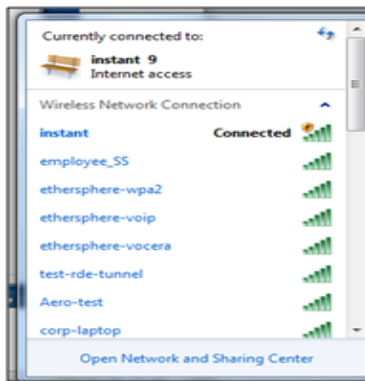
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## Instant Mesh Setup

This section provides instructions on how to create a simple mesh network on Instant. To setup a mesh network, perform the following steps:

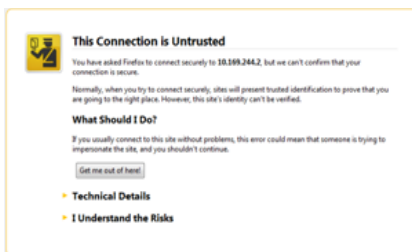
1. Wire all IAPs to a DHCP server so the IAPs get their IP addresses in the same subnet.
2. An open SSID, 'instant' will be listed. Connect a laptop to the default, open 'instant' SSID.

**Figure 34** *Open Instant SSID*



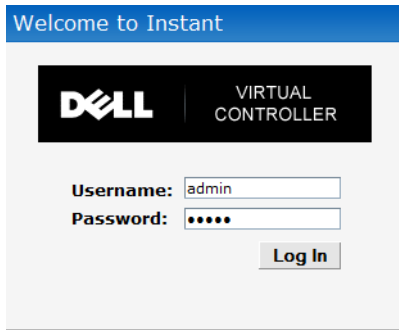
3. Type <http://instant.dell-pcw.com/> in the browser.
4. Click **I understand the risks and Add exception** to ignore the certificate warnings that the client does not recognize the certificate authority.

**Figure 35** *Untrusted Connection Window*



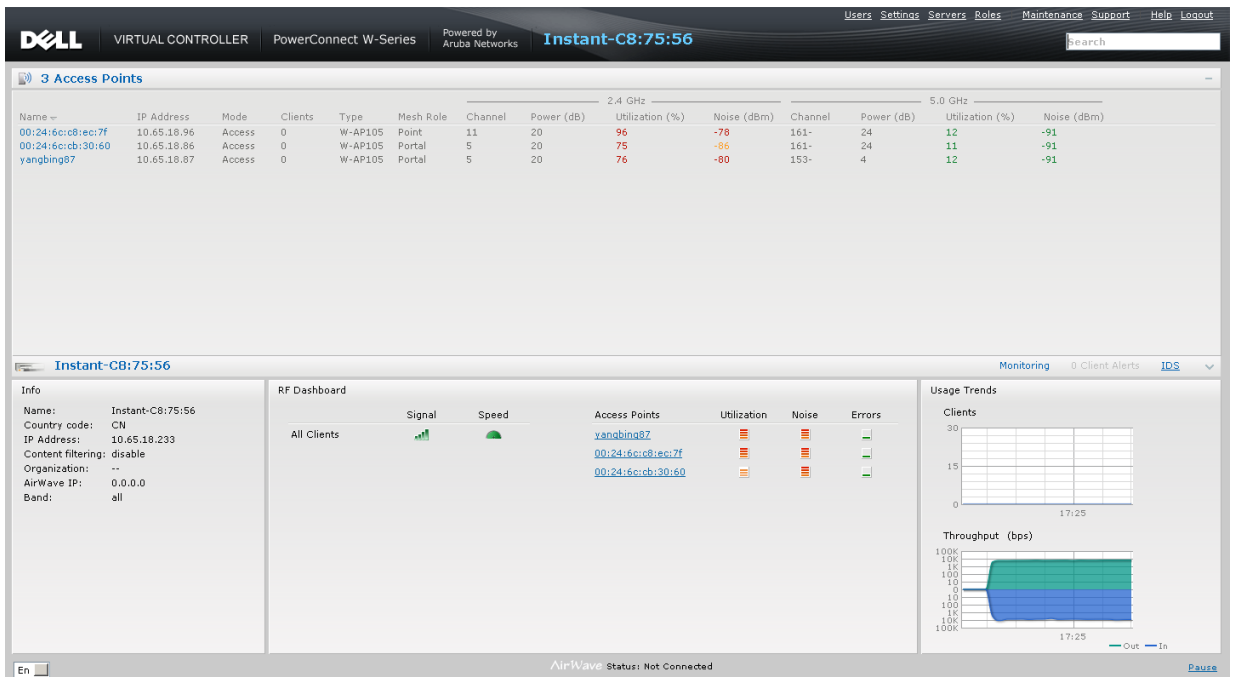
5. In the login screen as shown in [Figure 36](#), enter the following credentials:
  - Username - admin
  - Password - admin

**Figure 36** Login Window



6. Create a new SSID and wpa-2 personal keys with **unrestricted** or **network based** access rules. Select any **permit** for basic connectivity.
7. Connect a client to the new SSID and disconnect from the **instant** SSID.
8. All the IAPs will show up on the Virtual Controller as shown in. Disconnect the IAPs that you want to deploy as Mesh Points from the switch and place the IAPs at the desired location. The wired IAPs are Mesh Portals.

**Figure 37** Mesh Portal



**NOTE:** The IAPs in US, JP, or IL regulatory domain which are in factory default state will scan for several minutes after booting. These IAPs will automatically join the mesh if only a single provisioned Instant mesh network is available.



The Dell Instant network supports up to 16 W-IAPs. This chapter describes the auto join mode, Terminal Access, LED display, and Syslog server features in Dell Instant. In addition, the chapter provides procedures for adding and removing W-IAPs, editing the W-IAP settings, and upgrading the firmware on the W-IAP using the Instant UI.

### Auto Join Mode

The Auto Join Mode feature allows the W-IAPs to automatically,

1. Discover the virtual controller.
2. Join the network.
3. Begin functioning.

The **Auto Join Mode** feature is enabled by default. When the Auto Join Mode feature is disabled, a **New** link appears in the **Access Points** tab. Click this link to add W-IAPs to the network. For more information, see [“Adding an W-IAP to the Network” on page 55](#). Also, when this feature is disabled, W-IAPs that are configured but not active appear in red.

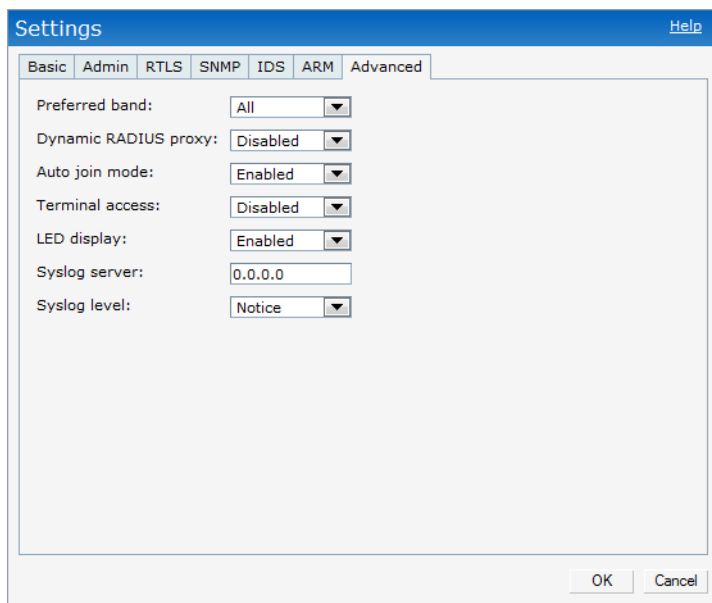
### Disabling Auto Join Mode

To disable Auto Join Mode, perform the following steps:

At the top right corner of Instant UI, click the **Settings** link. The **Settings** box appears.

1. In the **Settings** box, click the **Advanced** tab.
2. Select **Disabled** from the **Auto join mode** drop-down list.

**Figure 38** *Disabling Auto Join Mode*

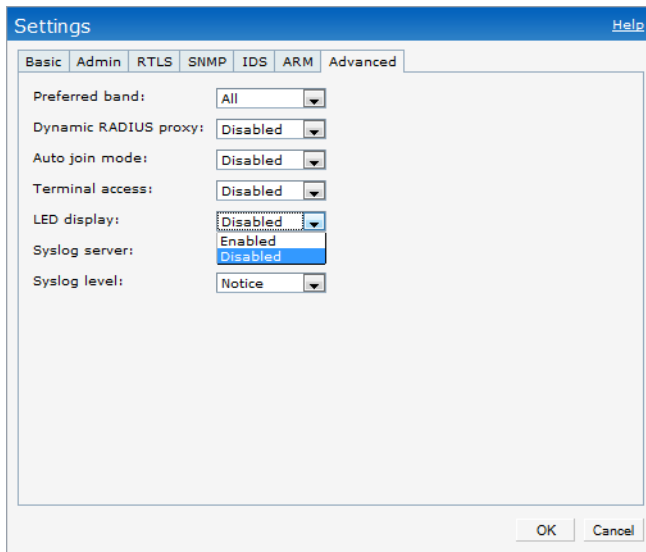


3. Click **OK**.

## LED Display

Administrators have the ability to turn off LED for all IAPs in an Instant network. Go to **Settings > Advanced > LED Display** to enable or disable the LEDs. When enabled, all LEDs are turned off. Use this option in environments where LEDs can be a distraction.

**Figure 39** LED Display

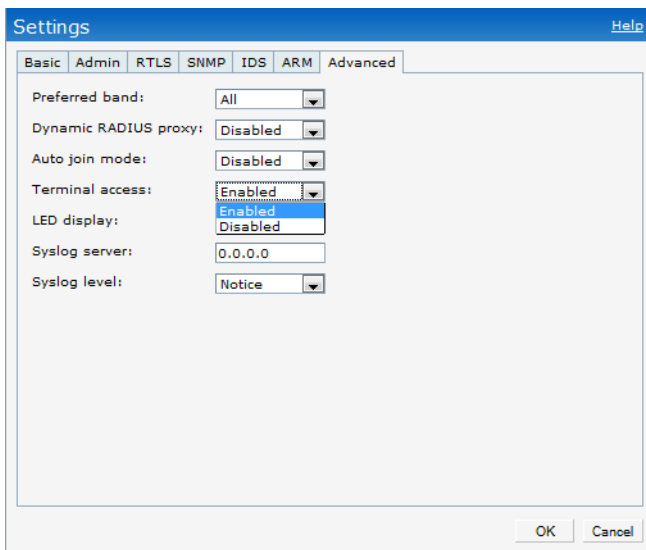


NOTE: The LED display will be always in Enabled mode while rebooting the IAP.

## Terminal Access

To enable or disable the telnet access to the W-IAP's CLI, go to **Settings > Advanced > Terminal access**.

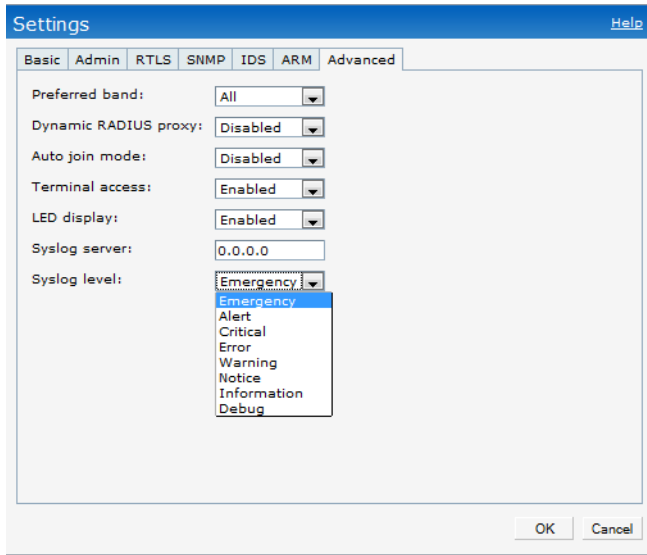
**Figure 40** Terminal Access



# Syslog Server

Go to Settings > Advanced > Syslog Server to specify a Syslog Server for sending all syslog messages to the external servers.

**Figure 41** Syslog Server



## Adding an W-IAP to the Network

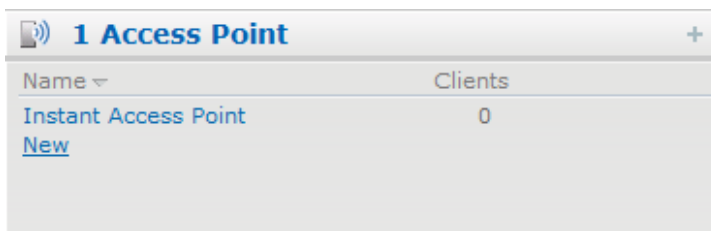
To add an W-IAP to the Dell Instant network, assign an IP address. For more information, see [“Assigning an IP Address to the W-IAP” on page 18](#).

After an W-IAP is connected to the network, if the Auto Join Mode feature is enabled, it is listed in the Access Points tab in the Instant UI. The W-IAP inherits the configuration and image from the virtual controller.

If the Auto Join Mode is not enabled, then perform the following steps to add an W-IAP to the network:

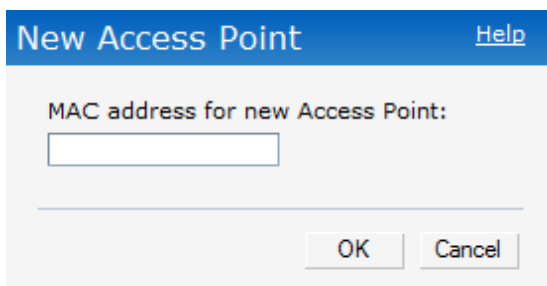
1. In the Access Points tab, click the New link.

**Figure 42** Adding an W-IAP to the Instant Network



2. In the New Access Point box, enter the MAC address for the new W-IAP.

**Figure 43** Entering the MAC Address for the New W-IAP



3. Click OK.

## Removing an W-IAP from the Network

An W-IAP can be manually removed from the network only if the Auto Join Mode feature is disabled. To manually remove an W-IAP from the network, perform the following steps:

1. In the Access Points tab, click the W-IAP which you want to delete. An x appears against the W-IAP.
2. Click x to confirm the deletion.



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NOTE: The deleted W-IAP(s) cannot join the Instant network anymore.

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## Editing W-IAP Settings

This section explains the steps required to edit the following W-IAP settings:

- Name
- IP Address
- Adaptive Radio Management (ARM) Configuration
- External Antenna Configuration
- Migrating from a Virtual Controller Managed Network to Mobility Controller Managed Network

### Changing W-IAP Name

To change the W-IAP name, perform the following steps:

1. In the Access Points tab, click the AP of the W-IAP that you want to rename. The **edit** link appears.

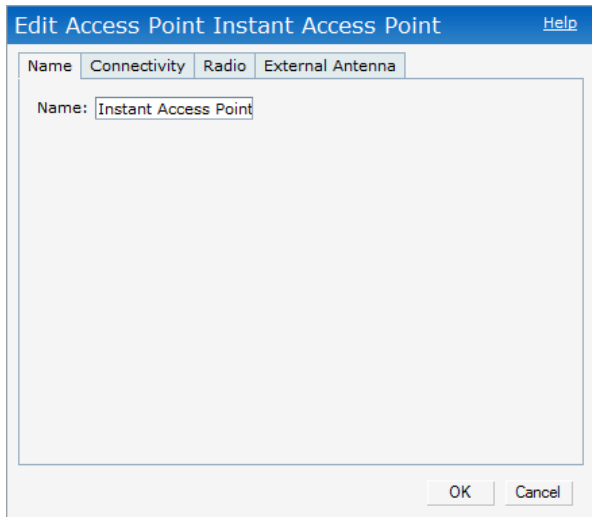
**Figure 44** *Editing W-IAP Settings*

1 Access Point		
Name	Clients	
Instant Access Point	1	<a href="#">edit</a>

2. Click the **edit** link.



**Figure 45** *Changing W-IAP Name*



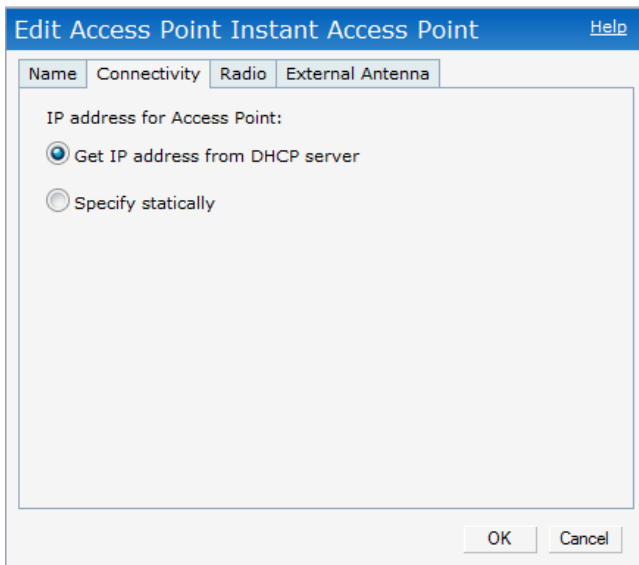
3. Edit the W-IAP name in the **Name** text box.
4. Click **OK**.

### **Changing IP Address of the W-IAP**

The Instant UI allows you to change the IP address of the W-IAP connected to the network. To change the IP address of the W-IAP, perform the following steps:

1. In the **Access Points** tab, click the W-IAP for which you want to change the IP address. The **edit** link appears.
2. Click the **edit** link. The **Edit AP** box appears.
3. Click the **Connectivity** tab.

**Figure 46** *Configuring W-IAP Settings - Connectivity Tab*



4. Select the **Get IP address from DHCP server** or **Specify statically** option. If you selected the **Specify statically** option, perform the following steps:
  - a. Enter the new IP address for the W-IAP in the **IP address** text box.
  - b. Enter the netmask of the network in the **Netmask** text box.
  - c. Enter the IP address of the default gateway in the **Default gateway** text box.

- d. Enter the IP address of the DNS server in the **DNS server** text box.
- e. Enter the domain name in the **Domain name** text box.

**Figure 47** *Configuring W-IAP Connectivity Settings - Specifying Static Settings*

The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Edit Access Point Instant Access Point" with a "Help" link. It has four tabs: "Name", "Connectivity", "Radio", and "External Antenna". The "Connectivity" tab is active. Under "IP address for Access Point:", there are two radio buttons: "Get IP address from DHCP server" (unselected) and "Specify statically" (selected). Below are five text input fields: "IP address:" (1.1.1.1), "Netmask:" (255.255.255.255), "Default gateway:" (1.1.1.1), "DNS server:" (1.1.1.1), and "Domain name:" (www.example.com). At the bottom right are "OK" and "Cancel" buttons.

5. Click **OK**, and reboot the W-IAP.

## Configuring Adaptive Radio Management

Adaptive Radio Management (ARM) is enabled in Dell Instant by default. However, if ARM is disabled, perform the following steps to enable it. For more information about ARM, see [“Adaptive Radio Management” on page 103](#).

1. In the **Access Points** tab, click the W-IAP for which you want to configure ARM. The **edit** link appears.
2. Click the **edit** link. An **Edit AP** box appears.
3. In the **Edit AP** box, click the **Radio** tab.
4. Select the **Adaptive radio management assigned** radio button.

**Figure 48** *Configuring W-IAP Radio Settings Mode - Access*

The screenshot shows the same dialog box as Figure 47, but with the "Radio" tab selected. The "Mode:" dropdown is set to "Access". Under "2.4 GHz band", there are two radio buttons: "Adaptive radio management assigned" (selected) and "Administrator assigned" (unselected). Below are "Channel:" (1) and "Transmit power:" (empty) fields. Under "5 GHz band", there are two radio buttons: "Adaptive radio management assigned" (selected) and "Administrator assigned" (unselected). Below are "Channel:" (36+) and "Transmit power:" (empty) fields. "OK" and "Cancel" buttons are at the bottom right.

5. Click OK.

## Configuring an External Antenna

To configure an external antenna for each W-IAP, perform the following steps:



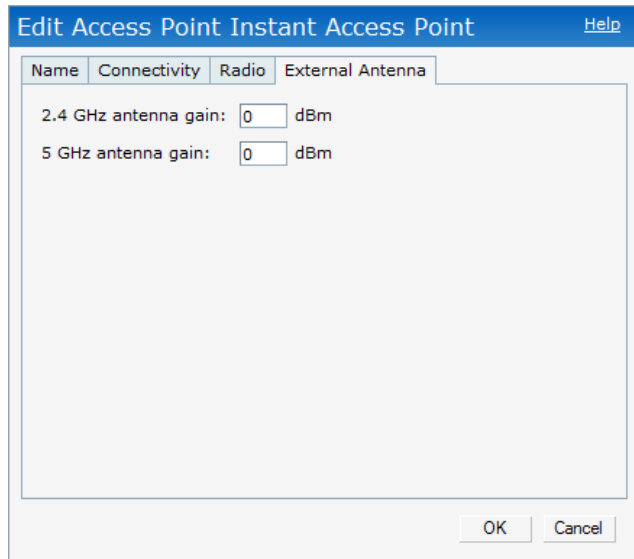
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NOTE: Only the Dell PowerConnect W-IAP92 supports external antenna configuration. Skip this section, if you are using W-IAP93 or W-IAP105. For appropriate configuration values, see the relevant W-IAP documentation.

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1. In the **Access Points** tab, click the W-IAP for which you want to configure an external antenna. The **edit** link appears.
2. Click the **edit** link. The **Edit AP** box appears.
3. In the **Edit AP** box, click the **External Antenna** tab and specify appropriate values.

**Figure 49** *Configuring W-IAP External Antenna Settings*



The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Edit Access Point Instant Access Point" with a "Help" link in the top right corner. The dialog has four tabs: "Name", "Connectivity", "Radio", and "External Antenna". The "External Antenna" tab is selected. Inside the dialog, there are two input fields: "2.4 GHz antenna gain: 0 dBm" and "5 GHz antenna gain: 0 dBm". At the bottom right, there are "OK" and "Cancel" buttons.

4. Click OK.

## Migrating from a Virtual Controller Managed Network to Mobility Controller Managed Network

An W-IAP can be converted to an ArubaOS Campus AP. You have to configure the IP address of the controller in the Instant UI. Before converting the W-IAP, ensure that both the W-IAP and controller are configured to operate in the same regulatory domain. After conversion the W-IAP acts as an ArubaOS Campus AP.



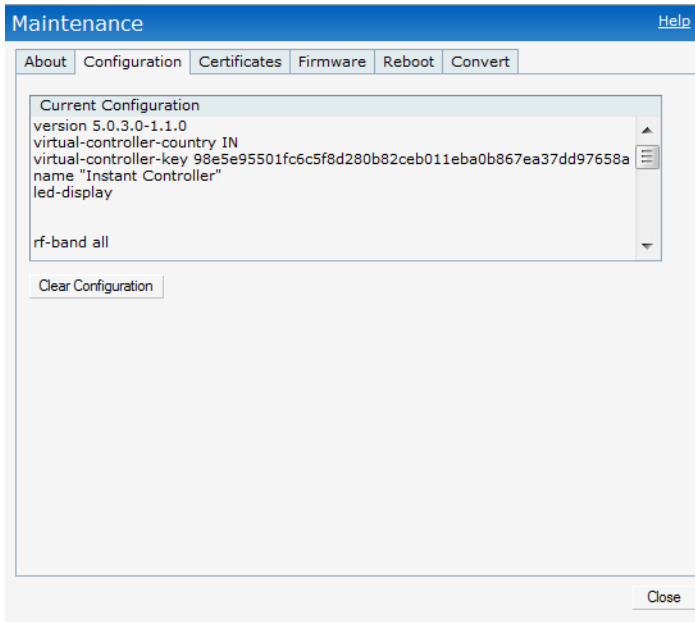
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NOTE: Migrating from a virtual controller managed network to mobility controller managed network is a one way transition. An Dell OS Campus AP cannot be converted to an W-IAP.

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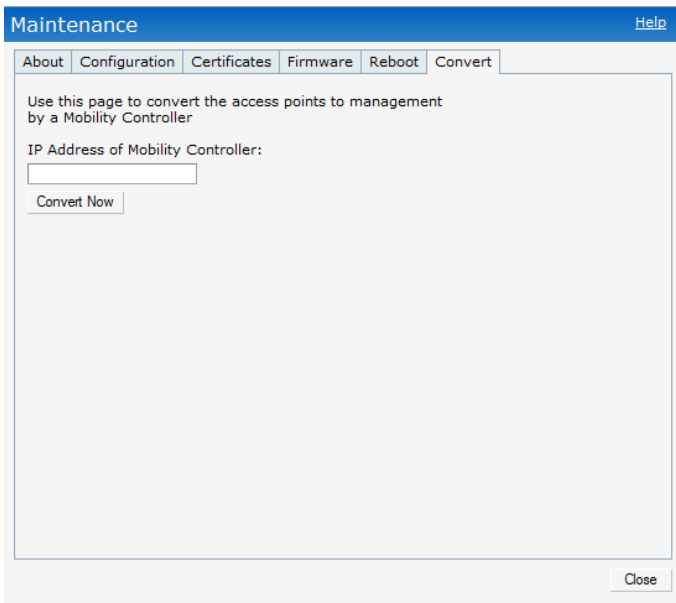
1. At the top right corner of Instant UI, click the **Maintenance** link. The **Maintenance** box appears.

**Figure 50** *Maintenance Box*



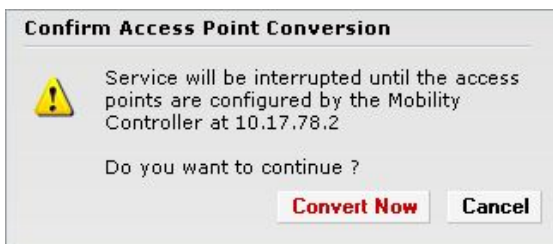
2. Click the Convert tab.

**Figure 51** *Maintenance - Convert Tab*



3. Enter the IP address of mobility controller in the **IP Address of Mobility Controller** text box.
4. Click **Convert Now**. Confirm the conversion in the **Confirm Access Point Conversion** box.

**Figure 52** *Confirm Access Point Conversion Box*



5. Click Close.



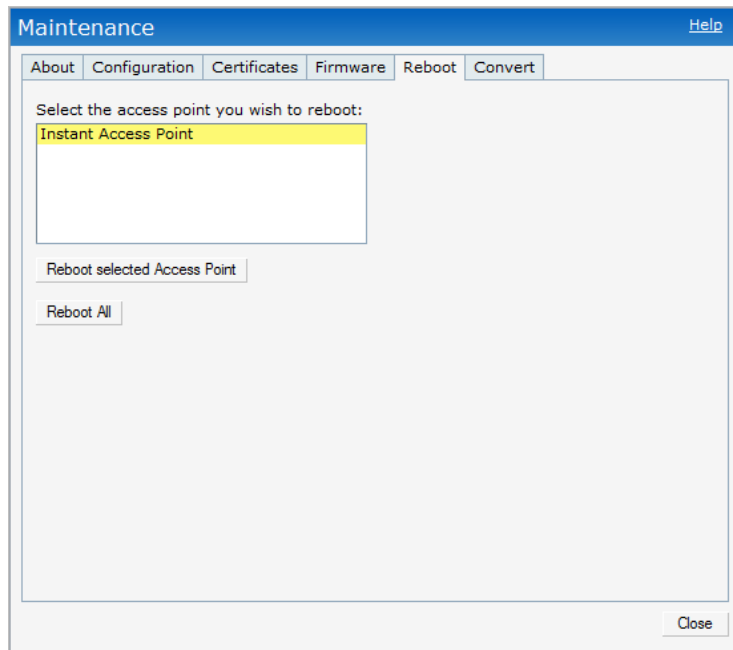
NOTE: An W-IAP can be converted to an ArubaOS Campus AP only if the controller is running ArubaOS 6.1 or later.

## Rebooting the W-IAP

If you encounter any problem with the W-IAPs, you can reboot all W-IAPs or selected W-IAPs in a network using the Instant UI. To reboot an W-IAP:

1. Click the **Maintenance** link. The **Maintenance** box appears.
2. Click the **Reboot** tab.

**Figure 53** Rebooting the W-IAP



3. In the W-IAP list, select the W-IAP that you want to reboot and click **Reboot selected Access Point**. To reboot all the W-IAPs in the network, click **Reboot All**.
4. Click **Close**.

## Firmware Image Server in Cloud Network

The image check feature allows the W-IAP to discover new firmware image versions on a cloud-based image server hosted by Dell. The location of the image server is fixed and cannot be changed by the user. Dell takes care of managing the image server, and ensures that the image server is loaded with latest versions of Dell Instant firmware image for its products.

The Virtual Controller (VC) in Instant AP communicates with the Image server via an Aruba Networks proprietary protocol. The Image server queries the VC. The VC returns the following information:

- Current firmware version
- Type Code
- Globally Unique ID (GUID)
- OEM-Tag
- Organization (if available)

- Access Point Information (for each AP attached to the VC)
  - AP type
  - AP serial number

The VC expects the available upgrade VC software version and the URL in return. This query normally happens once in a week.

## Automatic Firmware Image Check and Upgrade

Automatic image check is enabled by default. If AirWave is configured, then the automatic image check is automatically disabled. You have to use the manual image check option. For more information, see “[Manual Firmware Image Check and Upgrade](#)” on page 63.

If Automatic image check is enabled, then the following actions take place:

- Once after every time the AP boots up; and
- Once every week thereafter

If the image check locates a new version of the Dell Instant firmware image on the image server, then a **New version available** link appears at the top right corner of the Instant UI.

**Figure 54** Automatic Image Check - New Version Available Link

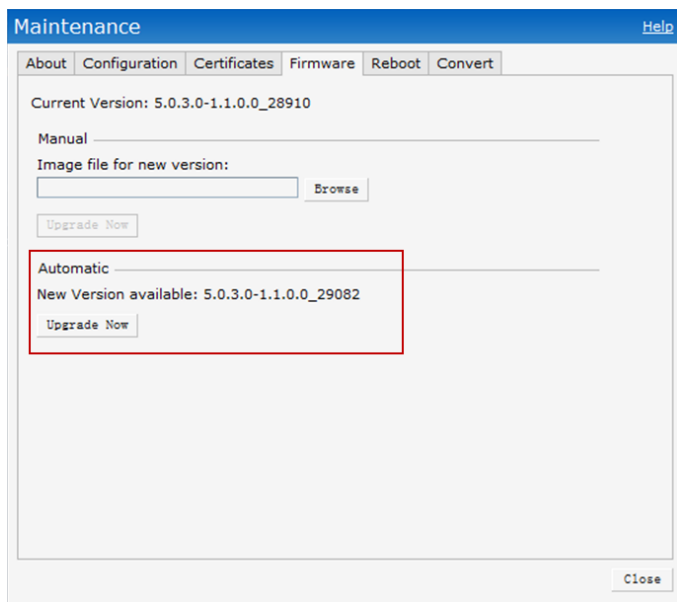


## Upgrading to the new OS version

After the Automatic Image Check feature identifies a new OS version, perform the following steps to upgrade to the new version:

1. Click the **New version available** link. The Maintenance window appears.
2. Click **Upgrade Now** to upgrade the W-IAP to the newer version.

**Figure 55** New Version Available Box



After you confirm, the AP downloads the new firmware image from the server, saves it to flash, and reboots. Depending on the progress and success of the upgrade, one of the following messages will be displayed:

- Upgrading - While image upgrading is in progress.

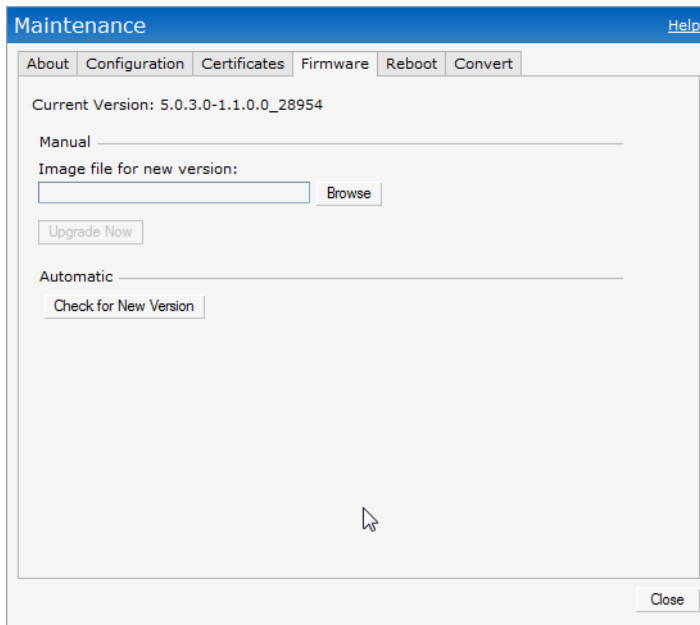
- Upgrade successful -When the upgrading is successful.
- Upgrade fail -When the upgrading fails.

## Manual Firmware Image Check and Upgrade

To manually check for a new firmware image version, perform the following steps:

1. At the top right corner of the Instant UI, click the **Maintenance** link.
2. In the **Maintenance** box, click the **Firmware** tab.
3. In the **Firmware** tab, click the **Check for New Version** button.

**Figure 56** *Manual Image Check*



The button is replaced with the **Image Check in Progress** message. After the image check is completed, one of the following messages will appear:

- No new version available - If there is no new version available.
  - Image server timed out - Connection or session between the image server and the W-IAP is timed out.
  - Image server failure - If the image server does not respond.
  - A new image version found - If a new image version is found.
4. If a new version is found, the **Upgrade Now** button appears and the **New version available** message and the version number are displayed.
  5. Click the **Upgrade Now** button.

The W-IAP downloads the image from the server, saves it to flash and reboots. Depending on the progress and success of the upgrade, one of the following messages will be displayed:

- Upgrading - While image upgrading is in progress.
- Upgrade successful - When the upgrading is successful.
- Upgrade fail - When the upgrading fails.





For successful and proper communication between various elements in a network, time synchronization between the elements and across the network is critical. Following are the uses of time synchronization:

- Trace and track security gaps, network usage, and troubleshoot network issues.
- Map event on one network element to a corresponding event on another.
- Maintain accurate time for billing services and similar.

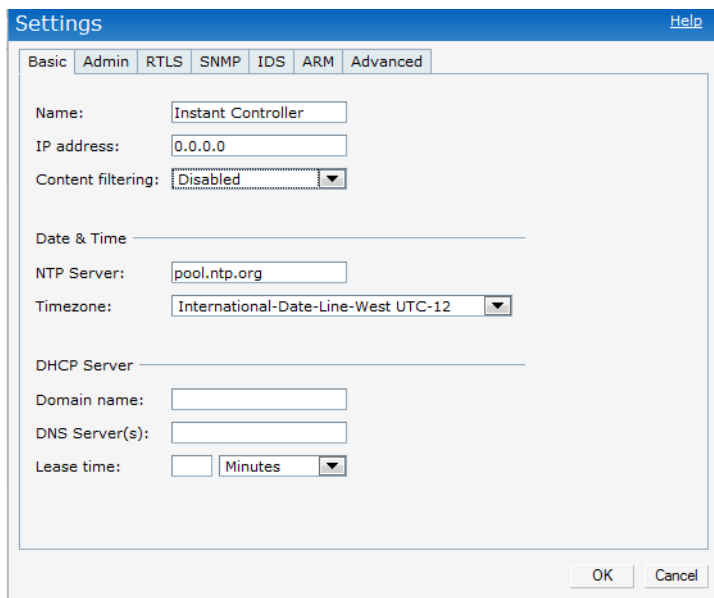
Network Time Protocol (NTP) is required to obtain the precise time from a server and to regulate the local time in each network element. If NTP server is not configured in the Dell Instant network, an IAP reboot may lead to variation in time and data.

### Configuring an NTP Server

The NTP server is set to `pool.ntp.org` by default. To configure the NTP server on Dell Instant, perform the following steps.

1. At the top right corner of the Instant UI, click the **Settings** link.
2. In the **Settings** box, click the **Basic** tab.
3. Enter the IP address or the URL (domain name) of the NTP server in the **NTP Server** text box and click **OK**.

**Figure 57** *Configuring NTP Server*



The screenshot shows a 'Settings' dialog box with a blue title bar and a 'Help' link. The 'Basic' tab is selected, and other tabs include 'Admin', 'RTLS', 'SNMP', 'IDS', 'ARM', and 'Advanced'. The 'Name' field is 'Instant Controller' and the 'IP address' field is '0.0.0.0'. The 'Content filtering' dropdown is set to 'Disabled'. Under the 'Date & Time' section, the 'NTP Server' field is 'pool.ntp.org' and the 'Timezone' dropdown is 'International-Date-Line-West UTC-12'. Under the 'DHCP Server' section, the 'Domain name', 'DNS Server(s)', and 'Lease time' (set to 'Minutes') fields are empty. 'OK' and 'Cancel' buttons are at the bottom right.



Dell Instant does not require an external controller to regulate and manage the Wi-Fi network. Any IAP in the Dell Instant network dynamically takes up the role of a Virtual Controller (VC) without impacting the network. It coordinates, stores, and distributes all the settings required to provide a centralized functionality to regulate and manage the Wi-Fi network. The virtual controller also functions like any other AP with full RF scalability. It also acts as a node, coordinating DHCP address allocation for network address translated clients ensuring mobility of the clients when they roam between different IAPs.

### Master Election Protocol

The Dell Instant network supports 16 IAPs without any external controller. However, there is a need to manage the network. The Master Election Protocol enables the Dell Instant network to dynamically elect an IAP to take on a VC role, allow graceful failover to a new virtual controller when the existing VC is down, and avoid race conditions. This protocol ensures stability of the network during initial startup or when the VC goes down by allowing only one IAP to self-elect as a VC.

### Virtual Controller IP Address

You can specify a single static IP address that can be used to manage a multi-AP Dell Instant network. This IP address is automatically provisioned on a shadow interface on the IAP that takes the role of a virtual controller. When an IAP becomes a virtual controller, it sends three Address Resolution Protocol (ARP) messages with the static IP address and its own MAC address to update the network ARP cache.

### Specifying Name and IP Address for the Virtual Controller

To specify name and IP address for the virtual controller, perform the following steps:

1. At the top right corner of WebUI, click the **Settings** link. The **Settings** box appears.

**Figure 58** *Specifying Virtual Controller Name and IP Address*

The screenshot shows a 'Settings' dialog box with a blue header and a 'Help' link. Below the header are tabs for 'Basic', 'Admin', 'RTLS', 'SNMP', 'IDS', 'ARM', and 'Advanced'. The 'Basic' tab is active. The 'Name' field contains 'Instant Controller', the 'IP address' field contains '0.0.0.0', and the 'Content filtering' dropdown is set to 'Enabled'. The 'Date & Time' section includes an 'NTP Server' field with 'pool.ntp.org' and a 'Timezone' dropdown set to 'International-Date-Line-West UTC-12'. The 'DHCP Server' section has 'Domain name' and 'DNS Server(s)' fields, and a 'Lease time' field set to 0 minutes. 'OK' and 'Cancel' buttons are at the bottom right.

2. Enter a name for virtual controller in the **Name** text box.

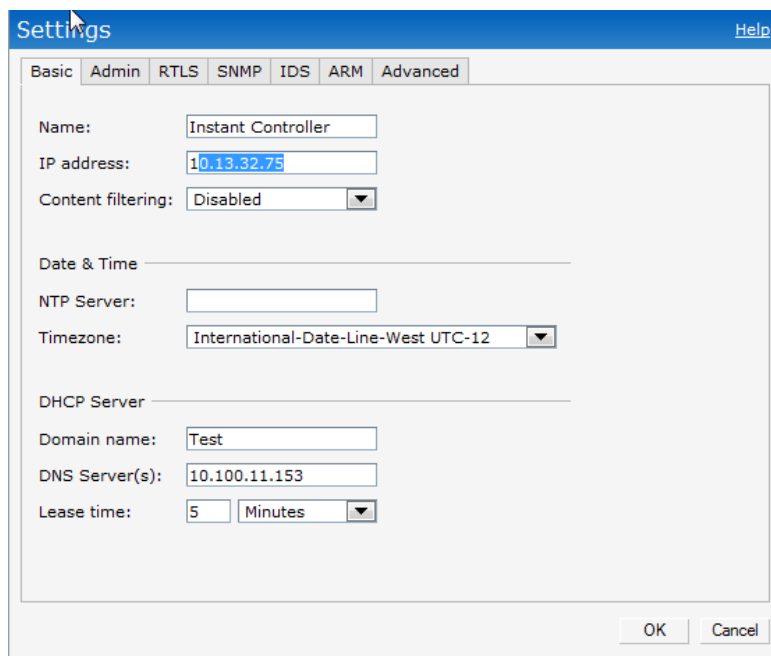
3. Enter the appropriate IP address in the **IP address** text box.
4. Click **OK**.

## Configuring the DHCP Server

To configure the domain name, DNS server, and lease time for the DHCP server, perform the following steps:

1. At the top right corner of the Instant UI, click the **Settings** link.
2. In the **Settings** box, click the **Basic** tab.
3. Enter the domain name of the client in the **Domain name** text box.
4. Enter the IP addresses of the DNS servers separated by comma(,) in the **DNS server** text box.
5. Enter the duration of the DHCP lease in the **Lease time** text box.
6. Select **Minutes**, **Hours**, or **Days** for the lease time from the drop-down list next to **Lease time**.

**Figure 59** *Configuring the DHCP Server*



The screenshot shows the 'Settings' dialog box with the 'Basic' tab selected. The 'DHCP Server' section is expanded, showing the following configuration:

- Name: Instant Controller
- IP address: 10.13.32.75
- Content filtering: Disabled
- Date & Time section:
  - NTP Server: (empty)
  - Timezone: International-Date-Line-West UTC-12
- DHCP Server section:
  - Domain name: Test
  - DNS Server(s): 10.100.11.153
  - Lease time: 5 Minutes

Buttons for 'OK' and 'Cancel' are visible at the bottom right of the dialog box.

7. Click **OK**.

### Authentication Methods in Dell Instant

Authentication is a process of identifying a user by having them to provide a valid username and password. Clients can also be authenticated based on their MAC addresses. The following authentication methods are supported in Dell Instant:

- [802.1X Authentication](#)
- [Captive Portal](#)
- [MAC Authentication](#)

### 802.1X Authentication

802.1X is a method for authenticating the identity of a user before providing network access to the user. Remote Authentication Dial In User Service (RADIUS) is a protocol that provides centralized authentication, authorization, and accounting management. For authentication purpose, the wireless client can associate to a network access server (NAS) or RADIUS client such as a wireless IAP. The wireless client can pass data traffic only after successful 802.1X authentication. The steps involved in 802.1X authentication are:

1. The NAS requests authentication credentials from the wireless client.
2. The wireless client sends the authentication credentials to the NAS.
3. The NAS sends these credentials to a RADIUS server.
4. The RADIUS server checks the user identity and begins authentication with the client if the user identity is present in its database. The RADIUS server sends an Access-Accept message to the NAS.  
If the RADIUS server cannot identify the user, it stops the authentication process and sends an Access-Reject message to the NAS. The NAS forwards this message to the client and the client must re-authenticate with correct credentials.
5. After the client is authenticated, the RADIUS server forwards the encryption key to the NAS. The encryption key is used to encrypt or decrypt traffic sent to and from the client.



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NOTE: A NAS acts as a gateway to guard access to a protected resource. A client connecting to the wireless network first connects to the NAS.

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The Dell Instant network supports internal RADIUS server and external RADIUS server for 802.1x authentication.

#### Internal RADIUS Server

Each IAP has an instance of Free RADIUS server operating locally. When you enable the Internal RADIUS server option for the network, the authenticator on the IAP sends a RADIUS packet to the local IP address. The Internal RADIUS server listens and replies to the RADIUS packet. The following authentication methods are supported in Dell Instant network:

- EAP-TLS - The Extensible Authentication Protocol- Transport Layer Security method supports the termination of EAP-TLS security using the internal RADIUS server. The EAP-TLS requires both server and certification authority (CA) certificates installed onto the IAP. The client certificate is verified on the

controller (the client certificate must be signed by a known CA) before the user name is checked on the authentication server.

- EAP-TTLS (MSCHAPv2) - The Extensible Authentication Protocol-Tunneled Transport Layer Security (EAP-TTLS) method uses server-side certificates to set up authentication between clients and servers. However, the actual authentication is performed using passwords.
- EAP-PEAP (MSCHAPv2) - Protected Extensible Authentication Protocol (PEAP) is an 802.1X authentication method that uses server-side public key certificates to authenticate clients with server. The PEAP authentication creates an encrypted SSL/TLS tunnel between the client and the authentication server. Exchange of information is encrypted and stored in the tunnel ensuring the user credentials are kept secure.
- LEAP - Lightweight Extensible Authentication Protocol (LEAP) uses dynamic WEP keys for authentication between the client and authentication server.



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NOTE: Dell Instant does not ship with any 802.1x server certificate. EAP-TTLS and EAP-PEAP support is not available until the administrator uploads a valid 802.1x server certificate to the Dell Instant network. By default, the 802.1x authentication is limited to LEAP only.

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NOTE: Dell does not recommend the use of LEAP authentication method because it does not provide any resistance to network attacks.

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## External RADIUS Server

In the external RADIUS server, IP address of the virtual controller is configured as the NAS IP address. Instant RADIUS is implemented on the virtual controller. This feature eliminates the need to configure multiple NAS clients for every IAP on the RADIUS server for client authentication.

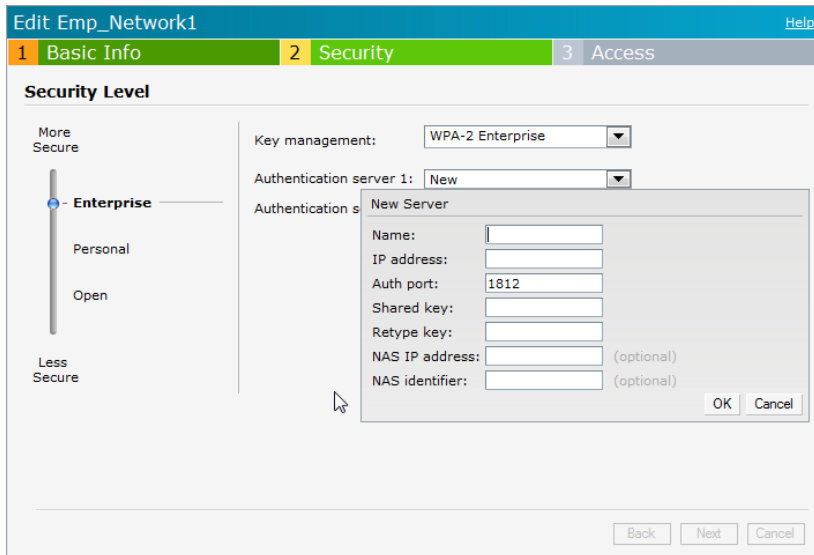
Instant RADIUS dynamically forwards authentication requests from a NAS to a remote RADIUS server. The RADIUS server responds to the authentication request with an Access-Accept or Access-Reject message. Users are allowed or denied access to the network depending on the response from the RADIUS server.

### Configuring an External RADIUS Server

To configure the external RADIUS server for the wireless network, perform the following steps:

1. In the **Network** tab, click the network for which you want to configure the external RADIUS Server. The **edit** link for the network appears.
2. Click the **edit** link. The **Edit** box for the network appears.
3. Click **Next** and perform the following tasks in the **Security** tab:
  1. For a network with **Personal** or **Open** security level, select **External Radius Server** from the **MAC Authentication** drop-down list.
  2. Click the **Primary** link and perform the following steps:
    - a. Enter the IP address of the external RADIUS server in the **IP address** text box.
    - b. Enter the authorization port number of the external RADIUS server in the **Auth Port** text box. The port number is set to 1812 by default.
    - c. Enter a shared key for communicating with the external RADIUS server in the **Shared key** text box.
    - d. Enter the virtual controller IP address in the **NAS IP address** text box. The NAS IP address is the virtual controller IP address that is sent in the data packets.
  3. Click the **Backup** link and set appropriate values for the backup RADIUS server.

**Figure 60** *Configuring External RADIUS Server*



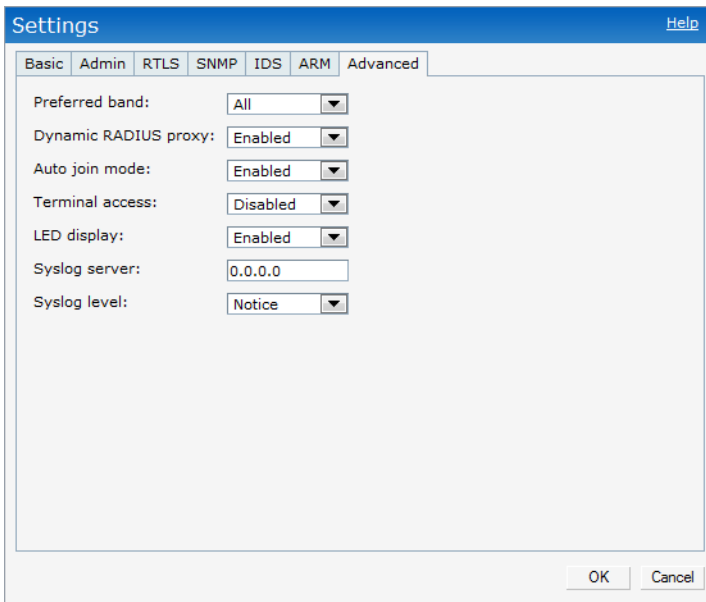
4. Click **Next** and click **Finish**.

### **Enabling Instant RADIUS**

To enable Instant RADIUS, perform the following steps:

1. At the upper right corner of the Instant UI, click the **Settings** link.
2. In the **Settings** box, click the **Advanced** tab.
3. Select **Enabled** from the **Dynamic RADIUS Proxy** drop-down list.

**Figure 61** *Enabling Instant RADIUS*



4. Click **OK**.

### **RADIUS Server Authentication with VSA**

An external RADIUS server authenticates network users and returns to the IAP the vendor-specific attribute (VSA) that contains the name of the network role for the user. The authenticated user is placed into the management role specified by the VSA.

## List of supported VSA's

Instant supports the following types of VSA's:

- AP-Group
- AP-Name
- ARAP-Features
- ARAP-Security
- ARAP-Security-Data
- ARAP-Zone-Access
- Acct-Authentic
- Acct-Delay-Time
- Acct-Input-Gigawords
- Acct-Input-Octets
- Acct-Input-Packets
- Acct-Link-Count
- Acct-Multi-Session-Id
- Acct-Output-Gigawords
- Acct-Output-Octets
- Acct-Output-Packets
- Acct-Session-Id
- Acct-Session-Time
- Acct-Status-Type
- Acct-Terminate-Cause
- Acct-Tunnel-Packets-Lost
- Add-Port-To-IP-Address
- Aruba-AP-Group
- Aruba-Admin-Role
- Aruba-Essid-Name
- Aruba-Location-Id
- Aruba-Named-User-VLAN
- Aruba-Port-Id
- Aruba-Priv-Admin-User
- Aruba-Template-User
- Aruba-User-Role
- Aruba-User-VLAN
- CHAP-Challenge
- Callback-Id
- Callback-Number
- Class
- Connect-Info
- Connect-Rate
- Crypt-Password



- DB-Entry-State
- Digest-Response
- Domain-Name
- EAP-Message
- Error-Cause
- Event-Timestamp
- Exec-Program
- Exec-Program-Wait
- Expiration
- Fall-Through
- Filter-Id
- Framed-AppleTalk-Link
- Framed-AppleTalk-Network
- Framed-AppleTalk-Zone
- Framed-Compression
- Framed-IP-Address
- Framed-IP-Netmask
- Framed-IPX-Network
- Framed-MTU
- Framed-Protocol
- Framed-Route
- Framed-Routing
- Full-Name
- Group
- Group-Name
- Hint
- Huntgroup-Name
- Idle-Timeout
- Login-IP-Host
- Login-LAT-Node
- Login-LAT-Port
- Login-LAT-Service
- Login-Service
- Login-TCP-Port
- Menu
- Message-Auth
- NAS-Port-Type
- Password
- Password-Retry
- Port-Limit
- Prefix

- Prompt
- Rad-Authenticator
- Rad-Code
- Rad-Id
- Rad-Length
- Reply-Message
- Revoke-Text
- Server-Group
- Server-Name
- Service-Type
- Session-Timeout
- Simultaneous-Use
- State
- Strip-User-Name
- Suffix
- Termination-Action
- Termination-Menu
- Tunnel-Assignment-Id
- Tunnel-Client-Auth-Id
- Tunnel-Client-Endpoint
- Tunnel-Connection-Id
- Tunnel-Medium-Type
- Tunnel-Preference
- Tunnel-Private-Group-Id
- Tunnel-Server-Auth-Id
- Tunnel-Server-Endpoint
- Tunnel-Type
- User-Category
- User-Name
- User-VLAN
- Vendor-Specific

### **Management Authentication Settings**

To authenticate the Virtual Controller Management UI, perform the following steps:

1. Click the **Settings** link.
2. Select the **Admin** tab.
3. In the **Authentication** drop-down list, select any one of the following:
  - **Internal** - Select the **Username** and **Password** specified in the respective text boxes to access the Virtual Controller Management UI.
  - **RADIUS Server** - Specify one or two radius servers to authenticate UI. If two servers are configured users can use them in primary/backup mode or load-balancing mode, this is identical to the radius server configuration for SSIDs. For information on configuring external RADIUS server, see [“External RADIUS Server” on page 70](#).

- RADIUS server w/ fallback to internal - Specify the radius servers as well as a Username and Password.

**Figure 62** *Management Authentication Settings*

The screenshot shows a 'Settings' dialog box with a blue title bar and a 'Help' link. Below the title bar are tabs for 'Basic', 'Admin', 'RTLS', 'SNMP', 'IDS', 'ARM', and 'Advanced'. The 'Local' section is selected, displaying a dropdown menu for 'Authentication' set to 'Internal'. Below this are text boxes for 'Username' (containing 'admin'), 'Password' (masked with dots), and 'Retype' (masked with dots). The 'AirWave' section below has text boxes for 'Organization', 'AirWave IP', 'Shared key', and 'Retype'. At the bottom right are 'OK' and 'Cancel' buttons.

4. Click OK.

## Captive Portal

Dell Instant network supports captive portal authentication method for a Guest network type. In this method, a web page is displayed to a guest user who tries to access the internet. The user has to authenticate or accept company's network usage policy in the web page. Two types of captive portal authentication are supported on Dell Instant:

- [Internal Captive Portal](#)
- [External Captive Portal](#)

### Internal Captive Portal

In the Internal Captive Portal type, an internal server is used to host the captive portal service. Internal captive portal authentication is classified as follows:

- Internal Authenticated - To gain access to the wireless network, a user must authenticate in the captive portal page. If this option is selected, then users who are required to authenticate have to be added to the user database. Click the [Users](#) link to add the users. For information about adding users, see [“Adding a User” on page 133](#).
- Internal Acknowledged - To gain access to the wireless network, a user must accept the terms and conditions.

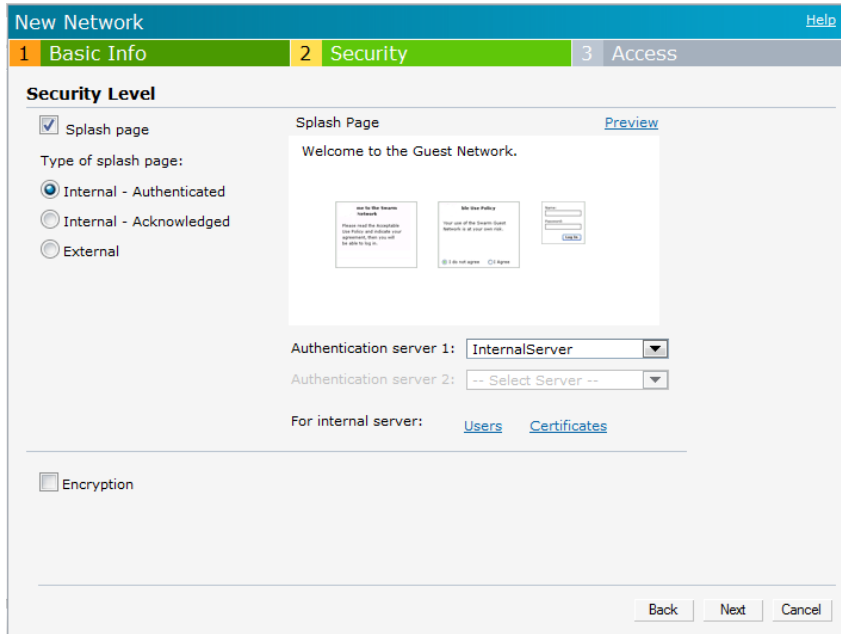
### Configuring Internal Captive Portal Authentication when Adding a Guest Network

To configure internal captive portal authentication when adding a guest network, perform the following steps:

1. In the **Network** tab, click the **New** link. The **New Network** box opens.
2. In the **Basic Info** tab, perform the following:
  1. Enter a name for the network in the **Name (SSID)** text box.
  2. Click the **Guest** radio button and click **Next**.
3. In the **Security** tab, select one of the following options for the splash page type:
  - a. Internal - Authenticated

- b. Internal - Acknowledged

**Figure 63** *Configuring Captive Portal when Adding A Guest Network*



The appearance of a splash page can be customized as required. For information on customizing a splash page, see “[Customizing a Splash Page](#)” on page 78.

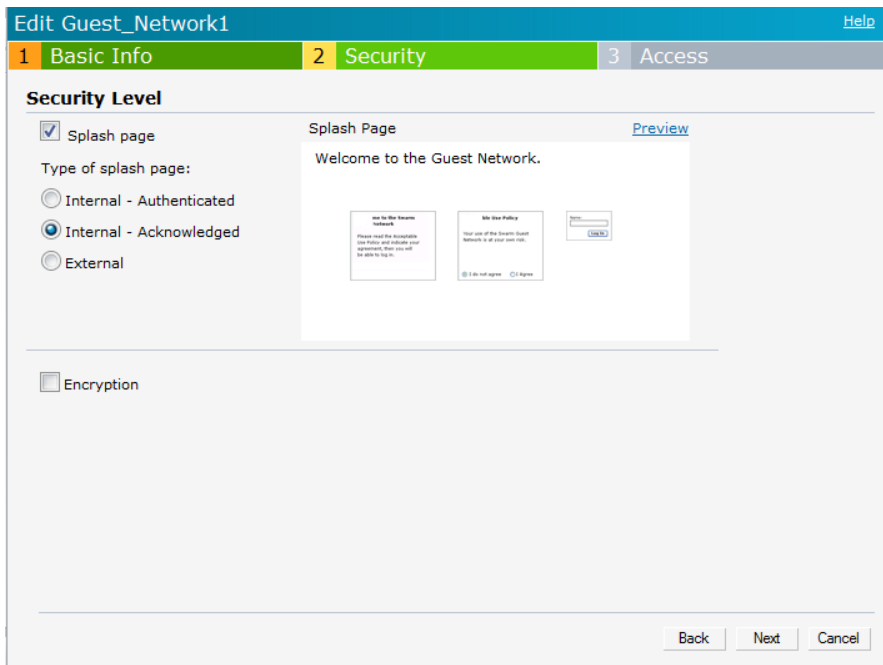
- 4. Click **Next** and click **Finish**.

### **Configuring Internal Captive Portal Authentication when Editing a Guest Network**

To configure internal captive portal authentication when editing a guest network, perform the following steps:

1. In the **Network** tab, click the network for which you want to configure internal captive portal authentication. The **edit** link for the network appears.
2. Click the **edit** link. The **Edit** box for the network appears.
3. Click **Next** and select one of the following options for the splash page type in the **Security** tab:
  - a. Internal - Authenticated
  - a. Internal - Acknowledged

**Figure 64** *Configuring Captive Portal when Editing a Guest Network*



The appearance of a splash page can be customized as required. For information on customizing a splash page, see “[Customizing a Splash Page](#)” on page 78.

4. Click **Next** and click **Finish**.

### **Configuring Internal Captive Portal with External Radius Server Authentication when Adding a Guest Network**

To configure internal captive portal with external radius server authentication, perform the following steps:

1. In the **Network** tab, click the **New** link. The **New Network** box opens.
2. In the **Basic Info** tab, perform the following:
  1. Enter a name for the network in the **Name (SSID)** text box.
  2. Click the **Guest** radio button and click **Next**.
3. In the **Security** tab, select **External** for the splash page type.
4. Enter the following details for the External Splash Page:
  - a. **IP or hostname** - IP address of the external splash page server.
  - b. **URL** - URL of the external splash page server.
  - c. **Port** - Port used for communicating with the external splash page server.
  - d. **Authentication text** - Text string returned by the external server after successful authentication.
5. Click **Next**. Associate to the new SSID and access any URL.

**Figure 65** *Configuring Internal Captive Portal with External Radius Server Authentication*

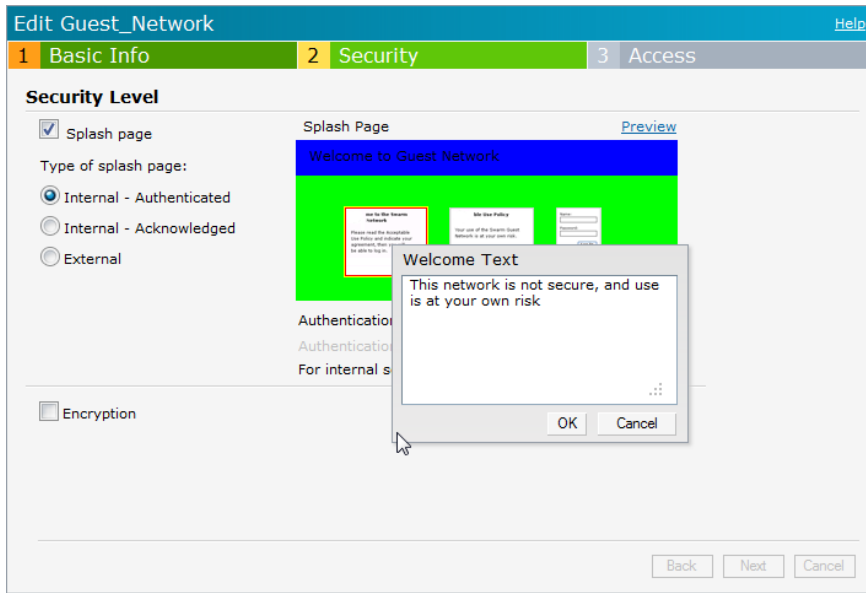
The screenshot shows the 'New Network' configuration window with the 'Security' tab selected. Under the 'Security Level' section, the 'Splash page' checkbox is checked. The 'Type of splash page' is set to 'External'. The 'External splash page' fields are: IP or hostname: 10.65.18.222, URL: /login/?gw\_address=, Port: 80, and Authentication text: Auth 1. There is also an unchecked 'Encryption' checkbox. At the bottom right, there are 'Back', 'Next', and 'Cancel' buttons.

### Customizing a Splash Page

A splash page is a web page that is displayed to a guest user when they are trying to access the internet. The appearance of a splash page can be customized as required. To customize a splash page, perform the following steps:

1. In the **Network** tab, click the network for which you want to customize the splash page. The **edit** link for the network appears.
2. Click the **edit** link. The **Edit** box for the network appears.
3. Click **Next** and perform the following steps in the **Security** tab:
  1. To change the color of the splash page, click the Splash page rectangle and select the required color from the Background Color palette.
  2. To change the welcome text, click the first square in the splash page, type the required text in the **Welcome** text box, and click **OK**. The welcome text should not exceed 127 characters.
  3. To change the policy text, click the second square in the splash page, type the required text in the **Policy** text box, and click **OK**. The policy text should not exceed 255 characters.

**Figure 66** Customizing a Splash Page



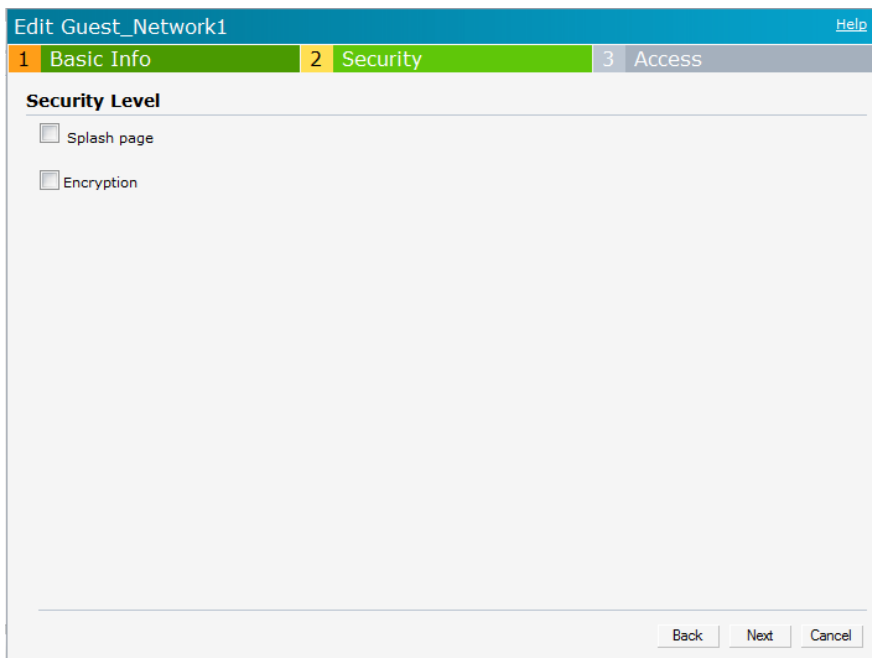
4. Click **Next** and then click **Finish**.

### Disabling Captive Portal authentication

To disable captive portal authentication, perform the following steps:

1. In the **Network** tab, click the network for which you want to disable captive portal authentication. The **edit** link for the network appears.
2. Click the **edit** link. The **Edit** box for the network appears.
3. Click **Next** and clear the **Splash page** check box in the **Security** tab.

**Figure 67** Disabling Captive Portal Authentication



4. Click **Next** and click **Finish**.

## External Captive Portal

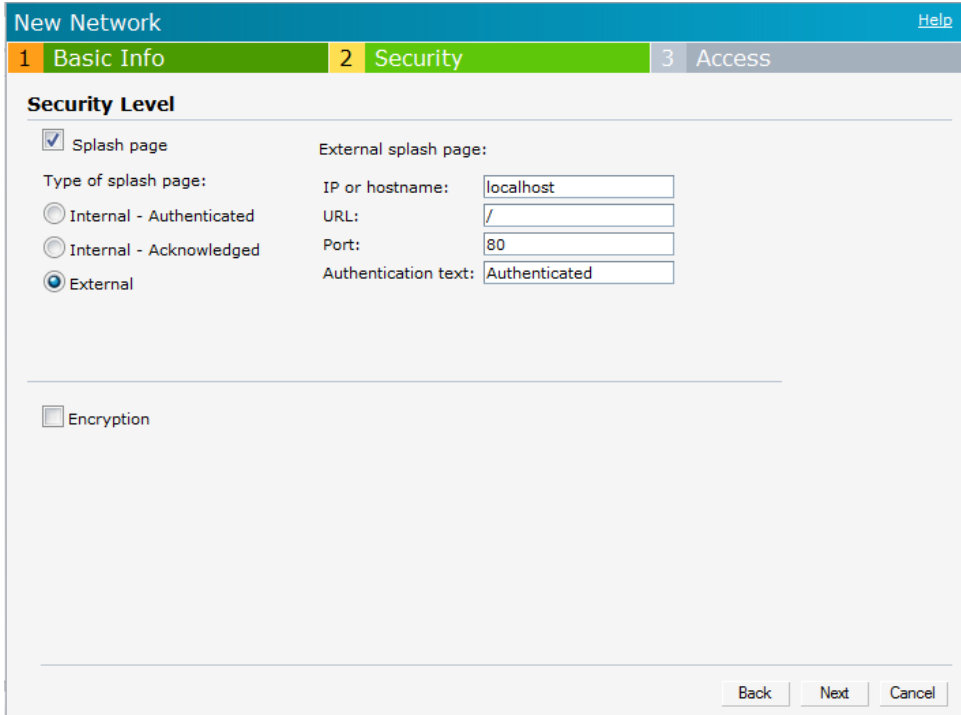
Dell Instant supports external captive portal authentication. The external portal can be in a cloud or on a server outside the enterprise network.

### Configuring External Captive Portal Authentication when Adding a Guest Network

To configure external captive portal authentication when adding a guest network, perform the following steps:

1. In the **Network** tab, click the **New** link. The **New Network** box appears.
2. In the **Basic Info** tab, perform the following:
  1. Enter a name for the network in the **Name (SSID)** text box.
  2. Select the **Guest** radio button and click **Next**.
3. In the **Security** tab, click the **External** button and perform the following steps:
  1. Enter the IP address or the hostname in the **IP or hostname** text box.
  2. Enter the URL for the splash page in the **URL** text box.
  3. Enter the number of the port to be used for communicating with the external server in the **Port** text box.
  4. In the **Authentication** text box, enter the unique signature that the external server will return in the response after a successful authentication.

**Figure 68** *Configuring External Captive Portal when Adding a Guest Network*



The screenshot shows the 'New Network' configuration window with the 'Security' tab selected. The 'Security Level' section is expanded, showing the 'External' option selected. The 'External splash page' section includes the following fields:

Type of splash page:	External splash page:
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Internal - Authenticated	IP or hostname: localhost
<input type="radio"/> Internal - Acknowledged	URL: /
<input checked="" type="radio"/> External	Port: 80
	Authentication text: Authenticated

Below the 'External splash page' section, there is an 'Encryption' checkbox which is currently unchecked. At the bottom right of the window, there are 'Back', 'Next', and 'Cancel' buttons.

4. Click **Next** and click **Finish**.

### Configuring External Captive Portal Authentication when editing a Guest Network

To configure external captive portal authentication when editing a guest network, perform the following steps:

1. In the **Network** tab, click the network for which you want to configure the external captive portal authentication. The **edit** link for the network appears.
2. Click the **edit** link. The **Edit** box for the network appears.
3. Click **Next**, and click the **External** button and perform the following steps in the **Security** tab:
  1. Enter the IP address or the hostname in the **IP or hostname** text box.



2. Enter the URL for the splash page in the **URL** text box.
3. Enter the number of the port to be used for communicating with the external server in the **Port** text box.
4. In the **Authentication** text box, enter the unique signature that the external server will return in the response after a successful authentication.

**Figure 69** Configuring External Captive Portal Authentication when editing a Guest Network

The screenshot shows the 'Edit Guest\_Network1' configuration interface. The 'Security' tab is selected, and the 'Security Level' section is expanded. Under 'External splash page', the 'External' radio button is selected. The 'IP or hostname' field contains 'localhost', 'URL' contains '/', 'Port' contains '80', and 'Authentication text' contains 'Authenticated'. There is also an 'Encryption' checkbox which is unchecked. At the bottom right, there are 'Back', 'Next', and 'Cancel' buttons.

4. Click **Next** and click **Finish**.

## MAC Authentication

Media Access Control (MAC) authentication is used to authenticate devices based on their physical MAC addresses. It is an early form of filtering. MAC authentication requires that the MAC address of a machine must match a manually defined list of addresses. This form of authentication does not scale past a handful of devices, because it is difficult to maintain the list of MAC addresses. Additionally, it is easy to change the MAC address of a station to match one on the accepted list. This spoofing is trivial to perform with built-in driver tools, and it should not be relied upon to provide security.

MAC authentication can be used alone, but typically it is combined with other forms of authentication, such as WEP authentication. Because MAC addresses are easily observed during transmission and easily changed on the client, this form of authentication should be considered nothing more than a minor hurdle that will not deter the determined intruder. Dell recommends against the use of MAC based authentication.

### Configuring MAC Authentication

To enable MAC Authentication for a wireless network, perform the following steps:

1. In the **Network** tab, click the network for which you want to enable MAC authentication. The **edit** link for the network appears.
2. Click the **edit** link. The **Edit** box for the network appears.
3. Click **Next** and perform the following tasks in the **Security** tab:
  1. For a network with **Personal** or **Open** security level, select **External Radius Server** from the **MAC Authentication** drop-down list.

2. Click the **Primary** link and perform the following steps:
  3. Enter the IP address of the external RADIUS server in the **IP address** text box.
  4. Enter the authorization port number of the external RADIUS server in the **Auth Port** text box. The port number is set to 1812 by default.
  5. Enter a shared key for communicating with the external RADIUS server in the **Shared key** text box.
  6. Enter the virtual controller IP address in the **NAS IP address** text box. The NAS IP is the virtual controller IP address that is sent in the data packets.
4. Click the **Backup** link and set appropriate values for the backup RADIUS server.

**Figure 70** *Configuring MAC Authentication*

The screenshot shows the 'Edit Emp\_Network1' configuration page with three tabs: '1 Basic Info', '2 Security', and '3 Access'. The 'Security Level' section is active, featuring a vertical slider with 'More Secure' at the top and 'Less Secure' at the bottom. The slider is positioned at 'Personal', between 'Enterprise' and 'Open'. To the right, the 'Key management' dropdown is set to 'WPA-2 Personal'. The 'Passphrase format' dropdown is set to '8-63 alphanumeric chars'. There are two input fields for 'Passphrase' and 'Retype', both containing masked characters. The 'MAC authentication' dropdown is set to 'Enabled'. The 'Authentication server 1' dropdown is set to 'InternalServer', and the 'Authentication server 2' dropdown is set to '-- Select Server --'. Below these, there are links for 'Users' and 'Certificates' under the heading 'For internal server:'. At the bottom right, there are 'Back', 'Next', and 'Cancel' buttons.

5. Click **Next** and click **Finish**.

## Certificates

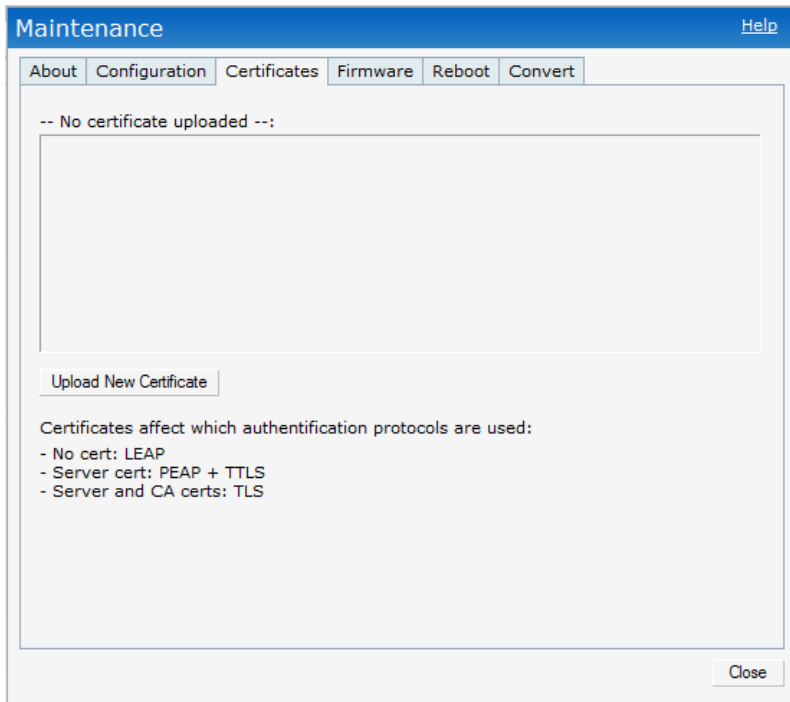
A certificate is a digital file that certifies the identity of the organization or products of the organization. It is also used to establish your credentials for any web transactions. It contains the organization name, a serial number, expiration date, a copy of the certificate-holder's public key, and the digital signature of the certificate-issuing authority so that a recipient can ensure that the certificate is real. Dell Instant supports certificate files in Privacy Enhanced Mail (.pem) format.

### Loading Certificates

To load a certificate, perform the following steps:

1. At the top right corner of Instant UI, click the **Maintenance** link. The **Maintenance** box appears.
2. Click the **Certificates** tab.

**Figure 71** *Loading Certificates*



3. Click the **Browse** button. Browse and select the appropriate certificate file, and click the **Upload Certificate** button.
4. Enter passphrase in the **Passphrase** text box and reconfirm.
5. Click **Close**.



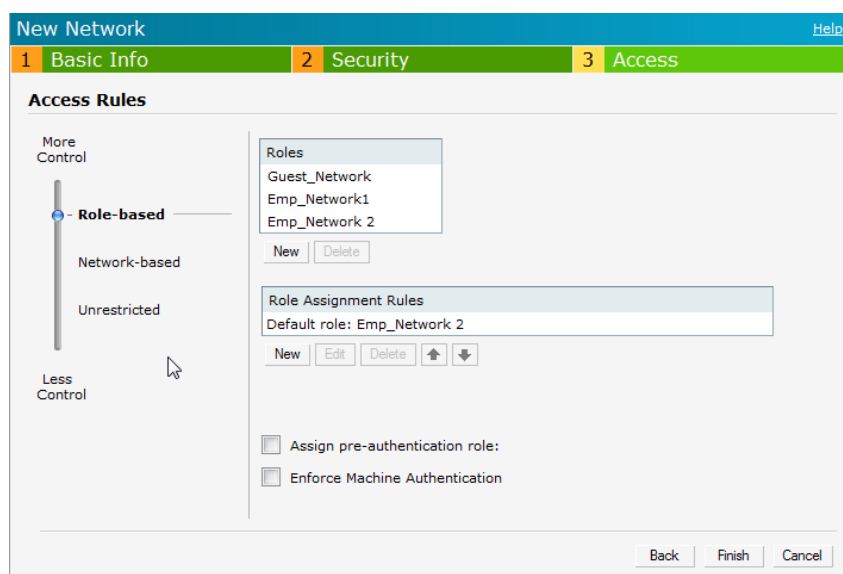
Every client in an Dell Instant network is associated with a user role, which determines the client's network privileges, how often it must re-authenticate, and which bandwidth contracts are applicable.

This chapter describes creating and assigning roles using the Instant UI.

### User Roles

This section describes how to create a new user role.

**Figure 72** Access Tab - Instant User Role Settings

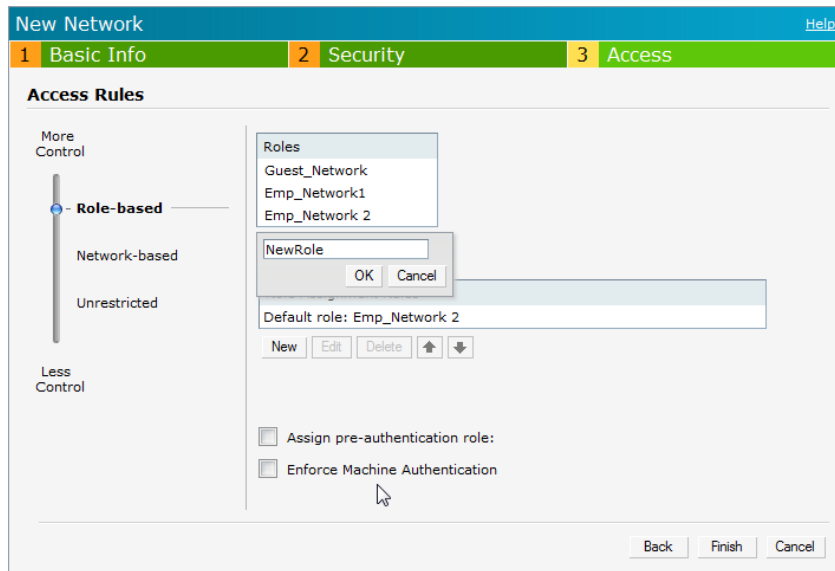


### Creating a New User Role

To create a new user role, perform the following steps:

1. Click the **New** link in the **Networks** tab.  
To define the access rule to an existing network, click the network. The **edit** link appears. Click the **edit** link and navigate to the **Access** tab.
2. In the **Basic Info** tab, enter the appropriate information.
3. Click **Next** and set appropriate values in the **Security** tab.
4. Click **Next**. The **Access** tab appears.
5. Select **Role-based** from the scroll bar in the left.
6. Click the **New** button. The **New Rule** box appears. Enter the name of the new user role in this box.

**Figure 73** *Creating a New User Role*



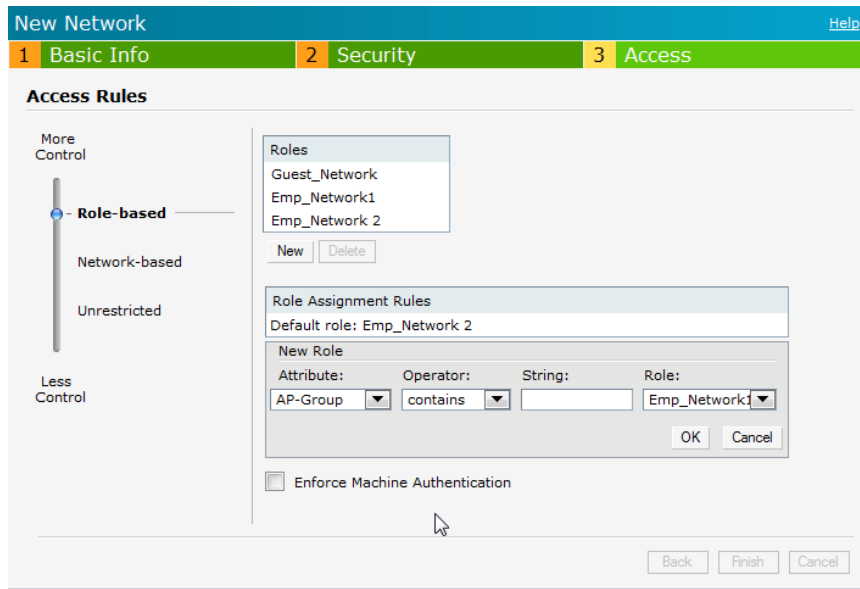
7. Click **OK**. The **Allow any to all destinations** access rule is enabled by default. This rule allows traffic to all destinations. To create new access rules, see [“Example Access Rules” on page 93](#).
8. To delete a user role, select the user role and click the **Delete** button.

### Creating Role Assignment Rules

To create role assignment rules for the user role, perform the following steps:

1. Click **New** button in the Role Assignment Rules table. The default user role is the newly created user role.
2. Select the attribute from the **Attribute** drop-down list. To view the list of supported attributes, see [“List of supported VSA’s” on page 72](#).
3. Select the operator from the **Operator** drop-down list. The following types of operators are supported:
  - **contains** - To check if the attribute contains the operand value.
  - **Is the role** - To check if the role is same as the operand value.
  - **equals** - To check if the attribute is equal to the operand value.
  - **not-equals** - To check if the attribute is not equal to the operand value.
  - **starts-with** - To check if the attribute the starts with the operand value.
  - **ends-with** - To check if the attribute ends with the operand value.
4. Enter the string to match the **String** text box.
5. Select the appropriate role from the **Role** drop-down list.
6. Click **OK**.

**Figure 74** *Creating Role Assignment Rules*







A De-Militarized Zone (DMZ) is a sub-network created between an internal network and an external network, for example, the Internet. The DMZ adds an extra layer of security to the network of an enterprise or organization. You can specify or select whether you want to segregate the guests from accessing your internal network or the external network, that is, the Internet. To apply the Guest DMZ feature for the networks that you create, select the Virtual Controller assigned option in the Client IP Assignment section while creating a network. When this option is selected, the virtual controller creates a private subnet and VLAN for the IAPs and wireless clients. The virtual controller NATs all traffic that passes out of this interface. This eliminates the need for complex VLAN and IP address management for a multi-site wireless network. Layer 2 multicast applications are not supported in the Guest DMZ (virtual controller assigned) networks. In Dell Instant, Guest DMZ performs the following functions:

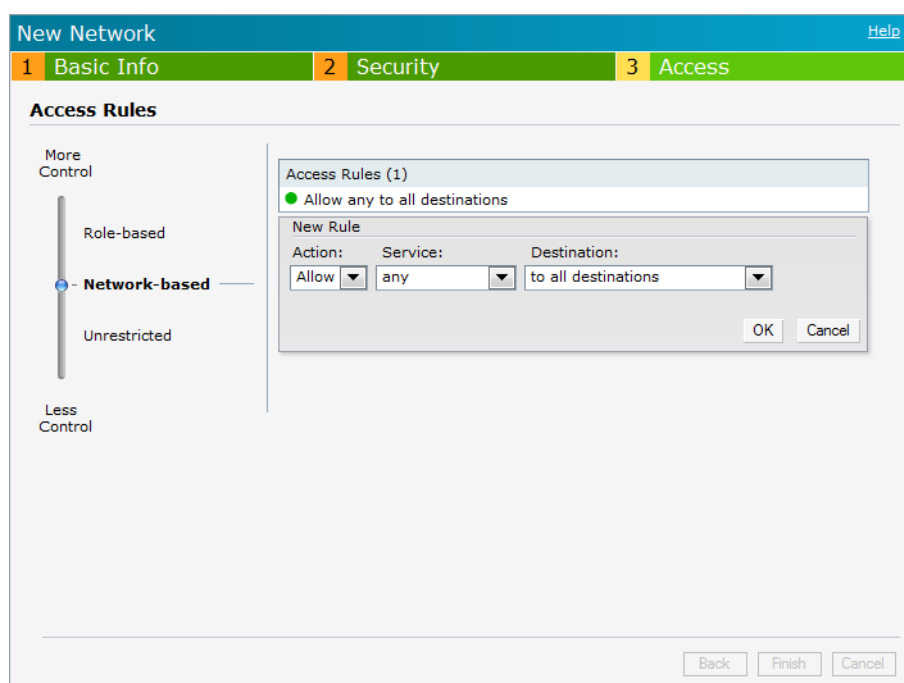
- Automatically segregates guest network users and employee or voice network users.
- Stops guest users from accessing internal network.
- Auto-NATs guest traffic as it passes from the enterprise network to the Internet.



A firewall is a system designed to prevent unauthorized Internet users from accessing the private network connected to the Internet. It defines access rules and monitors all data entering or leaving the network and blocks the data that does not satisfy the specified security policies.

Dell Instant implements the Instant Firewall feature that uses a simplified firewall policy language. An administrator can define the firewall policies on an SSID or wireless network such as the Guest network or an Employee network. At the end of authentication, these policies are uniformly applied to users connected to that network. The Instant Firewall gives the flexibility to limit packets or bandwidth available to particular class of users. Instant Firewall treats packets based on the first rule matched.

**Figure 75** Access Tab - Instant Firewall Settings



## Service Options

Table 10 lists a sample set of service options available in the Instant UI. You can allow or deny access to any or all of these services depending on your requirements.

**Table 10** Network Service Options

Service	Description
any	Access is allowed or denied to all services.
custom	Available options are TCP, UDP, and Other. If you select the TCP or UDP options, enter appropriate port numbers. If you select the other option, enter the appropriate ID.
adp	Application Distribution Protocol
bootp	Bootstrap Protocol

**Table 10** *Network Service Options (Continued)*

<b>Service</b>	<b>Description</b>
dhcp	Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol
dns	Domain Name Server
esp	Encapsulating Security Payload
ftp	File Transfer Protocol
gre	Generic Routing Encapsulation
h323-tcp	H.323-Transmission Control Protocol
h323-udp	H.323-User Datagram Protocol
http-proxy2	Hypertext Transfer Protocol-proxy2
http-proxy3	Hypertext Transfer Protocol-proxy3
http	Hypertext Transfer Protocol
https	Hypertext Transfer Protocol Secure
http-proxy3	Hypertext Transfer Protocol-proxy3
http	Hypertext Transfer Protocol
https	Hypertext Transfer Protocol Secure
icmp	Internet Control Message Protocol
ike	Internet Key Exchange
kerberos	Computer network authentication protocol
l2tp	Layer 2 Tunneling Protocol
lpd-tcp	Line Printer Daemon protocol-Transmission Control Protocol
lpd-udp	Line Printer Daemon protocol-User Datagram Protocol
msrpc-tcp	Microsoft Remote Procedure Call-Transmission Control Protocol
msrpc-udp	Microsoft Remote Procedure Call-User Datagram Protocol
netbios-dgm	Network Basic Input/Output System-Datagram Service
netbios-ns	Network Basic Input/Output System-Name Service
netbios-ssn	Network Basic Input/Output System-Session Service
ntp	Network Time Protocol
papi	Point of Access for Providers of Information
pop3	Post Office Protocol 3
pptp	Point-to-Point Tunneling Protocol
rtsp	Real Time Streaming Protocol
sccp	Skinny Call Control Protocol
sip	Session Initiation Protocol
sip-tcp	Session Initiation Protocol-Transmission Control Protocol
sip-udp	Session Initiation Protocol-User Datagram Protocol

**Table 10** *Network Service Options (Continued)*

Service	Description
smb-tcp	Server Message Block-Transmission Control Protocol
smb-udp	Server Message Block-User Datagram Protocol
smtp	Simple mail transfer protocol
snmp	Simple network management protocol
snmp-trap	Simple network management protocol-trap
svp	Software Validation Protocol
tftp	Trivial file transfer protocol

## Destination Options

[Table 11](#) lists the destination options available in the Instant UI. You can allow or deny access to any or all of these destinations depending on your requirements.

**Table 11** *Destination Options*

Service	Description
To all destinations	Access is allowed or denied to all destinations.
To a particular server	Access is allowed or denied to a particular server. You have to specify the IP address of the server.
Except to a particular server	Access is allowed or denied to servers other than the specified server. You have to specify the IP address of the server.
To a network	Access is allowed or denied to a network. You have to specify the IP address and netmask for the network.
Except to a network	Access is allowed or denied to networks other than the specified network. You have to specify the IP address and netmask for the network.

## Example Access Rules

This section provides procedures to create the following access rules.

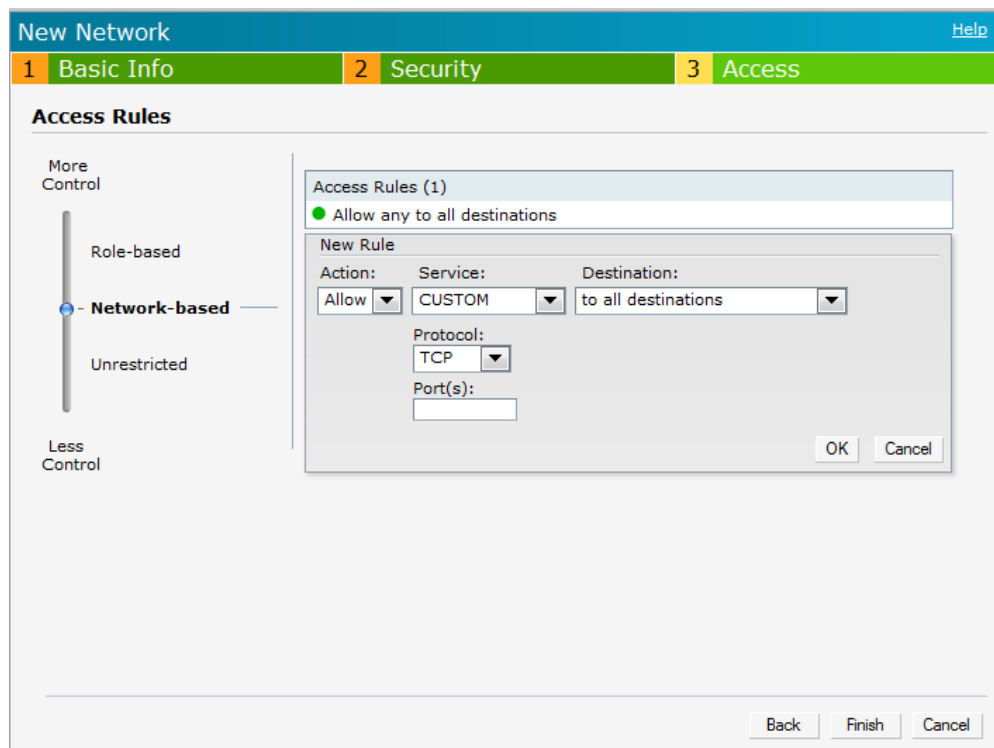
- [Allow TCP service to a particular network](#)
- [Allow PoP3 service to a particular server](#)
- [Deny FTP service except to a particular server](#)
- [Deny bootp service except to a particular network](#)

### Allow TCP service to a particular network

1. Click the **New** link in the **Networks** tab.  
To define the access rule to an existing network, click the network. The **edit** link appears. Click the **edit** link and navigate to the **Access** tab.
2. In the **Basic Info** tab, enter the appropriate information.
3. Click **Next** and set appropriate values in the **Security** tab.

4. Click **Next**. The **Access** tab appears. The **Allow any to all destinations** access rule is enabled by default. This rule allows traffic to all destinations. To define allow TCP service access rule to a particular network, perform the following steps:
  - a. Click the **New** button. The **New Rule** box appears.
  - b. Select **Allow** from the **Action** drop-down list.
  - c. Select **custom** from the **Service** drop-down list.
    - Select TCP from the **Protocol** drop-down list.
    - Enter appropriate port number in the **Port(s)** text box.
  - d. Select **to a network** from the **Destination** drop-down list.
    - Enter appropriate IP address in the **IP** text box.
    - Enter appropriate netmask in the **Netmask** text box.

**Figure 76** *Defining Rule - Allow TCP Service to a Particular Network*



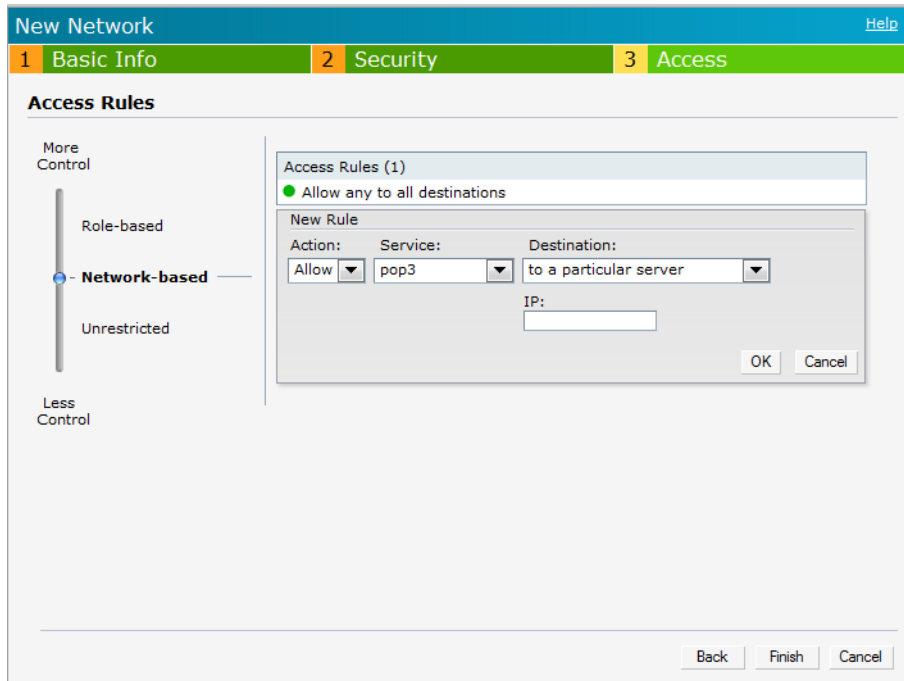
- e. Click **OK**.
5. Click **Finish**.

### **Allow POP3 service to a particular server**

1. Click the **New** link in the **Networks** tab.  
To define the access rule to an existing network, click the network. The **edit** link appears. Click the **edit** link and navigate to the **Access** tab.
2. In the **Basic Info** tab, enter the appropriate information.
3. Click **Next** and set appropriate security levels using the slider button in the **Security** tab.
4. Click **Next**. The **Access** tab appears. The **Allow any to all destinations** access rule is enabled by default. This rule allows traffic to all destinations. To define allow POP3 service access rule to a particular server, perform the following steps:
  1. Click the **New** button. The **New Rule** box appears.

2. Select **Allow** from the **Action** drop-down list.
  3. Select **pop3** from the **Service** drop-down list.
  4. Select **to a particular server** from the **Destination** drop-down list and enter appropriate IP address in the IP text box.
  5. Click **OK**.
5. Click **Finish**.

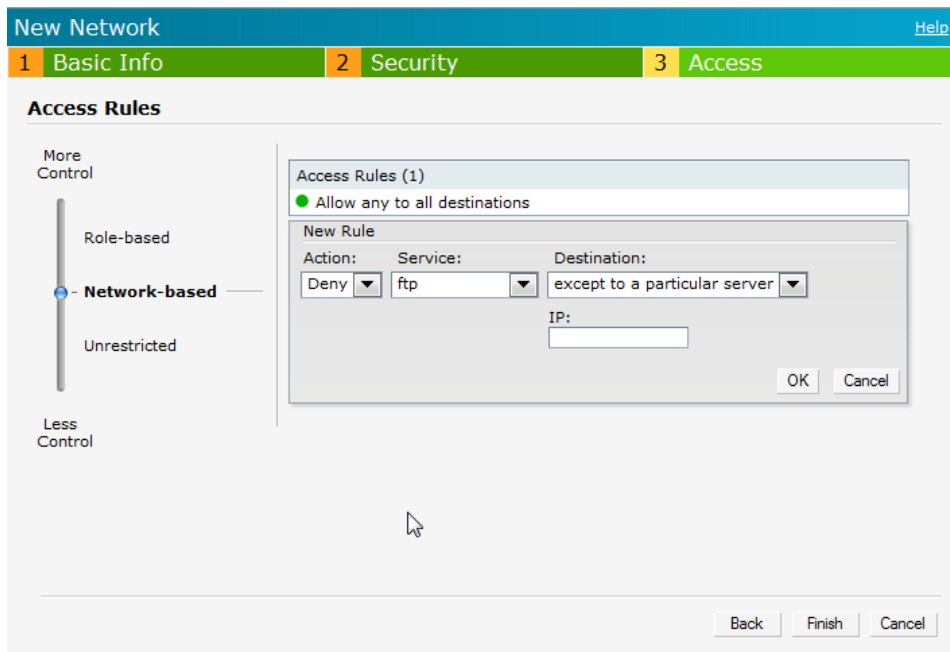
**Figure 77** Defining Rule - Allow POP3 Service to a Particular Server



### Deny FTP service except to a particular server

1. Click the **New** link in the **Networks** tab.  
To define the access rule to an existing network, click the network. The **edit** link appears. Click the **edit** link and navigate to the **Access** tab.
2. In the **Basic Info** tab, enter the appropriate information.
3. Click **Next** and set appropriate security levels using the slider button in the **Security** tab.
4. Click **Next**. The **Access** tab appears. The **Allow any to all destinations** access rule is enabled by default. This rule allows traffic to all destinations. To define deny FTP service access rule except to a particular server, perform the following steps:
  1. Click the **New** button. The **New Rule** box appears.
  2. Select **Deny** from the **Action** drop-down list.
  3. Select **ftp** from the **Service** drop-down list.
  4. Select **except to a particular server** from the **Destination** drop-down list and enter appropriate IP address in the **IP** text box.
  5. Click **OK**
5. Click **Finish**

**Figure 78** Defining Rule - Deny FTP Service Except to a Particular Server

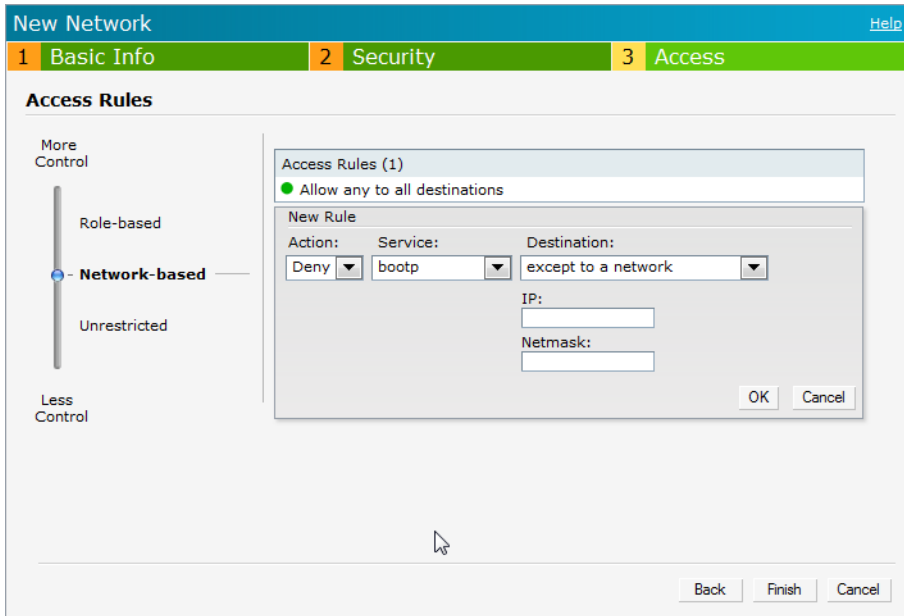


### Deny bootp service except to a particular network

1. Click the **New** link in the **Networks** tab.  
To define the access rule to an existing network, click the network. The **edit** link appears. Click the **edit** link and navigate to the **Access** tab.
2. In the **Basic Info** tab, enter the appropriate information.
3. Click **Next** and set appropriate security levels using the slider button in the **Security** tab.
4. Click **Next**. The **Access** tab appears. The **Allow any to all destinations** access rule is enabled by default. This rule allows traffic to all destinations. To define deny bootp service access rule except to a network, perform the following steps:
  1. Click the **New** button. The **New Rule** box appears.
  2. Select **Deny** from the **Action** drop-down list.
  3. Select **bootp** from the **Service** drop-down list.
  4. Select **except to a network** from the **Destination** drop-down list.
    - Enter appropriate IP address in the IP text box.
    - Enter appropriate netmask in the Netmask text box.
  5. Click **OK**.
5. Click **Finish**.



**Figure 79** Defining Rule - Deny bootp Service Except to a Particular Network





Dell Instant uses OpenDNS to implement the Content Filtering feature. OpenDNS is a Domain Name System (DNS) resolution service provider. It offers features such as misspelling correction, phishing protection, and integrated web content filtering. For more information on OpenDNS, refer <http://www.opendns.com/>.

The Content Filtering feature allows you to create internet access policies that allow or deny user access to websites based on the website categories and security ratings. This feature is useful to:

- Prevent known malware hosts from accessing your wireless network.
- Improve employee productivity by limiting access to certain websites.
- Reduce bandwidth consumption significantly.

When this feature is enabled on Dell Instant, all external DNS requests are forwarded to OpenDNS servers. A user is allowed or denied access to a website depending on the blacklist and whitelist entries in these servers. Internal DNS requests are forwarded to the internal DNS server.

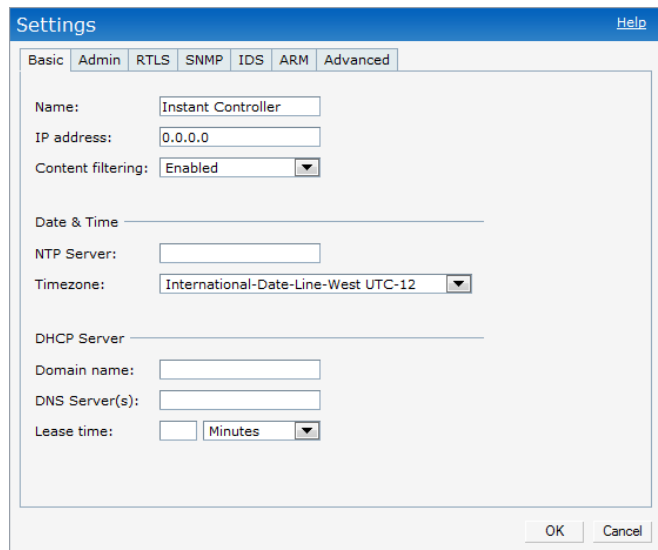
This feature also enables the IAP to store or cache the responses from the OpenDNS servers. When the IAP receives an access request, it searches the cache memory. If a suitable record is found, the IAP responds accordingly instead of contacting the DNS server again.

## Enabling Content Filtering

To enable content filtering using the Instant UI, perform the following steps:

1. At the top right corner of the Instant UI, click the **Settings** link.
2. Select **Enabled** from the **Content Filtering** drop-down list and Click **OK**.

**Figure 80** *Enabling Content Filtering*



The content filtering configuration applies to all the IAPs in the Dell Instant network and the service is enabled or disabled globally across all the wireless networks that are configured in the Dell Instant.



The OS Fingerprinting feature gathers information about the client that is connected to the Dell Instant network to find the operating system that the client is running on. The following is a list of advantages of this feature:

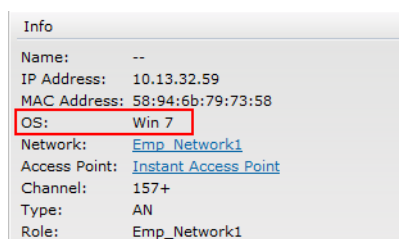
- Identifying rogue clients - Helps to identify clients that are running on forbidden operating systems.
- Identifying outdated operating systems - Helps to locate outdated and unexpected OS in the company network.
- Locating and patching vulnerable operating systems - Assists in locating and patching specific operating system versions on the network that have known vulnerabilities, thereby securing the company network.

OS Fingerprinting is enabled in the Dell Instant network by default. The following operating systems are identified by Dell Instant:

- Windows 7
- Windows Vista
- Windows Server
- Windows XP
- Windows ME
- OS-X
- iPhone
- iPad
- Android
- Blackberry
- Linux

In the following image, the OS of the client is Windows XP.

**Figure 81** OS Fingerprinting



The screenshot shows a network device's information panel. The 'OS' field is highlighted with a red box and contains the text 'Win 7'. Other fields include Name, IP Address, MAC Address, Network, Access Point, Channel, Type, and Role.

Info	
Name:	--
IP Address:	10.13.32.59
MAC Address:	58:94:6b:79:73:58
OS:	Win 7
Network:	<a href="#">Emp_Network1</a>
Access Point:	<a href="#">Instant Access Point</a>
Channel:	157+
Type:	AN
Role:	Emp_Network1



Adaptive Radio Management (ARM) is a radio frequency management technology that optimizes WLAN performance even in the networks with highest traffic by dynamically and intelligently choosing the best 802.11 channel and transmitting power for each IAP in its current RF environment. ARM works with all standard clients, across all operating systems, while remaining in compliance with the IEEE 802.11 standards. It does not require any proprietary client software to achieve its performance goals. ARM ensures low-latency roaming, consistently high performance, and maximum client compatibility in a multi-channel environment. By ensuring the fair distribution of available Wi-Fi bandwidth to mobile devices, ARM ensures that data, voice, and video applications have sufficient network resources at all times. ARM allows mixed 802.11a, b, g, and n client types to inter-operate at the highest performance levels.

### ARM Features

This section describes ARM features that are available in Dell Instant.

#### Channel or Power Assignment

This feature automatically assigns channel and power settings for all the IAPs in the network according to changes in the RF environment. This feature automates many setup tasks during network installation and during ongoing operations when RF conditions change.

#### Voice Aware Scanning

This feature stops the IAP that is supporting an active voice call from scanning for other channels in the RF spectrum. The IAP resumes scanning when no more active voice calls are present on that IAP. This significantly improves the voice quality when a call is in progress while simultaneously delivering automated RF management functions.

#### Load Aware Scanning

This feature dynamically adjusts scanning behavior to maintain uninterrupted data transfer on resource intensive systems when the network traffic exceeds a predefined threshold. The IAPs resume complete monitoring scans when the traffic drops to the normal levels.

#### Band Steering Mode

This feature moves dual-band capable clients to stay on the 5 GHz band on dual-band IAPs. This feature reduces co-channel interference and increases available bandwidth for dual-band clients because there are more channels on the 5 GHz band than on the 2.4 GHz band.

Band steering supports the following three different band steering modes:

- **Prefer 5Ghz** - If you configure the IAP to use prefer-5GHz band steering mode, the IAP will try to steer the client to 5G band (if the client is 5G capable) but will let the client connect on the 2.4G band if the client persists in 2.4G association attempts.
- **Force 5Ghz** - When the IAP is configured in force-5GHz band steering mode, the IAP will try to force 5Ghz-capable IAPs to use that radio band.
- **Balance Bands** - In this band steering mode, the IAP tries to balance the clients across the two radios in order to best utilize the available 2.4G bandwidth. This feature takes into account the fact that the 5Ghz band has

more channels than the 2.4 GHz band, and that the 5GHz channels operate in 40MHz while the 2.5GHz band operates in 20MHz.

## Air Time Fairness

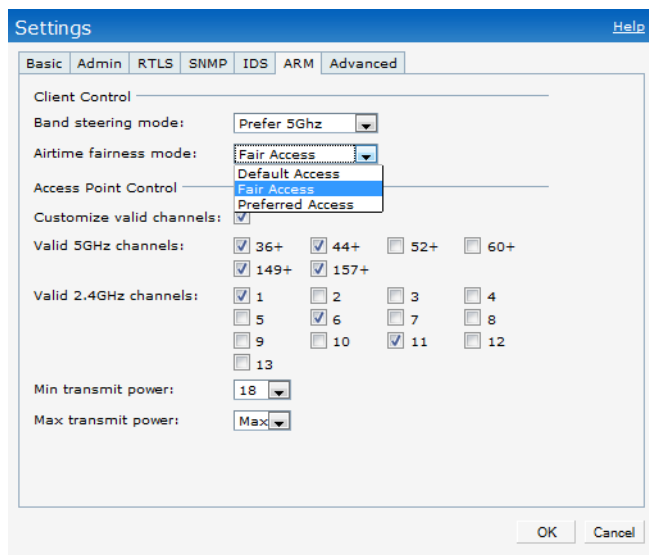
This feature provides equal access to all clients on the wireless medium, regardless of client type, capability, or operating system, thus delivering uniform performance to all clients. This feature prevents some clients from monopolizing resources at the expense of other clients.

### Air Time Fairness Modes

The Air Time Fairness consists of the following modes:

- Default Access - Provides access based on the client request. When Air Time Fairness is set to default access, per user and per SSID bandwidth contracts are not enforced
- Fair Access - Allocates Airtime evenly across all the clients
- Preferred Access - Allocates Airtime to all the clients but preference is for higher performing clients

**Figure 82** Air Time Fairness Mode



### Customize valid channels

You can customize the valid 5GHz channels and the valid 2.4 GHz channels for the IAP.

### Min transmit power

Minimum effective isotropic radiated power (EIRP) from 3 to 33 dBm in 3 dBm increments. You may also specify a special value of 127 dBm for regulatory maximum to disable power adjustments for environments such as outdoor mesh links. Higher power level settings may be constrained by local regulatory requirements and AP capabilities. In the event that an AP is configured for a Min Tx EIRP setting it cannot support, this value will be reduced to the highest supported power setting.

Default: 18 dBm

### Max transmit power

Maximum effective isotropic radiated power (EIRP) from 3 to 33 dBm in 3 dBm increments. Higher power level settings may be constrained by local regulatory requirements and AP capabilities. In the event that an AP is configured for a Max Tx EIRP setting it cannot support, this value will be reduced to the highest supported power setting.



Default: 127 dBm

## Monitoring the Network with ARM

When ARM is enabled, an IAP dynamically scans all 802.11 channels within its 802.11 regulatory domain at regular intervals and provides reports for network (WLAN) coverage, interference, and intrusion detection, to a virtual controller.

## ARM Metrics

ARM computes coverage and interference metrics for each valid channel and chooses the best performing channel and transmit power settings for each IAP RF environment. Each IAP gathers other metrics on their ARM-assigned channel to provide a snapshot of the current RF health state.

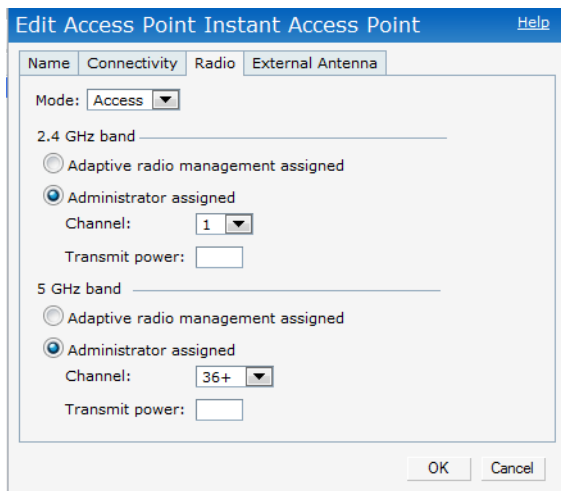
## Configuring Administrator Assigned Radio Settings for IAP

ARM is enabled on Dell Instant by default. It automatically assigns appropriate channel and power for the IAPs.

To manually configure radio settings using the Instant UI, perform the following steps:

1. In the **Access Points** tab, click the AP for which you want to enable ARM. The **edit** link appears.
2. Click the **edit** link. The **Edit AP** box appears.
3. Click the **Radio** tab.

**Figure 83** *Configuring Administrator Assigned Radio Settings for IAP*



The screenshot shows a dialog box titled "Edit Access Point Instant Access Point" with a "Help" link. It has four tabs: "Name", "Connectivity", "Radio", and "External Antenna". The "Radio" tab is active. Under "Mode", a dropdown menu is set to "Access". The "2.4 GHz band" section has two radio buttons: "Adaptive radio management assigned" (unselected) and "Administrator assigned" (selected). Below it, the "Channel" dropdown is set to "1" and the "Transmit power" field is empty. The "5 GHz band" section also has "Adaptive radio management assigned" (unselected) and "Administrator assigned" (selected). Its "Channel" dropdown is set to "36+" and its "Transmit power" field is empty. At the bottom right are "OK" and "Cancel" buttons.

4. Select the **Access Mode** from the drop-down list.



NOTE: Select the **Monitor** Mode to configure the specific IAP in the Instant network in Monitor Mode and click **OK**

5. Select the **Administrator assigned** radio button in **2.4 GHz** and **5 GHz** band sections.
6. Select appropriate channel number from the **Channel** drop-down list for both **2.4 GHz** and **5 GHz** band sections.
7. Enter appropriate transmit power value in the **Transmit power** text box in **2.4 GHz** and **5 GHz** band sections.
8. Click **OK**.



Intrusion Detection System (IDS) is a feature that monitors the network for the presence of unauthorized IAPs and clients. It also logs information about the unauthorized IAPs and clients, and generates reports based on the logged information.

### Rogue AP Detection and Classification

The most important IDS functionality offered in the Dell Instant network is the ability to detect rogue APs, interfering APs, and other devices that can potentially disrupt network operations. An AP is considered to be a rogue AP if it is both unauthorized and plugged into the wired side of the network. An AP is considered to be an interfering AP if it is seen in the RF environment but is not connected to the wired network. While the interfering AP can potentially cause RF interference, it is not considered a direct security threat since it is not connected to the wired network. However, an interfering AP may be reclassified as a rogue AP.

**Figure 84** *Intrusion Detection*

Foreign Access Points Detected						Foreign Clients Detected					
MAC Address	Network	Classification	Chan.	Type	Last Seen..Where	MAC Address	Network	Classification	Chan.	Type	Last Seen..Where
00:1a:1e:17:da:c0	dgaurnh-t...	Interfering	11	GN 20M2	15:47:57	00:27:10:8d:94:28	IBM	Interfering	1	B	15:48:12
00:24:6c:80:95:c8	ethersph...	Interfering	161	AN 40M2	15:47:57	00:18:de:74:45:17	IBM	Interfering	6	G	15:48:12
00:24:6c:06:89:8a	tw-cert	Interfering	44	A	15:47:57	00:22:fa:7a:56:ae	IBM	Interfering	1	G	15:48:12
00:1a:1e:82:b2:10	vj-wpa2p...	Interfering	60	A	15:47:57	00:26:c6:4c:1c:d4	IBM	Interfering	1	G	15:48:12
00:0b:86:50:47:48	c-portal-ap	Interfering	64	A	15:47:57	00:27:10:8e:41:d4	IBM	Interfering	1	B	15:48:12
00:1a:1e:40:bb:20	nh-rap-w...	Interfering	1	GN 20M2	15:47:57	00:19:7e:25:78:fd	IBM	Interfering	1	G	15:48:12
00:1c:b0:eb:da:d0	IBM	Interfering	6	G	15:47:57	00:1f:3c:1b:80:64	IBM	Interfering	1	G	15:48:12
00:24:6c:80:95:c9	ethersph...	Interfering	161	AN 40M2	15:47:57	00:19:7e:4c:ae:cc	ethersph...	Interfering	149	A	15:48:12
00:24:6c:06:89:8b	Portal	Interfering	44	A	15:47:57	00:27:10:5c:ae:24	ethersph...	Interfering	161	AN 40M2	15:48:12
00:24:6c:07:e8:a8	vlan-3-3	Interfering	36	AN 40M2	15:47:57	00:26:c7:47:e3:ba	ethersph...	Interfering	6	GN 20M2	15:48:12
00:24:6c:80:6f:28	ethersph...	Interfering	149	AN 40M2	15:47:57	00:17:ca:80:51:4c	ethersph...	Interfering	6	G	15:48:12
00:24:6c:80:95:ca	Aruba-In...	Interfering	161	AN 40M2	15:47:57	00:26:c7:40:04:5a	ethersph...	Interfering	6	GN 20M2	15:48:12
00:24:6c:80:4f:88	ethersph...	Interfering	157	AN 40M2	15:47:57	00:26:c7:44:06:e8	ethersph...	Interfering	1	GN 20M2	15:48:12
00:1a:1e:82:b2:12	vj-voice	Interfering	60	A	15:47:57	00:26:c6:b7:7a:76	ethersph...	Interfering	161	AN 40M2	15:48:12
00:1a:1e:17:dc:60	ipv6-alpha	Interfering	1	GN 20M2	15:47:57	00:19:7e:65:78:d0	IBM	Interfering	6	B	15:48:12
00:24:6c:80:fd:78	ipv6-alpha	Interfering	44	AN 40M2	15:47:57	00:26:c6:bb:d8:08	ethersph...	Interfering	161	AN 40M2	15:48:12
00:24:6c:84:21:08	raji-split...	Interfering	44	AN 40M2	15:47:57	f0:7b:cb:a3:92:8c	ethersph...	Interfering	6	GN 20M2	15:48:12
00:24:6c:80:79:50	qa-st-pra...	Interfering	11	GN 20M2	15:47:57	00:22:fa:cb:20:8a	ethersph...	Interfering	161	AN 40M2	15:48:12
00:24:6c:80:6f:29	ethersph...	Interfering	149	AN 40M2	15:47:57	00:24:d6:9d:cd:b4	ethersph...	Interfering	161	AN 40M2	15:48:12
00:24:6c:80:4f:89	ethersph...	Interfering	157	AN 40M2	15:47:57	00:26:c7:43:ff:8e	ethersph...	Interfering	6	B	15:48:12
00:24:6c:80:99:a8	ethersph...	Interfering	48	AN 40M2	15:47:57	00:27:10:8a:6f:94	IBM	Interfering	1	G	15:48:12

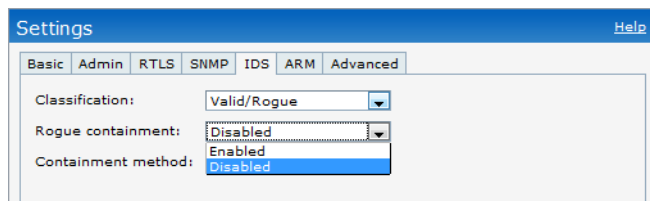
### Rogue Containment

Enable or disable rogue containment on the Instant network. By default, this is disabled.



NOTE: The rogue containment is supported only when the IAPs are in the monitor mode.

**Figure 85** *Rogue Containment*



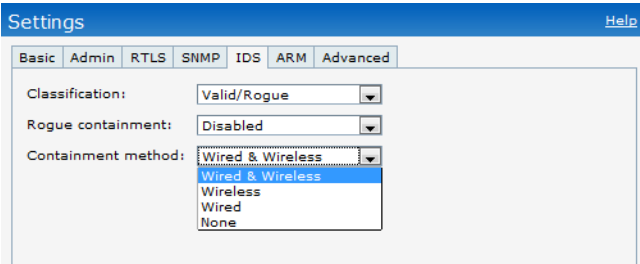
### Containment Methods

You can enable wired and wireless containments to prevent unauthorized stations from connecting to your Instant network.

Instant supports the following types of containment mechanisms:

- Wired & Wireless - An IAP or client is contained by disrupting its connection on the wired and wireless interfaces.
- Wired - An IAP or client is contained by disrupting its connection on the wired interface.
- Wireless - An IAP or client is contained by disrupting its association on the wireless interface.
- None - Disables all the containment mechanisms.

**Figure 86** *Containment Methods*



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NOTE: Wireless containment is the recommended containment method.

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Dell Instant supports versions 1, 2c, and 3 of Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) for reporting purposes only. In other words, SNMP cannot be used for setting values in an Dell system in the current IAP.

### SNMP Parameters for IAP

You can configure the following parameters for IAP.

**Table 12** *SNMP Parameters for IAP*

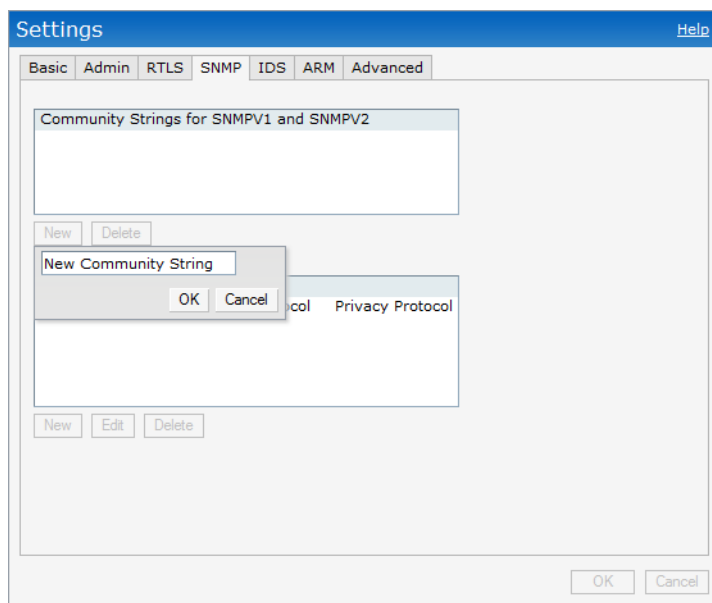
Field	Description
Community Strings for SNMPV1 and SNMPV2	Community strings used to authenticate requests for SNMP versions before version 3. NOTE: This is needed only if using SNMP v2c and is not needed if using version 3.
If you are using SNMPv3 to obtain values from the Dell controller, you can configure the following parameters:	
Name	A string representing the name of the user.
Authentication Protocol	An indication of whether messages sent on behalf of this user can be authenticated, and if so, the type of authentication protocol used. This can take one of the two values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MD5: HMAC-MD5-96 Digest Authentication Protocol</li> <li>SHA: HMAC-SHA-96 Digest Authentication Protocol</li> </ul>
Authentication protocol password	If messages sent on behalf of this user can be authenticated, the (private) authentication key for use with the authentication protocol. This is a string password for MD5 or SHA depending on the choice above.
Privacy protocol	An indication of whether messages sent on behalf of this user can be protected from disclosure, and if so, the type of privacy protocol which is used. This takes the value DES (CBC-DES Symmetric Encryption).
Privacy protocol password	If messages sent on behalf of this user can be encrypted/decrypted with DES, the (private) privacy key for use with the privacy protocol.
Community Strings for SNMPV1 and SNMPV2	Community strings used to authenticate requests for SNMP versions before version 3. NOTE: This is needed only if using SNMP v2c and is not needed if using version 3.

Follow the steps below to create community strings for SNMPV1 and SNMPV2

1. In the Settings tab click the **SNMP** tab.
2. Click the **New** button in the Community Strings for SNMPV1 and SNMPV2 box.
3. Enter the string in the **New Community String** text box.
4. Click **OK**.

To delete a community string, select the string and click the **Delete** button.

**Figure 87** *Creating Community Strings for SNMPV1 and SNMPV2*



Follow the steps below to create, edit, and delete users for SNMPV3

1. In the Settings tab click the **SNMP** tab.
2. Click the **New** button in the Users for SNMPV3 box.
3. Enter the name of the user in the **Name** text box.
4. Select the type of authentication protocol from the **Auth protocol** drop-down list.
5. Enter the authentication password in the **Password** text box and retype the password in the **Retype** text box.
6. Select the type of privacy protocol from the **Privacy protocol** drop-down list.
7. Enter the privacy protocol password in the **Password** text box and retype the password in the **Retype** text box.
8. Click **OK**.
9. To edit the details for a particular user, select the user and click the **Edit** button.
10. To delete a particular user, select the user and click the **Delete** button.

**Figure 88** *Creating Users for SNMPV3*

The screenshot shows a web-based configuration interface titled "Settings" with a "Help" link in the top right corner. The "SNMP" tab is selected among other tabs: Basic, Admin, RTLS, SNMP, IDS, ARM, and Advanced. Below the tabs is a section for "Community Strings for SNMPV1 and SNMPV2" with an empty text area and "New" and "Delete" buttons. A "New SNMPV3 User" dialog box is open, containing the following fields and controls:

- Name:** A text input field.
- Auth protocol:** A dropdown menu currently set to "SHA".
- Privacy protocol:** A dropdown menu currently set to "DES".
- Password:** Two text input fields for entering and confirming the password.
- Retype:** Two text input fields for re-entering and confirming the password.
- Buttons:** "OK" and "Cancel" buttons are located at the bottom right of the dialog box.

At the bottom of the main settings window, there are also "OK" and "Cancel" buttons.





AirWave is a solution for managing rapidly changing wireless networks. The easy-to-use interface and user-centric approach lets you to easily solve any connectivity issues. It allows you to efficiently and remotely manage and monitor enterprise wireless LAN. It allows you to monitor and change wireless LAN settings, generate compliance reports, locate users and W-IAPs, and diagnose problems from any Internet connection. Dell PowerConnect W-IAPs communicate with AirWave using the HTTPS protocol. This allows an AirWave server to be deployed in the cloud across a NAT device such as a router.

### AirWave Features

This section describes the AirWave features that are available in the Dell Instant network.

#### Image Management

AirWave allows updating the firmware on WLAN devices by defining a minimum acceptable firmware version for each make and model of a device. It remotely distributes the firmware image to the WLAN devices that require updates, and also schedules the firmware updates such that updating is completed without the necessity to manually monitor the devices.

The following models can be used to upgrade the firmware:

- **Directed:** In this model, the user initiates a new image upgrade by giving a command to the virtual controller with a URL that provides the new image location.
- **Automatic:** In this model, the virtual controller periodically checks for newer updates from a configured URL, and automatically initiates upgrade of the network.

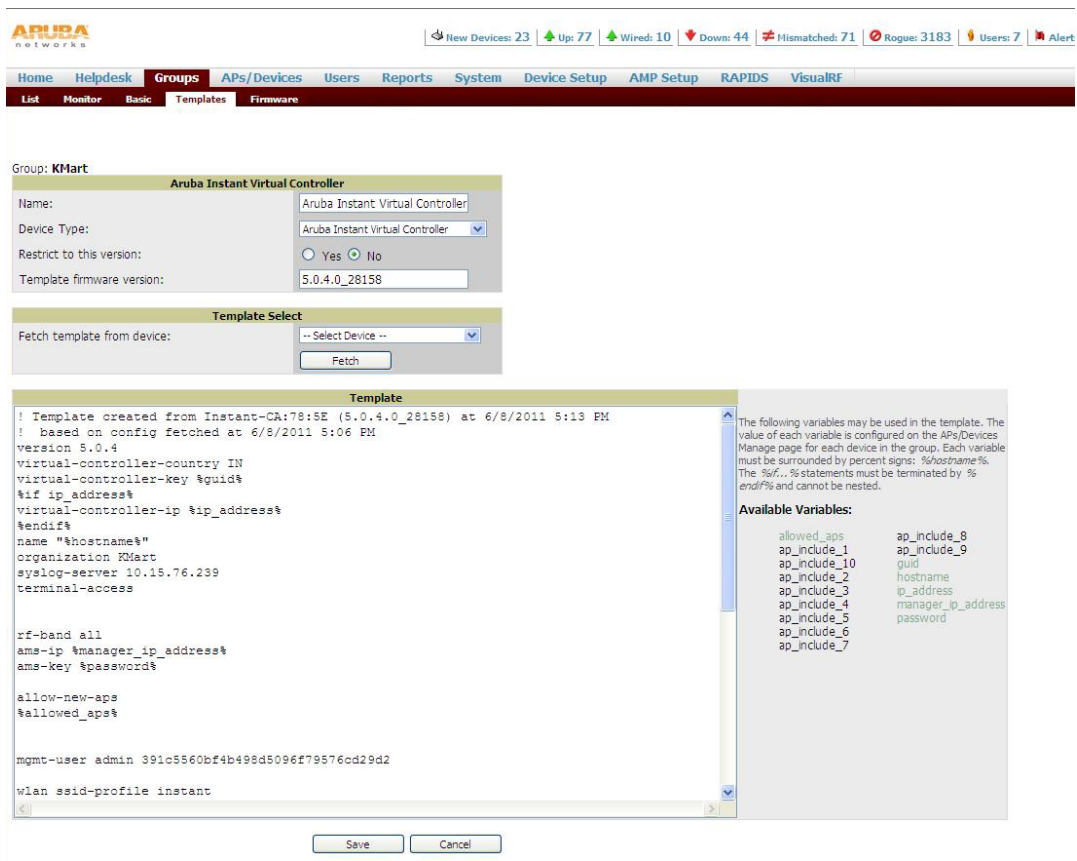
#### W-IAP and Client Monitoring

AirWave allows you to find any W-IAP or client on the wireless network and to see real-time monitoring views. These monitoring views can be used to aggregate critical information and high-end monitoring information.

#### Template Based Configuration

AirWave automatically creates a configuration template based on any of the existing W-IAPs, and it applies that template across the network as shown in [Figure 89](#). It audits every device on an ongoing basis to ensure that configurations never vary from the enterprise policies. It alerts you whenever a violation is detected and automatically repairs the misconfigured device.

**Figure 89** *Template Based Configuration*



## Trending Reports

AirWave saves up to two years of actionable information, including network performance data and user roaming patterns so you can analyze how network usage and performance trends have changed over time. It also provides the detailed capacity reports with which you can plan the capacity and plan right strategies for your organization.

## Intrusion Detection System

AirWave provides advanced, rules-based rogue classification. It automatically detects rogue W-IAPs irrespective of their location in the network. It prevents authorized W-IAPs from being detected as rogue W-IAPs. It tracks and correlates the IDS events to provide a complete picture of network security.

## Configuring AirWave

This section describes how to configure AirWave. Before configuring the AirWave, you need the following:

- IP address of the AirWave server.
- Shared key for service authorization - This is assigned by the AirWave administrator.

## Creating your Organization String

The Organization String is a set of colon-separated strings created by the AirWave administrator to accurately represent the deployment of each Dell Instant system. This string is entered into the Dell Instant UI by the on-site installer.

- AMP Role: "Org Admin" (initially disabled)

- AMP User: "Org Admin" (assigned to the role "Org Admin")
- Folder: "Org" (under the Top folder in AMP)
- Configuration Group: "Org"

Additional strings in the Organization String are used to create a hierarchy of subfolders under the folder named "Org":

- subfolder1 would be a folder under the "Org" folder
- subfolder2 would be a folder under subfolder1

## The Shared Key

The Shared Secret key is used by the administrator to manually authorize the first Virtual Controller for an organization. Any string is acceptable.

## Entering the Organization String and AMP Information into the IAP

1. Click the **AirWave Set Up Now** link in the bottom-middle region of the Instant UI. The **Settings** box with the **AirWave** tab selected appears.

**Figure 90** *Configuring AirWave*

2. Enter the name of your organization in the **Organization** name text box.
3. Enter the IP address of the AirWave server in the **Airwave IP** text box.
4. Enter the shared key in the **Shared key** text box and reconfirm. This shared key is used for configuring the first AP in the Dell Instant network.
5. Click **OK**.

## Airwave Discovery through DHCP Option

The AirWave configuration can also be performed on the DHCP option that is configured on the DHCP server. You can configure this only if the Airwave is not configured earlier or have deleted the precedent configuration.

On the DHCP server, the format for option 60 is **ArubaInstantAP**, and the format for option 43 is **ams-ip,ams-key**.



Monitor the Dell Instant network, IAPs, Wi-Fi networks, and clients in the network for various parameters using one or all of the following views:

- [Virtual Controller View](#)
- [Network View](#)
- [Instant Access Point View](#)
- [Client View](#)

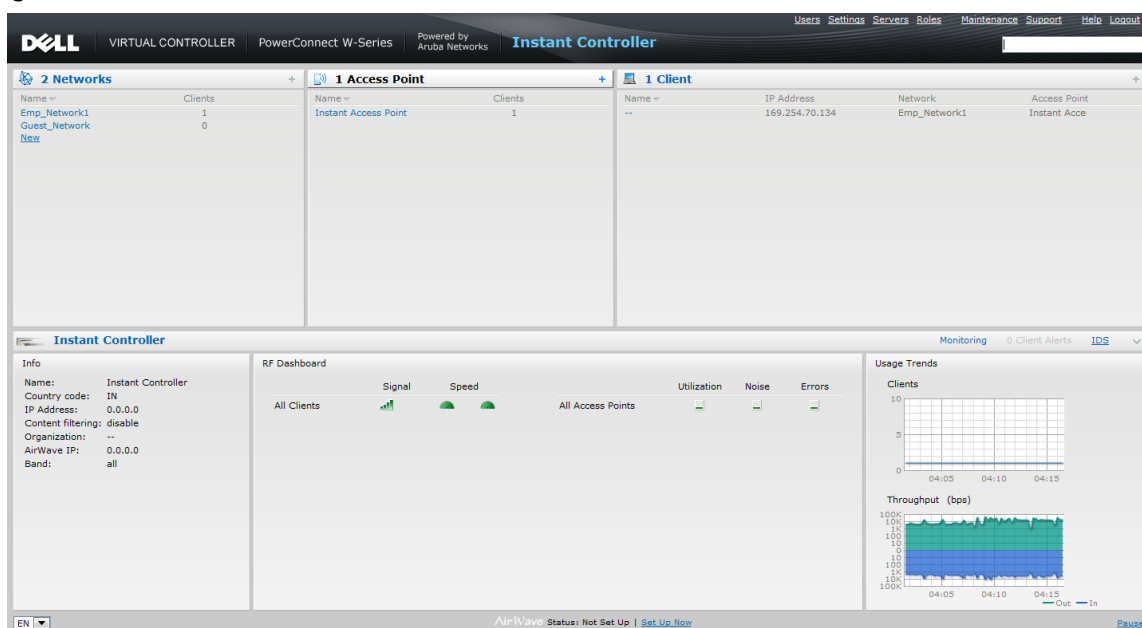
This chapter provides information about the parameters that can be monitored using these views. It also provides procedures to monitor these parameters.

### Virtual Controller View

The Virtual Controller view is the default view. This view allows you to monitor the Dell Instant network. The following Instant UI elements are available in this view:

- **Tabs** - Contains three tabs: Networks, Access Points, and Clients. For detailed information about the tabs, see [Chapter 3, “Instant User Interface”](#).
- **Links** - Contains three links: Monitoring, Client Alerts, and IDS. These links allow you to monitor the Dell Instant network. For detailed information about the sections in these links and how they can be used to monitor the network, see [Monitoring Link](#), [IDS Link](#), [Client Alerts Link](#) sections.

**Figure 91** *Virtual Controller View*



### Monitoring Link

This link is clicked by default and the following sections are displayed. These sections provide information about the Virtual Controller and allow you to monitor the network.

- Info

- RF Dashboard
- Usage Trends

## Info

The **Info** section displays the following information about the Virtual Controller:

- **Name** - Virtual Controller name.
- **Country Code** - Country in which the Virtual Controller is operating.
- **IP address** - IP address of the Virtual Controller.
- **Content filtering** - Status of the Content Filtering feature: Enabled or Disabled.
- **Organization** - Name of the organization.
- **AirWave IP** - IP address of the AirWave server.
- **Band** - Band in which the virtual controller is operating: 2.4 GHz band, 5.4 GHz band, or both.
- **NTP server** - IP address of the NTP server.

## RF Dashboard

The **RF Dashboard** section displays the following information:

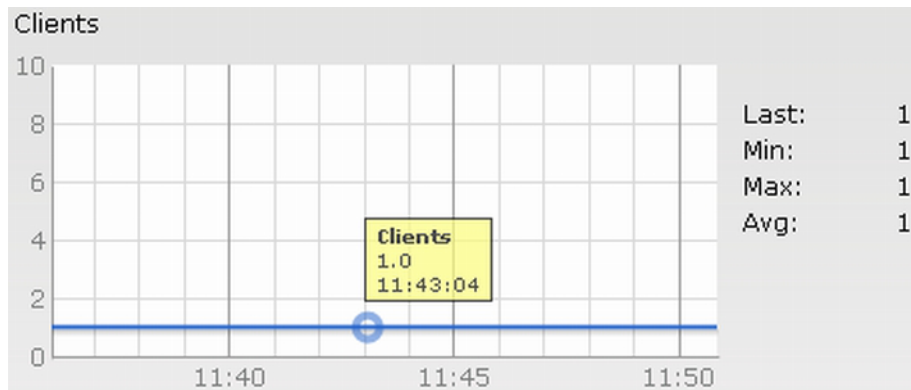
- IP address, Signal, and Speed information about the clients in the Dell Instant network. If the speed or signal strength of a client is low, IP address of the client appears as a link. Click the link to monitor the client. For more information, see [“Client View” on page 125](#).
- Instant Access Points, Utilization, Noise, and Errors information about the IAPs in the Dell Instant network. If utilization, noise or errors of an IAP are not within the specified threshold, the IAP name appears as a link. Click the link to monitor the IAP. For more information, see [“Instant Access Point View” on page 122](#).

## Usage Trends

The **Usage Trends** section displays the following graphs for the virtual controller:

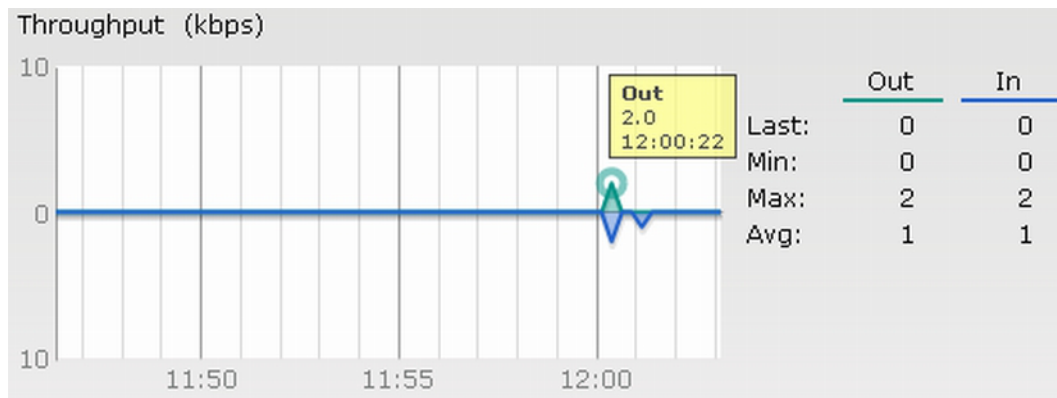
- Clients Graph

**Figure 92** *Clients Graph*



- Throughput Graph

**Figure 93** Throughput Graph



For more information about the graphs in the virtual controller view and for monitoring procedures, see [Table 13](#).

**Table 13** Virtual Controller View - Graphs and Monitoring Procedures

Graph Name	Description	Monitoring Procedure
Clients	<p>The Clients graph shows the number of clients associated with the virtual controller for the last 15 minutes.</p> <p>To see an enlarged view, click the graph.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The enlarged view provides Last, Minimum, Maximum, and Average statistics for the number of clients associated with the Virtual Controller for the last 15 minutes.</li> <li>To see the exact number of clients in the Dell Instant network at a particular time, hover the cursor over the graph line.</li> </ul>	<p>To check the number of clients associated with the virtual controller for the last 15 minutes,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Log in to the Instant UI. The Virtual Controller view appears. This is the default view.</li> <li>Study the Clients graph in the Usage Trends pane. For example, the graph on the left shows that one client is associated with the virtual controller at 11:43 hours.</li> </ol>
Throughput	<p>The Throughput graph shows the throughput of all networks and IAPs associated with the virtual controller for the last 15 minutes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Outgoing traffic - Throughput for outgoing traffic is displayed in green. Outgoing traffic is shown above the median line.</li> <li>Incoming traffic - Throughput for incoming traffic is displayed in blue. Incoming traffic is shown below the median line.</li> </ul> <p>To see an enlarged view, click the graph.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The enlarged view provides Last, Minimum, Maximum, and Average statistics for the incoming and outgoing traffic throughput of the virtual controller for the last 15 minutes.</li> </ul> <p>To see the exact throughput of the Dell Instant network at a particular time, hover the cursor over the graph line.</p>	<p>To check the throughput of the networks and IAPs associated with the virtual controller for the last 15 minutes,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Log in to the Instant UI. The Virtual Controller view appears. This is the default view.</li> <li>Study the Throughput graph in the Usage Trends pane. For example, the graph on the left shows 2.0 kbps outgoing traffic throughput at 12:00 hours. It also shows some incoming traffic throughput at the same time.</li> </ol>

### Client Alerts Link

For information about the Client Alerts link, see [Chapter 3, “Instant User Interface”](#) and [Chapter 20, “Alert Types and Management”](#) chapters.

### IDS Link

For information about the IDS link, see [Chapter 3, “Instant User Interface”](#).

# Network View

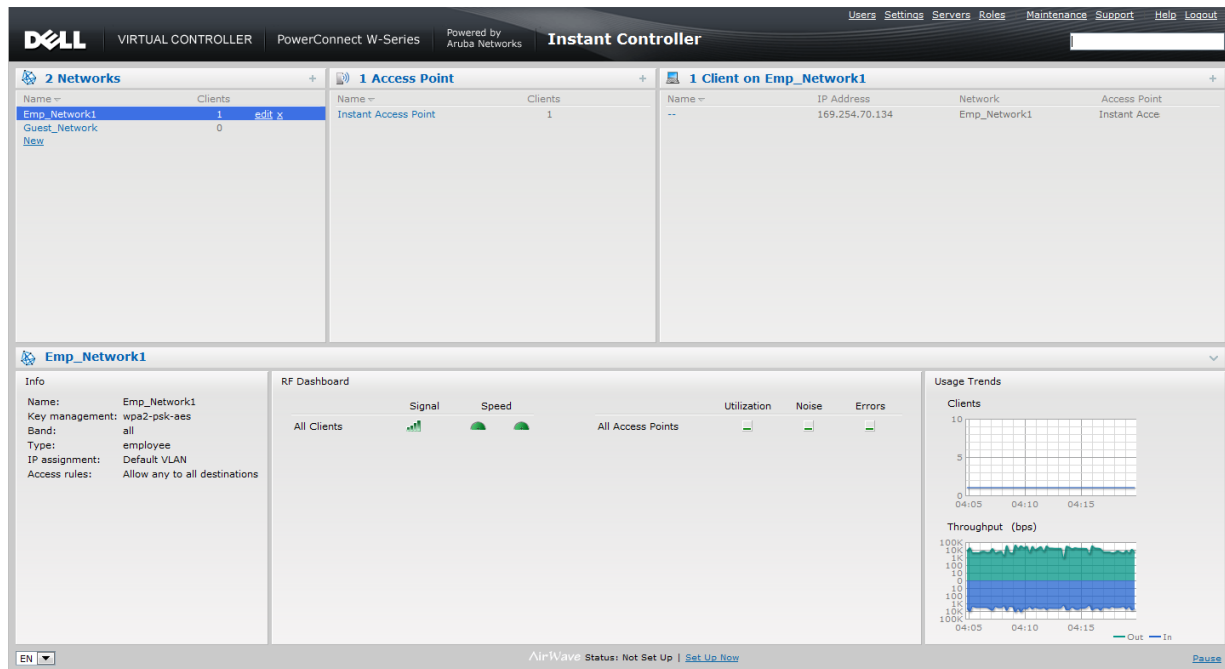
All Wi-Fi networks in the Dell Instant network are listed in the **Networks** tab. Click the network that you want to monitor. Network View for the selected network appears.

Similar to the Virtual Controller view, the Network view also has three tabs: **Networks**, **Access Points**, and **Clients**.

The following sections in the Instant UI, provide information about the selected network:

- Info
- Usage Trends

**Figure 94** Network View



## Info

The **Info** section displays the following information about the selected network:

- **Name** - Name of the network.
- **Key Management** - Authentication key type.
- **Band** - Band in which the network is broadcast: 2.4 GHz band, 5.4 GHz band, or both.
- **Type** - Network type: Employee, Guest, or Voice.
- **IP Assignment** - Source of IP address for the client.
- **Authentication Server** - System's internal server or External RADIUS server.
- **MAC Authentication** - Settings for MAC authentication: Enabled or Disabled.
- **Captive Portal** - Status of Captive portal: Enabled or Disabled.
- **HIDE SSID** - Settings for hiding the network: Enabled or Disabled.
- **Access Rules** - Access rules settings.

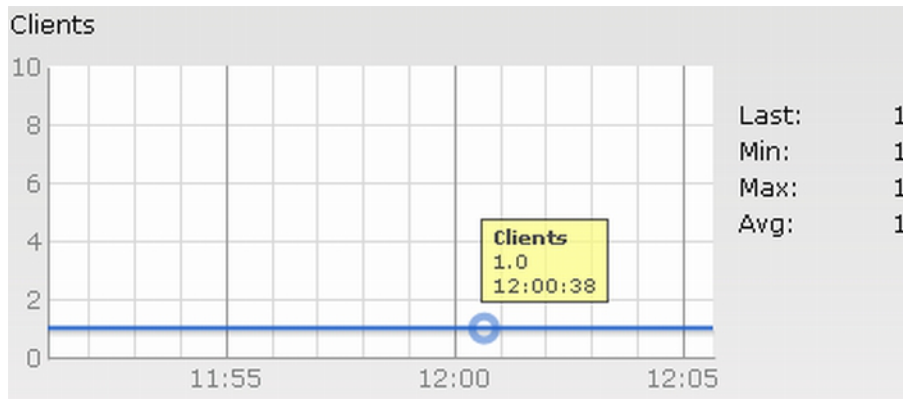
## Usage Trends

The **Usage Trends** section displays the following graphs for the selected network:

- Clients

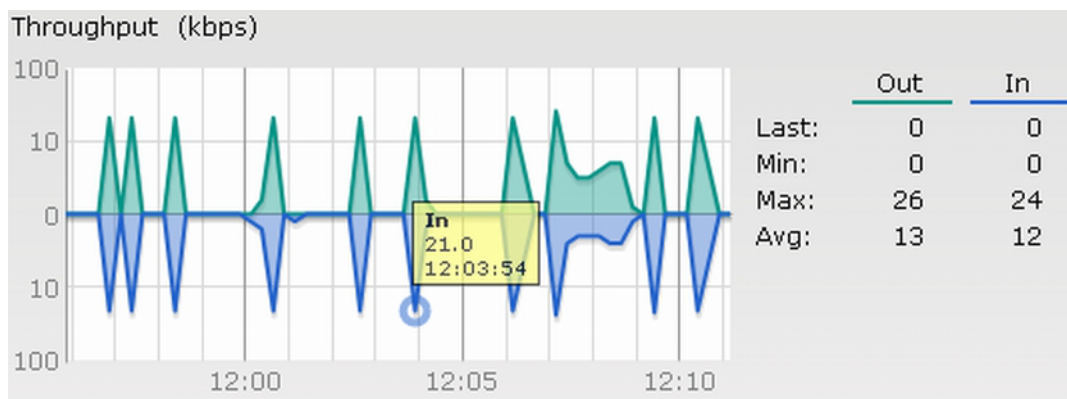


**Figure 95** Clients Graph



- Throughput

**Figure 96** Throughput Graph



For more information about the graphs in the network view and for monitoring procedures, see [Table 14](#).

**Table 14** Network View - Graphs and Monitoring Procedures

Graph Name	Description	Monitoring Procedure
Clients	<p>The Clients graph shows the number of clients associated with the network for the last 15 minutes. To see an enlarged view, click the graph.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The enlarged view provides Last, Minimum, Maximum, and Average statistics for the number of clients associated with the Virtual Controller for the last 15 minutes.</li> <li>• To see the exact number of clients in the Dell Instant network at a particular time, hover the cursor over the graph line.</li> </ul>	<p>To check the number of clients associated with the network for the last 15 minutes,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Log in to the Instant UI. The Virtual Controller view appears. This is the default view.</li> <li>2. In the Networks tab, click the network for which you want to check the client association. The Network view appears.</li> <li>3. Study the Clients graph in the Usage Trends pane. For example, the graph on the left shows that one client is associated with the selected network at 12:00 hours.</li> </ol>

**Table 14** Network View - Graphs and Monitoring Procedures (Continued)

Graph Name	Description	Monitoring Procedure
Throughput	<p>The Throughput graph shows the throughput of the selected network for the last 15 minutes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Outgoing traffic - Throughput for outgoing traffic is displayed in green. Outgoing traffic is shown above the median line.</li> <li>Incoming traffic - Throughput for incoming traffic is displayed in blue. Incoming traffic is shown below the median line.</li> </ul> <p>To see an enlarged view, click the graph.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The enlarged view provides Last, Minimum, Maximum, and Average statistics for the incoming and outgoing traffic throughput of the network for the last 15 minutes.</li> </ul> <p>To see the exact throughput of the selected network at a particular time, hover the cursor over the graph line.</p>	<p>To check the throughput of the selected network for the last 15 minutes,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Log in to the Instant UI. The Virtual Controller view appears. This is the default view.</li> <li>In the Networks tab, click the network for which you want to check the client association. The Network view appears.</li> <li>Study the Throughput graph in the Usage Trends pane. For example, the graph on the left shows 22.0 kbps incoming traffic throughput for the selected network at 12:03 hours.</li> </ol>

## Instant Access Point View

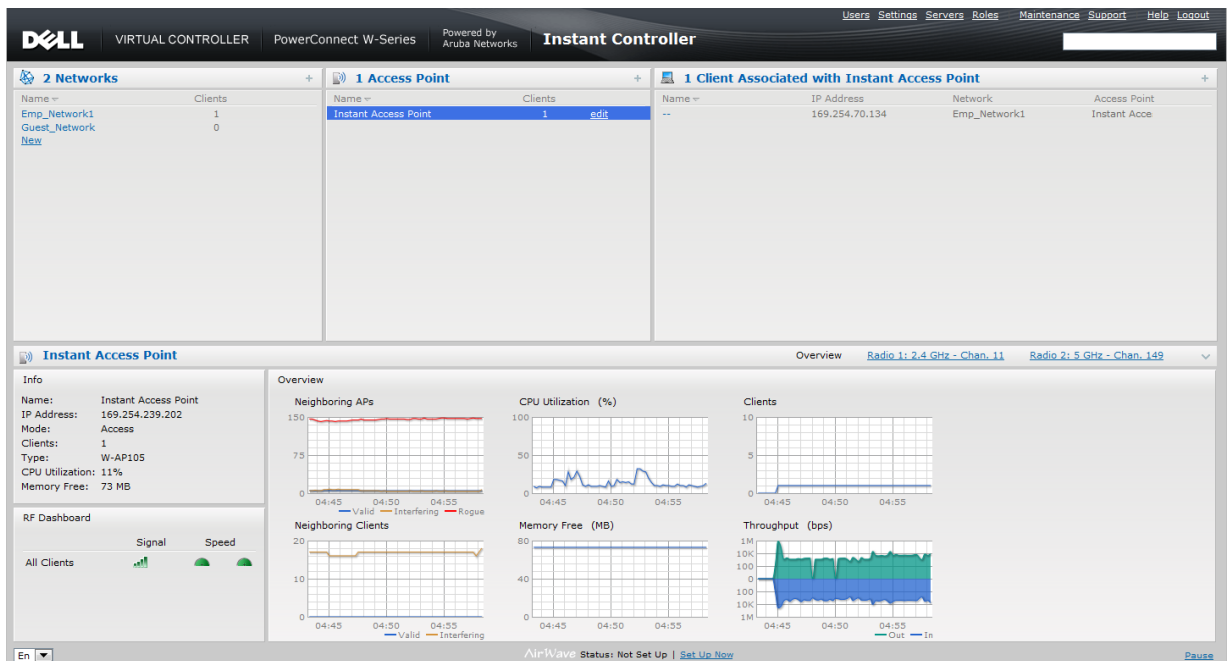
All IAPs in the Dell Instant network are listed in the **Access Points** tab. Click the IAP that you want to monitor. Access Point view for that IAP appears.

Similar to the Virtual Controller view, the Access Point view also has three tabs: Networks, Access Points, and Clients.

The following sections in the Instant UI provide information about the selected IAP:

- Info
- RF Dashboard
- RF Trends
- Usage Trends

**Figure 97** Instant Access Point View



## Info

The **Info** section provides the following information about the selected IAP:

- **Name** - Name of the selected IAP.
- **IP Address** - IP address of the IAP.
- **Clients** - Number of clients associated with the IAP.
- **Type** - Model number of the IAP.
- **CPU Utilization** - CPU utilization in percentage.
- **Memory Free** - Memory availability of the IAP in Mega Bytes.

## RF Dashboard

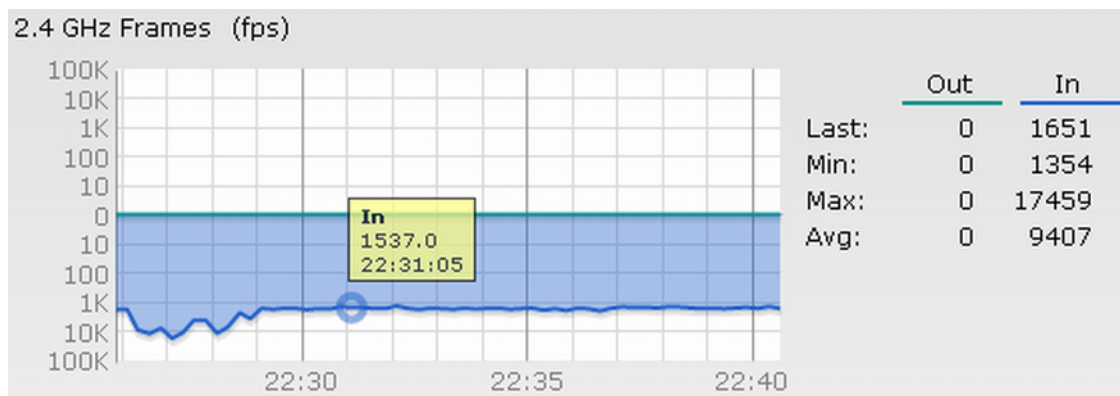
In the Instant Access Point view, the **RF Dashboard** section is moved below the **Info** section. It lists the IP address of the clients that are associated with the selected IAP if the signal strength or the data transfer speed of the client is low.

## RF Trends

The **RF Trends** section has two links - **2.4 GHz** and **5 GHz**. The **2.4 GHz** link is clicked by default and the following graphs are displayed for that band:

- Utilization
- 2.4 GHz Frames

**Figure 98** 2.4 GHz Frames Graph



- Noise Floor
- Errors

To see the graphs for the 5 GHz band, click the **5 GHz** link.

For more information about the graphs in the instant access point view and for monitoring procedures, see [Table 15](#).

**Table 15** *Instant Access Point View - RF Trends Graphs and Monitoring Procedures*

Graph Name	Description	Monitoring Procedure
Utilization	<p>The Utilization graph shows the radio utilization percentage of the access point for the last 15 minutes.</p> <p>To see an enlarged view, click the graph.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The enlarged view provides Last, Minimum, Maximum, and Average radio utilization statistics for the IAP for the last 15 minutes.</li> </ul> <p>To see the exact utilization percent at a particular time, hover the cursor over the graph line.</p>	<p>To monitor the utilization of the selected IAP for the last 15 minutes,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Log in to the Instant UI. The Virtual Controller view appears. This is the default view.</li> <li>In the Access Points tab, click the IAP for which you want to monitor the utilization. The IAP view appears.</li> <li>Study the Utilization graph in the RF Trends pane. For example, the graph on the left shows 62% IAP radio utilization for the 2.4 GHz band at 22:28 hours.</li> </ol> <p>NOTE: You can also click the rectangle icon under the Utilization column in the RF Dashboard pane to see the Utilization graph for the selected IAP.</p>
2.4 GHz Frames	<p>The 2.4 GHz Frames graph shows the In and Out frame rate per second for the radio in 2.4 GHz band for the last 15 minutes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Outgoing frames - Outgoing frame traffic is displayed in green. It is shown above the median line.</li> <li>Incoming frames - Incoming frame traffic is displayed in blue. It is shown below the median line.</li> </ul> <p>To see an enlarged view, click the graph.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The enlarged view provides Last, Minimum, Maximum, and Average statistics for the incoming and outgoing frames.</li> </ul> <p>To see the exact utilization percent at a particular time, hover the cursor over the graph line.</p>	<p>To monitor the In and Out frame rate per second for the radio in 2.4 GHz band, for the last 15 minutes,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Log in to the WebUI. The Virtual Controller view appears. This is the default view.</li> <li>In the Access Points tab, click the name link of the IAP for which you want to monitor the frame rate. The IAP view appears.</li> <li>Study the 2.4 GHz Frames graph in the RF Trends pane. For example, the graph on the left shows 1537.0 incoming frames at 22:31 hours.</li> </ol>
Noise Floor	<p>The Noise Floor graph shows the signals created by all the noise sources and unwanted signals in the network. Noise floor is measured in decibels/metre. Too many unwanted signals hamper the performance of the IAP. Monitor the noise floor regularly for optimal performance of the IAP.</p> <p>To see an enlarged view, click the graph.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The enlarged view provides Last, Minimum, Maximum, and Average statistics for the In and Out frames.</li> </ul> <p>To see the exact utilization percent at a particular time, hover the cursor over the graph line.</p>	<p>To monitor the noise floor for the IAP for the last 15 minutes,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Log in to the WebUI. The Virtual Controller view appears. This is the default view.</li> <li>In the Access Points tab, click the name link of the IAP for which you want to monitor the noise floor. The IAP view appears.</li> <li>Study the Noise Floor graph in the RF Trends pane. For example, the graph on the left shows that the noise floor for the IAP at 22:38 hours is -82.0 dBm.</li> </ol> <p>NOTE: You can also click the rectangle icon under the Noise column in the RF Dashboard pane to see the Noise graph for the selected IAP.</p>
Errors	<p>The Errors graph shows the errors that occurred while receiving the frames for the last 15 minutes. The errors are measured in frames per second.</p> <p>To see an enlarged view, click the graph.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The enlarged view provides Last, Minimum, Maximum, and Average statistics for the In and Out frames.</li> </ul> <p>To see the exact utilization percent at a particular time, hover the cursor over the graph line.</p>	<p>To monitor the errors for the IAP for the last 15 minutes,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Log in to the WebUI. The Virtual Controller view appears. This is the default view.</li> <li>In the Access Points tab, click the name link of the IAP for which you want to monitor the errors. The IAP view appears.</li> <li>Study the Errors graph in the RF Trends pane. For example, the graph on the left shows that the errors for the IAP at 22:48 hours is 9514.0 frames per second.</li> </ol> <p>NOTE: You can also click the rectangle icon under the Errors column in the RF Dashboard pane to see the Errors graph for the selected IAP.</p>

## Usage Trends

The Usage Trends section displays the following graphs for the selected network:

- Clients Graph
- Throughput Graph

For more information about the usage trends graphs in the instant access point view and or monitoring procedures, see [Table 16](#).

**Table 16** *Instant Access Point View - Usage Trends and Monitoring Procedures*

Graph Name	Description	Monitoring Procedure
Clients	<p>The Clients graph shows the number of clients associated with the selected IAP for the last 15 minutes.</p> <p>To see an enlarged view, click the graph.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The enlarged view provides Last, Minimum, Maximum, and Average statistics for the number of clients associated with the IAP for the last 15 minutes.</li></ul> <p>To see the exact number of clients associated with the selected IAP at a particular time, hover the cursor over the graph line.</p>	<p>To check the number of clients associated with the IAP for the last 15 minutes,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Log in to the Instant UI. The Virtual Controller view appears. This is the default view.</li><li>2. In the Access Points tab, click the IAP for which you want to monitor the client association. The IAP view appears.</li><li>3. Study the Clients graph in the Usage Trends pane. For example, the graph on the left shows that one client is associated with the IAP at 12:12 hours.</li></ol>
Throughput	<p>The Throughput graph shows the throughput for the selected IAP for the last 15 minutes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Outgoing traffic - Throughput for outgoing traffic is displayed in green. Outgoing traffic is shown about the median line.</li><li>• Incoming traffic - Throughput for incoming traffic is displayed in blue. Incoming traffic is shown below the median line.</li></ul> <p>To see an enlarged view, click the graph.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The enlarged view provides Last, Minimum, Maximum, and Average statistics for the incoming and outgoing traffic throughput of the IAP for the last 15 minutes.</li></ul> <p>To see the exact throughput of the selected IAP at a particular time, hover the cursor over the graph line.</p>	<p>To check the throughput of the selected IAP for the last 15 minutes,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Log in to the Instant UI. The Virtual Controller view appears. This is the default view.</li><li>2. In the Access Points tab, click the IAP for which you want to monitor the throughput. The IAP view appears.</li><li>3. Study the Throughput graph in the Usage Trends pane. For example, the graph on the left shows 4.0 kbps incoming traffic throughput at 12:08 hours.</li></ol>

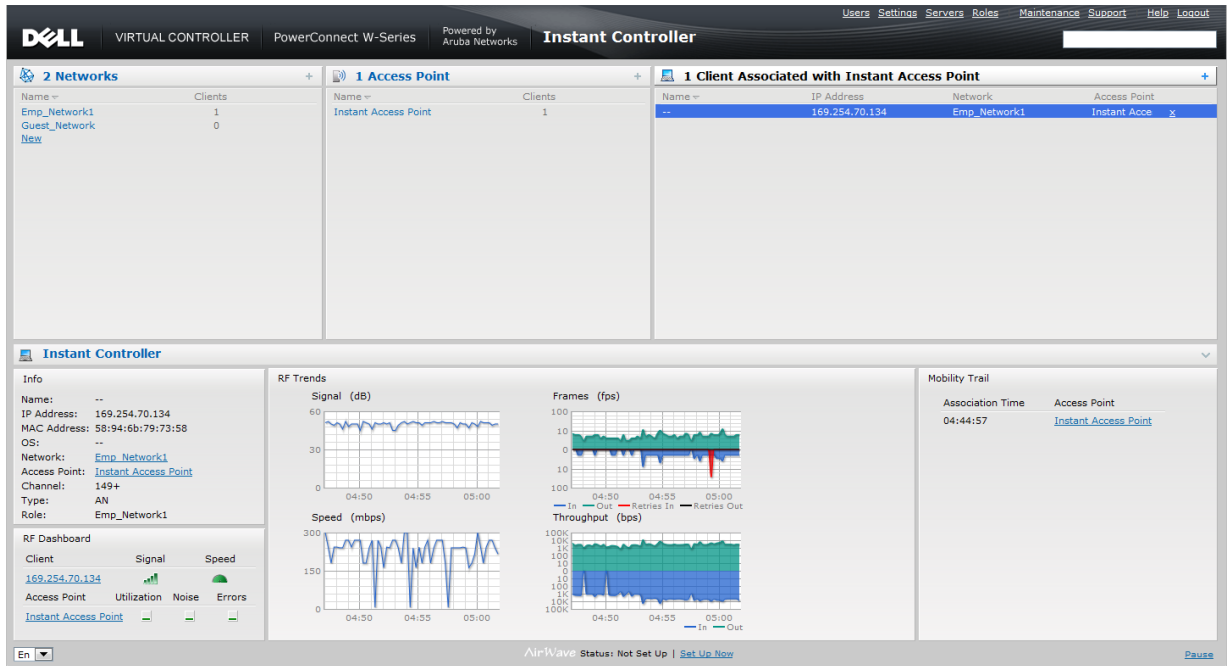
## Client View

In the Virtual Controller view, all clients in the Dell Instant network are listed in the **Clients** tab. Click the IP address of the client that you want to monitor. Client view for that client appears.

The Client view has three tabs: Networks, Access Points, and Clients. The following sections in the Instant UI provide information about the selected client:

- Info
- RF Dashboard
- RF Trends
- Usage Trends

Figure 99 Client View



## Info

The **Info** section provides the following information about the selected IAP:

- **Name** - Name of the selected client.
- **IP Address** - IP address of the client.
- **MAC Address** - MAC Address of the client.
- **OS** - Operating System that is running on the client.
- **Network** - Network to which the client is connected to.
- **Access Point** - IAP to which the client is connected to.
- **Channel** - Channel that the client is using.
- **Type** - Channel type that the client is broadcasting on.

## RF Dashboard

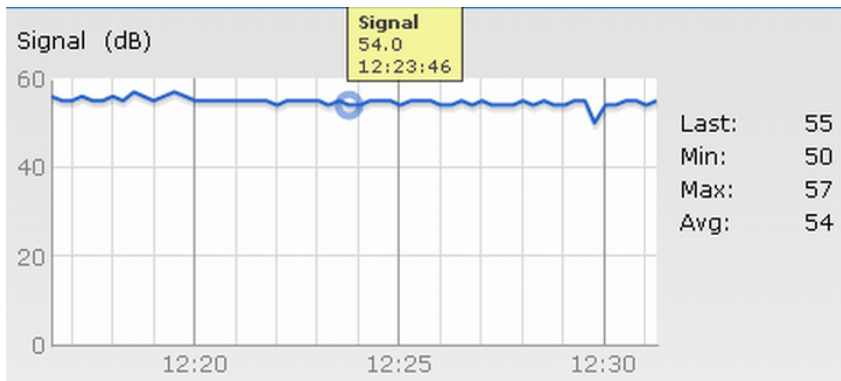
In the Client view, the **RF Dashboard** section is moved below the **Info** section. The **RF Dashboard** section in the client view shows the speed and the signal information for the client and the RF information for the IAP to which the client is connected to.

## RF Trends

The **RF Trends** section displays the following graphs for the selected client:

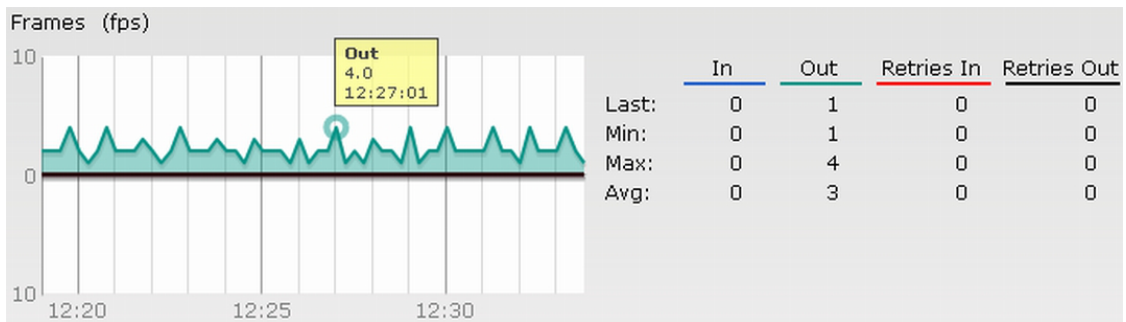
- **Signal**

**Figure 100** *Signal Graph*



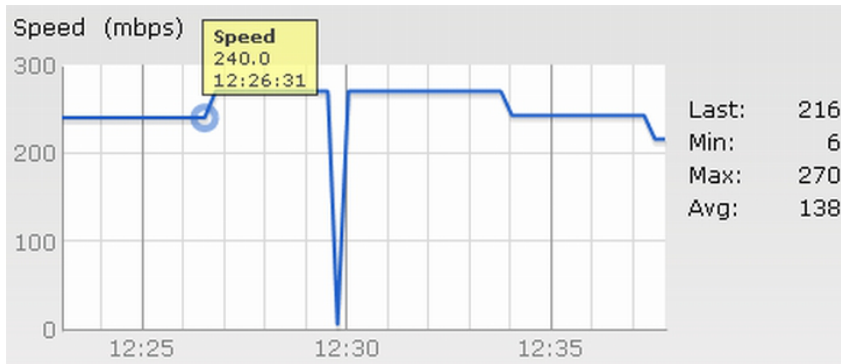
- Frames

**Figure 101** *Frames Graph*



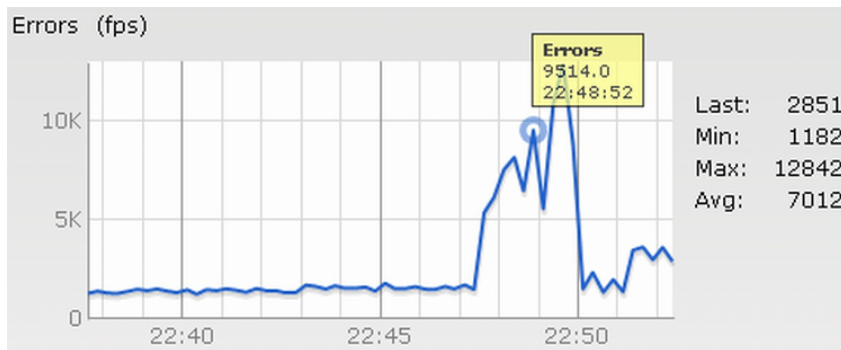
- Speed

**Figure 102** *Speed Graph*



- Throughput

**Figure 103** Throughput Graph



For more information about RF trends graphs in the client view and for monitoring procedures, see [Table 17](#).

**Table 17** Client View - RF Trends Graphs and Monitoring Procedures

Graph Name	Description	Monitoring Procedure
Signal	<p>The Signal graph shows the signal strength of the client for the last 15 minutes. It is measured in decibels.</p> <p>To see an enlarged view, click the graph.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The enlarged view provides Last, Minimum, Maximum, and Average signal statistics for the client for the last 15 minutes.</li> </ul> <p>To see the exact signal strength at a particular time, hover the cursor over the graph line.</p>	<p>To monitor the signal strength of the selected client for the last 15 minutes,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Log in to the Instant UI. The Virtual Controller view appears. This is the default view.</li> <li>In the Clients tab, click the IP address of the client for which you want to monitor the signal strength. The client view appears.</li> <li>Study the Signal graph in the RF Trends pane. For example, the graph on the left shows that signal strength for the client is 54.0 dB at 12:23 hours.</li> </ol>
Frames	<p>The Frames Graph shows the In and Out frame rate per second for the client for the last 15 minutes. It also shows data for the Retry In and Retry Out frames.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Outgoing frames - Outgoing frame traffic is displayed in green. It is shown above the median line.</li> <li>Incoming frames - Incoming frame traffic is displayed in blue. It is shown below the median line.</li> <li>Retry Out - Retries for the outgoing frames is displayed in black and is shown above the median line.</li> <li>Retry In - Retries for the incoming frames is displayed in red and is shown below the median line.</li> </ul> <p>To see an enlarged view, click the graph.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The enlarged view provides Last, Minimum, Maximum, and Average statistics for the In, Out, Retries In, and Retries Out frames.</li> </ul> <p>To see the exact frames at a particular time, hover the cursor over the graph line.</p>	<p>To monitor the In and Out frame rate per second and retry frames for the In and Out traffic, for the last 15 minutes,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Log in to the Instant UI. The Virtual Controller view appears. This is the default view.</li> <li>In the Clients tab, click the IP address of the client for which you want to monitor the frames. The client view appears.</li> <li>Study the Frames graph in the RF Trends pane. For example, the graph on the left shows 4.0 frames per second for the client at 12:27 hours.</li> </ol>
Speed	<p>The Speed graph shows the data transfer speed for the client. Data transfer is measured in Mega bits per second (mbps).</p> <p>To see an enlarged view, click the graph.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The enlarged view shows Last, Minimum, Maximum, and Average statistics for the client for the last 15 minutes.</li> </ul> <p>To see the exact speed at a particular time, hover the cursor over the graph line.</p>	<p>To monitor the speed for the client for the last 15 minutes,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Log in to the Instant UI. The Virtual Controller view appears. This is the default view.</li> <li>In the Clients tab, click the IP address of the client for which you want to monitor the speed. The client view appears.</li> <li>Study the Speed graph in the RF Trends pane. For example, the graph on the left shows that the data transfer speed at 12:26 hours is 240 mbps.</li> </ol>



**Table 17** Client View - RF Trends Graphs and Monitoring Procedures (Continued)

Graph Name	Description	Monitoring Procedure
Throughput	<p>The Throughput Graph shows the throughput for the selected client for the last 15 minutes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Outgoing traffic - Throughput for outgoing traffic is displayed in green. Outgoing traffic is shown above the median line.</li><li>• Incoming traffic - Throughput for incoming traffic is displayed in blue. Incoming traffic is shown below the median line.</li></ul> <p>To see an enlarged view, click the graph.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The enlarged view shows Last, Minimum, Maximum, and Average statistics for the incoming and outgoing traffic throughput of the client for the last 15 minutes.</li></ul> <p>To see the exact throughput at a particular time, hover the cursor over the graph line.</p>	<p>To monitor the errors for the client for the last 15 minutes,</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Log in to the Instant UI. The Virtual Controller view appears. This is the default view.</li><li>2. In the Clients tab, click the IP address of the client for which you want to monitor the throughput. The client view appears.</li><li>3. Study the Throughput graph in the RF Trends pane. For example, the graph on the left shows 1.0 kbps outgoing traffic throughput for the client at 12:30 hours.</li></ol>

### Mobility Trail

The **Mobility Trail** section displays the following mobility trail information for the selected client:

- **Association Time** - The time at which the selected client was associated with a particular IAP. It shows the client-IAP association for the last 15 minutes.
- **Access Point** - IAP name with which the client was associated.



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NOTE: Mobility information about the client is reset each time it roams from one IAP to another.

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## Alert Types and Management

Alerts are generated when a user encounters problems while accessing or connecting to the Wi-Fi network. These alerts enable you to troubleshoot the problems. The alerts that are generated on Dell Instant can be categorized as follows:

- 802.11 related association and authentication failure alerts.
- 802.1X related mode and key mismatch, server, and client time-out failure alerts.
- IP address related failure - Static IP address or DHCP related alerts.

Table 18 displays a list of alerts that are generated on the Dell Instant network.

**Table 18** Alerts List

Type Code	Description	Details	Corrective Action
100101	Internal error	The IAP has encountered an internal error for this client.	Contact the Dell customer support team.
100102	Unknown SSID in association request	The IAP cannot allow this client to associate because the association request received contains an unknown SSID.	Identify the client and check its Wi-Fi driver and manager software.
100103	Mismatched authentication/ encryption setting	The IAP cannot allow this client to associate because its authentication or encryption settings do not match IAP's configuration.	Ascertain the correct authentication or encryption settings and try to associate again.
100104	Unsupported 802.11 rate	The IAP cannot allow this client to associate because it does not support the 802.11 rate requested by this client.	Check the configuration on the IAP to see if the desired rate can be supported; if not, consider replacing the IAP with another model that can support the rate.
100105	Maximum capacity reached on IAP	The IAP has reached maximum capacity and cannot accommodate any more clients.	Consider expanding capacity by installing additional IAPs or balance load by relocating IAPs.
100206	Invalid MAC Address	The IAP cannot authenticate this client because the client's MAC address is not valid.	This condition may be indicative of a misbehaving client. Try to locate the client device and check its hardware and software.
100307	Client blocked due to repeated authentication failures	The IAP is temporarily blocking the 802.1X authentication request from this client because the credentials provided have been rejected by the RADIUS server too many times.	Identify the client and check its 802.1X credentials.
100308	RADIUS server connection failure	The IAP cannot authenticate this client using 802.1X because the RADIUS server did not respond to the authentication request.	<p>If the IAP is using the internal RADIUS server, recommend checking the related configuration as well as the installed certificate and passphrase.</p> <p>If the IAP is using an external RADIUS server, check if there are any issues with the RADIUS server and try connecting again.</p>

**Table 18 Alerts List (Continued)**

Type Code	Description	Details	Corrective Action
100309	RADIUS server authentication failure	The IAP cannot authenticate this client using 802.1X because the RADIUS server rejected the authentication credentials (password, etc) provided by the client.	Ascertain the correct authentication credentials and log in again.
100410	Integrity check failure in encrypted message	The IAP cannot receive data from this client because the integrity check of the received message (MIC) has failed.	Check the encryption setting on the client and on the IAP.
100511	DHCP request timed out	This client did not receive a response to its DHCP request in time.	Check the status of the DHCP server in the network.

In Dell Instant, the user database consists of a list of guest and employee users. Addition of a user involves specifying a username and password for the user. The login credentials for these users are provided outside the Dell Instant system.

A guest user can be a visitor who will be temporarily using the enterprise network to access the internet. However, you would not want to share the internal network and the intranet with them. To segregate the guest traffic from the enterprise traffic, you can create a Guest WLAN, specify the required authentication, encryption, and access rules and allow the guest user to use the enterprise network.

An employee user is the employee who will be using the enterprise network for various official tasks. You can create Employee WLANs, specify the required authentication, encryption and access rules and allow the employees to use the enterprise network.

### Adding a User

To add a user, perform the following steps:

1. At the top right corner of the Instant UI, click the **Users** link. The **Users** box appears.

**Figure 104** Adding a User

Users(0)	Type
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Add new user:

Username:

Password:

Retype:

Type:

2. Enter the username in the **Username** text box.
3. Enter the password in the **Password** text box and reconfirm.
4. Select appropriate network type from the **Type** drop-down list.
5. Click **Add** and click **OK**. The users are listed in the **Users** list.

### Editing User Settings

To edit user settings, perform the following steps:

1. At the top right corner of the Instant UI, click the **Users** link. The **Users** box appears.
2. In the **Users** section, select the username for which you want to edit the settings and click **Edit**. The user's details appear on the right side.
3. Edit as required and click **OK**.

## Deleting a User

To delete a user, perform the following steps:

1. At the top right corner of the Instant UI, click the **Users** link. The **Users** box appears.
2. In the **Users** section, select the username that you want to delete and click **Delete**.  
To delete all users or multiple users at a time, select the usernames that you want to delete, and click **Delete All**.



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NOTE: Deleting a user only removes the user record from the user database, and won't disconnect the online user under this username.

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The IEEE 802.11/b/g/n Wi-Fi networks operate in 2.4 GHz and IEEE 802.11a/n operate in 5.0 GHz spectrum. These spectrums are divided into channels. The 2.4 GHz spectrum is divided into 14 overlapping, staggered 20 MHz wireless carrier channels. These channels are spaced 5 MHz apart. The 5 GHz spectrum is divided into more channels. The channels that can be used in a particular country differ based on the regulations of that country.

The initial Wi-Fi setup requires you to specify the country code for the country in which the Dell Instant will operate. This configuration sets the regulatory domain for the radio frequencies that the IAPs use. Within the regulated transmission spectrum, a high-throughput 802.11a, 802.11b/g, or 802.11n radio setting can be configured. The available 20 MHz and 40 MHz channels are dependent on the specified country code.

You cannot change the country code for the IAPs designated for US, Japan, and Israel. Improper country code assignment can disrupt wireless transmissions. Most countries impose penalties and sanctions on operators of wireless networks with devices set to improper country codes. [Table 19](#) shows the list of country codes.

**Figure 105** *Specifying a Country Code*



## Country Codes List

**Table 19** *Country Codes List*

Code	Country Name
US	United States
CA	Canada
JP3	Japan
DE	Germany
NL	Netherlands
IT	Italy
PT	Portugal
LU	Luxembourg
NO	Norway
FI	Finland

**Table 19** *Country Codes List (Continued)*

<b>Code</b>	<b>Country Name</b>
DK	Denmark
CH	Switzerland
CZ	Czech Republic
ES	Spain
GB	United Kingdom
KR	Republic of Korea (South Korea)
CN	China
FR	France
HK	Hong Kong
SG	Singapore
TW	Taiwan
BR	Brazil
IL	Israel
SA	Saudi Arabia
LB	Lebanon
AE	United Arab Emirates
ZA	South Africa
AR	Argentina
AU	Australia
AT	Austria
BO	Bolivia
CL	Chile
GR	Greece
IS	Iceland
IN	India
IE	Ireland
KW	Kuwait
LI	Liechtenstein
LT	Lithuania
MX	Mexico
MA	Morocco
NZ	New Zealand
PL	Poland
PR	Puerto Rico



**Table 19** *Country Codes List (Continued)*

<b>Code</b>	<b>Country Name</b>
SK	Slovak Republic
SI	Slovenia
TH	Thailand
UY	Uruguay
PA	Panama
RU	Russia
KW	Kuwait
LI	Liechtenstein
LT	Lithuania
MX	Mexico
MA	Morocco
NZ	New Zealand
PL	Poland
PR	Puerto Rico
SK	Slovak Republic
SI	Slovenia
TH	Thailand
UY	Uruguay
PA	Panama
RU	Russia
EG	Egypt
TT	Trinidad and Tobago
TR	Turkey
CR	Costa Rica
EC	Ecuador
HN	Honduras
KE	Kenya
UA	Ukraine
VN	Vietnam
BG	Bulgaria
CY	Cyprus
EE	Estonia
MU	Mauritius
RO	Romania

**Table 19** *Country Codes List (Continued)*

<b>Code</b>	<b>Country Name</b>
CS	Serbia and Montenegro
ID	Indonesia
PE	Peru
VE	Venezuela
JM	Jamaica
BH	Bahrain
OM	Oman
JO	Jordan
BM	Bermuda
CO	Colombia
DO	Dominican Republic
GT	Guatemala
PH	Philippines
LK	Sri Lanka
SV	El Salvador
TN	Tunisia
PK	Islamic Republic of Pakistan
QA	Qatar
DZ	Algeria

## Abbreviations

The following table lists the abbreviations used in this user guide.

**Table 20** *Abbreviations*

Abbreviation	Expansion
ABR	Adaptive Radio Management
ARP	Address Resolution Protocol
BSS	Basic Server Set
BSSID	Basic Server Set Identifier
CA	Certification Authority
CLI	Command Line Interface
DHCP	Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol
DMZ	Demilitarized Zone
DNS	Domain Name System
EAP-TLS	Extensible Authentication Protocol- Transport Layer Security
EAP-TTLS	Extensible Authentication Protocol-Tunneled Transport Layer Security
IAP	Instant Access Point
IDS	Intrusion Detection System
IEEE	Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
ISP	Internet Service Provider
LEAP	Lightweight Extensible Authentication Protocol
MX	Mail Exchanger
MAC	Media Access Control
NAS	Network Access Server
NAT	Network Address Translation
NS	Name Server
Instant UI	Instant User Interface
NTP	Network Time Protocol
PEAP	Protected Extensible Authentication Protocol
PEM	Privacy Enhanced Mail
PoE	Power over Ethernet
RADIUS	Remote Authentication Dial In User Service

**Table 20** *Abbreviations (Continued)*

Abbreviation	Expansion
VC	Virtual Controller
VSA	Vendor-Specific Attributes
WLAN	Wireless Local Area Network