

## FAQS:

### How to setup and use the FTP Server Function on the Archer C7/C5?

Take Archer C7 as an example.

#### Step 1

Plug a USB Storage device into the USB port, make sure the USB light lit up on the router.



#### Step 2

Access the web interface of Archer C7.

#### Step 3

Click **USB Settings** -> **Disk Settings** on the left side menu. Check whether the USB device is identified by C7. If there is no device listed on this page, please click **Scan** and you may try unplug the USB device and plug it back in.



#### Step 4

Go to **USB Settings**-> **Folder Sharing**->Here you can create a separate login account for the USB device or Use **Following Account** to use the same account as the router's management page login account ->**Save**

**Folder Sharing**

**Sharing Account**

Prepare the sharing account for the sharing contents. You can use the login user account or set a new user account as the sharing account.

☐ Use Login Account

☒ Use Following Account

Username:

Password:

Confirm Password:

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**Sharing Setting**

Network/Media Server Name: TP-LINK\_130919

Enable	Access Method	Link	Port
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Network Neighborhood	\\192.168.0.1	--
<input type="checkbox"/>	FTP	<a href="ftp://192.168.0.1:21">ftp://192.168.0.1:21</a>	21
<input type="checkbox"/>	FTP (Remote)	<a href="ftp://0.0.0.0:21">ftp://0.0.0.0:21</a> <a href="#">Edit</a>	<input type="text" value="21"/>

Sharing Mode: ☐ Sharing All ☒ Sharing Folders

Authentication: ☒

(Note: Now you are using sharing account "admin")

## Step 5

Check the options **FTP** and **FTP (Remote)** to enable FTP server function.  
 Check the option **Require Login** if you want to access with the login account.  
 If you want to share the whole USB device, select **Sharing All** ->**Save**

**Sharing Settings**

Network/Media Server Name: TP-LINK\_701556

Enable	Access Method	Link	Port
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Network Neighborhood	\\192.168.0.1	--
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FTP	<a href="ftp://192.168.0.1:21">ftp://192.168.0.1:21</a>	21
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FTP (Remote)	<a href="ftp://14.153.221.246:21">ftp://14.153.221.246:21</a> <a href="#">Edit</a>	<input type="text" value="21"/>

Sharing Mode: ☒ Sharing All ☐ Sharing Folders

Authentication: ☒

(Note: Now you are using sharing account "admin")

If you want to customize the shared content, select **Share Selected Folders**->**Create Share Folder**



**Enable Write Access** - Select the check box to allow users to make changes to the folder content.

**Enable Media Sharing** - Enable media server function, you may [click here](#) to get more info.

### Step 6

Now the FTP server can be accessed by local network. Please open the web browser and type in address **ftp://LAN IP**, press enter. Then type in your account to access to the FTP server. Here the LAN IP address of the router is 192.168.0.1.

#### Sharing Settings

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ftp://192.168.0.1/ - Microsoft Internet Explorer

### Log On As


 Either the server does not allow anonymous logins or the e-mail address was not accepted.

FTP server: 192.168.0.1

User name:

Password:

After you log on, you can add this server to your Favorites and return to it easily.

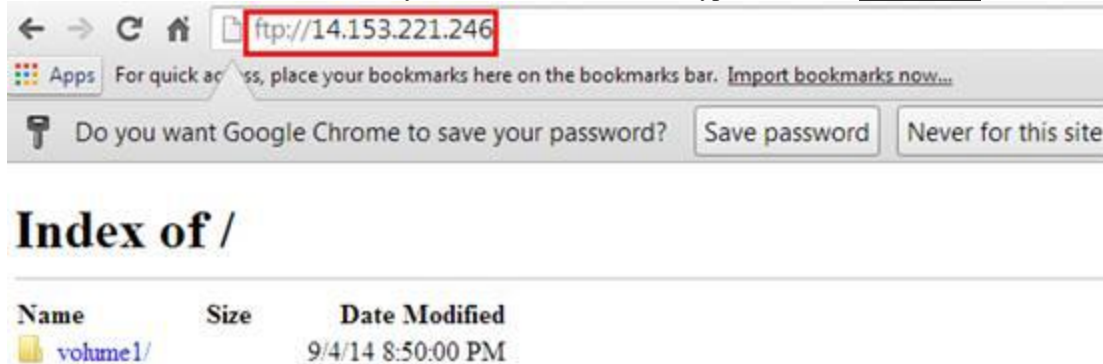
 FTP does not encrypt or encode passwords or data before sending them to the server. To protect the security of your passwords and data, use Web Folders (WebDAV) instead.

Learn more about [using Web Folders](#).

☐ Log on anonymously ☐ Save password



You can also access the FTP server by external network. Please type in address ftp://WAN IP to access to it.



How to setup and share a printer on your local network with the Archer C7/C5?

**If your printer has Ethernet port or Wi-Fi function please ignore this article, and contact technical support of your printer's company.**

**This article applies to Archer C7 V2/V3 with firmware published on 2014/9/29 and later, Archer C5 V1 with firmware published on 2014/9/12 and later, for Windows OS, for MAC OS please [click here](#)**

**Take Archer C7 as an example.**

**Definition:** Print server is a function embedded in your Router. It allows you to share your printer with computers that are connected to the Router.



**Note:**

Make sure you have already installed the printer's driver on your computer. Otherwise, please install it first. Any computer in your LAN must first install the software if it wants to share the print server via the router. Print Server Function is not compatible with Linux since there is no Printer Controller Utility for Linux at the moment.

**Installation**

**Step 1**

[Download the setup software TP-Link USB Printer Controller Utility from our website.](#)

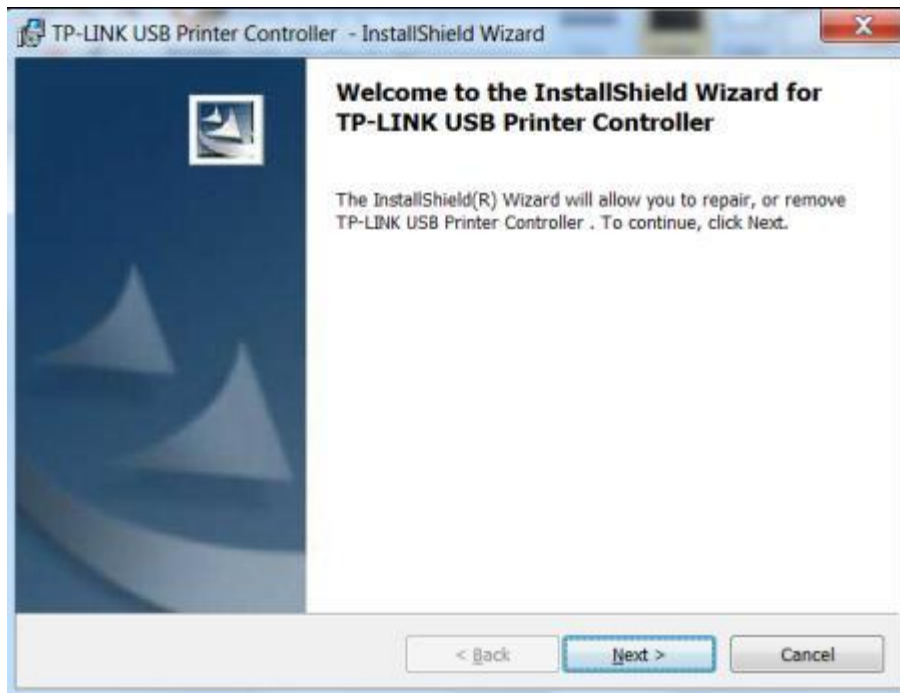
**Step 2**

Double-click **TP-Link USB Printer Controller Setup.exe** you've downloaded.



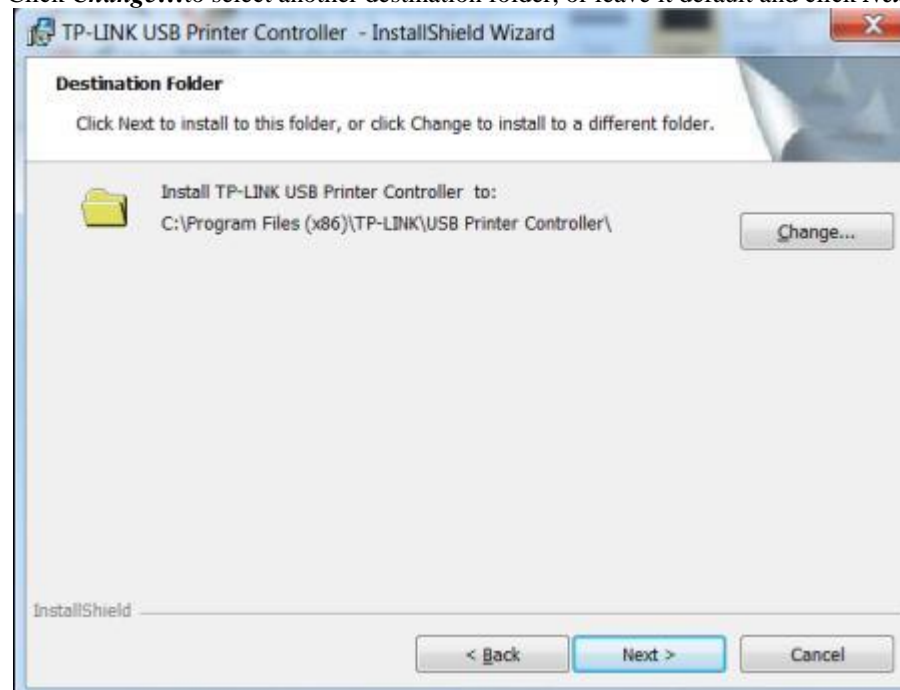
**Step3**

Click **NEXT** to start installing the printer share software.



#### Step 4

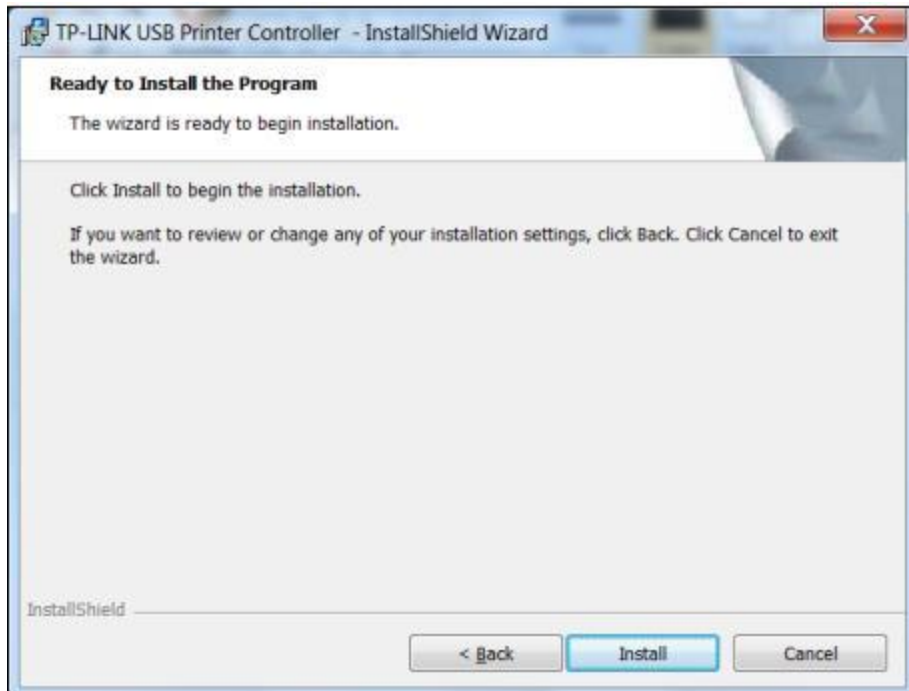
Click **Change...** to select another destination folder, or leave it default and click **Next**



#### Step 5

Click **Install** to begin the installation.





#### Step 6

Please wait a while, Click **Finish** to complete and exit the **Install Shield Wizard**.

#### Application

After successful installation, the icon will appear on the desktop of your computer.



#### Step 1

Double-click the icon **To Launch the TP-Link USB Printer Controller**

#### Step 2

Highlight the printer you want to set as auto-connect printer.



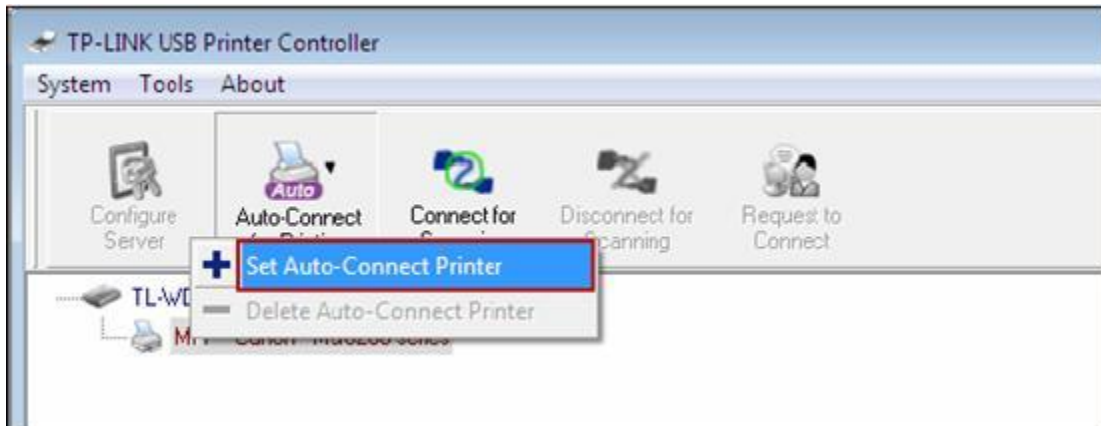
*Note:*



In your LAN, each computer that wants to share the print server should also install the **TP-Link USB Printer Controller**. Please follow the previous steps to configure other computers in your LAN.

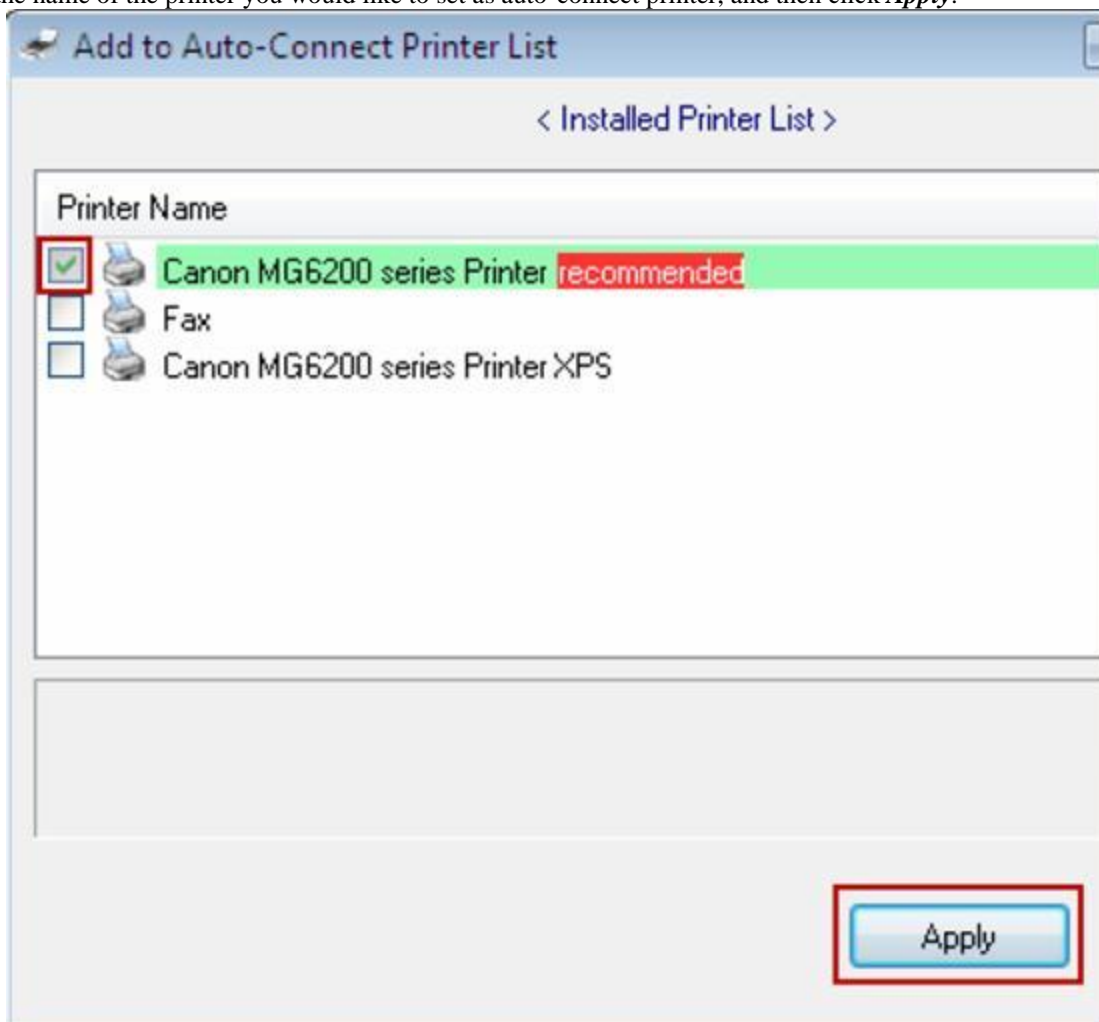
### Step 3

Click the inverse triangle mark on the **Auto-Connect for printing** tab to pull down the list, where you can select **Set Auto-Connect Printer**.



### Step 4

Tick the name of the printer you would like to set as auto-connect printer, and then click **Apply**.



After successful setting, you will see the printer marked as **Auto-Connect Printer**. You can execute your printing tasks automatically.

#### Step 5

If it cannot print, please [log into the management page of the Archer C7](#) and click **USB Settings**. And then click **Print Server** to make sure the Pinter Server Status is **Online**.



## How to setup and provide access to your local storage drive with the Archer C7/C5?

#### Take Archer C7 as an example.

The File sharing feature allows you to share a USB storage device that's connected to the router, (USB Drive or mobile Hard Disk Drive) to other wired or wireless users on the same network.

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#### Step 2

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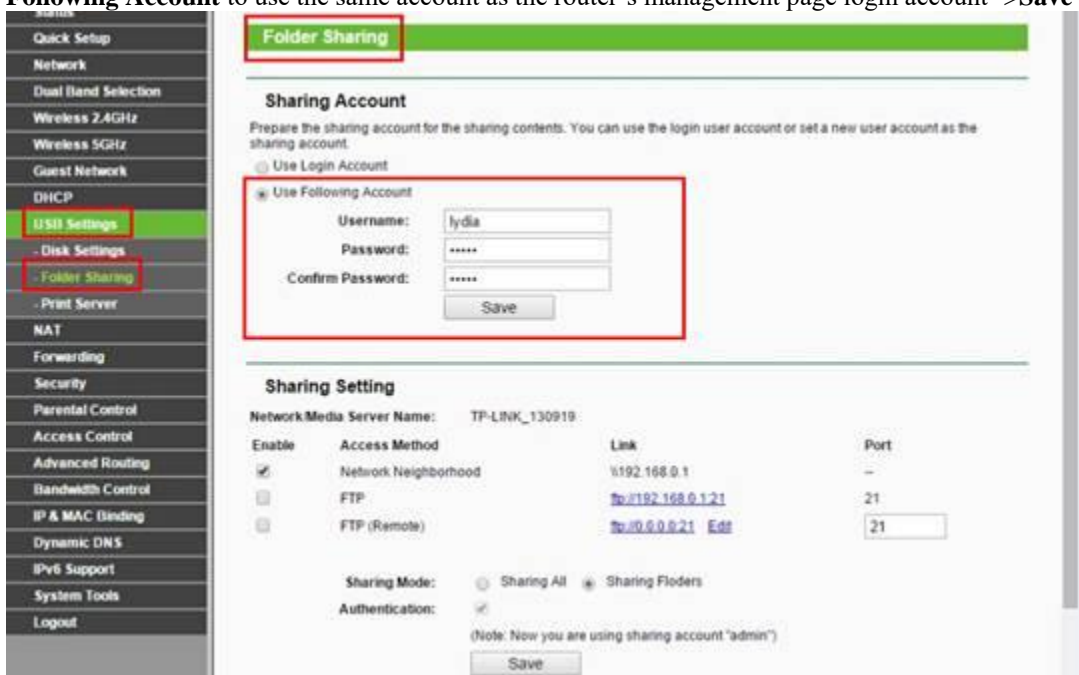


If the USB device is identified, the Storage Sharing function will be enabled by default, and it is set to share the whole device by default.



#### Step 4

Go to **USB Settings-> Folder Sharing**->Here you can create a separate login account for the USB device or **Use Following Account** to use the same account as the router's management page login account ->**Save**



## Step 5

If you want to share the whole USB device, select **Sharing All** ->**Save**

If you want to customize the shared content, select **Sharing Folders**->**Create Share Folder**

Sharing Mode: ☐ Sharing All ☒ **Sharing Folders**

Authentication: ☒

(Note: Now you are using sharing account "admin")

Save

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**Sharing Contents(Media file, Document files, Compress files and so on.)**

**Create Share Folder**

ID	Share Name	Folder Path	Media Sharing	Guest Access	Enabled	Modify
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Set up the folders one by one on this page->**Save**

**Add or Modify Share Folder**

Folder Path: /

Share Name: lydiatest ← Create a name

☐ Allow Guest Network Access

☒ Enable Authentication ← Check the rules to enable

☒ Enable Write Access

☒ Enable Media Sharing

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Select Folder

up

volume1 ← Double click it

Save Back Current No. 1 Page

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Select Folder

up

7510 ← Select the folder to share

Echo

Below are explanations for the options:

**Folder Path** - Path to the folder is determined by where the file is saved.

**Share Name** - Name of the shared folder, customized by users.

**Allow Guest Network Access** - Select the check box to allow the Guest Network to have access to the shared folder.

**Enable Authentication** - Select the check box to require users to log in with a username and password.

**Enable Write Access** - Select the check box to allow users to make changes to the folder content.

**Enable Media Sharing** - Enable media server function, you may [click here](#) to get more info.

## Step 6

Access the USB Storage.

For your reference:

[How to access my USB storage device on the TP-Link wireless routers from my Android and IOS phone or iPhone?](#)

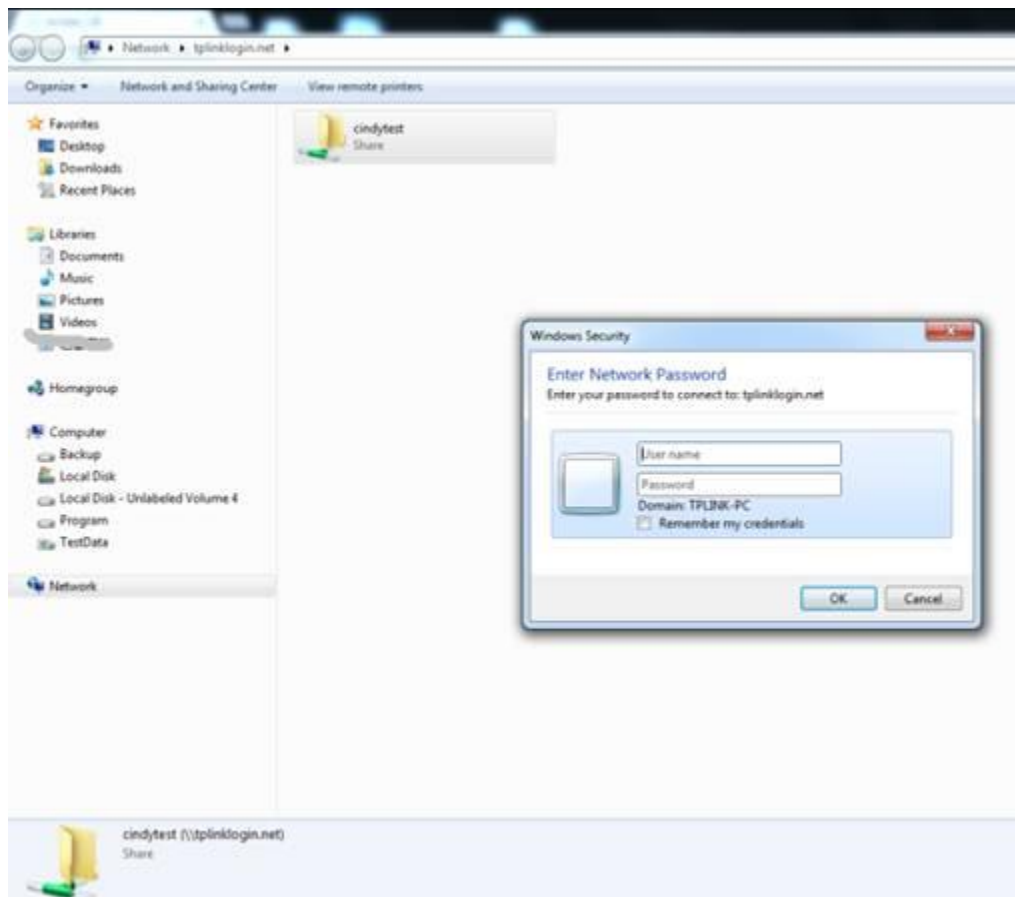
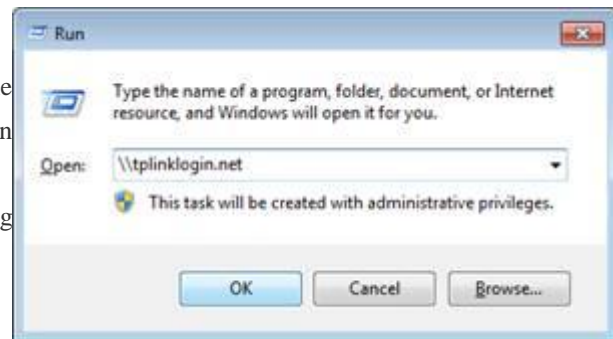
## For Windows Users:

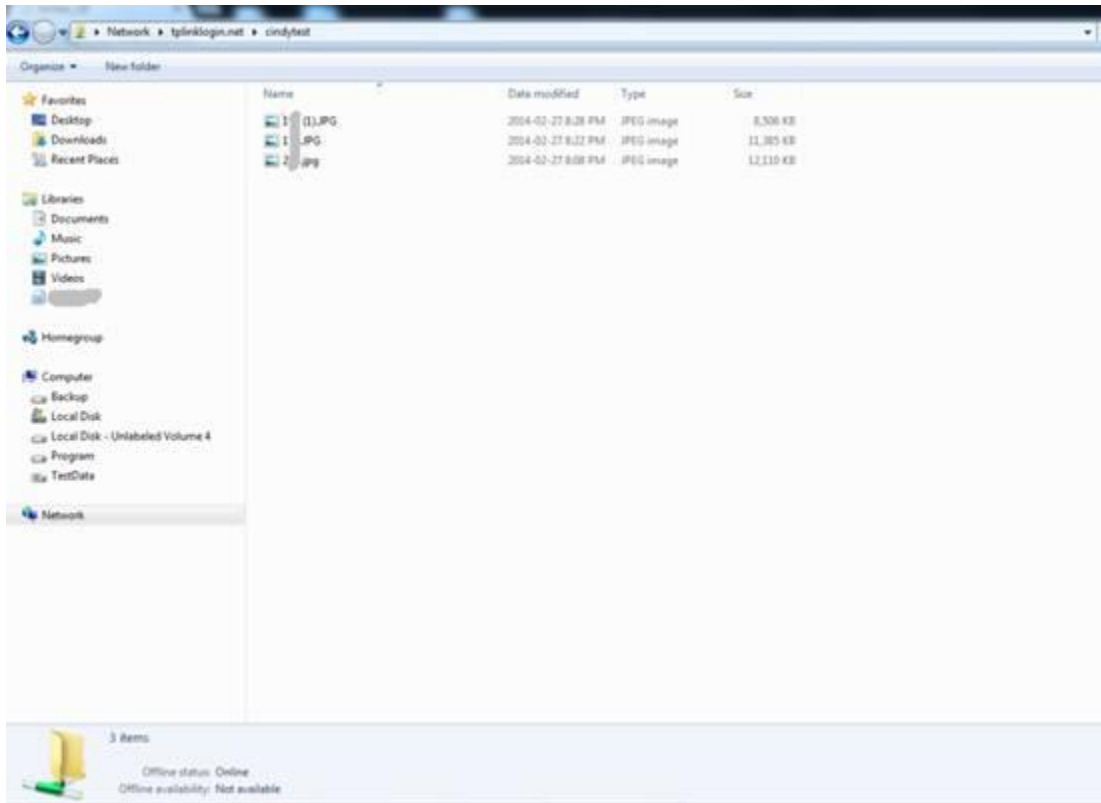


Press **Windows** key and **R**key on the keyboard at the same time to open the **Run** application,

Input **\\tplinklogin.net** or **\\192.168.0.1** in the dialog box.

Click **OK**





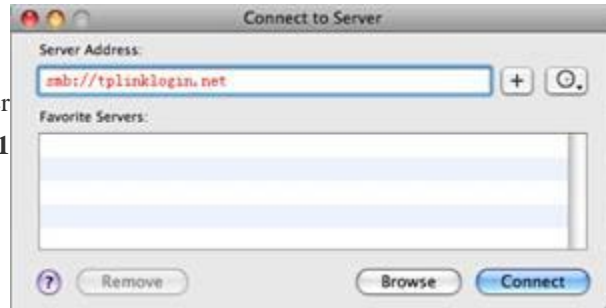
### For Mac OS X Users:

On the top tray, go to **Go > Connect to Server**

Input \_\_\_\_\_ Server \_\_\_\_\_

Address **smb://tplinklogin.net** or **smb://192.168.0.1**

Click **Connect**



### For Linux Users:

On the top tray, go to **Places > Connect to Server**

**Connect to Server**

Choose Service type : **Windows share**  
**share**

Input \_\_\_\_\_ Server **tplinklogin.net** or

**192.168.0.1**

Input the corresponding Folder  
name e.g. **Volume9**

Click **Connect**



***Note:***

*Some USB storage devices may require using the bundled external power.*