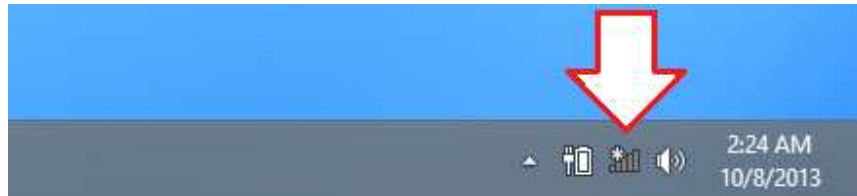




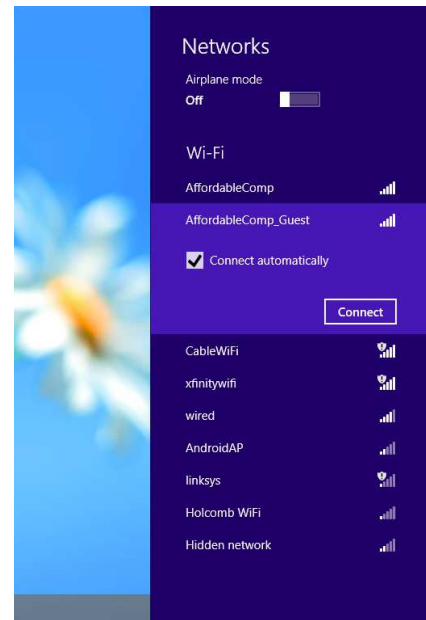
How to connect to a Wireless Network in Windows 8

1. If you are not already in **Desktop** mode, click on the 'Desktop' tile on your screen. Once you are in desktop mode, look down on the bottom right hand side of your screen. You should see a series of icons on the **taskbar** next to the **clock**. Look for an icon that looks like a signal strength indicator. If you have not connected to this network before the signal bars will be empty with a white star above it. See picture below:



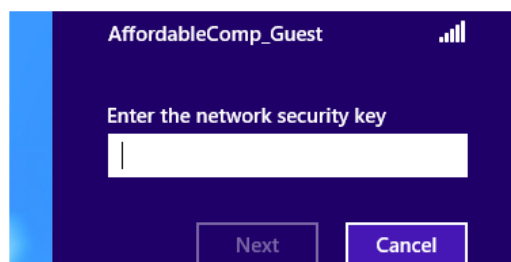
(this is the **Wireless Icon**)

2. Next **left click** on the **Wireless Icon**. This will bring up a menu with the available wireless networks. Listed should be your wireless network. If you have a DLink router and have not changed any settings your network should be called dlink, if you have a Linksys router and have not changed any settings your network should be called linksys, etc. Your network should also have the strongest signal strength. Click on your network, make sure the "Connect automatically" option is selected, then click on the **Connect** button. You will now see a message for a few moments that says "Checking network requirements"



(**Left-click** on your wireless network then click **connect**)

3. If the network you selected is encrypted it will be protected by a security key (a password). If you get a message like the picture below, your network is encrypted and you need to enter the security key. If this is your own home network, this is a password that you set up on your router. If you are somewhere like a hotel, you will need to contact their staff for the key. You cannot connect to a secured wireless network without its key. See Picture below:



(Enter in the security key and click '**Next**')

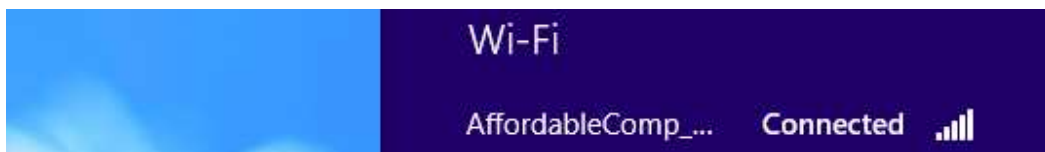
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4. Now Windows will ask you a question about networking sharing. Read the descriptions of each option, and click on the one that applies to your situation



(click on the option you would like to select)

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5. When Windows successfully connected to a wireless network, it will say 'Connected' next to your network in the list, and the wireless icon in the taskbar will turn white in color. See pictures below:



(When the **Wireless Icon** looks like this you are connected)

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6. Now you can click on your **Internet Explorer** icon and you should be online! When you have connected to a wireless network once, you should not have to go through this process again, Windows should automatically connect to that network again. But if you wish to connect to an alternative network, you will need to repeat the steps outlined above.



(**Double-click** on your **Internet Explorer** icon to surf the Web)

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