Quick Reference Guide

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1. Purpose

This Quick Reference Guide (QRG) provides step-by-step instructions to reset a Wi-Fi router when it becomes unresponsive or experiences connectivity issues.

2. Audience

This guide is intended for home and small-office users who require quick assistance in restoring router connectivity.

3. Prerequisites

Before performing this task, ensure that:

1. The router is connected to a power source.

2. You have access to the router's physical buttons.

3. You have backed up existing configuration settings (if applicable).

4. Safety Information

⚠️ **Caution:** Do not hold the reset button for more than 10 seconds unless instructed. This may erase all saved configurations.

5. Required Tools and Materials

Item	Description
Paper clip or pin	To press the reset button

Router	Wi-Fi router (any standard model)
Power supply	Stable electrical connection

6. Procedure

Step 1: Prepare the Router

1. Ensure that the router is powered **ON**.

2. Verify that the **Power LED** is steady (not blinking).

Step 2: Locate the Reset Button

1. Identify the **Reset** button, usually located at the back or bottom of the router.

2. Use a paper clip or pin to access the button.

Step 3: Reset the Router

1. Press and hold the **Reset** button for **10 seconds**.

2. Release the button when the **Power LED** begins to blink.

3. Wait for approximately **2 minutes** until the router restarts.

Step 4: Reconnect Devices

1. Connect your device to the router's **default Wi-Fi network (SSID)**.

2. Enter the **default password** printed on the router label.

7. Post-Reset Configuration

After resetting, configure the router using the following steps:

1. Open a web browser and enter the router IP (for example, 192.168.1.1).

2. Log in using the default credentials.

3.   Change the SSID and password for better security.

8. Troubleshooting

Issue	Possible Cause	Solution
Router does not power on	Power cable is loose	Reconnect the power cable firmly
Wi-Fi not visible	Router is rebooting	Wait 1–2 minutes
Internet unavailable	ISP outage	Contact your Internet Service Provider

9. References

- ASD-STE100 Simplified Technical English (Issue 8)

- Microsoft Manual of Style (MSTP)

- Manufacturer's User Guide

10. Document Control

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