

Tasmota-Plus Smart Relay & Switch Input



SS-1CHPro User Guide

Latest Version of this document available at:

<https://github.com/UBWH/ubwh.github.io/blob/master/assets/UserGuides>

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Introduction

The SS-1CHPro is a WiFi connected Smart Relay & Switch Input, with **Tasmota-Plus**¹ installed.

The features of this product include:

- **Tiny size:** 43 mm diameter
- **Very flexible power** options
 - DC:
 - 12V DC
 - 24-60V DC
 - AC
 - 110-240V AC
- **WiFi** connectivity giving remote control and monitoring.
- 1 x **16A Relay**; Remote control & monitoring.
- 1 x **Switch input**; Remote control & monitoring.

Common Smart Devices

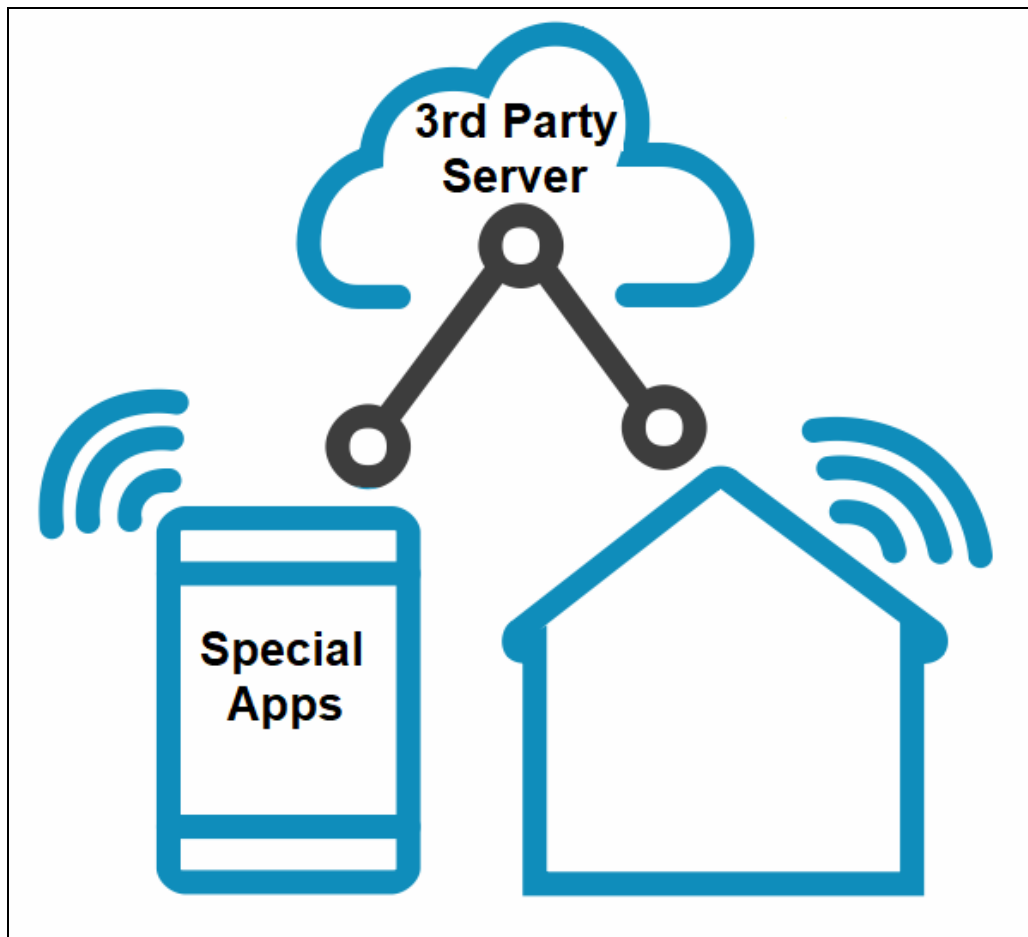


Figure 1 - Common Smart devices require a 3rd Party server, and special apps.

¹ An enhanced version of Tasmota (<https://tasmota.github.io/docs/>)

Common Smart devices are designed to only work via the manufacturer's server and with special apps; the user never communicates directly with the device.

While this works well for home users, power users may prefer to directly control the device using a simple `http://` (web) interface.

Tasmota Smart Devices are different

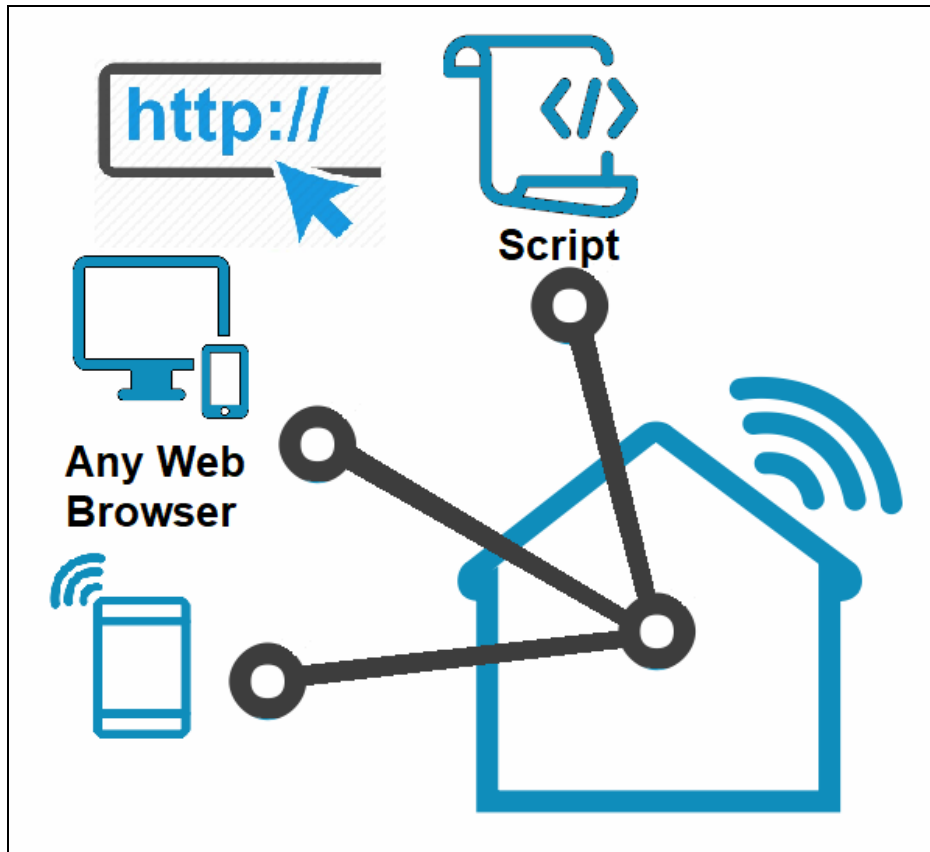


Figure 2 - Tasmota Smart devices can be directly controlled. No special app or server required.

Tasmota gives direct access to the device via simple `http://` web access.

The value of this for power users is that the device can be controlled using:

- Web browser interface.
- `http://` Command Interface. Ideal for control by external scripts.
- MQTT² & openHAB³
- others

More information: <https://tasmota.github.io/docs/>

² <https://mqtt.org>

³ <https://openhab.org>

Tasmota-Plus Smart Devices



Figure 3 – Tasmota-Plus Smart devices have extra features

Tasmota-Plus adds the following features to standard Tasmota.

Ping Watchdog



There are 4 Ping Watchdogs for use. These are configured using the **Configure Watchdog** page.

Enable this Watchdog

☒ Enable this Watchdog?

Watchdog

If

Socket 1

 is ON

and

3

 pings

at

16

 second intervals

to IP V4 address

192.168.1.1

 FAIL, then

cycle socket power for

5

 seconds.

Enable this Watchdog?

Only enabled Watchdogs operate.

Socket Number

If the selected socket is not ON, then the Watchdog is disabled.

Number of Pings at Interval (seconds)

The device will continuously send the requested number of Pings at the requested intervals. If ALL Pings fail, the Watchdog fires. If any of the Pings succeed, the Watchdog resets and starts a new cycle.

IP V4 Address

A valid IPV4 address must be entered here.

IPV6 addresses & host names are not supported.

Cycle Seconds

If the Watchdog fires (i.e. the Pings failed), then the specified socket will be powered down for the requested seconds, then powered up.

WAN Security



Tasmota supports remote commands, with optional login credentials, that can query and change parameters. For example this URL will turn the power ON:

<http://<LAN.device.ip.address>/cm?user=admin&password=joker&cmnd=power1%20on>

If the device is to be managed remotely, a port forwarding firewall rule can be created. e.g. WAN Port 8080 → LAN.address.of.device:80

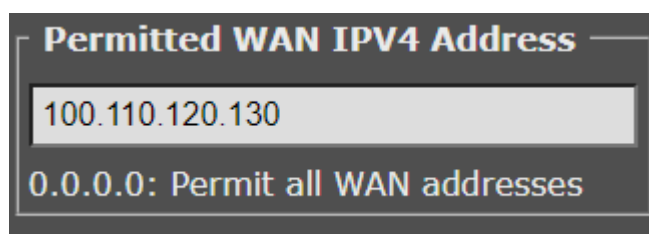
In this case the following URL will also work:

<http://<WAN.ip.address>:8080/cm?user=admin&password=joker&cmnd=power1%20>

However there is a new risk in that the credentials are sent in clear text.

Tasmota-Plus has a WAN Security feature where WAN requests not originating from a specified IP address can be blocked.

This is configured using the **Configure Other** page.



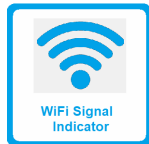
A request looks like:

<http://<device.ip.address>/>
<http://<device.ip.address>/cm?cmnd=xxxxx>
etc.

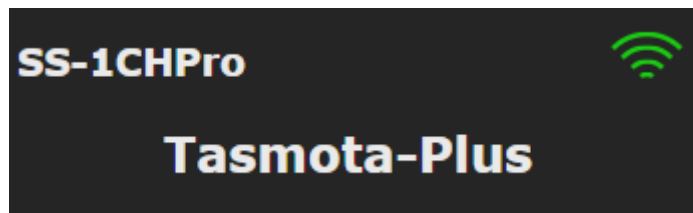
Examples

Permitted WAN IP4 Address	Requests from ...	Result
0.0.0.0	Anywhere	Accepted
100.110.120.130	50.60.70.80	Rejected
	100.110.120.1	Rejected
	100.110.120.130	Accepted
	Local LAN	Accepted

WiFi Signal Indicator



Much like a smart phone, **Tasmota-Plus** shows the received WiFi signal strength in the top-right corner of the Main page.



Clock Configuration Page



Standard Tasmota has no configuration page to set the parameters necessary to correctly calculate the local time, and local sunrise/sunset times.

Tasmota-Plus has a **Configure Clock** page as shown below.

Local Date & Time (refresh page to update)
2020-10-09 13:59:57
Sunrise: 06:41
Sunset: 19:30

Configure Clock
For Sunset/Sunrise calculations
Latitude (degrees, North+ / South-)
-37.813600
Longitude (degrees, East+ / West-)
144.963100

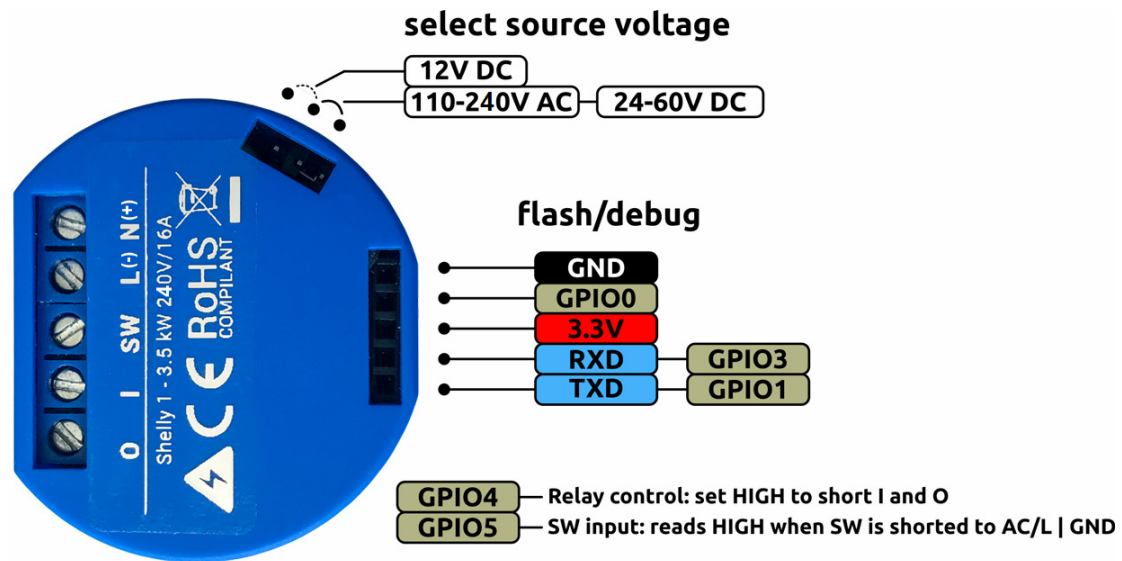
Use Daylight Savings? ☒

Timezone offset from GMT
Standard Time
+10:00
Daylight Savings Time
+11:00

Daylight Savings

Starts	Ends
First ▾	First ▾
Sun ▾	Sun ▾
of	of
Apr ▾	Oct ▾
at	at
2	3
o'clock	o'clock

Hardware



Source Voltage Jumper	12V DC	Connect 12V DC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + to “N(+)” terminal - to “L(-)” terminal <p>Note: Supply must be within this range: 10.8 to 13.2 V. Not suitable for direct connection to vehicle 12V system.</p>
	24-60V DC 110-240V AC	Connect 24-60V DC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> + to “N(+)” terminal - to “L(-)” terminal <p>OR</p> <p>Connect 110-240V AC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Neutral to “N(+)” terminal Live to “L(-)” terminal
flash/debug socket	Not used.	
Terminals	N(+)	Power Supply (See above)
	L(-)	Power Supply (See above)
	SW	Switch; wired between SW & L(-)
	I & O	Relay In/Out. These terminals are electrically isolated from all other connections

Safety Warning



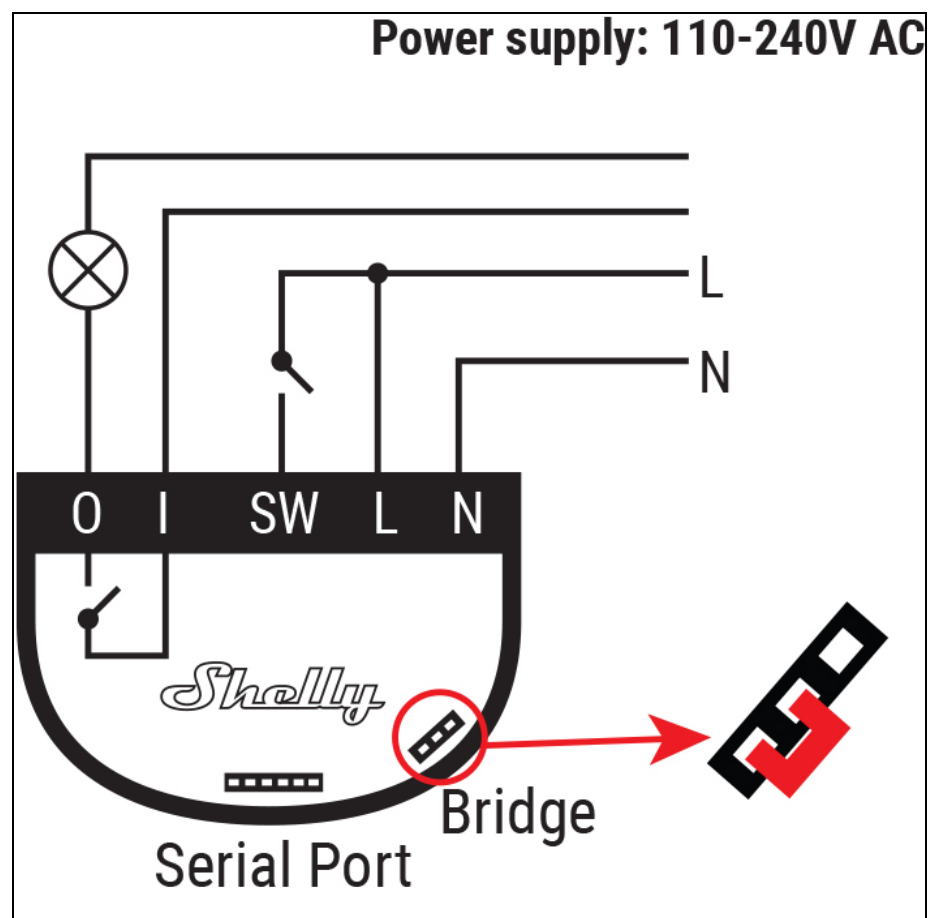
AC Power can kill.

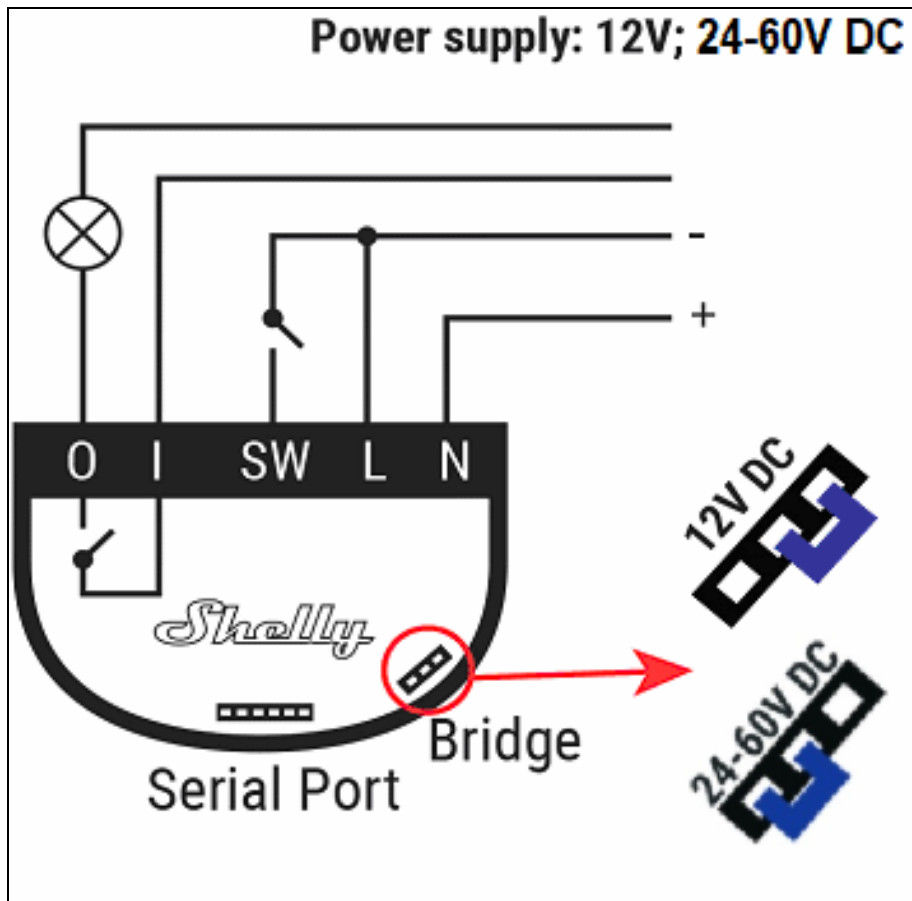
Only licensed electricians to connect power if using AC power.

Power and Wiring

This device can be powered by an AC or DC supply.

Relay Terminals: 0 & I
Switch Terminals: SW & L
Power Terminals: L(-) & N(+)





Requirements

The SS-1CHPro requires:

- **Initial Setup**
 - A device with a Web Browser & WiFi interface, located close to the SS-1CHPro. A smart-phone, or tablet will usually be sufficient.
- **Operation**
 - A WiFi Access Point (AP) connected to the local LAN⁴, within the WiFi Range⁵ of the SS-1CHPro.
 - A DHCP⁶ server on the LAN.
- **Ongoing Management**
 - Any device with a Web browser and connected to the same LAN as the SS-1CHPro.

⁴ Local Area Network. See https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Local_area_network

⁵ See Specifications, page 24

⁶ Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol: See https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dynamic_Host_Configuration_Protocol

Web Browser Interface

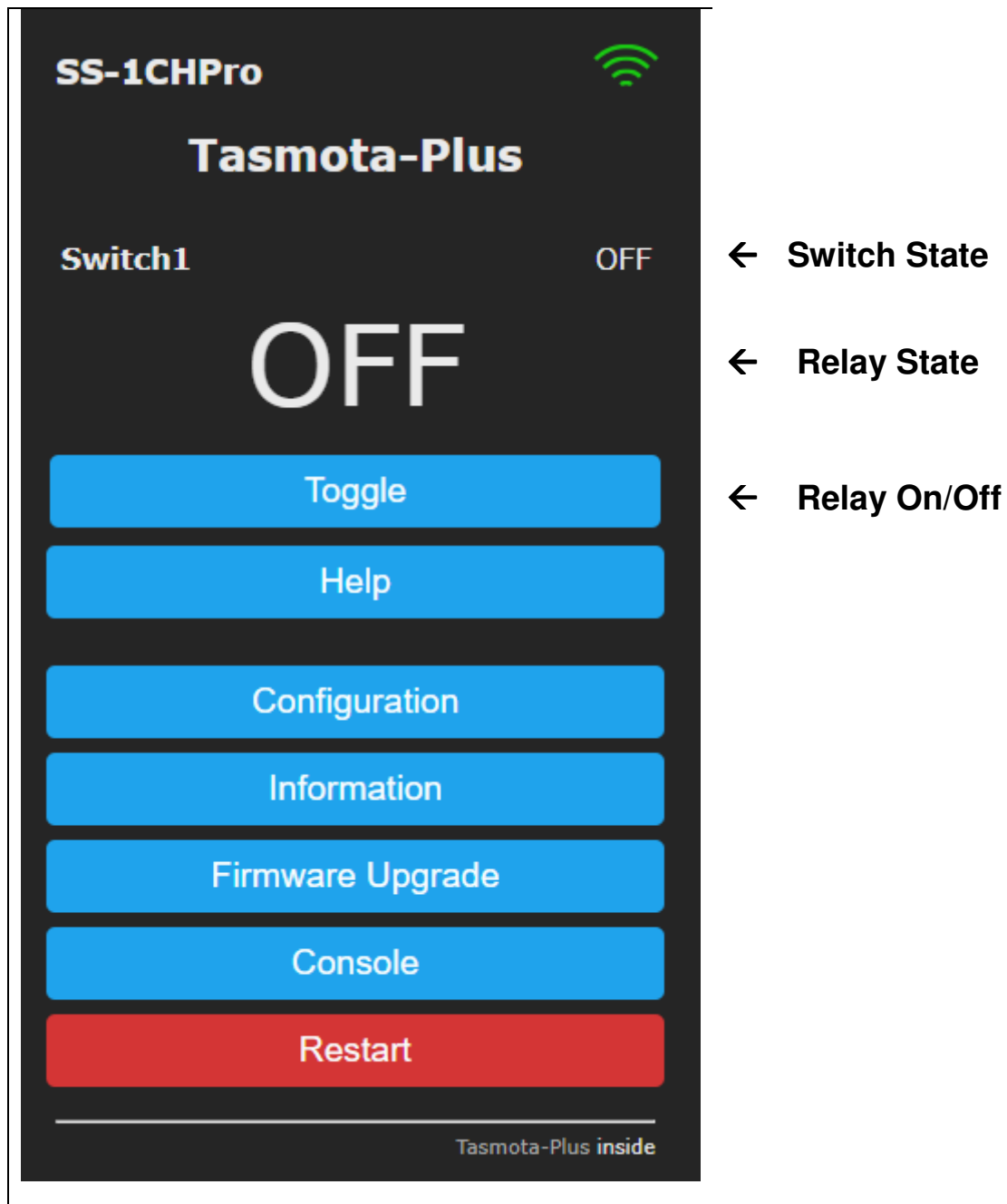


Figure 4 - The Tasmota Web Interface is available from any Web browser

Simply use any web browser to open the web page

`http://<device.ip.address>/`

See documentation here: <https://tasmota.github.io/docs/WebUI/>

http:// Command Interface



Simple commands as below will (e.g.) turn the Smart Plug ON.

Note: %20 in a URL = Space character

From Web Browser

`http://<device.ip.address>/cm?cmnd=power1%20on`

From Windows or Linux command/terminal window

`curl http://<device.ip.address>/cm?cmnd=power1%20on`

From a Windows Batch file (*.bat file)

`curl http://<device.ip.address>/cm?cmnd=power1%%20on`

Note: need double % characters if in a batch file

From a PHP script (*.php file)

```
file_get_contents(  
    'http://<device.ip.address>/cm?cmnd=power1%20on');
```

You can retrieve the **Switch Status** as below.

`http://<device.ip.address>/cm?cmnd=status%208`

A typical JSON response looks like:

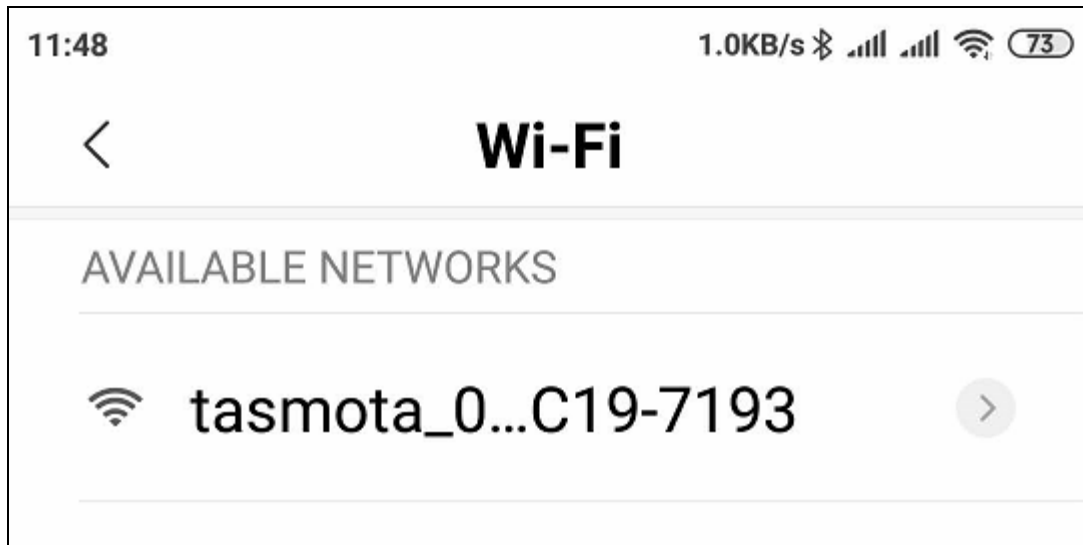
```
{  
    "StatusSNS":{  
        "Time":"2021-01-18T02:06:53",  
        "Switch1":"OFF"}  
}
```

More information:

<https://tasmota.github.io/docs/Commands/#management>

Getting Started

1. Power the SS-1CHPro.
2. When in Factory Default state, the device powers up in **Initial Setup Mode**⁷. Search for a WiFi network named tasmota_xxxxxx-yyyyy using your smartphone, tablet, ...



NOTE: If you do not see this WiFi network: Reset the device to Factory Default. See page 20.

3. Connect to that WiFi network. On connection to the network, you may get a warning that there is no Internet connection and be prompted to connect to a different network. Do not allow your mobile device to select a different network.
4. After you have connected to the Tasmota WiFi AP, open <http://192.168.4.1> in a web browser on the smartphone (or whatever device you used). Depending on the phone, it will take you to the Tasmota configuration page automatically, or you will get a prompt to sign in to WiFi network or authorise. Tapping on the AP name should also open the configuration page (shown below).

⁷ See page 20.

Tasmota-Plus

Configure WiFi

Scan for WiFi networks

WiFi parameters

Network 1

Name (SSID)

UniFi

Password ☐ **Show password**

.....

Network 2 (Optional)

Name (SSID)

Password ☐ **Show password**

Hostname (%s-%04d)

%s-%04d

CORS Domain

Save

Figure 5 - A device in Factory Default mode displays this page.

On this page you can either:

- **Scan** for available WiFi networks. Select the right network from the list; or
- **Manually Enter the Network 1 Name (SSID)** - your WiFi network name (case sensitive)

Network 1 Password - password for your WiFi network (Required)

The password has to be under 32 characters and without special characters (e.g. asterisks) or white spaces

Recommended:

Network 2 Name (SSID) - alternative WiFi network SSID, in case connection to Network 1 fails.

Network 2 Password - password for your alternative WiFi network

Click the **Show password** checkbox(s) to see the password(s) you enter to ensure that it is correct and that your mobile device has not inadvertently capitalised the first letter nor autocorrected from what you entered.

~~**Double**~~ **Triple** check the WiFi credentials.

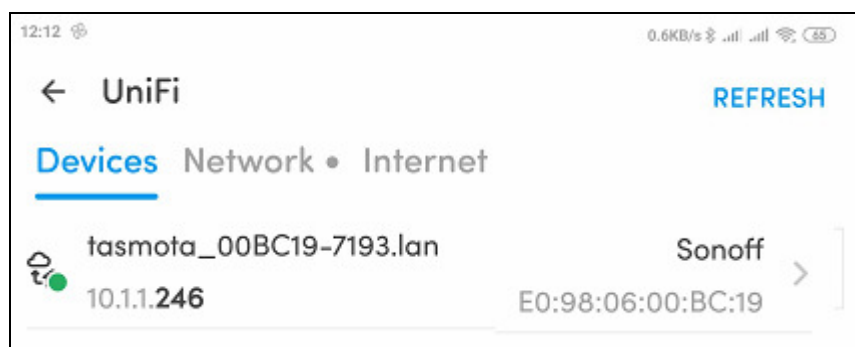
Click



The Tasmota-Plus device will restart and connect to your WiFi network. The tasmota_XXXXX WiFi network will no longer exist, so your smartphone will automatically connect back to its normal WiFi network.

5. The next step is to learn the IP address assigned by your local DHCP server to your Tasmota device. There are a number of ways to do this. You will look for a device with a name similar to this.
i.e. **tasmota-XXXXXX-YYYY**

- **Your router** – Look in DHCP leases.
- **Fing** – for Android or iOS
<https://www.fing.com/products/>

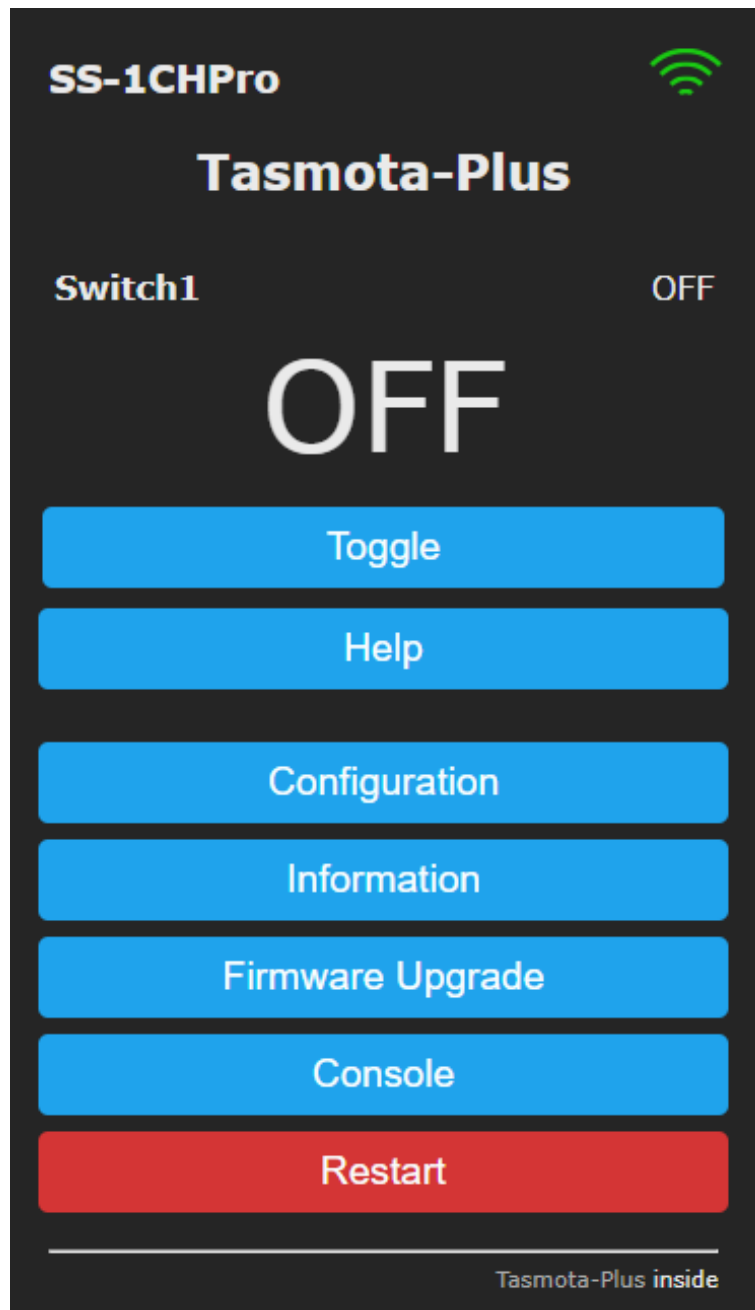


- **Angry IP Scanner** – open source for Linux, Windows and Mac.
<https://angryip.org/>
- **SuperScan** – Windows only (free)
<https://sectools.org/tool/superscan/>

6. Using your web browser, visit the device's IP address, as discovered in the step above.

NOTE: Do NOT visit `https://` (no 's')

`http://<device.ip.address>/`



Using the Web Interface

Standard Tasmota Web Interface

This is documented here:

<https://tasmota.github.io/docs/WebUI/>

Tasmota-Plus Features

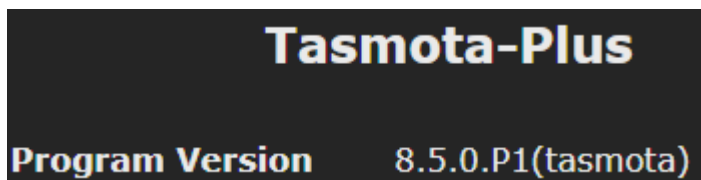
See **Tasmota-Plus Smart Devices** page 5 in this document.

Firmware

From time to time, new Tasmota-Plus firmware may be released for your device.

Checking the installed version

Open the Information page and note the **Program Version** currently installed.



Checking the latest released version

Use your web browser to visit:

<http://ubwh.com.au/tasmota/Tasmota-Plus/SS-1CHPro-ReleaseNotes.php>

Updating

If you choose to update the firmware to the latest version, there are two methods.

Over The Air (OTA)

This is the simplest.

Open the Firmware Upgrade page.

Enter this OTA Url:

<http://ubwh.com.au/tasmota/Tasmota-Plus/tasmota-SS-1CHPro.bin.gz>

Click **Start upgrade**



File Upload

With a web browser on your local PC, visit

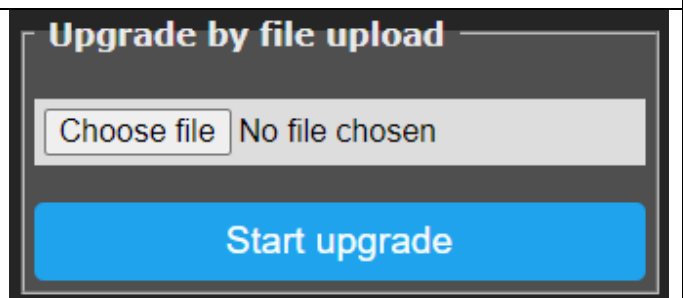
<http://ubwh.com.au/tasmota/Tasmota-Plus/tasmota-SS-1CHPro.bin.gz>

Save the file on your local computer.

Open the Firmware Upgrade page.

Choose the file just downloaded.

Click **Start upgrade**



Initial Setup Mode

When in this mode, the device can not connect to a WiFi network as it does not know which network to connect to.

The device WiFi is in Access Point (AP) mode, broadcasting with a WiFi Network name of *tasmota_XXXXXX-YYYY*

The device is in Initial Setup Mode when it is in **Factory Default** state.

Factory Reset Procedure

When the settings have been cleared, the device is in *Initial Setup Mode* and can not connect to a WiFi network.

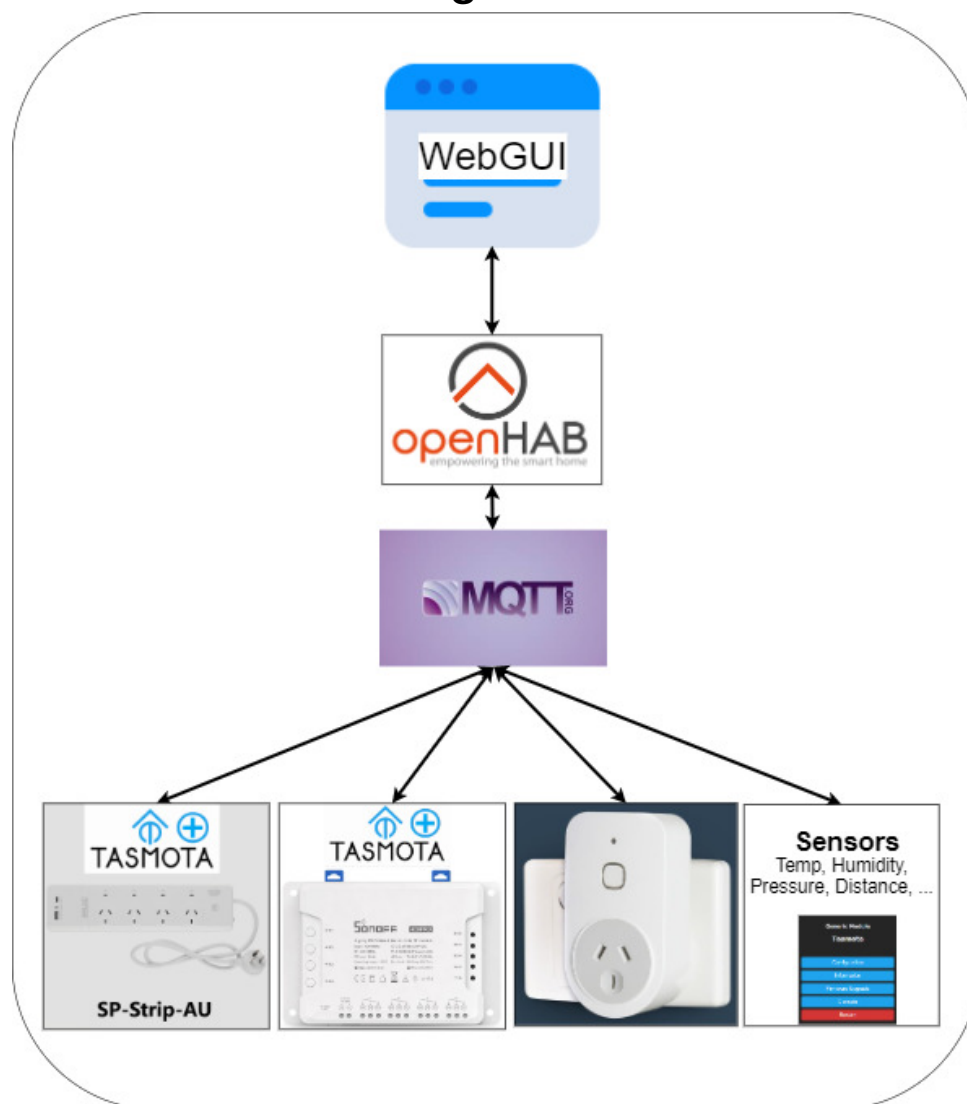
There are a number of ways to clear (reset) all settings and get the device into *Initial Setup Mode*.

1. Web Browser Interface → Configuration

Reset Configuration

2. Power off the device.
Repeat 6 times: Power on for 1 second, then power off.
Power on the device.

Centralised Monitoring & Control



While this device can operate 100% stand-alone, it can also be monitored and controlled, along with multiple other devices, from a single management platform.

One popular management platform is **openHAB**⁸.

In simple terms:

- MQTT compatible devices (e.g. Tasmota) connect to an **MQTT Broker**⁹.
Status information sent TO the MQTT broker.
Commands received FROM the MQTT broker.

⁸ <https://www.openhab.org/> (Freeware, Open source)

⁹ <https://mqtt.org/> (Freeware, Open source)

- **openHAB** also connects to the MQTT broker.
Status information received FROM the MQTT broker.
Commands sent TO the MQTT broker.
- Users interact via web pages (WebGUI)

WebGUI Interfaces

openHAB supports a number of User Interfaces (UIs). Each UI is highly customisable.

The images below show example visualisations.

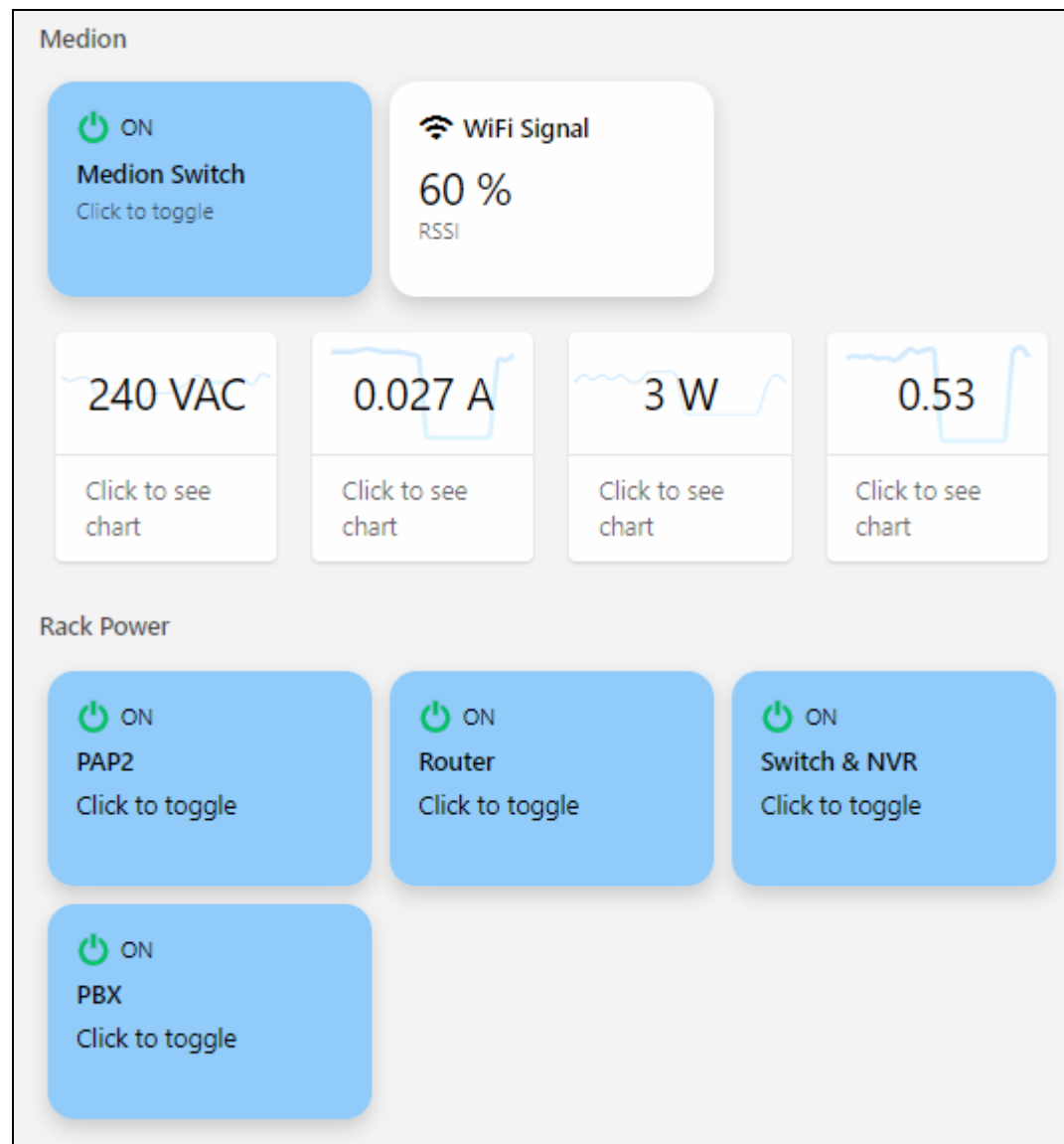


Figure 6 - Classic UI. Mobile friendly.



Figure 7 - Basic UI. Mobile friendly.



Figure 8 - Panel UI. Ideal for touch screens.

Specifications

Working Voltage	DC: 10.8-13.2V DC: 24-60V AC: 110-240V
Max. RelayCurrent	16 A
Max. VA	3800 VA
Max. Power load	3800 W (real)
Switch Input	Open/Closed contacts detected
WiFi Standards	802.11b/g/n (2.4 GHz)
WiFi Range	No walls: 20m typical With walls: 10m typical.
Manufacturer's warranty	1 year
Hardware manufacturer	Shelly
Manufacturer's model	Shelly 1
Firmware	Tasmota-Plus (customised)
Works with http://	Yes
Works with MQTT/openHAB	Yes
Works with Amazon Alexa	No
Works with Google Assistant	No