

Installation Guide

#### 10/100/1000 Mbps Gigabit Ethernet Adapter GA311

For instructions on Windows NT setup or advanced configuration options, see the *Reference Manual* on the *Resource CD*. Windows NT 4.0 does not permit installation of the software driver and utility software before installing the adapter.

Estimated completion time: 15 minutes.

## **Verify that System Requirements are Met**

Before installing the GA311, make sure that your computer meets the following minimum system requirements:

- A PC with a Pentium-300 MHz or higher compatible processor
- One open 32-bit or 64-bit PCI slot
- A CD drive
- 64 MB of memory
- Windows Vista, XP, 2000, Me, 98SE, NT 4.0 (with Service Pack 5 or above).
   Some versions of Windows may ask for the Windows operating system installation files to complete the installation of the GA311 driver software.
- At least 5 Megabytes disk space.

### Windows Vista Installation

- 1. First, Install the GA311 Gigabit Ethernet Adapter.
  - **a.** Turn off the PC and open the PC case. Locate an available PCI slot and insert the GA311 Ethernet Adapter into the PCI expansion slot.

**Note:** To avoid damaging components on the adapter, handle it by the edges. Use your thumbs to push it securely into the PCI slot. Do not use excessive force, but make sure the card is fully inserted into the slot to prevent the PC operating system from freezing at startup.

b. Power on your PC, and let the operating system boot up. Log in as needed.

Type the name of a program, folder, document, or Internet resource, and Windows will open it for you.

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- 2. Next, install the GA311 software
  - a. Insert the Resource CD into your CD drive. The main page displays.
  - **b.** From the Windows Start menu, select Run. The Run dialog box opens.
  - c. Enter the path to the GA311 setup.exe file on the CD. For example, if your CD is drive D, enter D:\GA311\setup as the path. Then, click OK.
  - **d.** Follow the Install Shield Wizard steps.
    Click **Finish** when done. Remove the
    Resource CD. If prompted, restart your computer.

Now, the GA311 driver and utility software are installed.

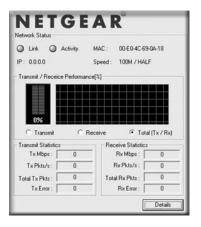
- **3.** Now, configure the GA311.
  - **a.** Double-click the GA311 icon in the WIndows system tray to open the Windows network connection page.
  - **b.** Click **Properties** and configure the GA311 according to your network requirements.

For information about configuring your network settings, see the link to networking in Appendix A of your *Reference Manual* on your *Resource CD*.

4. Finally, verify network connectivity.

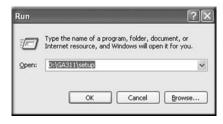
- a. Click the GA311 Smart Wizard Utility icon on the lower right portion of the Windows task bar.
- **b.** Verify that the GA311 status information matches your network.

**Note:** If your are unable to connect, see the *Reference Manual* on the *Resource CD.* 



### Windows XP, 2000, Me and 98SE Installation

- 1. First, Install the GA311 software.
  - a. Power on your PC, and let the operating system boot up. Log in as needed.
  - **b.** Insert the *Resource CD* into your CD drive. The main page displays.
  - c. From the Windows Start menu, select Run. The Run dialog box opens. Enter the path to the GA311 setup.exe file on the CD. For example, if your CD is drive D, enter D:\GA311\setup as the path. Then, click OK.



**d.** Follow the Install Shield Wizard steps. Click **Finish** when done. Remove the *Resource CD*. If prompted, restart your computer.

Now, the GA311 driver and utility software are installed.

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- b. Restart your PC.
- c. Follow the Found New Hardware Wizard steps and accept the Install the software automatically setting. Click Next to proceed

Note: If Windows XP or 2000 displays a Windows XP Logo Testing or a Digital Signature Not Found warning, click Continue Anyway or Yes to proceed.

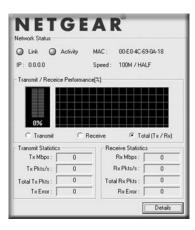


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Go to http://kbserver.netgear.com for product updates and Web support.

For additional information about setting up, configuring, and using your Gigabit Ethernet Adapter, see the *User Manual*.

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