



How to Connect Your Cameras Directly to the PC and Log in via Reolink Client

You may follow the steps below to access Reolink cameras without a router by connecting your cameras directly to your PC and then logging in to the cameras via Reolink Client.

Notes before You Start

- This method only applies to camera with network port. Other camera models do not support using this method. If you are using a Wi-Fi camera and there is a local hotspot available, such as a mobile hotspot, you can connect the camera to the hotspot and access it via the App or Client. Refer to [How to Connect Reolink Cameras to Phone's Hotspot](#).
- This method is designed for users without a router who need to access their cameras via the Reolink Client on a PC. If you have a router or a modem-router combo, follow the standard setup process instead. For guidance, refer to: [How to Initially Set up Reolink Devices](#).

Step-by-Step Instruction of Connecting Reolink Cameras to PC without a Router

Step 1. Power on the camera and connect it to your PC.

Power on the camera and then connect it directly to your computer's network port using a network cable. Verify if the camera is powered on properly by checking whether the IR LEDs or spotlight turn on in a dark environment.

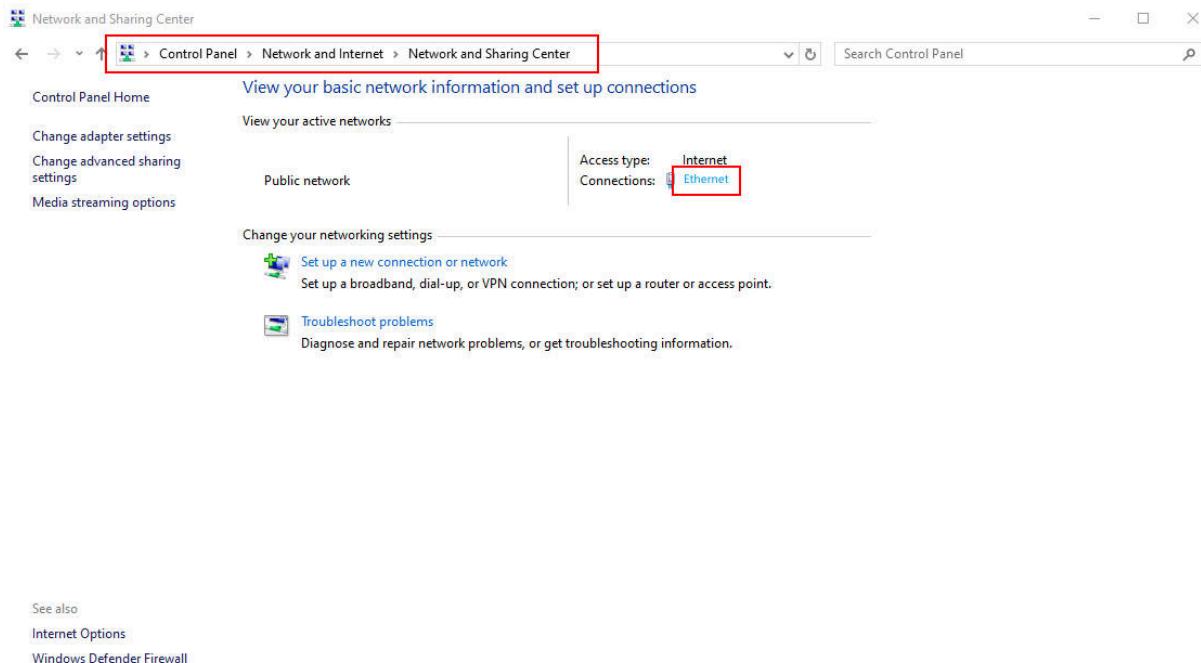


- For WiFi IP camera, please refer to [How to Power on WiFi camera](#)
- For POE cameras, Please refer to [How to Power on Reolink PoE Cameras](#)

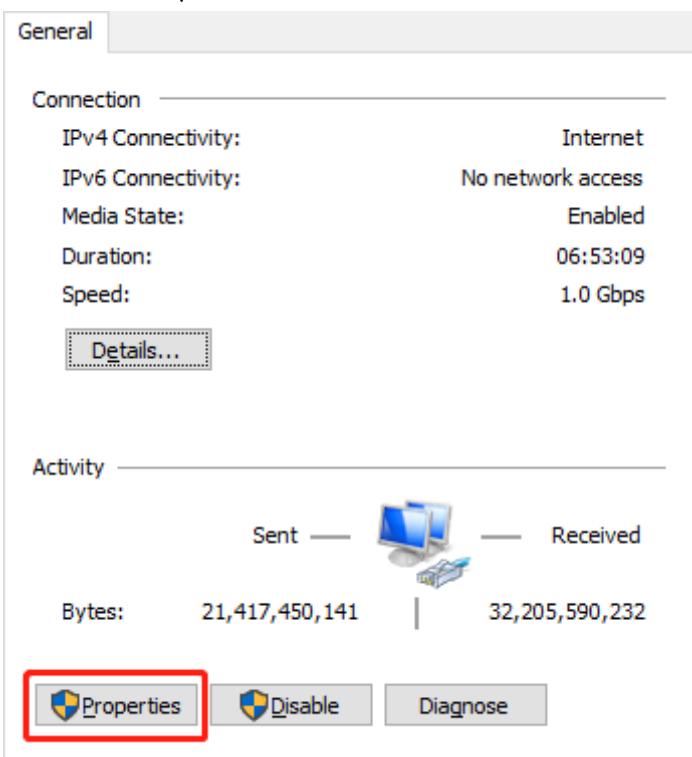


Step 2. Change the IP address of your computer to the same network segment of your camera.

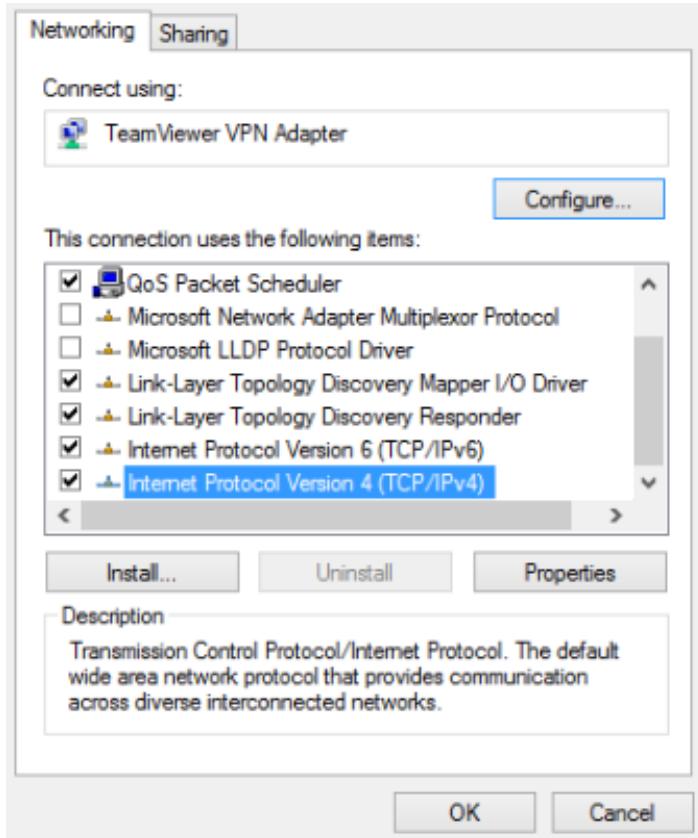
1. Click Start > Control Panel > Network and Sharing Center > Ethernet.



2. Click on Properties.

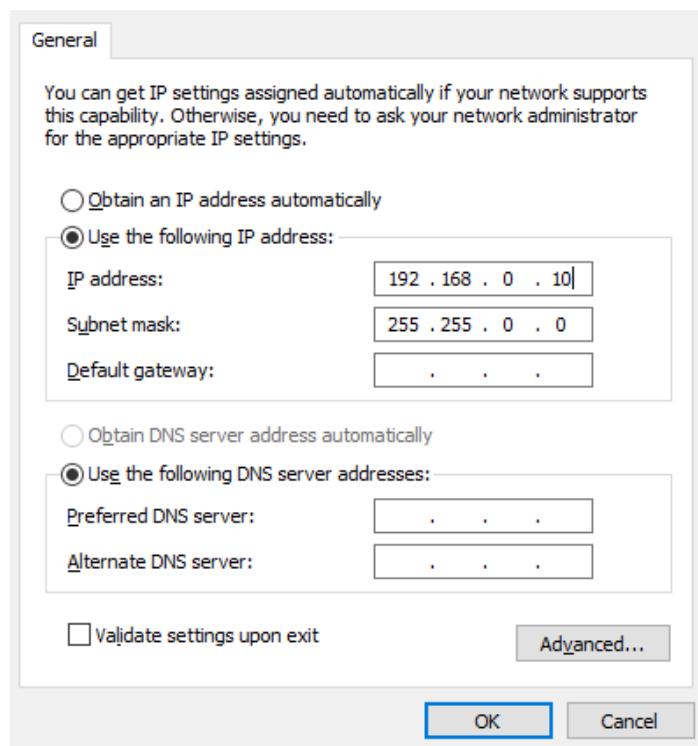


3. Select Internet Protocol Version 4 (TCP/IPv4) and click on Properties.



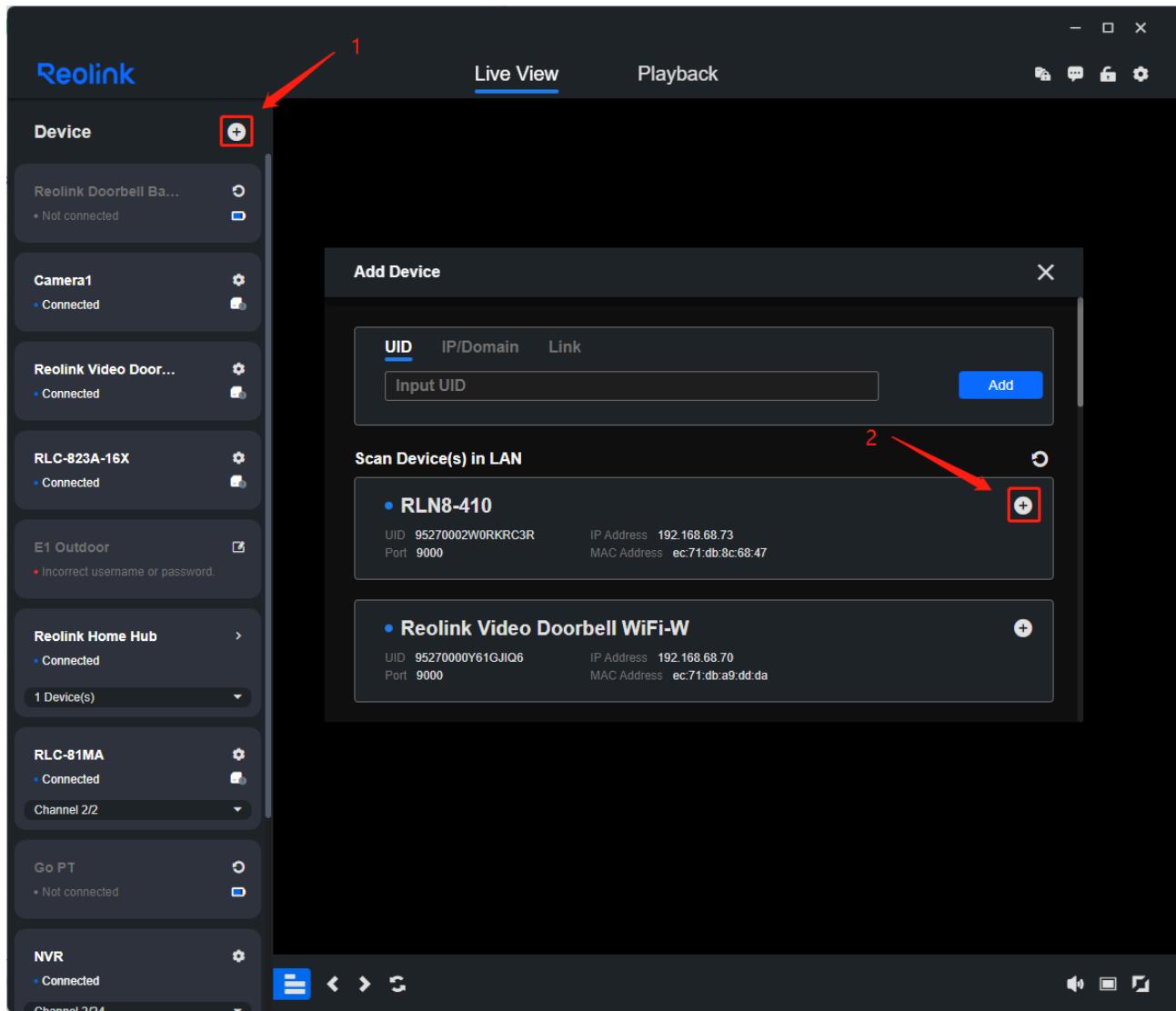
4. Select Use the following IP address and enter the IP address, Subnet Mask, then click OK button. Like the photo below. Notes:

- Set the IP address to 192.168. X. X. The X value in 192.168.X.X can be set arbitrarily, but it should not exceed 255.
- Set the Subnet Mask to 255.255.0.0.



Step 3. Add camera to Reolink Client.

Download the latest version of Reolink Client. Open Reolink Client, then click Add Device > Scan Device In LAN, click + button to add the camera.



Done! Now you are able to access Reolink cameras without a router after connecting your cameras directly to your PC.

Notes:

1. Please set a **static IP address** for this camera once you can connect this camera via your PC client in case the IP address changes next time.
2. To add additional cameras, please follow the same steps outlined above. Remember to assign a unique static IP address for each subsequent camera, ensuring they do not share the same IP.

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By following these steps, you can successfully connect and access your Reolink cameras without a router. This setup allows you to monitor and manage your cameras directly from your PC using Reolink Client. If you encounter any issues or need further assistance, feel free to click "Submit for request" to reach out for help.

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