

A **wireless LAN** or **WLAN** is a [wireless local area network](#), which is the linking of two or more computers without using wires. It uses radio communication to accomplish the same functionality that a wired [LAN](#) has. WLAN utilizes [spread-spectrum](#) technology based on [radio waves](#) to enable communication between devices in a limited area, also known as the basic service set. This gives users the mobility to move around within a broad coverage area and still be connected to the network.

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