

What Everyday Tech Guide offers

Home tech, made simple.

Everyday Tech Guide is a free guide site for the technology in your home: Wi-Fi and routers, security cameras and doorbells, smart home gear and the accounts that protect them. It is for people who want clear, step-by-step help with setup, troubleshooting and buying decisions. Guides are researched from manufacturers' own documentation. They are not independently tested. We also make our own downloadable tools for checking and organising your home setup.

166

PAGES

80

GUIDES

3

INTERACTIVE TOOLS

66

GLOSSARY TERMS

2

OWN PRODUCTS

— What we cover

Home Wi-Fi and routers

19 guides

Dropouts, dead zones, mesh, routers, extenders.

- › Why Does My Wi-Fi Keep Disconnecting?
- › How to Fix Wi-Fi Dead Zones
- › Mesh Wi-Fi vs. a Traditional Router

Cameras and doorbells

17 guides

Offline fixes, placement, storage, choosing a camera.

- › Ring Doorbell or Camera Offline? Fixes
- › Local vs Cloud Storage for Security Cameras
- › Best Video Doorbells Without a Subscription

Smart home and Matter

41 guides

Plugs, lights, locks, thermostats, hubs, Matter and Thread.

- › Matter vs. Thread Explained
- › Do Smart Plugs Need a Hub?
- › Smart Home for Renters

Home network security

3 guides

Accounts, passwords and backups, free options first.

- › Password Managers for a Household: Free Options First
- › 2FA, Passkeys and Security Keys for Your Home
- › Home Backups: the 3-2-1 Rule

Brand setup and fixes 34 guides + 3 comparisons

One guide per brand or product line, from eero to SimpliSafe.

- › eero Setup and Troubleshooting
- › Philips Hue Bridge Setup, Matter and Unreachable Lights
- › Wyze Camera Setup and Offline Fixes

Buying guides

26 guides

22 "Best" roundups, a budget routers guide and 3 buying or compatibility guides.

- › How to Choose a Wi-Fi Router
- › Best Mesh Wi-Fi Systems
- › Best Security Cameras Without a Subscription

The 80 guides are counted once each, by primary topic: Wi-Fi 19, cameras 17, smart home 41, security 3. Brand and buying guides are a second view of the same guides, so those counts overlap the topic counts. There are also 9 comparisons, such as eero vs TP-Link Deco. The 166 pages are the sitemap URLs: home page, 5 topic hubs, 80 guides, 3 tools, 66 glossary terms and 11 site, policy and product pages. The web version is at everydaytechguides.com/what-we-offer.

— Free tools and helpers

Home Network Health Check 25 questions

A 0 to 100 score, a score per area, your top 3 fixes and a weekend plan.

Home Wi-Fi Solution Finder 6 questions

Narrows down why Wi-Fi is slow, weak or dropping.

Smart Home Compatibility Checker 7 questions

What to verify before buying a plug, light, camera, doorbell or thermostat.

Start Here, Search, Glossary, RSS

Start Here covers 13 common situations. Search and the 66-term glossary help you find your way. Feed at </rss.xml>. Tool answers stay in your browser, no account needed.

— Our own products

Home Network Health Check Pack

\$12 one-time

A personal report on your home network and a fillable binder to keep your home tech in one place. Instant digital download on Payhip. Works offline, nothing is sent anywhere.

REPORT BUILDER

- › 4 quick questions, then up to 35 that adapt to your home
- › Personal PDF report with an overall score and a score per area
- › Fixes in priority order, free fixes first, with steps
- › Weekend plan, 30-day plan and a habits page

SECURITY TOOLS ADD-ON (OPTIONAL, INCLUDED)

- › 10 more questions and a Security tools section
- › Password managers, backups, computer protection, DNS filtering, device list

FILLABLE HOME TECH BINDER

- › 15 pages, fillable and printable; dark version for screens, light for printing
- › Equipment log, device inventory, accounts record, router settings checklist, maintenance log, warranty tracker, emergency contacts, yearly calendar

ALSO INCLUDED

- › Sample report from made-up answers and a START-HERE file

Household Account and Password Rollout Kit

\$9 one-time

A 23-page fillable and printable kit to move everyone in your home to a password manager and 2-step verification. Instant digital download on Payhip.

- › Choose your tools, free options first
- › Household roster and a weekend rollout plan
- › Four per-person checklists
- › Account inventory in 3 tiers (you record where passwords are kept, never the passwords)
- › 2FA and passkey tracker
- › Recovery and emergency plan, with a print-and-handwrite sheet
- › Family sharing rules
- › "After a breach" checklist, incident log and quarterly check-up

Both products are plans and records, not scans or security audits. They contain no affiliate links and no ads. Store: payhip.com/EverydayTechGuide

— How recommendations work

- ✓ Guides draw on the manufacturers' own specifications, manuals and support pages.
- ✓ Some guides contain Amazon affiliate links. We may earn a commission at no extra cost to you.
- ✓ We only link to listings sold new by Amazon.com or the brand's official store.
- ✓ We do not publish prices, invented reviews or test results we did not run.
- ✓ Picks are marked "not independently tested". We do not run hands-on tests.
- ✓ Every affiliate link is labelled "(affiliate link)" and marked sponsored in the page code.
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