

**User Guide**  
**Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi**  
**R206-Z**

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# Welcome

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# Welcome

## System requirements

To use the Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi R206-Z you need a device with Wi-Fi capability.

### Tip:

For advanced configuration, the web UI password is 'admin'.

The Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi R206-Z creates a personal portable Wi-Fi zone which allows several Wi-Fi enabled devices (for example PCs, Apple® iPhone, iPad or iPod touch, or mobile gaming devices such as Nintendo® DSi, Android devices including smartphones and tablets) to share a secure mobile internet connection.

The device is battery, mains or USB powered, and this flexibility allows the device to be positioned for best mobile coverage and then share this coverage between several devices via Wi-Fi.

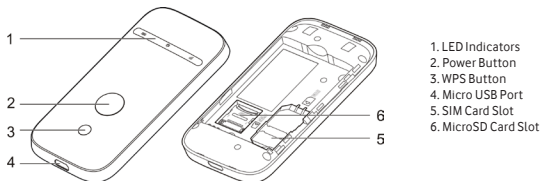
## Advanced configuration using a cable or Wi-Fi

To perform advanced configuration of the device, browse to the web UI <http://VodafoneMobile.wifi> or <http://192.168.0.1> from a computer running Microsoft® Windows® 8, Windows® 8 RT (Wi-Fi access only), Windows® 7 (SP1 recommended), Windows Vista™ (SP2 recommended), or Windows® XP (SP3 required), a computer running Linux (Wi-Fi configuration only, not cable), or an Apple Mac running Mac OS® X 10.6 (Intel®), 10.7 or 10.8 (all with latest updates).

## Advanced configuration for iPhone / iPad / iPod Touch / smartphone / tablet users

Apple device users should use the Safari browser to browse to the web UI <http://VodafoneMobile.wifi> or <http://192.168.0.1>, or download the Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi Monitor app. Smartphone and tablet users can check the device status by downloading the Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi Monitor app from the App Store in iTunes or the Android Market / Google Play. See Page 15 for sample app screenshots.

## Device overview



### LEDs



### End User Licence Agreement (EULA)

Please ensure that you have read and accepted the software EULA for your country before using the Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi application or device. The EULA is available here:

[www.support.vodafone.com/VodafoneMobileWiFi/R206-Z](http://www.support.vodafone.com/VodafoneMobileWiFi/R206-Z)

## Getting started: Step 1 of 2

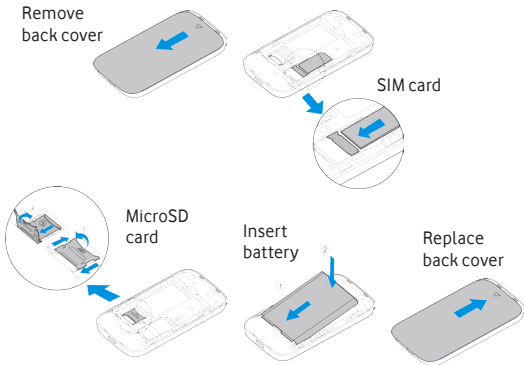
Note: Once setup is complete, when connected to the R206-Z via USB (and you have installed the software onto your PC) you can access the R206-Z configuration screen by clicking on the Mobile Wi-Fi desktop icon .

Alternatively, if you are connected over Wi-Fi, you can enter the following addresses into your browser:

<http://VodafoneMobile.wifi> or <http://192.168.0.1>

You may want to save these addresses as favourites in your browser so you can access the Mobile Wi-Fi web UI application screen easily.

1. To prepare the Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi R206-Z, you need to insert your SIM, MicroSD card (optional) and battery before use. Note the Wi-Fi network name (SSID) and secure Wi-Fi network key that can be found on a label inside the back cover of the device and on the reminder card.



2. Plug the device into the mains or your PC. The battery will be charged in the background. Make sure the device is fully charged (approximately 3.5 hours on mains) before using it in battery mode. Please only use the supplied charger with this device.
3. Switch on the device by pressing and holding the power button for 3 seconds. The device will go through its start-up sequence, and will automatically connect to the network unless a PIN code for SIM is required. Check the display for connection status.

## Getting started: Step 2 of 2


### Tip:

The Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi R206-Z will automatically connect to the Mobile network when it is powered on.

If required, this default automatic network connection can be changed to a manual connection via the web UI of the device.

4. Use the normal Wi-Fi application on your computer or device to connect. Select the Mobile Wi-Fi network from the list of available Wi-Fi networks, click Connect and enter the WPA2 password (secure Wi-Fi network key). If your connecting device has WPS functionality, you can press and hold the WPS button on the R206-Z for 5 seconds (all 3 LEDs will flash simultaneously), then any WPS-enabled device can connect without requiring the network key.

Congratulations – you now have internet access via Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi.

5. When you are connected to the Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi R206-Z via Wi-Fi or a USB cable, you can access the Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi configuration screen by clicking on the Mobile Wi-Fi desktop icon  (if you have installed via USB), or by typing either <http://VodafoneMobile.wifi> or <http://192.168.0.1> into your web browser. You can change settings and check the device and network status from this browser page.

# Mobile Wi-Fi web UI application screen

Note: Every window in the Mobile Wi-Fi web UI application has this same standard layout.

Context-sensitive help for each window is always available at the bottom of the window.

Sometimes an additional Menu bar will appear on the left of the window.

- 1 Navigation tabs: Select Mobile Wi-Fi, Storage, SMS or Account view
- 2 Navigation bar: Select an area within each view
- 3 Current network panel: Status of mobile network connection, battery and Wi-Fi status and connected devices
- 4 Content area: Content for current area
- 5 Context help: Context-sensitive help for current area
- 6 Language selection: Defaults to browser language
- 7 Login/Logout: For advanced configuration options. Default password is 'admin'

The screenshot shows the Mobile Wi-Fi web UI application with the following elements highlighted by numbered callouts:

- 1**: Navigation tabs at the top, including "Mobile Wi-Fi", "Storage", "SMS", and "Account".
- 2**: Navigation bar below the tabs, containing "Mobile Broadband" and "Help".
- 3**: Current network panel on the right, showing "Mobile number", "Signal", "Status" (Connected), "Network" (vodafone UK HEUPA), "Time connected" (00:03:48), "Total volume" (2.78MB), "Battery Status (90%)", and "Connected devices (1)".
- 4**: Content area on the left, titled "Welcome to Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi", with a sub-section "Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi help" containing instructions and a "Help" link.
- 5**: Context help section at the bottom of the content area, titled "Important items to check include:", listing steps for troubleshooting.
- 6**: Language selection dropdown menu labeled "Choose language".
- 7**: Login/Logout section at the top right, including "Password", "Enter Password", and "Login" buttons.

## Current network panel

Note: In addition to the Current network panel, there are drop-down panels for Battery status (percentage charge / battery time remaining), Wi-Fi status and Connected devices (devices currently connected to the Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi R206-Z).

The Current network panel appears on the right-hand side of every screen within the Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi web UI application, with additional panels for battery, Wi-Fi and connected device status below. 'Roaming network' is shown at the top of the panel when you are roaming on another operator's network, or 'Home network'.

**Mobile number** – Shown if permitted by your network operator

**Signal** – More bars indicates better mobile network signal. For best performance position the device so 3 or more bars are displayed with 3G/HSUPA coverage in the Network field















**Status** – Tick when connected to network; Cross when not connected

**Network** – Name and bearer of currently connected network

**Time connected** – For current connection to network

**Total volume** – Approximate cumulative data usage

**Up / Down** – Approximate connection speed: 'Up' to the network from your computer, and 'Down' from the network.

 Home network	 Roaming network
Mobile number	Mobile number
Signal 	Signal 
Status Connected 	Status Connected 
Network vodafone UK HSUPA	Network vodafone UK HSUPA
Time connected 00:11:05 	Time connected 00:11:05 
Total volume 3.06MB	Total volume 3.06MB
▲   Up 0b/s	▲   Up 0b/s
▼   Down 0b/s	▼   Down 0b/s
 Battery Status (90%) +	 Battery Status (90%) +
 Wi-Fi Status +	 Wi-Fi Status +
 Connected devices (1) +	 Connected devices (1) +



## Mobile Wi-Fi view

### IMPORTANT

We recommend that you ensure that the Wi-Fi security settings meet your personal requirements.

To change the admin password, enter 'admin' into the Password box and click Login. Select **Router** on the Navigation bar, then **Router Settings** from the left hand Menu bar.

To modify the SSID and secure network key, select **Wi-Fi** on the Navigation bar, then **Security** from the left hand Menu bar.

The Mobile Wi-Fi view has four options on the Navigation bar covering device configuration: Mobile Broadband, Wi-Fi, Router, and Help.

For an explanation on using these features either read the context-sensitive help on the relevant page, or consult the Advanced Configuration Guide, available here: [www.support.vodafone.com/VodafoneMobileWiFi/R206-Z](http://www.support.vodafone.com/VodafoneMobileWiFi/R206-Z)

**Mobile Wi-Fi** Storage SMS Account Choose language Logout

**Mobile Broadband** **Wi-Fi** Router Help

### Welcome to Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi

Your Mobile Wi-Fi device allows your Wi-Fi enabled devices to get internet access SIMPLI, quickly and easily.

Once you have connected to the MobileWiFi-55FC15 Wi-Fi network, you can configure settings related to your Mobile Broadband device from these webpages, which can be accessed later via typing <http://www.vodafone.co.uk/wifi> or <http://192.168.0.1> into your browser.

**Home network**

Mobile number: [redacted]  
Signal: [strong signal icon]  
Status: Connected [green checkmark]  
Network: vodafone UK HSUPA  
Time connected: 00:05:10  
Total volume: 2.83MB  
[Up] 0bit/s  
[Down] 0bit/s

**Battery Status (90%)** +  
**Wi-Fi Status** +  
**Connected devices (1)** +

**Inbox**  
You have no current messages

### Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi help

In the Current Network section you will find all details relevant to your current connection. Within this section you can easily check to confirm that you can access the internet. You are successfully connected to the internet when a green tick appears.

**Important items to check include:**

1. SIM is inserted correctly
2. If "Searching for Network" is continually shown by moving to another physical location, nearer a window or higher up and check settings
3. Call customer services to check that data services and roaming are enabled on your account

Should you still be unable to connect please consult the help section for further advice

## SMS view

Note: When you select the checkbox in the title bar of the Inbox, Sent folder or Draft folder, all messages in that folder are selected. This is useful if you want to delete multiple messages. It is not possible to forward multiple messages.

In the Settings area you can select or de-select the SMS preview in the Mobile Wi-Fi view.

The SMS view has six options on the Navigation bar covering all messaging functions: Inbox, Write, Sent, Draft, Settings and Help.

By default the Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi device will re-direct your browsing session to the Mobile Wi-Fi web UI application screen when new SMS messages are received. This setting can be changed via the message preview option within the SMS Settings area.

The screenshot displays the Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi web UI. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs for 'Mobile Wi-Fi', 'Storage', 'SMS', and 'Account'. To the right of these tabs are 'Choose language' and 'Logout' options. Below the navigation bar is a red header with icons and labels for 'Inbox', 'Write', 'Sent', 'Draft', 'Settings', and 'Help'. The main content area is split into two columns. The left column contains an 'Inbox' section with the message 'You have no current messages' and an 'SMS help' section with instructions on how to manage messages. The right column contains a 'Home network' section showing 'Mobile number', 'Signal', 'Status' (Connected), 'Network' (Vodafone India 3G+), 'Time connected' (00:04:20), 'Total volume' (1.17MB), and 'Down' speed (5.61kb/s). Below this are expandable sections for 'Battery Status (89%)', 'Wi-Fi Status', and 'Connected devices (1)'. At the bottom, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Mobile Broadband', 'Wi-Fi', 'Router', 'Storage', 'SMS', 'Account', and 'Help', each with a brief description of the link's content.

## Account view

The Account view has three options on the Navigation bar: Account details, Account type and Help.

Your account type should be determined automatically by the Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi device to match the inserted SIM card.

Depending on the network operator, prepaid users may have the option to top-up their account and check their prepaid balance via this view.

Note: The options that are displayed on the Navigation bar are dependent on the account type selected.

The screenshot shows the Vodafone Account view interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs for 'Mobile Wi-Fi', 'Storage', 'SMS', and 'Account' (which is selected). To the right of the navigation bar, there are options for 'Choose language' and 'Logout'. Below the navigation bar, the main content area is divided into two sections. The left section is titled 'Account details' and contains a sub-section 'Account details' with a 'Register' button. The right section is titled 'Home network' and displays various network and device status information. At the bottom of the screen, there is a grid of settings categories.

Mobile Broadband	Wi-Fi	Router	Storage	SMS	Account	Help
Status	Wi-Fi Settings	Router settings	Storage Settings	How	Account details	Help
SIM PIN Management	WPS Settings	NAT settings		View SMS	Account type	Diagnostics
Mobile Broadband	MAC Settings	DMZ Settings		Send		Device Controls
Connection	Security Settings	Advanced		Drafts		About
Mobile Broadband				Settings		Support
Network						Online support

## Device status screen icons

The device status screen is constantly updated with the current status of the device and network connection. A green flashing battery icon indicates charging, red flashing indicates the battery charge is low.

Sample icons and their meanings:

### Network signal:



poor signal



excellent signal

### Messages:



unread SMS



no SMS



flashing icon (2 seconds) - new SMS arrived



flashing icon (permanently) - SMS full

### Battery:



charge  $\geq$  23 %



flashing icon - charging



flashing icon - charge  $<$  12 %



standby not charging

Note: To reset the device back to the initial factory default settings, hold down both the WPS and power buttons together for 3 seconds when the device is switched on.

This includes the reset of the security settings back to their original settings.

# MicroSD Card

It supports upto 32GB MicroSD card.

You can access files stored on MicroSD card and save files on MicroSD card over Wi-Fi.

For more details on using this function, refer to the MicroSD card sharing help section , in the Sharing Settings.

The screenshot displays the 'Sharing Settings' screen of a mobile application. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs for 'Mobile Wi-Fi', 'Storage', 'SMS', and 'Account'. Below this, a red header contains the 'Sharing' and 'Help' labels. The main content area is divided into two sections: 'Sharing Settings' and 'Micro SD Card Sharing Help'.

**Sharing Settings:** This section includes a description: 'Enabling sharing will allow anyone connected to your device to view and download items stored on your Micro SD card using this web site.' Below this, there are options for 'HTTP Sharing' (On/Off), a selection of folders to share, and a note that users can choose which folders to share and what they can do with the files (view, delete, or create).

**Micro SD Card Sharing Help:** This section provides instructions for accessing files on the MicroSD card. It states that files can be accessed via a web browser by entering either <http://vodafone4g.mobi.wifi> or <http://192.168.0.1>. It also notes that users must switch off HTTP sharing via the web UI first to use the MicroSD card via a USB cable.

**System Status (Right Sidebar):** This area shows network information: 'Home network', 'Mobile number', 'Signal' strength, 'Status' (Connected), 'Network' (vodafone UK HSLUPA), 'Time connected' (00:15:58), 'Total volume' (30.88MB), and 'Battery Status (100%)'. It also has expandable sections for 'Wi-Fi Status' and 'Connected devices (0)'. At the bottom, it indicates '1 Device' with a volume of 4160kb.

## Hints and tips

The Linux licence information can be found here: [www.support.vodafone.com/VodafoneMobileWi-Fi/R206-Z](http://www.support.vodafone.com/VodafoneMobileWi-Fi/R206-Z)


Note: Please only use the charger supplied with this device.

### The application won't install on Windows

If the software does not install, or the install progress bar keeps looping

- From the Windows Start menu, select Settings>Control Panel>System>Hardware>Device Manager
- Expand 'Universal Serial Bus Controllers'
- Right-click 'USB Mass Storage Device' and select 'Uninstall'
- If your devices are not reloaded, select 'Scan for Hardware changes' from the 'Action' menu.

### Cannot open Mobile Wi-Fi web UI application window

The following things may prevent you from opening the Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi web UI application window by double-clicking the desktop icon  (if you have installed via a USB connection) or entering the address <http://VodafoneMobile.wifi> or <http://192.168.0.1> into your web browser:

- Your computer already has a connection via an ethernet LAN cable
- Your computer already has a connection via a different Wi-Fi network. You must be connected to the R206-Z via Wi-Fi or via USB cable to access the application window
- You may be using a VPN (Virtual Private Network).

Unplugging the LAN cable, exiting your VPN, and checking that you are connected to the Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi SSID / network may solve the problem.

## Hints and tips

Note: If you can see the application window in your browser, you can find more hints and tips in the Help area.

Selecting the Help option on the Navigation bar in any view, and then 'Diagnostics' in the Menu bar, may help you to identify a problem. This area also shows information that may be required if you need to contact Support at your mobile network operator.

Select 'Support' from the Menu bar for more information and local support contact details.

### No network can be found

- Change your physical location: in a building, move closer to a window, move higher up, or go outside
- Ensure the device is registered to the mobile network by checking the R206-Z device display or by opening the Mobile Wi-Fi web UI application window and checking the device is connected (indicated via the green tick)
- Select the Settings heading on the Navigation bar
- If the device is searching for a network, then ensuring the device is set to 3G Preferred in the network settings section may help
- If you are roaming then click 'Search' to search for available networks
- See if you can connect to one of the networks listed
- Click 'Save' to save your change
- Contact Support, and check that data services and roaming are enabled on your account.

### No connection can be opened (1)

- Type <http://VodafoneMobile.wifi> or <http://192.168.0.1> into your browser, and check the device status (Mobile Wi-Fi>Mobile Broadband tab, Help on Settings bar, and select Diagnostics from the menu)
- This may indicate the source of the problem. You should see a green tick in the networks panel to indicate that the device is connected to the mobile network.

## Hints and tips

Note: If you want to re-install the software from the Mobile Wi-Fi device, you need to first delete the Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi Service software from your computer.

- From the Windows Start menu, select Settings>Control Panel> Add or Remove Programs (XP) or Programs and Features (Windows 7)
- Remove the Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi Service
- Re-attach your Mobile Wi-Fi device to your computer using the USB cable and the software will re-install.

### No connection can be opened (2)

- Wait a few minutes and try to connect again. This is most often a temporary problem. If the problem persists, please try the steps below
- Close the application window and then re-open it
- Re-start your Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi device and connecting devices
- Open the Mobile Wi-Fi web UI application window
- Select the Account tab
- Select the Account type heading in the Navigation bar
- Check that the type of account you have with your mobile network operator is selected in the drop-down menu
- Check the device is set to automatically connect to the network. In roaming, the device is setup to not automatically connect to the network. The device should prompt you to connect to the network via the application window.
- Select the Settings heading on the Navigation bar
- Select the Network entry in the Menu bar on the left
- Check which option is selected. If the option is set to a 'Preferred' option, set it to an 'Only' option
- Click 'Save' to save your change
- If you are using a VPN (Virtual Private Network), contact the administrator of your VPN.



## Hints and tips

Note: Above guidelines to followed for SIM Card from 16 Vodafone circles.

The guidelines are not Applicable to 7 Vodafone circles, namely, Delhi, Gujarat, Kerala, Kolkata, Maharashtra & Goa, Mumbai and Tamil Nadu.

In case you face a connection issue with a SIM card from these 7 Circles, you are requested to contact Vodafone Customer Service for support.

### Resetting the device back to factory values

- While the device is switched on, press and hold down the WPS and power buttons together for 3 seconds.
- The device will now be reset to factory settings, including SSID, passwords and Wi-Fi security settings.

### R206Z International Roaming (IR) Guidelines

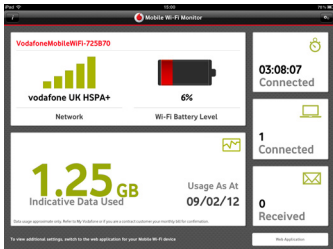
- Check and ensure that International Roaming service is activated on the SIM card.
- If International Roaming service is activated on the SIM card but Vodafone Wi-Fi R206Z is not detecting network while roaming, please follow the below steps.
  1. Remove SIM Card from Vodafone Wi-Fi R206Z.
  2. Insert SIM card in any compatible handset.
  3. Select Vodafone Services from the SIM menu.
  4. Select International Roaming.
  5. In Option -Allow SIM action? Select –“Yes. ”
  6. Phone will restart and select the international network manually.
  7. Go to Network Settings and check the handset display to confirm the Network selected.
  8. Now this SIM Card can be successfully used in Vodafone Wi-Fi R206Z for accessing data on international roaming.

## Hints and tips

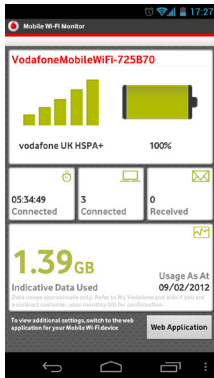
### Using the Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi Monitor app on iPhone, iPad, iPod Touch, smartphone, tablet

- Download the Vodafone Mobile Wi-Fi Monitor app from the App Store in iTunes or the Android Market / Google Play
- Click on the app icon 
- Sample monitor screens show below.

Tablet / iPad



iPhone / smartphone



## Glossary

- Bearer** Communication method used for data transport over the mobile network, eg. HSPA, 3G, etc.
- EDGE** An enhancement to the GPRS bearer offering higher speeds, although not as fast as 3G Broadband.
- GPRS** The General Packet Radio Service is a bearer offering higher data speeds than GSM, on which it is based.
- GSM** Global System for Mobile Communication.
- Home network** The network of the mobile operator who provided your SIM.
- HSPA** High-Speed Packet Access bearer, enhancing 3G, including both HSUPA (Uplink) and HSDPA (Downlink).
- HSPA+** Enhanced HSPA network offering faster speeds.
- HSUPA** High-Speed Uplink Packet Access bearer.
- 3G** The third-generation mobile phone service, as UMTS (Universal Mobile Telecommunications System) is also known, is a bearer providing higher data speeds.
- 3G broadband** The latest enhancement to the 3G bearer.
- Roaming** You can use your mobile device on any other mobile network that has a roaming agreement with your operator, whether in your country or abroad.
- SIM** Your Subscriber Identity Module is the postage-stamp-sized chip that you will have received together with your mobile contract. Your SIM has gold contacts on one side.
- WPA2** An alternative name for the Wi-Fi network key. For Mac users the term 'WPA2 personal' is used.

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