

ACM5504-5-G-I Quick Start Guide

Thank you for purchasing the ACM5504-5-G-I management gateway. This Quick Start walks you through installation and configuration. More details are available in the *User Manual* which can be downloaded from *http://opengear.com/documentation*.

Step1 Check kit contents



ACM5504-5-G-I device. External rack and DIN rail mount tabs. External green connector block and 3G antenna. UTP cables. Straight (319014) & crossover (319015) DB9F-RJ45S. Straight (319016) DB9M-RJ45. Quick Start. 12VDC power pack.

Step 2 Configure the hardware

Attach rubber feet to base. Also attach the desired mounting tab and screw the 3G antenna on to the main Cell (M) connector

Note: If you have purchased a diversity or GPS antenna, screw it on to Cell A

- The ACM5504-5-G-I works with GSM carriers globally. Your carrier will provide a SIM card for activating your data plan. Unscrew the SIM card access panel and insert the SIM card in the bottom SIM slot with contacts facing downward and the notch to RHS. Then replace the SIM card access panel. Refer to the User Manual for dual SIM installation and configuring failover.
- Connect the Ethernet LAN port to your network. Connect your management LAN devices to the ETHERNET 1-4 ports
- Plug your serial console devices into SERIAL 1-4 (all Cisco RJ45 pin-out). Connect your USB devices to the two USB ports
- Plug in the green screw terminal block and attach external sensors and DIO

Note: Refer to ACM5500-I Addendum for RS422/485 and DIO details

- ➤ Apply power. The ACM5504-5-G-I can now be powered externally by either:
- connecting the provided external power pack to the 12VDC barrel socket or
- connecting an external 9 to 24 VAC source to the 12VDC barrel socket or
- connecting +9V to 30 VDC to DC PWR and GND on the green terminal block

Note: If you ordered the -SDC option you'll have an external DC-DC power converter (input voltage +/- 36V DC to 72V DC. The converter power cable/ connector plugs into the *12VDC* socket



The ACM5504-5-G-I is ready for activation when the PWR status LED on the front panel of the unit is lit steady, and the H/B (heartbeat) LED is flashing.

Step 3 Set up your management gateway

The default IP Address is 192.168.0.1 (subnet mask 255.255.255.0). With a web browser on any computer that is network connected to the ACM5504-5-G-I:

Finter https://192.168.0.1 into the address bar

Note: The *LAN* connected computer must have an IP address in the same network range (192.168.0.xxx) as the ACM5504-5-G-I. If this is not convenient, you can use the ARP Ping command to set the IP address. Refer to the User Manual or online FAQ for details. The ACM5504-5-G-I also has DHCP enabled by default, so it will automatically accept any network IP address assigned by any DHCP server on your network. It will then respond at both 192.168.0.1 and its DHCP address

Log in using the default system user name root and the password default. A Welcome screen listing the basic configuration steps is displayed

It is recommended that you set up a new Administrator user (in the *admin* group with full access privileges) and login as this new user for all ongoing administration functions (rather than continuing as *root*).

- Select System: Administration. Enter and confirm a new System Password and click Apply
- To assign your ACM5504-5-G-I a static IP address or to permanently enable DHCP on the primary Ethernet network, select System: IP then Network Interface and check DHCP or Static for Configuration Method. Leave the Failover Interface set to None

Configure the ACM5500 connectivity:

- Configure the serial port settings and enable the desired protocols and logging levels via Serial & Network: Serial Port
- Attached USB devices are auto-configured so you can access to USB console ports, modems or external USB flash (the ACM5504-5-G-I also has an internal 4GB flash)
- You may also enable SSH tunneled access through the ACM5504-5-G-I to locally networked devices (*hosts*) using **Serial & Network: Network Hosts**
- Configure user access to serial ports via Serial & Network: Users & Groups

Step 4 Connect the cellular modem

- > Select the **Internal Cellular Modem** tab on the **System: Dial** menu
- Check Enable for Dial-Out Settings-OOB and enter the carrier's APN e.g. for AT&T (USA) simply enter i2gold, for T-Mobile (USA) enter epc.tmobile.com, for InterNode (Aust) enter internode and for Telstra (Aust) enter telstra.internet



Note: Your GSM carrier may have provided you with connection details. However, you generally will only need to enter your provider's APN and leave the other fields blank. If provided a Pin Code you may need to use it to unlock the SIM card.

You may also need to use alternate DNS servers from those provided by your carrier:

- > Enable **Override DNS**. Then check the **Override returned DNS Servers** box and enter the IP of the DNS servers into the spaces provided.
- Check **Apply** and a radio connection will be established with your cellular carrier. Out-of-band access is enabled, so the cellular modem connection is always ON.
- Verify the Connection Status in the Statistics Failover& Out-of-Band tab is shown as Connected. You can also check your allocated IP address
- > You can measure the received signal strength *RSSI* from the **Cellular Statistics** page on the **Status: Statistics** screen. -99 dbm to -90 dbm = Weak Coverage, -89 dbm to -70 dbm = Medium, -69 dbm or greater = Strong

Note: You can also see the connection status from the WWAN LED. OFF is shown when in reset mode or not powered. When powered, it will go ON and while searching for service it will flash off briefly every 5 seconds. Once a radio connection has been established with your cellular carrier (ie, after an APN has been properly configured) the WWAN LED will blink rapidly

Step 5 OoB access

To directly access the ACM5504-5-G-I, it needs a Public IP address and must not have SSH access firewalled. Almost all carriers offer corporate mobile data service/plans with a Public (static or dynamic) IP address. These plans often have a service fee attached.

- ➢ If you have such a static Public IP address plan, you can now try accessing the ACM5504-5-G-I using the Public IP Address provided by the carrier. However, by default, only HTTPS and SSH access is enabled on the OoB connection. So you can browse to the ACM5504-5-G-I, but you cannot ping it
- If you have a dynamic Public IP address plan, then a DDNS service will need to be configured. Once this is done, you can then also try accessing the ACM5504-5-G-I using the allocated domain name

By default, most providers offer a consumer grade service which only provide dynamic Private IP address assignments to 3G devices. This IP address is not visible across the Internet but generally it is adequate for home and general business use.

- With such a plan, the Failover & Out-of-Band tab on the Status: Statistics page, will show your carrier allocated a Private *IP Address* (i.e. in the range 10.0.x.x, 172.16.x.x or 192.168.x.x)
- > For an inbound OoB connection with such a plan, you will need to use Call Home with a Lighthouse or set up a VPN connection

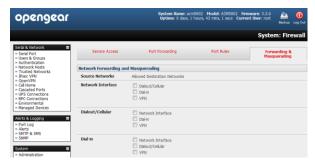
In this default **out of band access mode**, the connection to the carrier cellular network is always on - awaiting any incoming access to the ACM5504-5-G-I or attached serial consoles/network hosts.

An alternative is **failover mode.** This will tell the internal cellular connection to remain idle in a low power state. Only when primary and secondary probes are not successful will it connect to the cellular carrier (refer to the User Manual)

Step 6 Enable cellular router features

The ACM5504-5-G-I can provide cellular routing (although this is disabled by default). In this mode the connection to the carrier cellular network is always on, but IP traffic is selectively routed between the cellular connected network and the local Ethernet network (LAN):

- Select the Forwarding &Masquerading tab on System: Firewall
- Network Forwarding allows devices on the local private LAN to IP connect through to the public network. To enable, check **Dialout/Cellular** to be enabled as the Destination Network for the **Network Interface** Source Network



- IP Masquerading allows devices on the LAN to hide behind and share the one public IP address when cellular connecting to the public network. To enable check Enable IP Masquerading (SNAT) on Dialout/Cellular
- Configure Port Forwarding and set Port Rules so external users can selectively initiate connections to the masqueraded devices on the LAN
- > Set the **Service Access** rules for routed connections to the ACM5504-5-G-I itself
- > Configure the devices on the LAN with new *Gateway* and *DNS* settings

Step 7 Other Functions

The ACM5504-5-G-I also offers many more advanced functions including *an Automated Response, Alerts & Logging* facility, management of third party UPSs with *Manage: Power, Serial Port Cascading, Authentication, Trusted Networks, Secure Tunneling, Distributed Monitoring, Custom Scripting* and a *Command Line* interface. Refer to the *User Manual* for details.



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