

KONA Link User Guide

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1. Introduction

NOTE: To have all the latest Kona Link features available make sure you're using the correct BSP or upgrade to it in section [Upgrade Firmware](#). This document refers to the BSP v7.2.x and later.

1.1 Description

This document describes the components involved and the steps required to set up and work with a KONA Link application used for locally connected gateways. This application is the space for initial gateway setup and to read current gateway status.

KONA Link features include:

Setup wizards for easy gateway setup in different cases:

- [KONA Element Set Up](#) – for using KONA Element to manage TEKTELIC KONA Gateways.
- [KONA Core Set Up](#) – for using TEKTELIC KONA Core as your LoRaWAN Network Server.
- [ChirpStack Set Up](#) – for using ChirpStack as your LoRaWAN Network Server
- [LoRa Basics Station Set Up](#) – for using a LoRa Basics Station based Network Servers.
- [Generic UDP Set Up](#) – for use with Network Servers that use Semtech's legacy UDP interface.

Network setting capabilities:

- [Network settings](#) – set up network connection type and manage its details such as IP address type, network interface priorities and shared network access from the gateway.
- [Cellular settings](#) – manage APN profiles, configure SIM slot and modem settings.
- [Firewall settings](#) – configure firewall rules to suit your network requirements.
- [OpenVPN settings](#) – set up a secure VPN tunnel to connect gateway to remote networks.
- [IPSec settings](#) – establish a secure tunnel with IPSec for private communication.

System performance elevation features:

- [General settings](#) – set up gateway event reporting and other settings.
- [Password management](#) – update the login password for KONA Link.
- [BSP Firmware Upgrades](#) – Update the gateway firmware to the latest version to maintain optimal performance and security.
- [Gateway Logs](#) – view and download logs for troubleshooting or monitoring purposes.
- [SNMP settings customization](#) – set the SNMP version used on the gateway.

2. User Interface Elements

2.1 Access KONA Link

To access KONA Link:

1. Connect Gateway via Ethernet connection.
2. Make sure, that the Gateway and PC is located in same Network.
3. Open the browser.
4. Login to web page using “Host Name” or “IP Address”:
Using “Host Name”
Host Name URL: `http://kona-<GW variant>-<last 6 digit GW ID>.local/`
Eg: <http://kona-micro-0011ab.local/>
Using “IP Address”
IP Address URL: `http://<GW IP Address>/`
Eg: `http:// 192.0.2.111/`
5. At the main page you can review your gateway information before logging in Kona Link

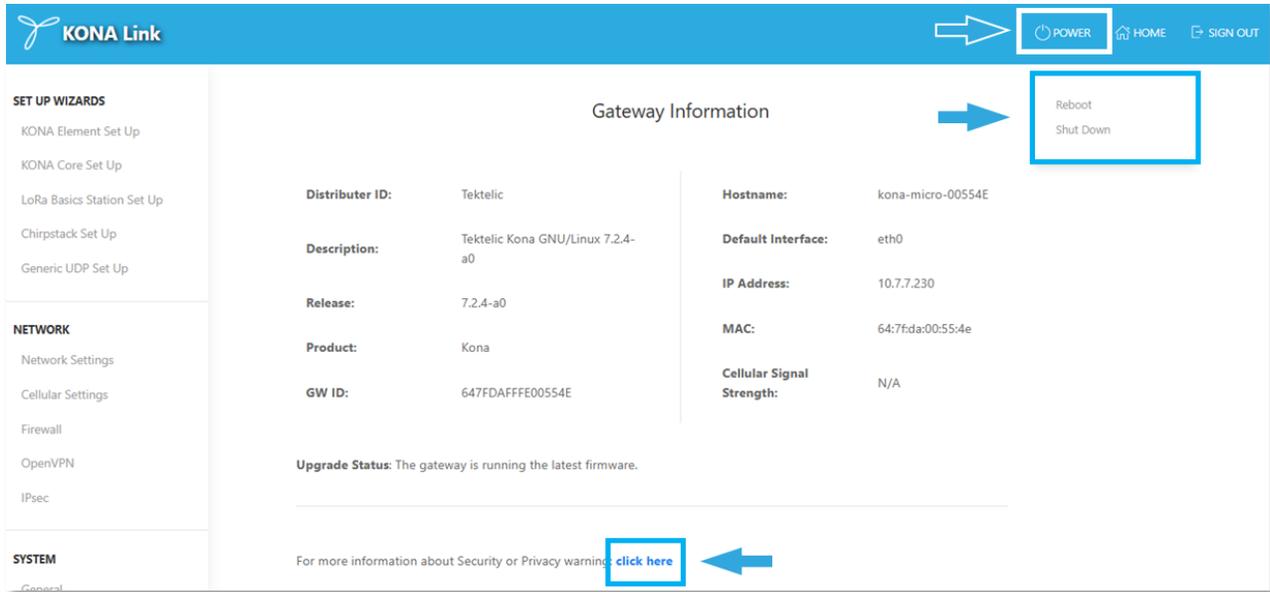


The screenshot displays the KONA Link web interface. At the top, there is a blue header with the KONA Link logo on the left and navigation links for HOME and SIGN IN on the right. The main content area is titled "Gateway Information" and contains a table of system details. The table is organized into two columns. The left column lists: Distributer ID (Tektelic), Description (Tektelic Kona GNU/Linux 7.1.8), Release (7.1.8), Product (Kona), and GW ID (647FDAFFFE0041E3). The right column lists: Hostname (kona-mega-0041E3), Default Interface (eth1), IP Address (10.7.7.146), and MAC (e8:eb:11:16:63:66). Below the table, there is an "Upgrade Status" section with the text: "No information is available about previous upgrade attempts."

Distributer ID:	Tektelic	Hostname:	kona-mega-0041E3
Description:	Tektelic Kona GNU/Linux 7.1.8	Default Interface:	eth1
Release:	7.1.8	IP Address:	10.7.7.146
Product:	Kona	MAC:	e8:eb:11:16:63:66
GW ID:	647FDAFFFE0041E3		

Upgrade Status: No information is available about previous upgrade attempts.

6. Login to application using your password provided in Test Report.

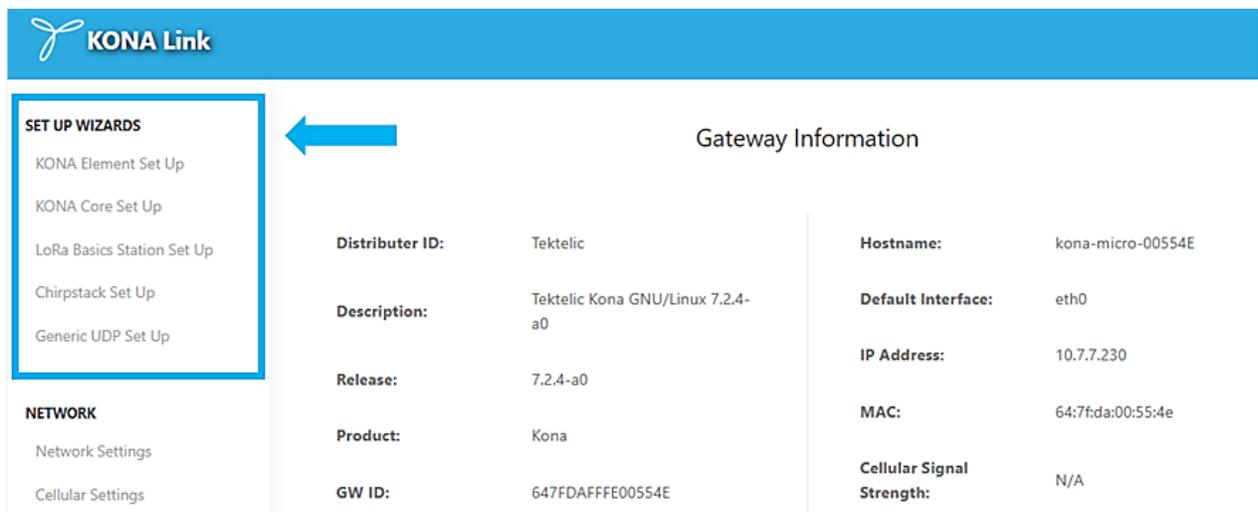


At the top of the main page, you can find the Power button. It allows you to reboot or shutdown gateway in case of need.

Under your Gateway information you can find the link to resolving the Security Warning issue. The KONA Gateways use a self-signed SSL certificate for security. The connection is safely encrypted, but browsers will issue a warning. You can accept this warning each time and proceed, or follow the on-screen instructions to remove this warning on your browser.

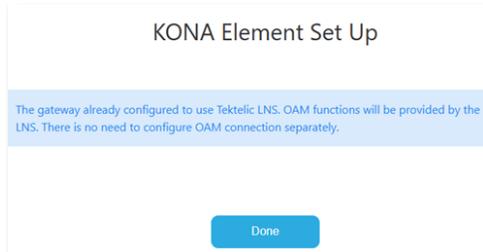
2.2 Set Up Wizards

At the main page you can and pick the Set Up Wizard that addresses your needs.



2.2.1 KONA Element Set Up

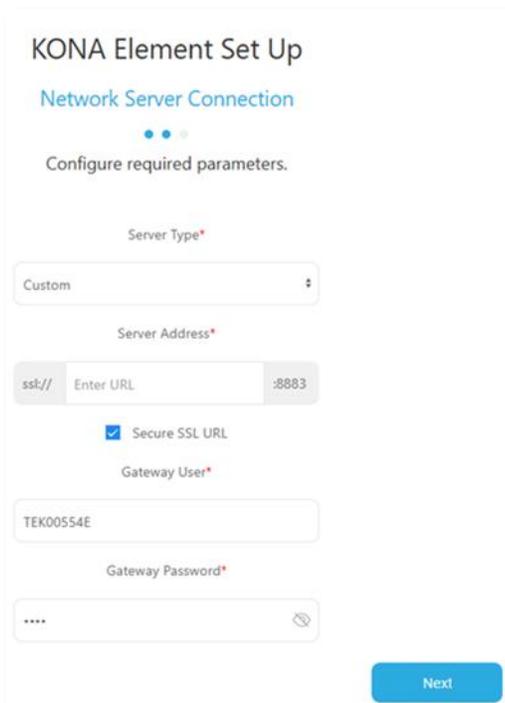
The KONA Element setup wizard configures the connection to the TEKTELIC KONA Element OA&M Server. KONA Element is used to remotely manage TEKTELIC KONA gateways, allowing them to be configured, monitored, and upgraded. You will need to have a KONA Element account to use this functionality.



KONA Element can be used along with non-TEKTELIC network servers. It is not required when using the KONA Core Network Server, as KONA Core provides the same functionality for management of TEKTELIC KONA gateways.



Otherwise press “Next”.



On the Set-Up page configure required parameters:

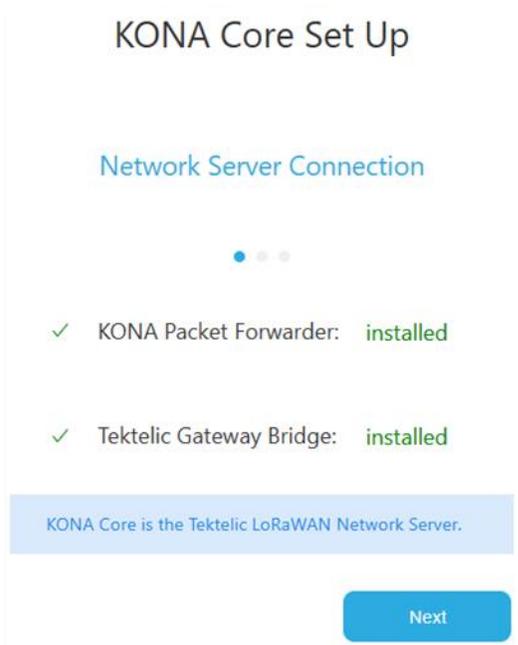
- Server type: pick cloud (North America or Europe, depending on your region) or custom (for private servers)
- Enter the server address for custom type if you have a private instance of KONA Element installed
- Optionally, set change the preconfigured gateway user name and password.
 - These must match the credentials set at the KONA Element server.

Press “Next”. After your changes will apply press “Done”.

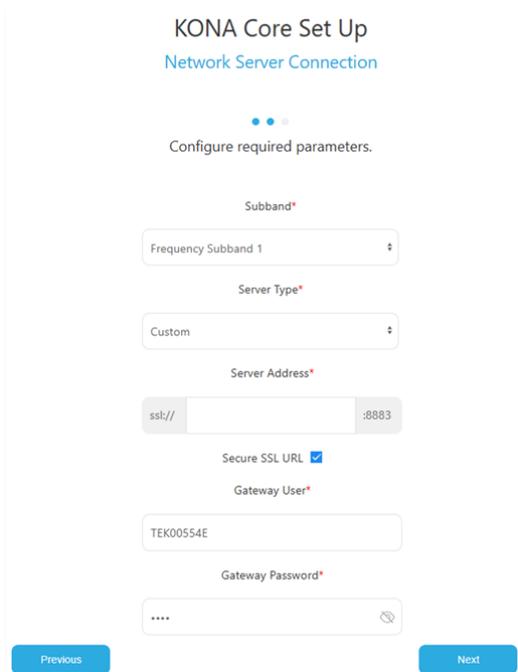
After applying all required changes [Gateway Reboot](#) is required.

2.2.2 KONA Core Set Up

This robust KONA CORE LoRaWAN® Network Server allows end-users to remotely provision and manage their deployed Gateways and Devices while granting and protecting access to the LoRaWAN® network and providing a secure data transport from gateways to applications.



KONA Core requires the KONA Packet Forwarder and Tektelic Gateway Bridge. Confirm that they are installed and press Next.



On the Set-Up page configure required parameters:

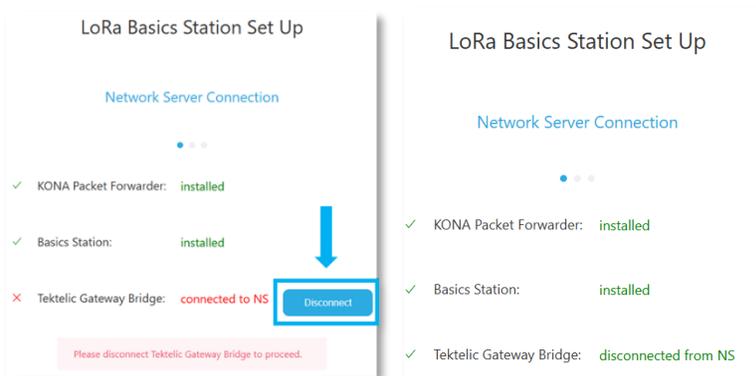
- Frequency Subband: leave the default (1) or pick based on your LNS documentation
- Server type: pick cloud (North America or Europe, depending on your region) or custom (for a private install of KONA Core)
- Enter server address if you have a custom type
- Optionally, change the preconfigured gateway user name and password. These must match the credentials set at the KONA Element server.

Press “Next”. After your changes will apply press “Done”.

After applying all required changes [Gateway Reboot](#) is required.

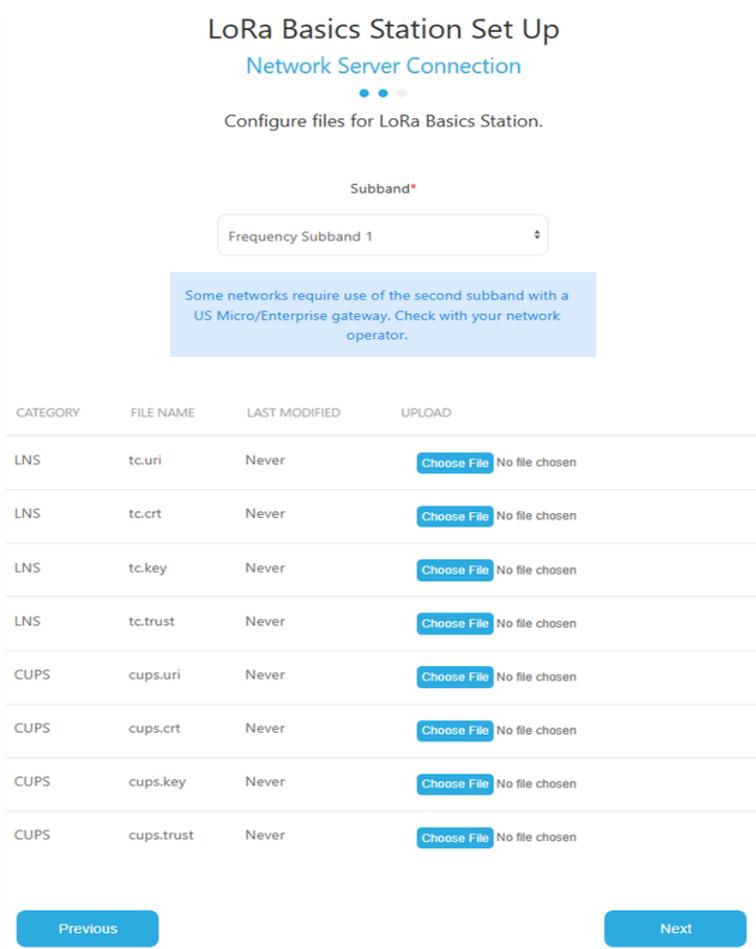
2.2.3 LoRa Basics Station Set Up

This wizard allows integration with popular third-party LoRaWAN Network servers that implement the LoRa Basics Station interface, like The Things Stack or AWS IoT Core for LoRaWAN.



To use the Basics Station interface, make sure Getaway is not connected to the KONA Core Network Server through the TEKTELIC Gateway Bridge.

Disconnect if it's not and press "Next".



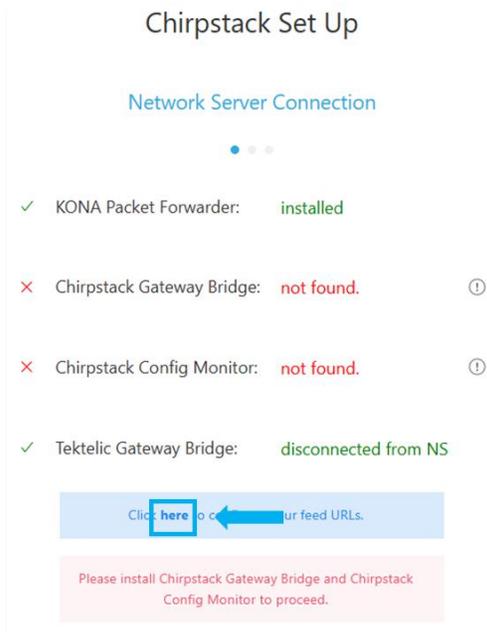
- Frequency Subband: leave the default (1) or pick based on your LNS documentation
- For the configuration files contact your LNS provider

Press "Next". After your changes will apply press "Done".

After applying all required changes [Gateway Reboot](#) is required.

2.2.4 ChirpStack Set Up

This wizard will help to integrate with a ChirpStack network server.



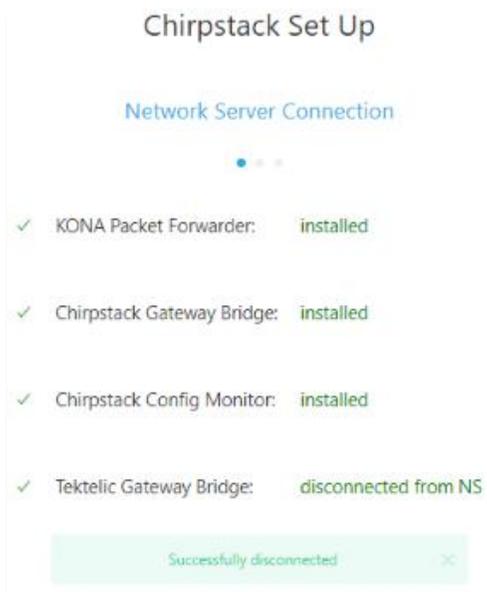
First install ChirpStack Gateway Bridge and Config Monitor.

The ChirpStack set up requires packages from ChirpStack that are not part of the standard TEKTELIC BSP. Additional feed URLs may need to be configured. Follow the provided link to configure these.



In Upgrade Firmware menu go to FEED URL page and insert the links that will be provided by Tektelic support team with the solution.

Click "Apply"



If the Tektelic Gateway Bridge is connected to the KONA Core Network Server, it will be disconnected to allow a connection to the ChirpStack Network Server. Once it is disconnected, press "Next".

Chirpstack Set Up

Network Server Connection

Configure required parameters.

Local UDP bind*

0.0.0.0:1700

Remote MQTT Server*

tcp://10.7.7.213:1883

Username

test

Password

....

Previous Next

On the Set-Up page configure required parameters:

- Ensure that the Local UDP bind is set to 127.0.0.1:1700 and set the remote MQTT Server address for your ChirpStack server.
- Set the user name and password to match your ChirpStack server.

Press “Next”. After your changes will apply press “Done”.

After applying all required changes [Gateway Reboot](#) is required.

2.2.5 Generic UDP Set Up

This wizard helps to configure gateway parameters for gateways that use Semtech UDP connections.

Generic UDP Set Up

Network Server Connection

✓ KONA Packet Forwarder: installed

This setup wizard will help you configure the network to handle and process generic uplink messages.

Press “Next”.

Generic UDP Set Up

Network Server Connection

Configure required parameters.

Subband*

Frequency Subband 1

Server Address*

127.0.0.1

Upstream Port*

1700

Downstream Port*

1700

On the Set-Up page you can review the information from the Gateway:

- Frequency Subband: pick one of subbands based on your LNS documentation
- View Server address
- View Upstream and Downstream ports

Press “Next”. After your changes will apply press “Done”.

After applying all required changes [Gateway Reboot](#) is required.

2.2.6 Gateway Reboot

After applying Set up wizards the message that reboot is required may occur. You can proceed with other changes you need to make before rebooting gateway.

The gateway will be offline for approximately 2 minutes during the reboot. Use this to apply new settings or troubleshoot issues.



Press it and when it transfers to the Reboot page, push "Reboot" button.

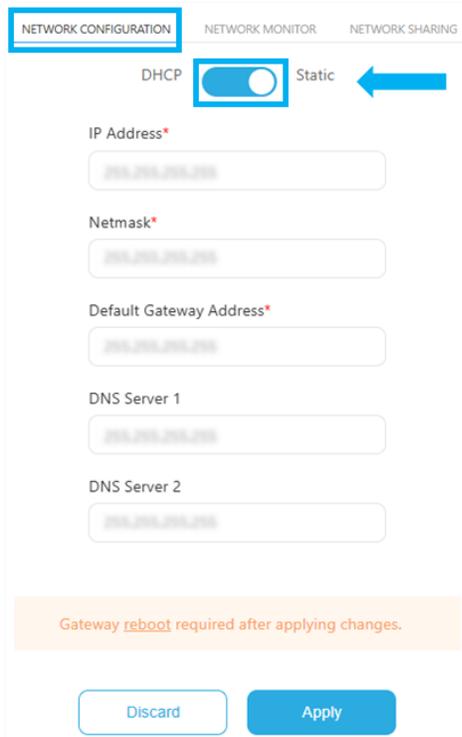


After a short period of time, you'll see message that Gateway successfully rebooted.



3. Network

3.1 Network Settings

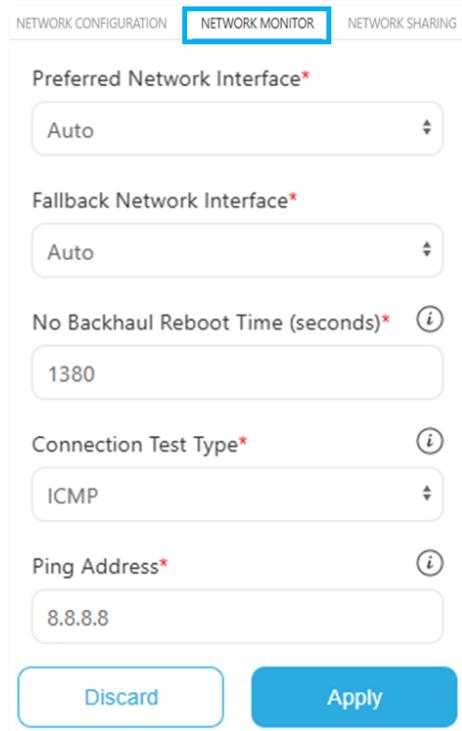


The screenshot shows the 'NETWORK CONFIGURATION' tab. At the top, there are three tabs: 'NETWORK CONFIGURATION', 'NETWORK MONITOR', and 'NETWORK SHARING'. Below the tabs, there is a 'DHCP' toggle switch which is currently turned on. To its right, the word 'Static' is displayed with a blue arrow pointing to it. Below this, there are five input fields: 'IP Address*', 'Netmask*', 'Default Gateway Address*', 'DNS Server 1', and 'DNS Server 2'. Each field contains the placeholder text '255.255.255.255'. At the bottom of the form, there is a blue 'Apply' button and a 'Discard' button. A yellow warning banner at the bottom of the form reads 'Gateway reboot required after applying changes.'

By default, the gateway is configured for DHCP. On this page you can switch from dynamic to static IP.

To achieve that change the switch to Static, enter desired IP address, Netmask and Default Gateway address.

Press "Apply"



The screenshot shows the 'NETWORK MONITOR' tab. At the top, there are three tabs: 'NETWORK CONFIGURATION', 'NETWORK MONITOR', and 'NETWORK SHARING'. Below the tabs, there are five configuration options: 'Preferred Network Interface*' (dropdown menu with 'Auto' selected), 'Fallback Network Interface*' (dropdown menu with 'Auto' selected), 'No Backhaul Reboot Time (seconds)*' (input field with '1380'), 'Connection Test Type*' (dropdown menu with 'ICMP' selected), and 'Ping Address*' (input field with '8.8.8.8'). Each option has an information icon (i) to its right. At the bottom of the form, there is a blue 'Apply' button and a 'Discard' button.

To configure your gateway's network failover options on a Network Monitor page you can configure:

- Preferred Network Interface - Preferred channel to connect to network (if gateway allows more than one)
- Fallback Network Interface - The channel your gateway must use in case preferred one doesn't work properly
- No Backhaul Reboot Time (seconds) – If no interface is available after this time, the Gateway will reboot
- Connection Test Type – By default the connection is tested using ICMP Ping to a well-known server If ICMP is not supported in your network, then a TCP connection can be used.
- Ping Address – address for a connection test used. By default, this is the Google DNS server at 8.8.8.8.

NETWORK CONFIGURATION NETWORK MONITOR NETWORK SHARING

Network Sharing: **Inactive**

Disable Enable

Network Address*
10.7.7.55

Netmask*
255.255.255.0

Default Gateway Address*
10.7.7.1

Discard Apply

Network sharing allows traffic to be routed between Ethernet and cellular network interfaces. To activate your getaway's Network Sharing go to corresponding page and switch status to "Enable".

To achieve that enter desired IP address, Netmask and Default Getaway address.

Press "Apply"

3.2 Cellular Settings

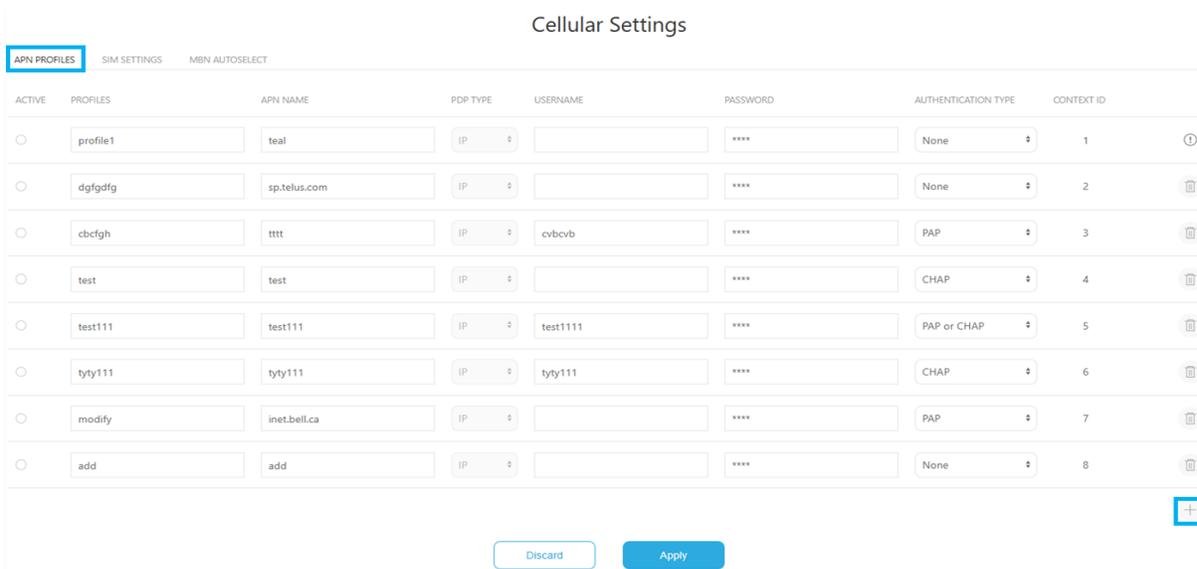
Cellular Settings

APN PROFILES SIM SETTINGS MBN AUTOSELECT

ACTIVE	PROFILES	APN NAME	PDP TYPE	USERNAME	PASSWORD	AUTHENTICATION TYPE	CONTEXT ID
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	profile1	teal	IP		****	None	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	dgfgdfg	sp.telus.com	IP		****	None	2
<input type="checkbox"/>	cbcfgh	tttt	IP	cvbcb	****	PAP	3
<input type="checkbox"/>	test	test	IP		****	CHAP	4
<input type="checkbox"/>	test111	test111	IP	test111	****	PAP or CHAP	5
<input type="checkbox"/>	tyty111	tyty111	IP	tyty111	****	CHAP	6
<input type="checkbox"/>	modify	inet.bell.ca	IP		****	PAP	7
<input type="checkbox"/>	add	add	IP		****	None	8

Discard Apply

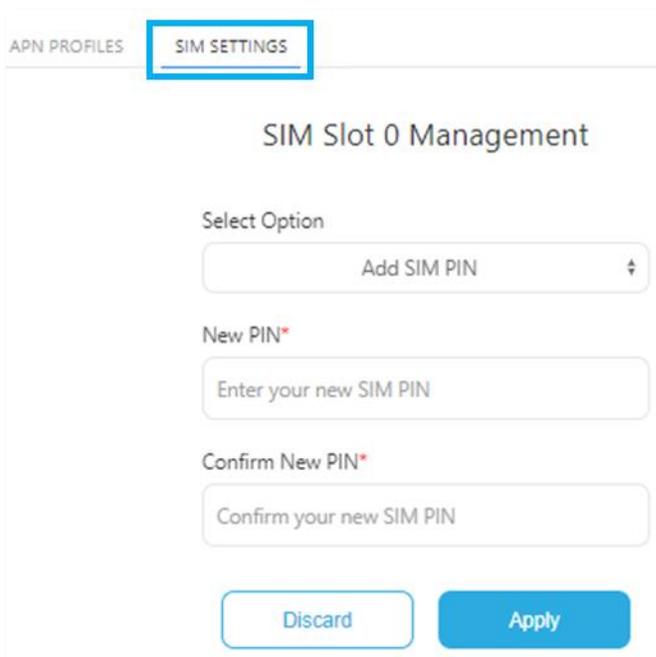
Activate APN: mark it in Active column and press "Apply"



Create new APN: press + button at the bottom of the table and fill the boxes with information provided by your APN provider. In case APN doesn't have username and password, put Authentication type as "None".

In case you're using AT&T or Verizon providers, please contact Tektelic customer support.

Mark it in Active column and press Apply.



In Sim Settings page you can add or edit your current SIM PIN.

3.3 Firewall

Firewall Configuration

Disable Enable

```
table inet firewall {
  chain INPUT {
    type filter hook input priority security; policy drop;
    iifname != "lo" ip saddr 127.0.0.0/8 drop comment "Drop spoofed loopback addresses"
    ct state invalid drop comment "Drop invalid incoming connections"
    tcp flags fin / fin,ack drop comment "Drop packet with invalid TCP flags"
    tcp flags psh / psh,ack drop comment "Drop packet with invalid TCP flags"
    tcp flags urg / ack,urg drop comment "Drop packet with invalid TCP flags"
    tcp flags fin,syn / fin,syn drop comment "Drop packet with invalid TCP flags"
    tcp flags syn,rst / syn,rst drop comment "Drop packet with invalid TCP flags"
    tcp flags fin,rst / fin,rst drop comment "Drop packet with invalid TCP flags"
    tcp flags fin,psh,urg / fin,syn,rst,psh,ack,urg drop comment "Drop packet with invalid TCP
flags"
    tcp flags ! fin,syn,rst,psh,ack,urg drop comment "Drop packet with invalid TCP flags"
    tcp flags fin,syn,rst,psh,ack,urg / fin,syn,rst,psh,ack,urg drop comment "Drop packet with
invalid TCP flags"
    tcp flags & rst == rst limit rate 2/second burst 2 packets accept comment "Drop excessive
reset packets"
    ip saddr 240.0.0.0/4 drop comment "Drop reserved/Class E source addresses"
    ip daddr 240.0.0.0/4 drop comment "Drop reserved/Class E destination addresses"
  }
}
```

Discard

This firewall configuration uses NTables. For detailed information on how to formulate rules, please visit the [official page](#) and [NTables Quick Start](#). Please enter ruleset contents in NTables text (not JSON) format in the text area provided above.

It is recommended to keep Firewall enabled for enhanced security and protection from unauthorized access or data interception. Temporarily disabling Firewall may be useful during the setup or testing for easier communication and to avoid blocking some of the necessary traffic.

For instructions on Firewall configuration please follow links provided in the blue box.

4. System

4.1 General

The first screenshot shows the 'General System Settings' page with 'Gateway Events Reporting' set to 'Periodic' and an 'Interval Value (seconds)' of 30. The second screenshot shows the same page with 'Gateway Events Reporting' set to 'Event Based'. Both screenshots include 'Discard' and 'Apply' buttons.

You can configure how often your gateway will report events to the Network Sever.

Set periodic reporting to receive updates every set number of seconds or event-based reporting to only receive update in case gateway has any new alarms or faults.

This feature reduces the amount of traffic on the backhaul interface used and may be helpful where cellular data is limited.

4.2 Change Password

The 'Change Web Server Password' form contains three password input fields: 'Old Password*', 'New Password*', and 'Confirm New Password*'. Each field has a password icon. A red note below the fields states: 'This will change the password you used to access this server.' At the bottom are 'Discard' and 'Apply' buttons.

The default password to access KONA Link is provided on the Test Report that is included with the gateway. You can change it anytime.

4.3 Upgrade Firmware

The screenshot shows the 'Upgrade Firmware' page. On the left, there are two tabs: 'BSP UPGRADE' (highlighted with a blue box) and 'FEED URL'. The main content is divided into two sections: 'Gateway Information' and 'Upgrade Status'. The 'Gateway Information' section contains a table with the following data:

NAME	VERSION
Distributor ID	Tektelic
Description	Tektelic Kona GNU/Linux 7.2.4-a0
Release	7.2.4-a0
Product	Kona
u-boot	2013.07-rc2-kona-micro-v3.0.1-00036-g9341767c7
Linux kernel	5.10.219-tektelic4-yocto-standard
System monitor	tektelic-system-monitor-2.0.26.0-0.8.0-0.33.0-r11
SNMP agent	tektelic-snmp-agents-1.24.0-r0
Cellular connection mgr	modem-connection-manager-common-1.0.17.2.4.6-r13
Network monitor	kona-network-monitor-0.34.1-r30
NS switcher	kona-ns-switcher-0.37-r1
Packet forwarder	kona-pkt-forwarder-6.4.2-r0

The 'Upgrade Status' section shows a message: 'The gateway is running the latest firmware.' Below this message is a blue button labeled 'Check Upgrade' (highlighted with a blue box).

On BSP Upgrade page you can see all Gateway information and also check if there is possible firmware upgrade and apply it if needed.

The screenshot shows the 'Upgrade Firmware' page with the 'FEED URL' tab selected (highlighted with a blue box and an arrow). The page has two columns: 'NAME' and 'ADDRESS'. There are two rows of input fields:

NAME	ADDRESS
bsp	https://192.7.7.122/tek/kona/kona-7.2.4-a0/bsp/
gpio	https://192.7.7.122/tek/kona/kona-7.2.4-a0/gpio/

At the bottom of the page, there are two buttons: 'Discard' and 'Apply'.

On FEED URL page you can by inserting the links that will be provided by Tektelic customer support with the solution.

5. Advanced Configurations

5.1 Gateway Logs

Gateway Logs			
LOG NAME	FILE COUNT	FILE SIZE	DOWNLOAD
access.log	(1/1 file)	40 kB	Download
auth.log	(1/1 file)	4 kB	Download
boot	(1/1 file)	4 kB	Download
bstn.log	(1/1 file)	8 kB	Download
cron.log	(1/1 file)	56 kB	Download
daemon.log	(1/1 file)	956 kB	Download
debug	(1/1 file)	912 kB	Download
error	(1/1 file)	704 kB	Download
fail2ban.log	(1/1 file)	4 kB	Download
gwbridge.log	(1/1 file)	44 kB	Download
kern.log	(1/1 file)	28 kB	Download
lighttpd.error.log	(1/1 file)	200 kB	Download
messages	(1/1 file)	480 kB	Download
pkt_fwd.log	(1/1 file)	28 kB	Download
syslog	(1/1 file)	12 kB	Download
user.log	(1/1 file)	644 kB	Download

You can download Gateway logs in txt format for troubleshooting purposes.

5.2 Open VPN

OpenVPN

Configuration File (.conf, .ovpn)*

Last Uploaded: Never

Choose File No file chosen

Username*

Enter your username

Password*

Enter your password

Discard Apply

To create and configure OpenVPN:

1. Upload the OpenVPN configuration file provided by your system administrator.
2. Enter your VPN account Username and Password.
3. Press “Apply”

5.3 IPsec

IPsec

Authentication Type*

Certificates

DESTINATION FOLDER	FILE NAME	UPLOAD
/etc/swanctl/	Configuration File (swanctl.conf)*	Choose File No file chosen
/etc/swanctl/x509ca/	strongSwan Certificate (.pem)*	Choose File No file chosen
/etc/swanctl/x509/	Host Certificate (.pem)	Choose File No file chosen
/etc/swanctl/private/	Host key (.pem)	Choose File No file chosen

For detailed information on how to configure swanctl.conf, please visit the [official strongSwan page](#).

Discard Apply

IPsec

Authentication Type*

Pre-shared Key

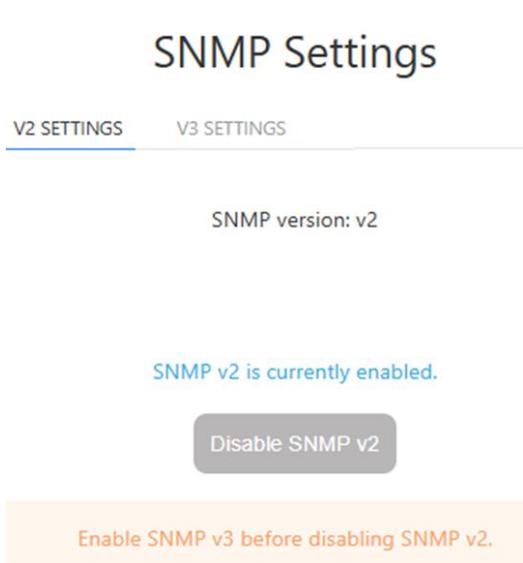
DESTINATION FOLDER	FILE NAME	UPLOAD
/etc/swanctl/	Configuration File (swanctl.conf)*	Choose File No file chosen

For detailed information on how to configure swanctl.conf, please visit the [official strongSwan page](#).

Discard Apply

To configure IPsec, upload the configuration files provided by your system administrator. If required for your configuration, enter the pre-shared key.

5.4 SNMP Settings



The screenshot shows the 'SNMP Settings' page with the 'V2 SETTINGS' tab selected. It displays 'SNMP version: v2' and a message 'SNMP v2 is currently enabled.' Below this is a 'Disable SNMP v2' button. At the bottom, an orange banner reads 'Enable SNMP v3 before disabling SNMP v2.'

SNMPv2 may be enabled on your Gateways.
SNMPv3 can be used for higher security.



The screenshot shows the 'SNMP Settings' page with the 'V3 SETTINGS' tab selected. It displays 'SNMP version: v2' and the heading 'Set SNMP v3 Password'. There are two password input fields: 'New SNMP Password*' and 'Confirm New SNMP Password*'. Below the fields are 'Discard' and 'Apply' buttons. At the bottom, a blue banner reads 'Configure a password to enable SNMP v3.'

When switching from SNMPv2 to SNMPv3,
you must configure a new password.