Windows DNS Setup

Video tutorial

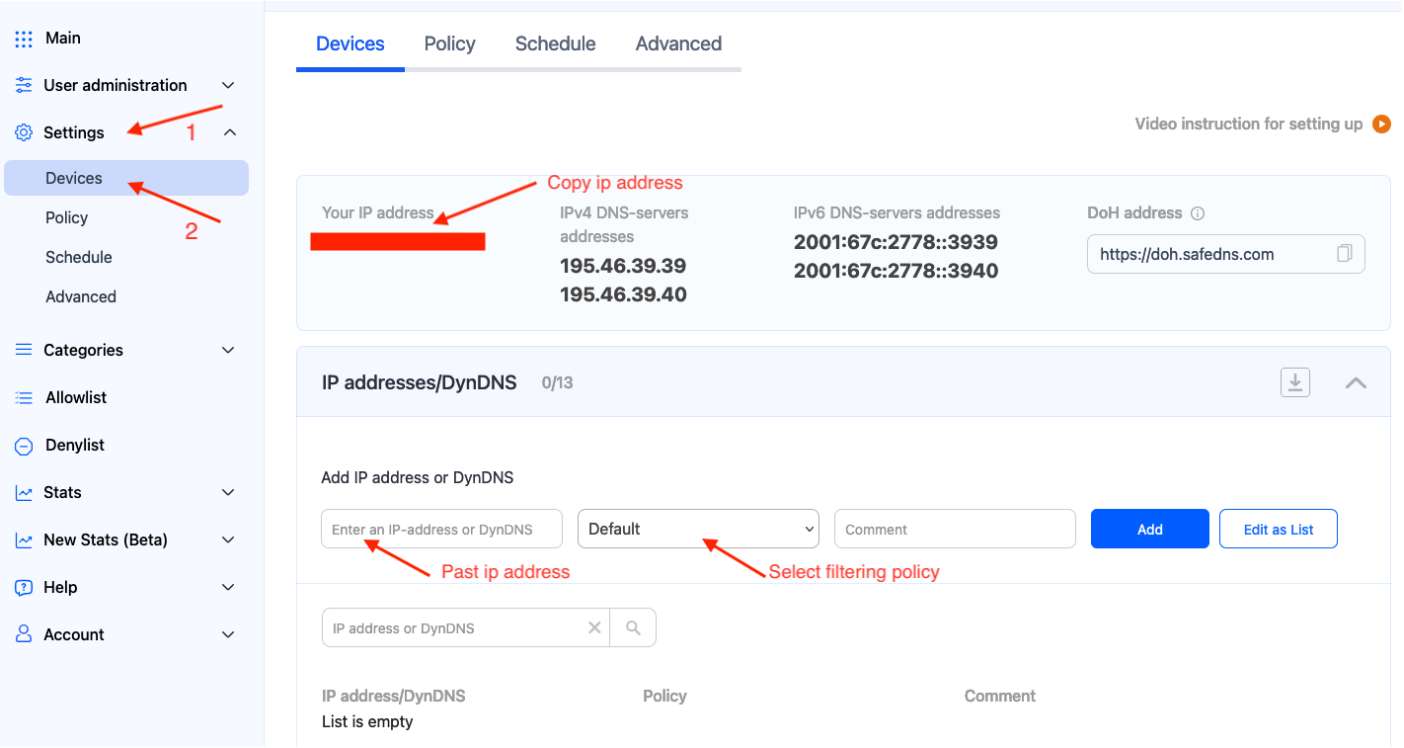
Watch this video tutorial to learn how to deploy SafeDNS on a Windows-based PC with a static IP without the installation of any software.

> This video tutorial was recorded for Windows 10. Navigate to the section below for a specific Windows version.

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Step-by-step guide

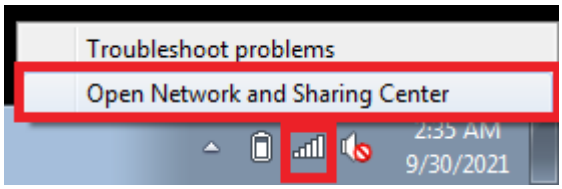
1. Navigate to the SafeDNS **Dashboard > Settings** and copy your IP address in the "**Enter an IP address or DynDNS**" box. Click "**Add**".



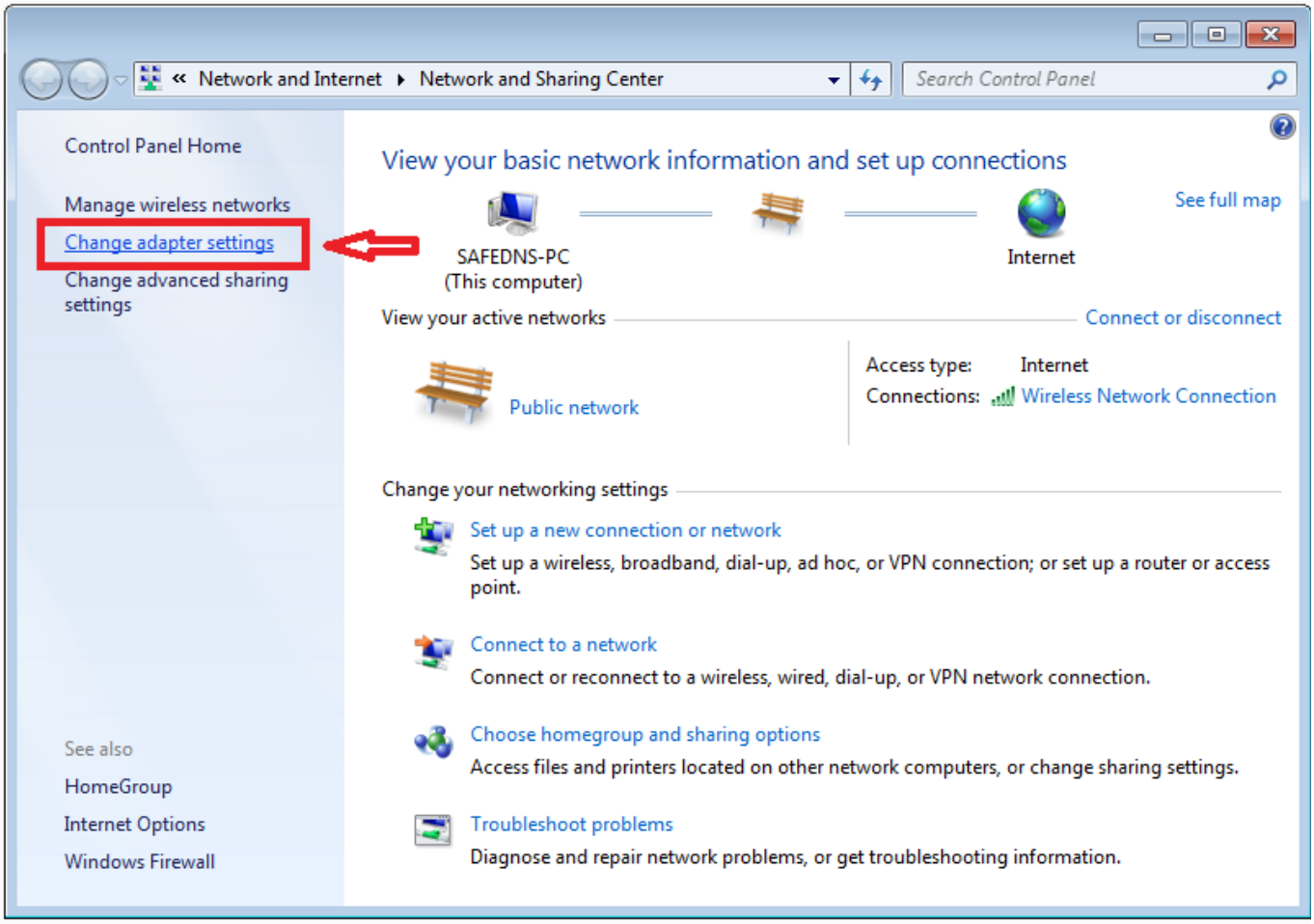
If you have Windows 7 or 8

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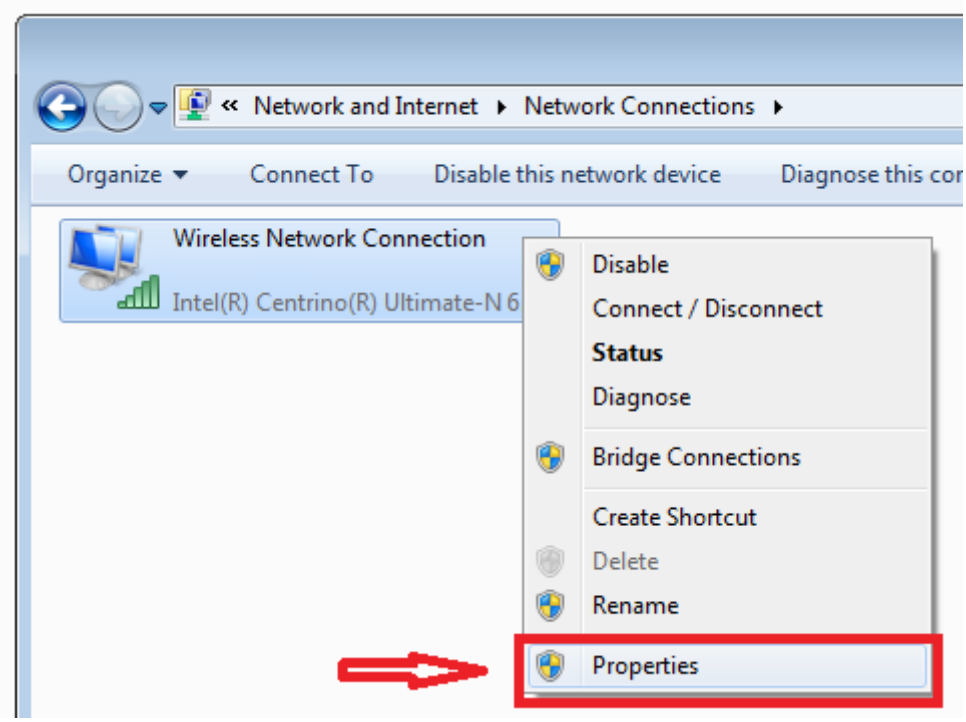
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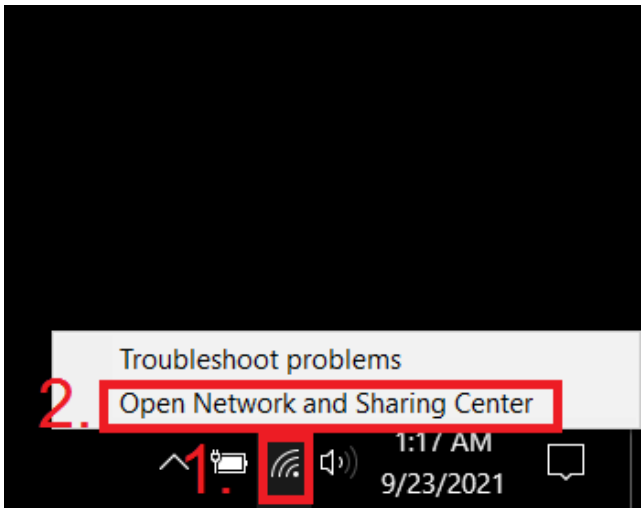
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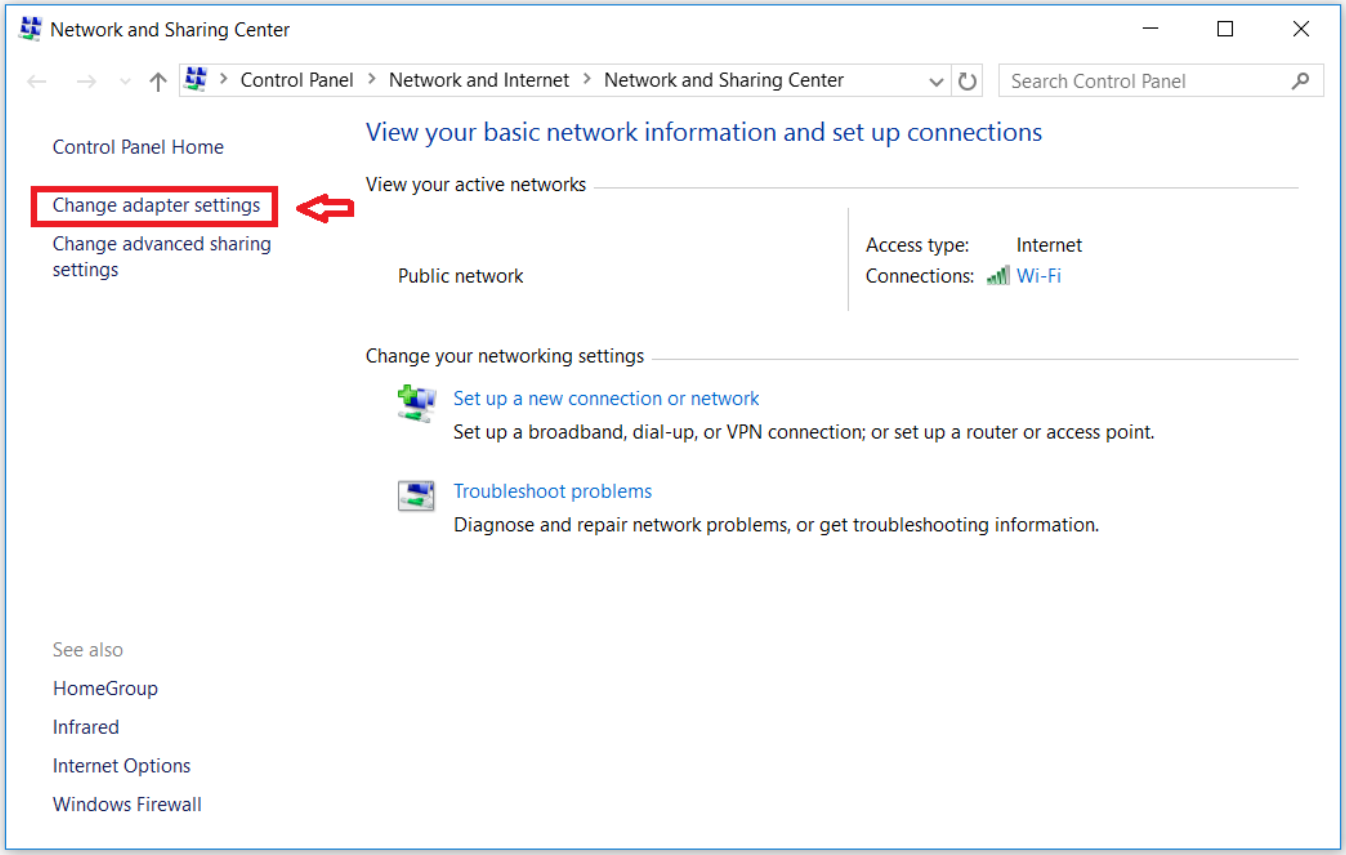
If you have Windows 10

Windows 10 network settings

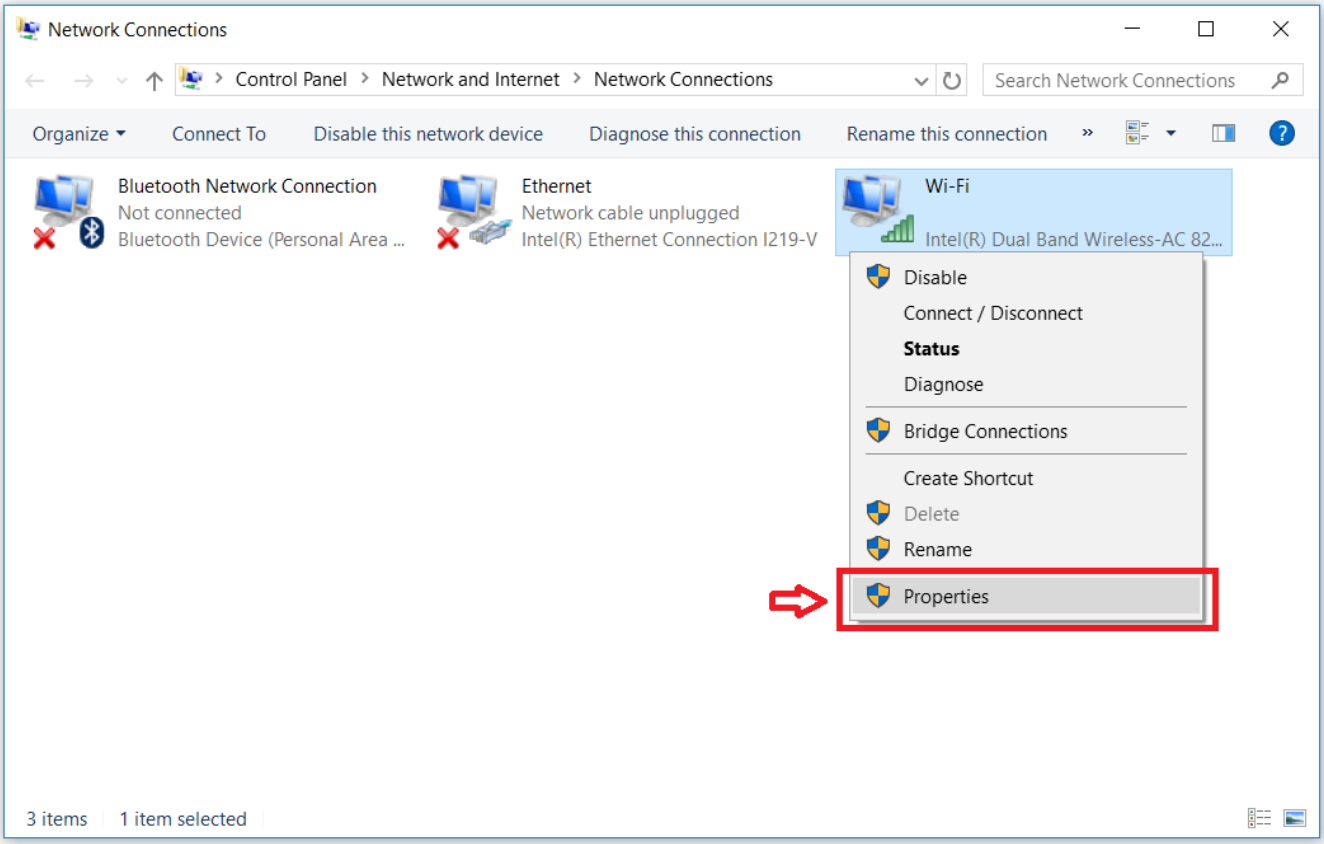
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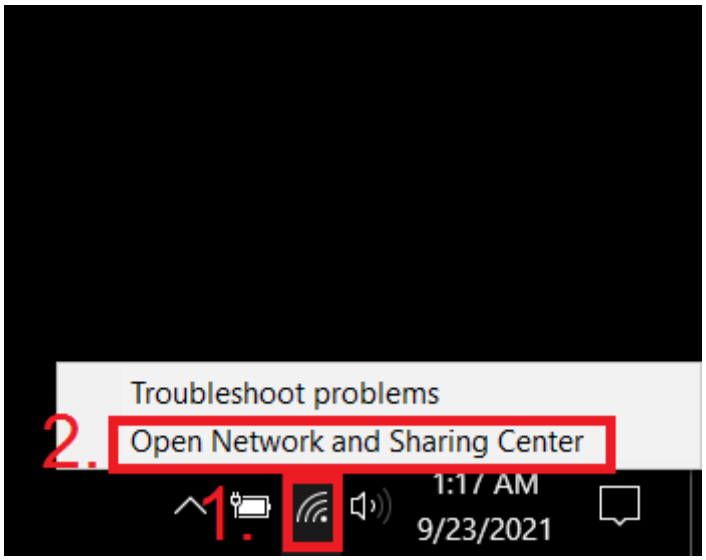
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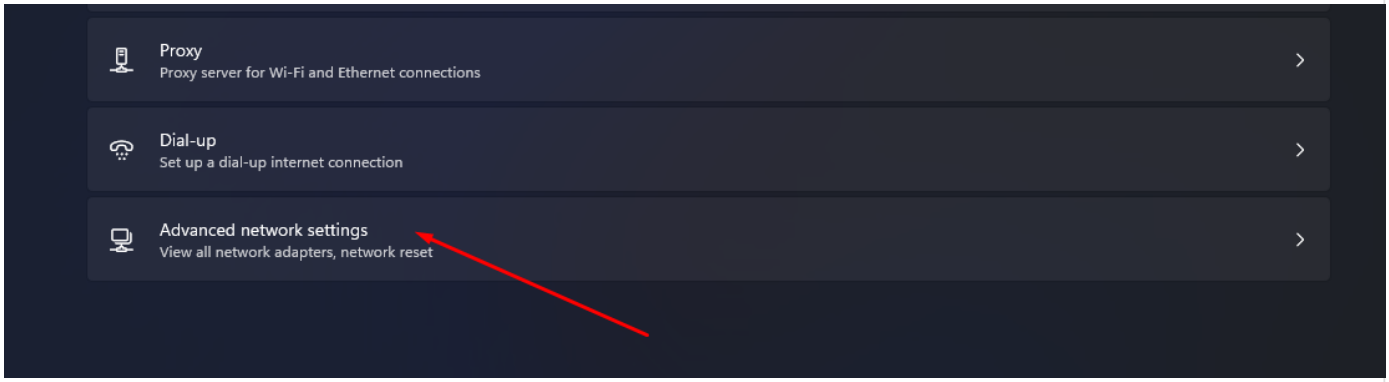
If you have Windows 11

Windows 11 network settings

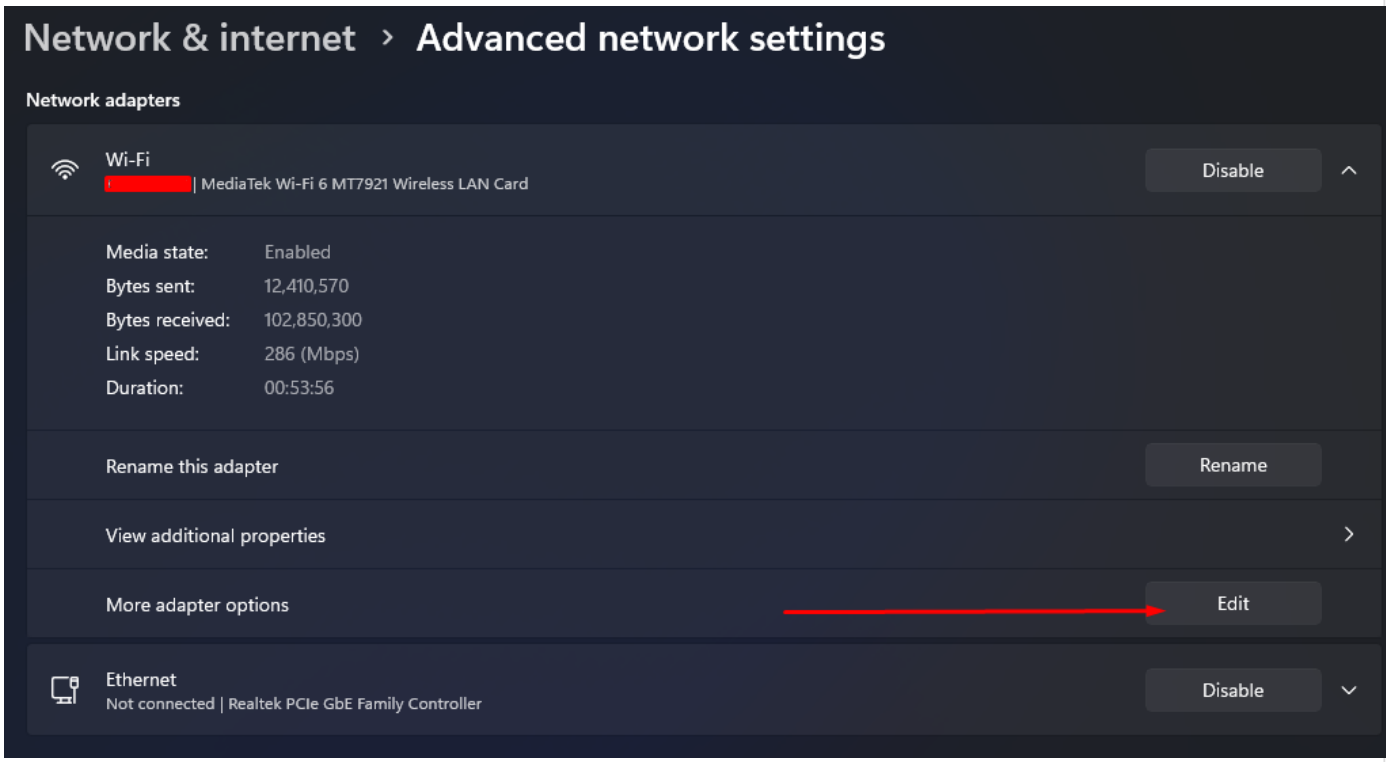
2. From the Taskbar pane, **right-click** on the Wi-Fi (or LAN) icon and select **Open Network and Sharing Center**:



3. Select **Advanced network settings**.

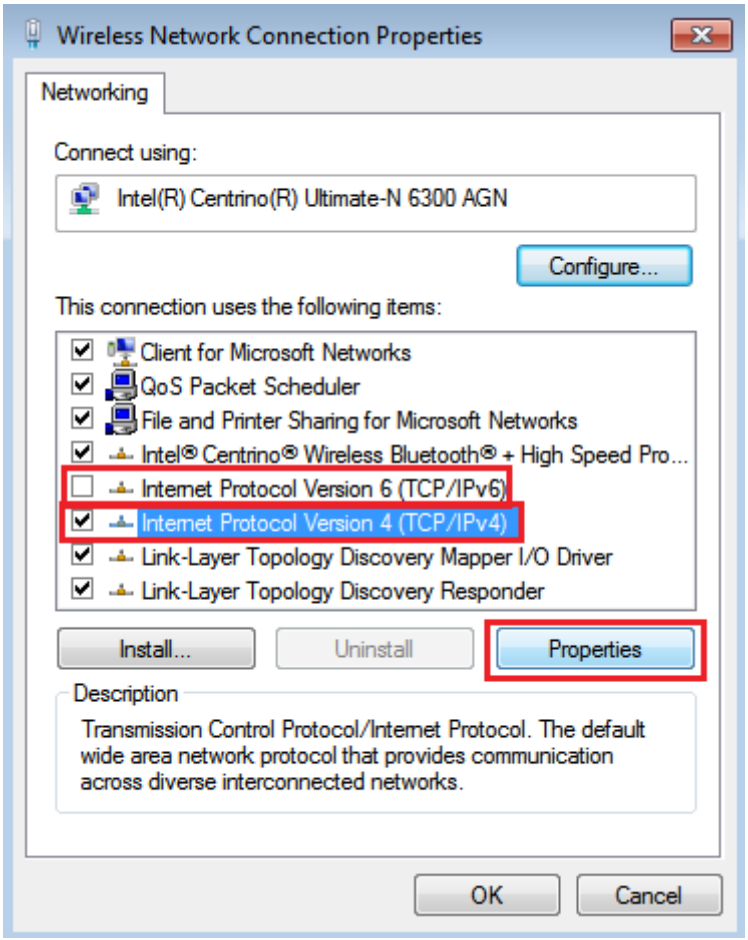


4. Click on the active network adapter (usually the top one), and click **Edit** in the **More adapter options** section.



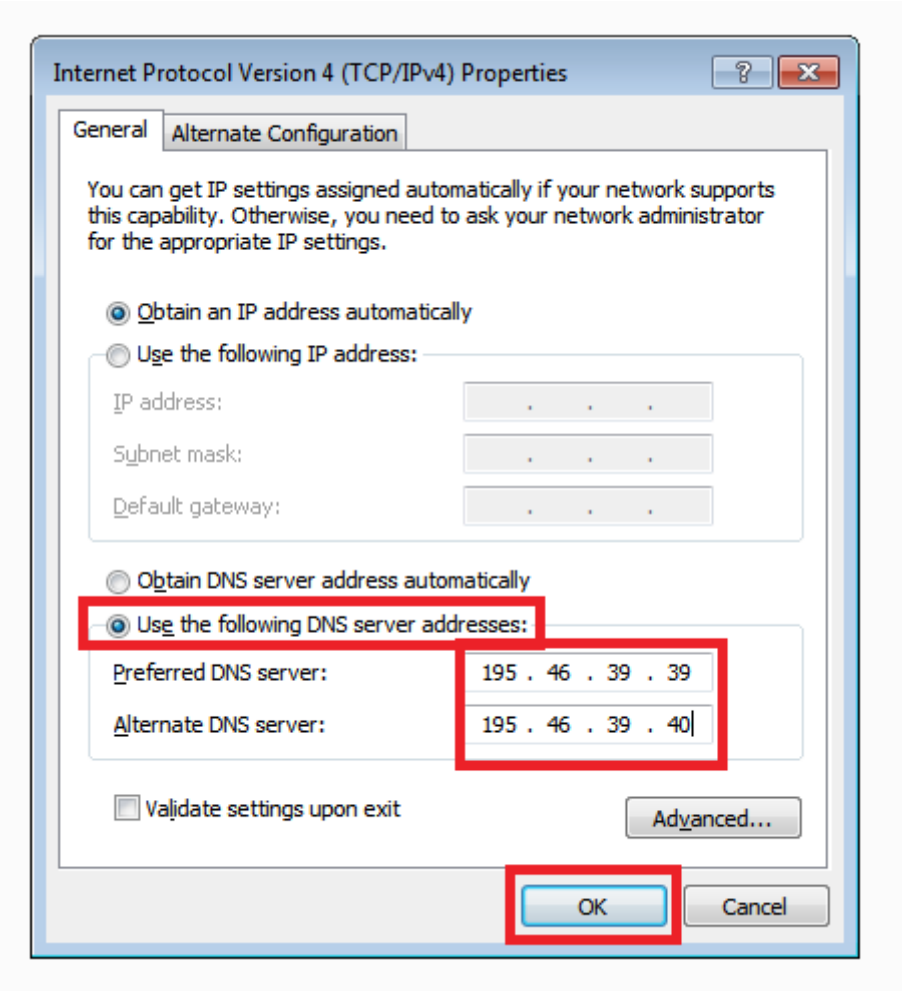
> We recommend disabling **Internet Protocol Version 6**.
> This will simplify the installation process and will not affect the quality of your internet connection.
> If you wish to use IPv6 DNS, you will need to add your IPv6 address to the SafeDNS Dashboard (Step 1) and enter IPv6 DNS addresses similar to Step 6 below for **Internet Protocol Version 6**.

5. Select **Internet Protocol Version 4**, and click on **Properties.**



6. Select the option **Use the following DNS server addresses**, enter the following SafeDNS addresses:

Preferred DNS server: 195.46.39.39
Alternate DNS server: 195.46.39.40



7. Click the **OK** button to save your settings and close the network properties window.

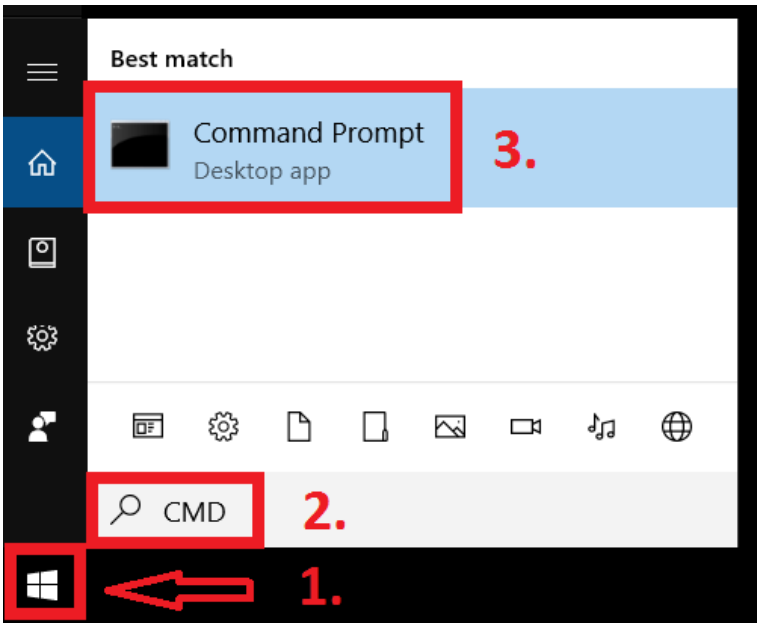
You have successfully configured the filtering for a Windows-based device.

Troubleshooting

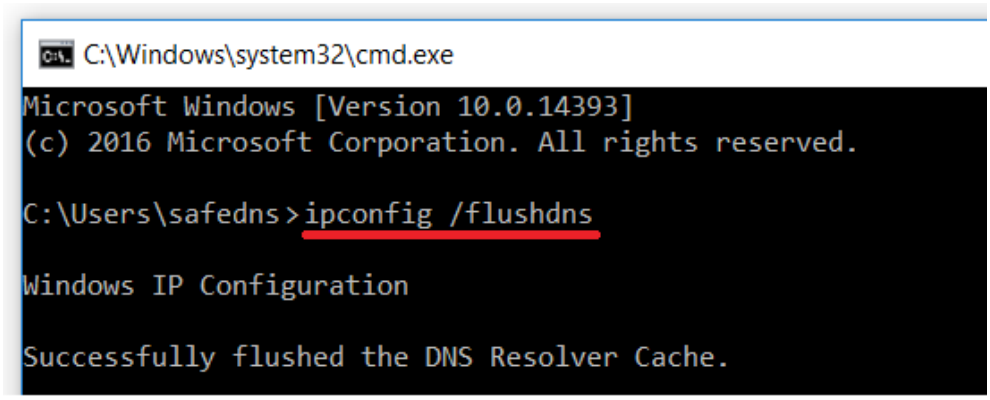
Please note that Windows may still be using the addresses saved in the local DNS cache. It is recommended to clean it using the following steps:

1. Press "**Start**"

2. Search for "**cmd**" and open the suggested application



3. Enter and run the following command in the opened window **ipconfig /flushdns**



Learn more about how to clear the DNS cache.

> Please note that settings take 5-7 minutes to apply.
> Stats and filtering status update every 10 minutes.

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