Key benefits

1. Creates a local hotspot to enable Wi-Fi access to smart devices.
2. Shields the connection from unwanted use by those who are not in your team.
3. Eliminates the need to install drivers and run cables and connectors to link your Inmarsat satellite phone to your smartphone, tablet or computer.
4. Highly portable and compatible with any USB power source or battery charger.

Sidekick

The Sidekick satellite Wi-Fi router connects your Wi-Fi enabled devices such as smart phones to IsatPhone 2 and shields the connection from unwanted use by those who are not in your team.

The Sidekick satellite Wi-Fi router transforms your Inmarsat satellite phone into a Wi-Fi hotspot without the need for a burdensome set-up process involving USB cabling and driver installations.

The Sidekick application connects smart devices which have built-in Wi-Fi capabilities with the connectivity offered by Inmarsat’s satellite phones. Sidekick is an indispensable tool enabling laptop users running new and emerging OS to process data connections through IsatPhone, IsatPhone 2 and other Inmarsat devices. It allows your smartphones and tablets, as well your Wi-Fi enabled laptops and computers to access the connectivity provided by your Inmarsat satellite phone for weather, email, messaging and more. Having an efficient connection is crucial to any business and Sidekick helps your organisation succeed by improving the performance of your smart devices no matter how remote the location.

Because smart devices cannot distinguish between a satellite connection and a conventional terrestrial connection, issues sometimes occur with other applications, but with Sidekick, any bandwidth heavy software on your smart devices which was intended purely for use on terrestrial networks is automatically prevented from trying to update or pass information through your satellite phone’s connection. With a better performing connection, tasks can be completed more quickly, without the need to upgrade costly infrastructure.
Advantages

Lightweight and driver free, the Sidekick can be powered through its included AC charger, plugged into an AC power socket, or by removing the USB cable from the two-prong plug and plugging into any USB socket. It can also be powered via any 5 volt battery pack which a team might use to power a cell phone, digital camera, video camera or other device. A ‘power agnostic’ application, the Sidekick takes advantage of 5 volt power packs a user is probably already carrying along to power other equipment.

Although unlikely, if a user does not already have a 5 volt battery pack that can be multi-purposed for the Sidekick, OCENS offer the GoalZero Flip10 charger as an inexpensive accessory. Sidekick is compatible with IsatPhone and IsatPhone 2. The router is also very small, at just 57mm x 57 mm x 20 mm and it weighs less than 29 grams.

Usage Scenarios

No matter which industry you work in, the Sidekick satellite Wi-Fi router can help you connect more easily to the internet via Inmarsat’s range of satellite phones. All that’s required in order to respond to emails and perform other simple tasks from remote locations is a smart device, an Inmarsat satellite phone and Sidekick. Additionally, the router works with OneMail, an optimised email application which is also available from OCENS.

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About OCENS

OCENS data services, software and apps merge easy-to-use applications with unprecedented content offerings to affordably deliver data over satellite phones to remote users around the world. The Sidekick satellite Wi-Fi router was developed to extend internet access of satellite phones to smart devices.