

# How to Secure your Netgear AC800S with your PIN

The PIN protects your SIM from unauthorised use if your router should get stolen. If use of PIN is turned on, it needs to be keyed in when you turn on your modem.

To activate/deactivate this feature, you just need to follow the below steps.

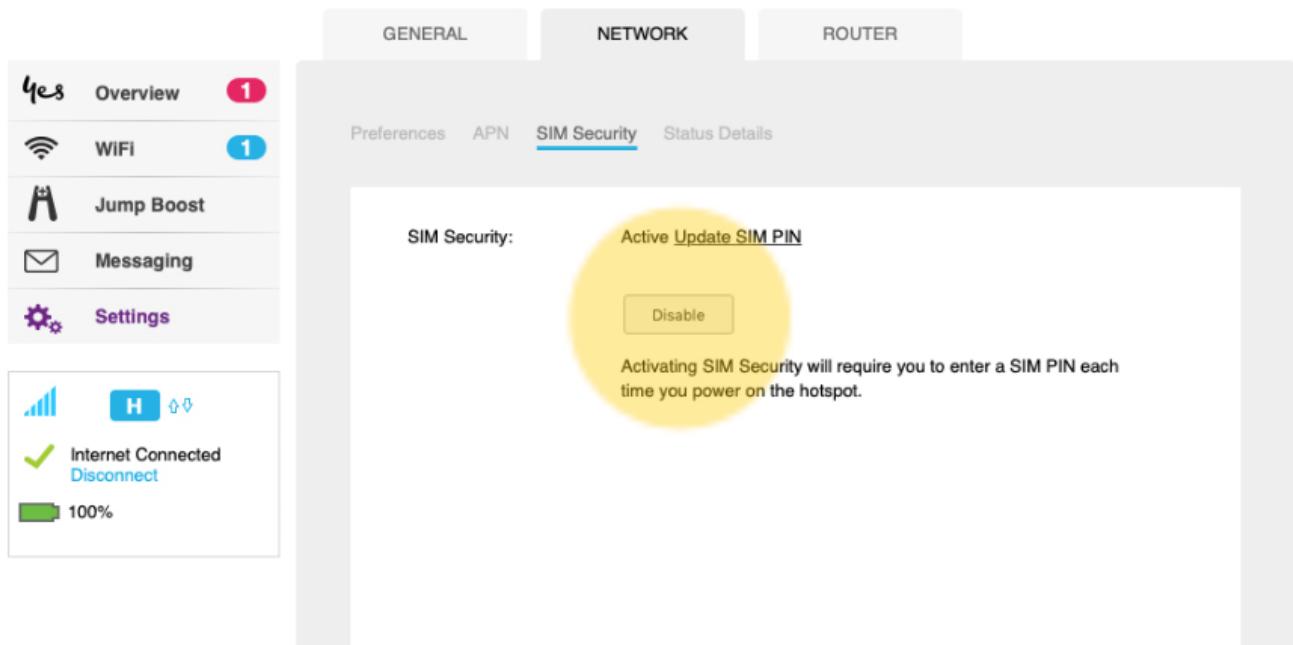
1. With your device connected to your modem, access the router [web interface](#).
2. Once logged in, click Settings

The screenshot shows the Netgear WiFi Hotspot app's dashboard. On the left, a sidebar includes icons for WiFi (1 connection), Jump Boost, Messaging, Settings, and a signal strength bar at 100%. The main area has a 'DASHBOARD' tab. Under 'Session', it shows 0 MB USED and < 1m ELAPSED TIME. Under 'Monthly Usage', it shows 1.46 GB USED and 10 DAYS REMAINING. A note states: 'Displayed data usage is intended to help manage usage. The amounts shown are approximate and may vary.' It includes a 'Billing start date' dropdown set to 'Day 1 each month' and a 'Reset to zero on start date' checkbox. A 'Reset' button is below. Under 'Connected Devices (1)', it lists 'WorldMaulssMBP' with a 'Main' button. A 'More to Explore' section on the right shows a smartphone icon with the app interface and a 'Get the app' button.

### 3. Select Network and click SIM Security

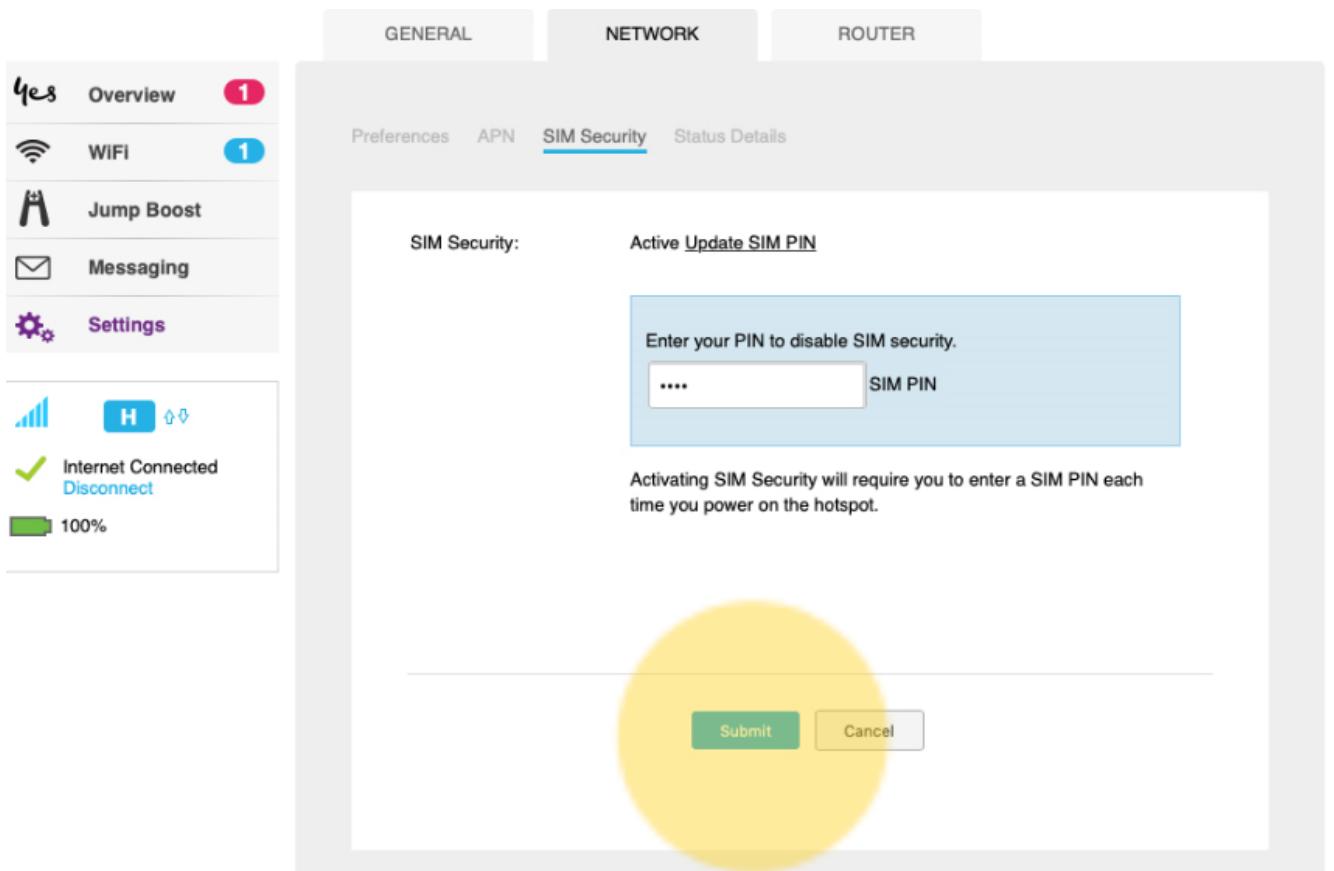
The screenshot shows the 'Network' tab of the Netgear WiFi Hotspot app. The sidebar on the left is identical to the previous dashboard. The main area has tabs for GENERAL, NETWORK, and ROUTER. The NETWORK tab is active, showing sub-tabs for Preferences, APN, SIM Security, and Status Details. Under 'Network Mode', it is set to 'Automatic'. Under 'Auto Connect', the 'Always' option is selected. Under 'Network selection mode', it is set to 'Automatic'. A 'Scan' button is at the bottom. A yellow circle highlights the 'SIM Security' tab in the top navigation bar.

### 4. Click Disable to deactivate. (Current Status: Active)

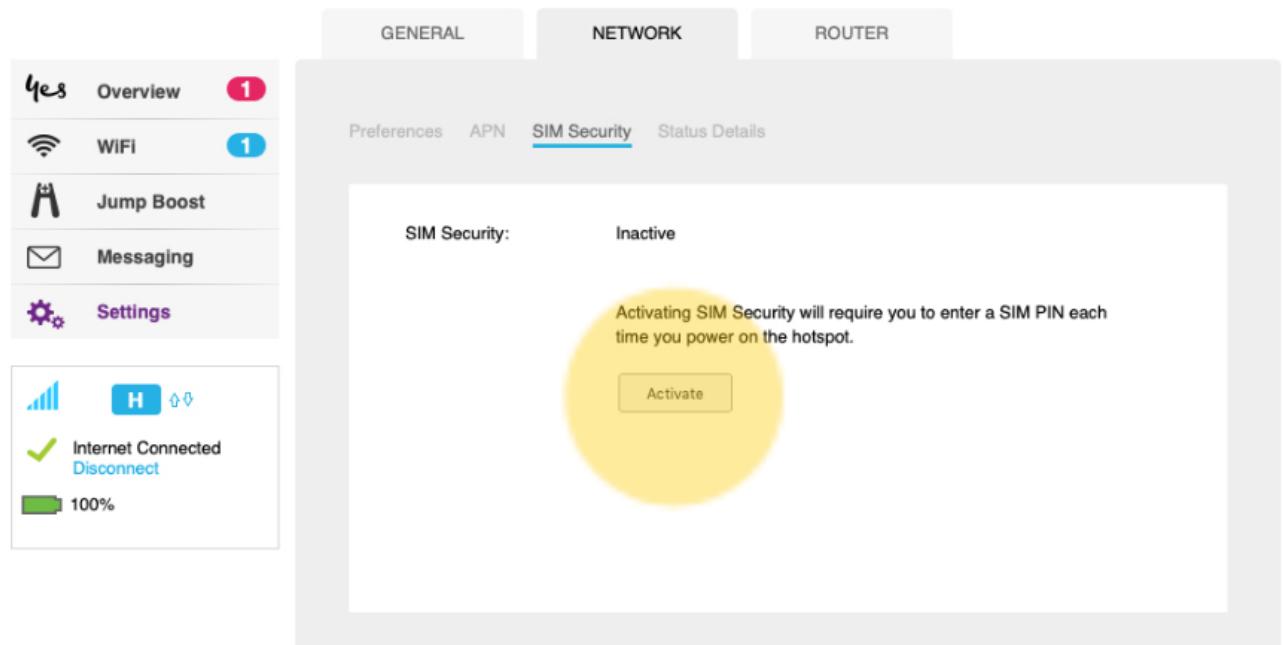


5. Click the field next to 'SIM PIN' and enter your PIN and Submit.

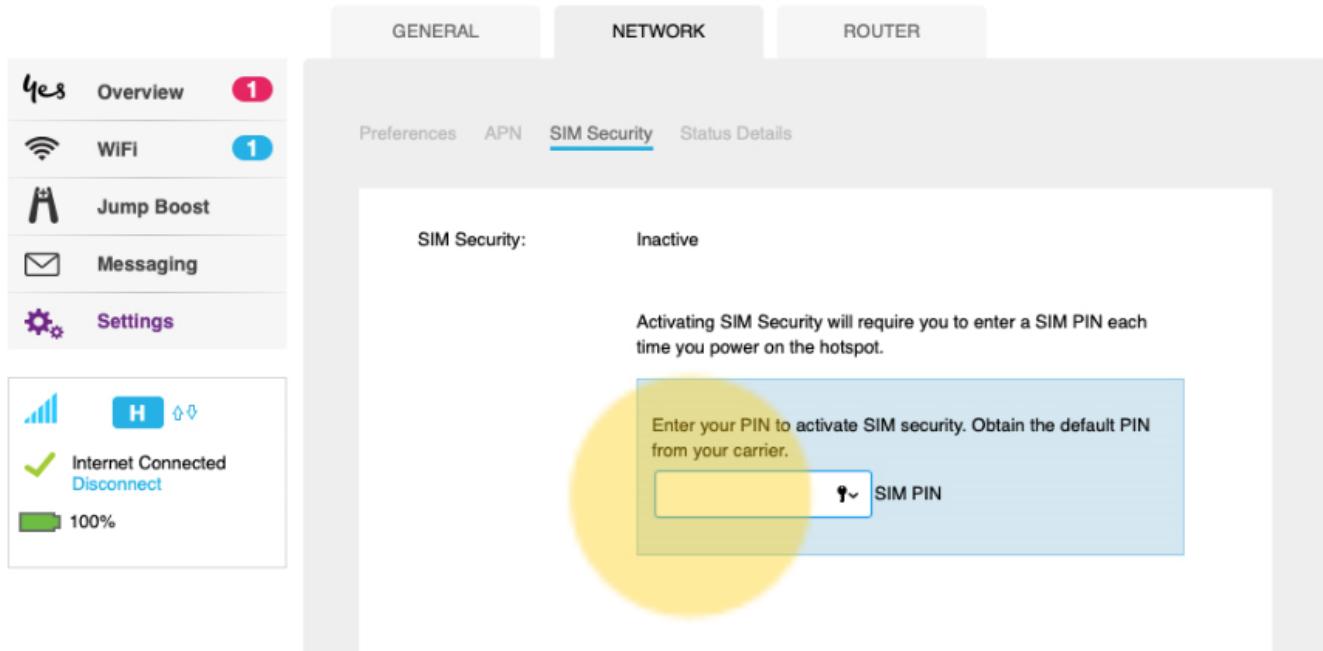
The default PIN is 0000.



6. To enable, click 'Activate'



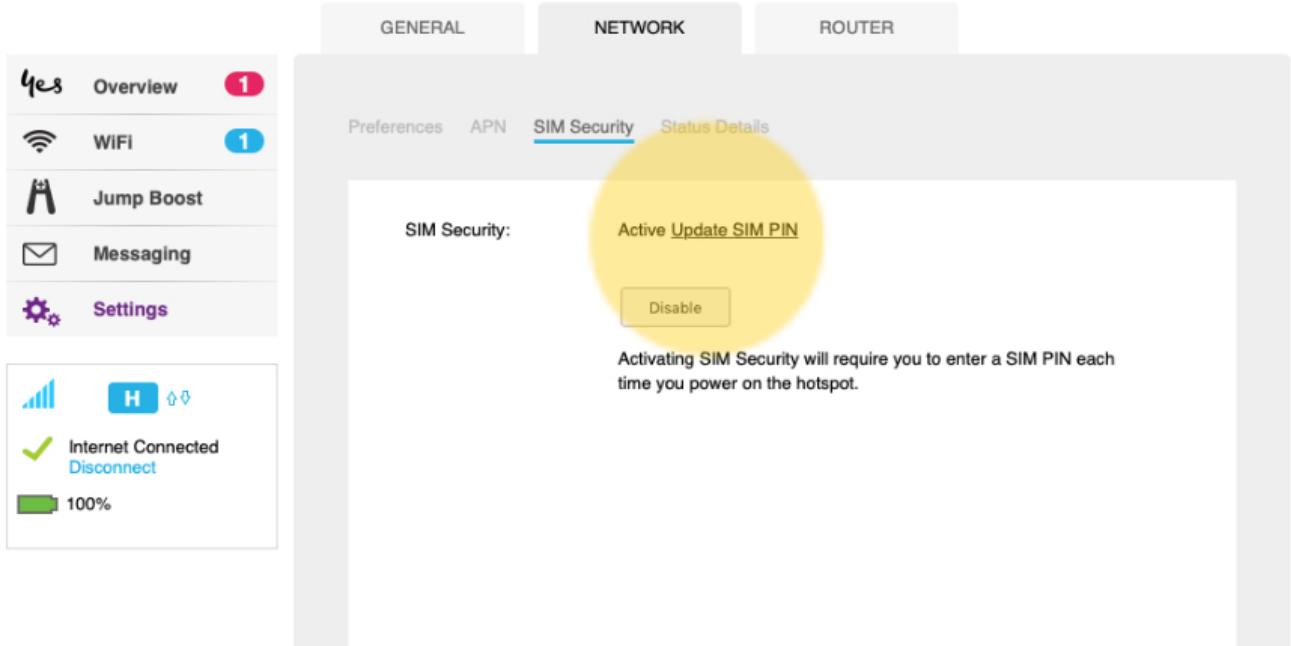
7. Click the field next to 'SIM PIN' and enter your PIN.



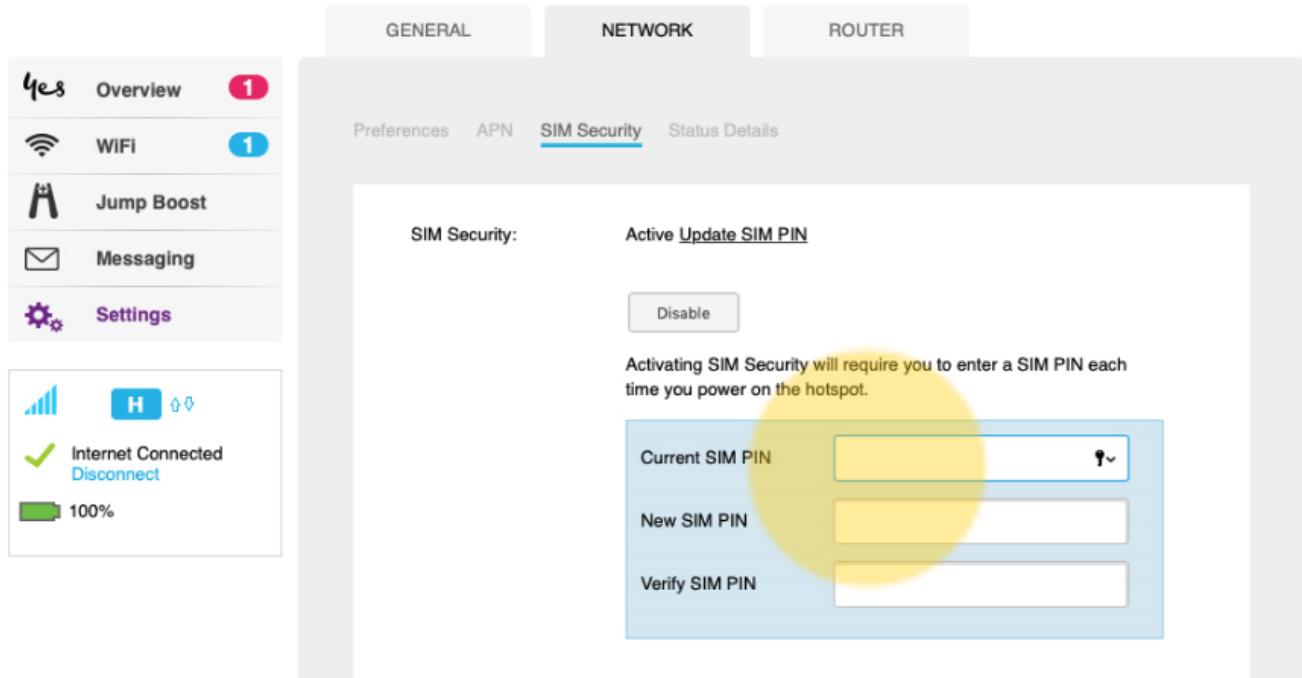
If an incorrect PIN is entered 3 times in a row, your SIM will be blocked. To unblock your SIM, you'll need to enter your PUK. The PUK can be obtained by contacting [Customer Service](#).

*If an incorrect PUK is entered ten times in a row, your SIM is blocked permanently. In this case, you'll need a [new SIM](#).*

8. To change/update the PIN, click 'Update SIM PIN'

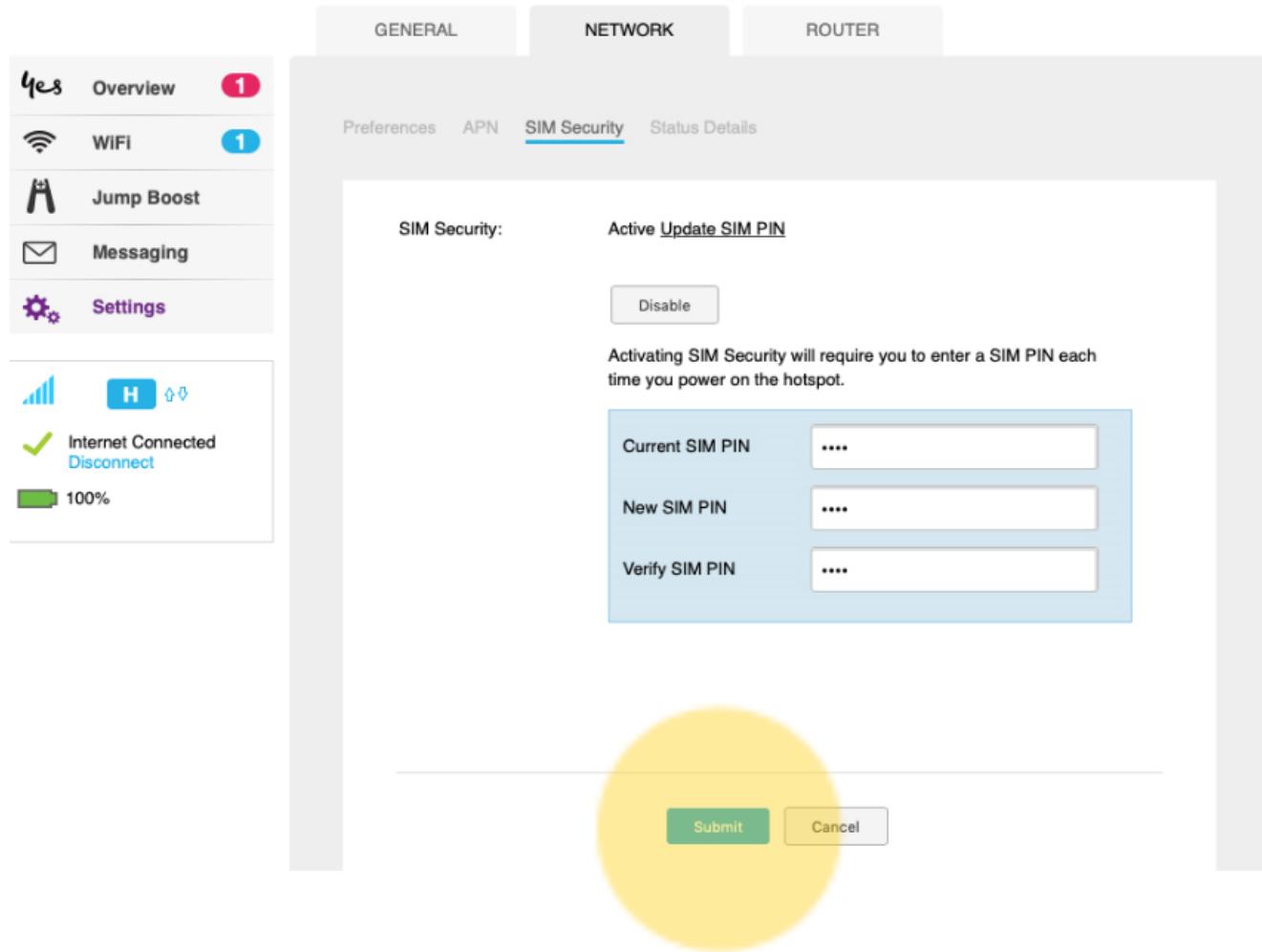


9. Click the field next to "Current SIM PIN" and enter your current PIN. The default PIN is 0000.



10. Click the field next to 'New SIM PIN' and enter your new PIN and verify

it on the below field.



Submit to apply the changes.

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