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jobi - August 31, 2017, 9:33 am

Do you need to have a wifi card installed to use a usb wifi adapter, or does the adapter have the same function as a wifi card?

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entiretv - August 31, 2017, 9:41 am

https://www.newegg.com/Product/Product.aspx?Item=9SIAAZU4431824&ignorebbr=1&nm_mc=KNC-GoogleMKP-PC&cm_mmc=KNC-GoogleMKP-PC-_pla-_Accessories+-+Motherboards-_9SIAAZU4431824&gclid=Cj0KCQjw557NBRC9ARIsAHJvVVMICcWTHC-tPiNUDiv9Yb3b6Ro_TZQ9I11cv cxM2le5NympveHlug8aAu4EEALw_wcB&gclidsrc=aw.ds

I have this and it plugs in to the back and it works. So I don't think you need a card. But don't quote me on that

vaiperboy - August 31, 2017, 10:01 am

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Gt403cyl - August 31, 2017, 5:07 pm

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A USB WiFi adapter is standalone, it doesn't require anything else.

That said, I recommend:

<https://www.amazon.com/dp/B00HF8K0O6/?tag=pcpapi-20>

Charger - August 31, 2017, 5:08 pm

(Aug 31, 2017 10:01 AM)vaiperboy Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) wifi usbs don't last long, I advice buying a wifi/bluetooth card

I agree.

I've gone through a fair share of USB adapters.

CASTIEL - August 31, 2017, 5:10 pm

I've been using the same USB Wifi Adapter for 5 years now, works perfectly fine still.

Most are plug n play, some you may need to install drivers. SOME.

jobi - *August 31, 2017, 11:45 pm*

Thank you guys got the answer I was looking for