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Access the Internet Anywhere with UbiSurfer

Datawind, a leading provider of wireless web access products and services, has launched the UbiSurfer, the first netbook to offer users free Internet access in the UK and low cost roaming in Europe and US. Priced at £159.99 and available from Maplin retail stores, the UbiSurfer combines Wi-Fi, LAN and embedded wireless data modem and SIM.

Connectivity is one of the UbiSurfer's strongest assets. Apart from the standard Wi-Fi and LAN connections, Datawind has teamed up with Vodafone to offer an embedded SIM and GPRS modem. This allows access to the internet anywhere a mobile phone signal is available, at home and abroad. Users are not limited to Wi-Fi hotspots and there is no need to buy a USB broadband dongle to ensure connection. Another feature is the free-usage model that eliminates the need to purchase mobile web devices or contracting lengthy contractual payments, activation fees and credit checks. With the UbiSurfer

you pay for the device not the usage. For the average user, there are no monthly fees, airtime tariffs, contracts or recurring fees.

Users get 30 hours of free surfing a month for 12 months and 5p per minute roaming in Europe. Upgrading to an unlimited usage package is available for an additional £5.99 a month. Basic usage for the second year would cost a maximum of £29.99 for the whole year at 30 hours per month.

Weighing just 700g the UbiSurfer is a compact, portable design. Decked out with a seven inch TFT wide screen display that has an 800 by 480 pixel resolution, a full QWERTY keyboard and powered by a processor that uses a Linux operating system, the UbiSurfer will fulfil most

computing needs. Applications include web browsing, calendar, media player, XIP Office (word processor, spreadsheet, presentation) PDF Viewer, and Email.



The netbook offers 1GB SSD (solid state disk) shock proof storage plus 25GB of online storage. This can be expanded with a USB or SD Flash Memory device. The battery offers up to four hours run time.