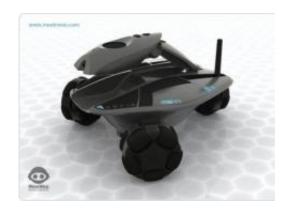


## WowWee Rovio WiFi Webcam A Consumer Wunderkind

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WowWee Rovio

(PhysOrg.com) -- WowWee introduces the first consumer WiFi roving Webcam for being there without having to go there. The WowWee Rovio is PC/Mac compatible and measures approximately 13.5-inches x 12-inches x 14-inches and weighs only 5-pounds. Rovio's three omnidirectional wheel design allows it to roam around an office area, home or small manufacturing area maneuvering its way around pets, furniture and obstructions without tipping over. Rovio connects up to a users WiFi network via a laptop, game console or wireless cell phone.

Rovio's TrueTrack beacon guides it back home to its charger station so you never have to worry about it running out of battery life. The Rovio comes with a CD interactive set up guide, a USB cable, a charger station and an AC power adapter. Once the device is connected to the wireless



network the set up guide does the rest. To set up an external network a user needs to set up a port forwarding to your router by following the steps in the written guidelines on-line. A recent firmware update may in time clear up connectivity issues cited by some reviewers.

The technical requirements include Explorer 6 or higher, Mozilla FireFox 1.5 or higher, Safari 3.0 or higher, Safari Mobile or Opera Mobile. A high-speed Internet connection, 802.11b/g, a USB port and a wireless access point device. The rechargeable battery pack is included and extra charging stations are available for docking Rovio in various rooms. The WowWee Rovio may not be for people short on patience while it grows up, but Wee Willie Winkie and fun loving gadget fans will love it.

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