

AV Automatic Standby Shutdown (Audio Visual for TVs & peripherals)

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What appliances can I use this product for?

Answer: The device is most suitable for TVs and appliances that have a Standby mode such as hi-fi, power amplifiers, some coffee machines, games consoles, DVD players and some satellite and set top boxes. It may also be used with older desk top computers that DO NOT switch into a low power standby mode. You can plug up to four appliances to be controlled into it.

Q. What devices is it not suitable for?

Answer: Devices that require continuous power for activities such as timed recording or remote updating eg advanced TVs, DVD recorders, some set top boxes; laptops that require connections to mains power to recharge batteries; computers that go into standby but require power to maintain their data.

Q. What does it actually do?

Answer: The device will detect when your TV or other appliance with Standby goes into Standby mode, and after a brief period it will remove power from the four controlled sockets, this removing standby power consumption.

Q. What is the fifth socket for?

Answer: Any appliance can be plugged into this socket as it stays always powered. Most practically an appliance that needs to be continually on would be plugged into this socket such as a DVD recorder or set top box with timed recording.

Q. Is there any set up of the device required?

Answer: Yes, the simple set-up procedure allows it to do 2 things.

i) Learn about the Standby power level of the appliance or appliances that are attached. ii) Learn a particular infrared remote control to restart after it has cut the power. The setup procedure is in the instructions provided.

Q. Can I manually re-enable the four sockets it after they have shutdown if I have lost my remote?

Answer: Yes you can press the button on the front if you wish to re-enable it manually.

Q. Do I need to re-programme the device if I unplug and re-plug in any appliances?

Answer: Yes you must re-programme the device every time you plug-in or un-plug anything from the device, even if you un-plug then plug-in the same appliance.

Q. Where do I place the sensor?

Answer: Place the sensor conveniently near the infrared sensor of the TV or device that you are controlling with the remote control so that the infrared signal can switch both devices at the same time. Use the sticky pad on the sensor to attach to a suitable surface that can't be damaged by a tacky adhesive.

Q: Is the device battery powered?

Answer: No, it takes it's small amount of power from the mains supply.

Q: Can I use more than one of these devices in the same room, or do they interfere with each other?

Answer: This is supported. One remote may restart as many devices as you wish.

Q: Can a different remote be programmed into the socket?

Answer: Yes. Press and hold the button on the socket unit for at least 5 seconds until the light on the unit flashes slowly. A remote control can then be programmed in as per the instructions.

Q: Can this product be used with any other remote controls such as my hi-fi remote?

Answer: Yes, this is supported.

Q: Can the device be used outside?

Answer: No, this product is for indoor use only.

Q: Do you have any other standby control devices?

Answer: We have a version of this that only has one socket and a separate 5 way trailing socket (extension lead) which is suitable for PCs. We also have a radio remote control socket and extension lead.

Q: Do you have a detailed set up procedure?

Answer: 1. Leave the socket power ON (red light on), press the green reset button for 6 seconds (until the light goes off and flashing) to reset to its factory setting.

2. When red light flashing, please plug-in everything you usually plugged in. Press the power button on your TV controller (pointing directly to the infra-red receiver on the device), and wait for AT LEAST 1 min for the socket to learn the STANDBY power.

3. After 1 min, press the green reset button again, red light will flash and then went OFF, now the power is OFF.

4. Press the power button on your TV controller. This will turn the power ON, and your TV should be in STANDBY mode at this moment. This will complete the set up process. Please note, if your TV turned ON at this stage, that means the reset process haven't been done correctly, and you may need to go back to step 1.