PC Automatic Standby Shutdown (For desktop PCs & peripherals)

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What appliances can I use this product for?

Answer: Desk top computers and their peripherals such as printers, monitors and scanners. You can plug up to four appliances to be controlled into one device.

Q. What devices is it not suitable for?

Answer: Devices that require to be continuously powered. This may include routers including wireless routers and fax machines; laptops that require connections to mains power to recharge batteries; computers that go into standby but require power to maintain their data.
It is also not suitable for devices that perform activities such as timed recording or remote updating eg advanced TVs, DVD recorders, some set top boxes;

Most suitable for use with products that have a standby level above 15Watts.

Q. What does it actually do?

Answer: The PC Automatic Standby Shutdown will learn the standby power of your arrangement of appliances and then automatically cut off the power to the 4 controlled sockets a short while after you shut down your computer hence saving standby energy.

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 wireless router or fax machine.

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

Answer: Yes, the simple set-up procedure allows it to earn about the Standby power level of the appliance or appliances that are attached. The setup procedure is in the instructions provided.

Q. How do I re-enable the four sockets it after they have shutdown?

Answer: Yes you can press the button briefly on the 'flying lead' which you should attach conveniently close to your computer or press briefly the button on the housing which will do the same thing.

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 button?

Answer: Place the button conveniently near to your computer. You can use the sticky pad on the button to attach to a suitable surface that can't be damaged by a tacky adhesive such as your monitor housing.

Q: Is the device battery powered?

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

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 single way (plug adapter) and 5 way versions which are suitable for Home Entertainment (Audio Visual) systems. 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 OFF (red light off), press the 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. Leave your PC (and anything you want it to be switched off automatically) on standby mode, press the reset button once, wait for AT LEAST 1 min for the socket to learn the STANDBY power.**

3. **Press the reset button once, red light will flash and then OFF, now the power is OFF.**

4. **Press the Power ON push button. This will turn the power ON, and your PC should be in STANDBY mode at this moment. This will complete the set up process.**

Q. Could you please advise if the ENER008 has surge protection?

Answer: ENER008 does not have surge protection but does have spike protection.
If more voltage is introduced than an electrical appliance is designed to handle, this is a power surge or transient voltage. Any such transient that lasts for at least three nanoseconds is considered a surge. A transient less than this, eg 1 or 2 nanoseconds, we call a power spike.