

SAFETY AWARENESS- Electrical Safety Sub-Committee

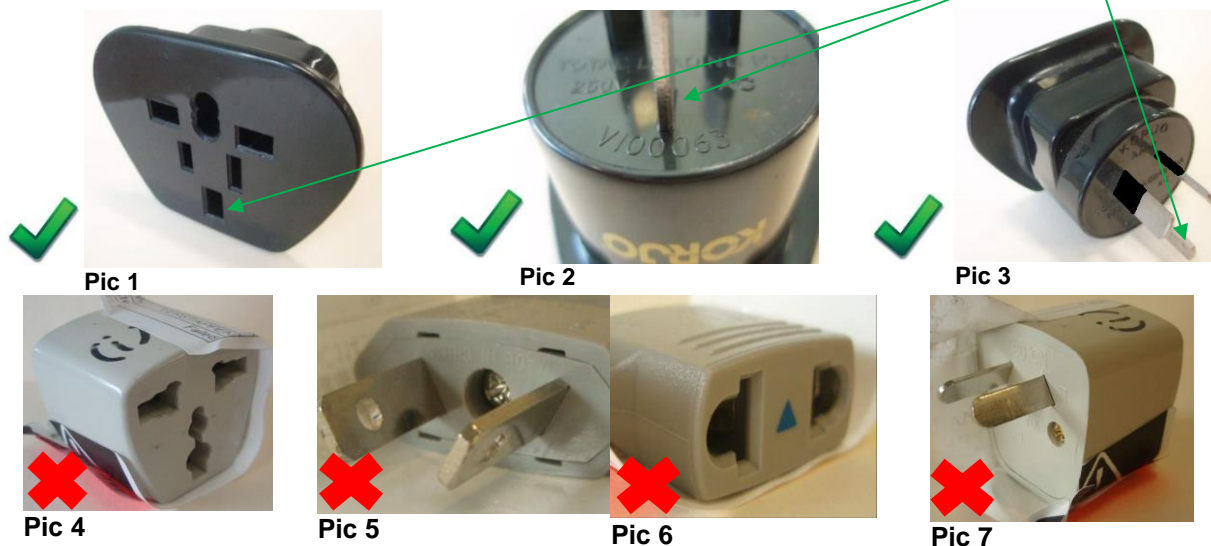
Reverse – Travel Adaptor usage

Purpose

There has been a significant increase in the number of travel adaptors discovered during testing and tagging and workplace inspection programs recently at the University. These adaptors are being utilised to adapt non-compliant and potentially dangerous electrical appliances to socket outlets.

This is a very dangerous practice and could lead to an injury or fire.

Good Earthed adaptors – suitable for earthed and double insulated appliances, with State and Territory (Victoria) approval mark **V100063** **Safe (Earthing) pin location**



Very dangerous adaptors, showing no earth & no authorised approval mark (Pic 6 & 7). Earth not on both sides & no authorised approval mark (Pic 4 & 5).

Do NOT use travel adaptors that don't have an earth connection – Pictured in 4, 5, 6 & 7

Consider the use of a travel adaptor as a temporary fix. So in the interim please ensure the following if one must be used now;

- The travel adaptor **MUST** have an earth connection – See “Earthed Adaptor” pictures.
- The travel adaptor **MUST** be in good quality condition.
- The travel adaptor rating **MUST** be at least 230volts – 250volts @ 10A – This should be marked on the casing somewhere.
- The travel adaptor must have an Australian State or Territory Approval Mark. E.g. N/00345, Q/12356, V/24512.

Further guidance on electrical appliance safety refer to:

Procedure: Electrical safety management https://policies.anu.edu.au/ppl/document/ANUP_000572

