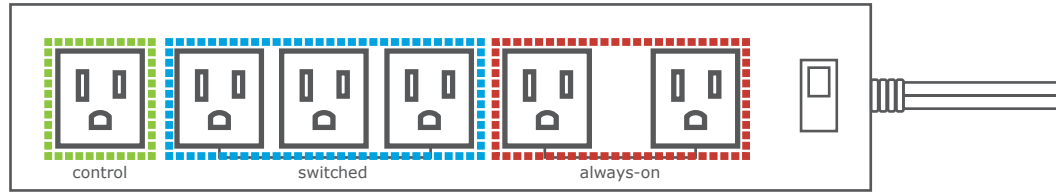
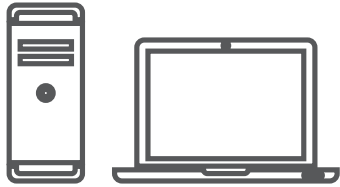


# ADVANCED POWER STRIPS (APS)

## HOW TO USE IN AN OFFICE SETTING



Each APS has three outlet types for equipment with various electricity needs:



### Primary Outlet

COMPUTER/LAPTOP

The primary outlet acts as the “control,” or “master,” outlet because it turns off the power to secondary outlets when the device connected to it is turned off. The primary outlet typically powers your computer’s central processing unit because most other devices connected to the power strip at an office desk depend on your computer for their functionality. For example, you need to turn on your computer to use your monitor and to print documents.



### Secondary Outlet

MONITOR, PRINTER, DESK LAMP

The secondary outlets act as the “controlled” outlets and typically power peripheral devices, such as your computer monitor(s), desk lamp, and printer. When the device connected to the primary outlet is turned off, the power will automatically be shut off to the device connected to the secondary outlets. For example, turning off your computer automatically shuts off the power to your monitor or printer. The amount of energy you save with an advanced power strip depends on the energy usage of the devices connected to the secondary outlets.



### Always-On Outlet

LANDLINE PHONE, FAX, MINI FRIDGE

The always-on outlets are not controlled by the primary outlet. Important office desk devices, such as landline phones and fax machines, that are plugged into the always-on outlet will receive constant power regardless of the primary outlet device.

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