

# OHS ALERT



<b>Incident /Hazard</b>	<b>Double Adapters</b>
<b>Date</b>	<b>16th December 2010</b>
<b>Injuries</b>	<b>None</b>

## What happened?

Double adapters have been sighted in recent workplace inspections in both laboratory and office areas.

The use of double adapters is to be avoided as they do not provide overload protection. This increases the risk of fire and electric shock.

## Actions for your work unit

Inspect your work area with a specific focus on electrical hazards. If double adapters are being used investigate alternative options beginning with the most effective options first e.g.

1. Request extra power points to be fitted (Works and Services order)
2. Replace the double adapter with a power board that has RCD protection fitted

