

Electrical Appliances and Portable Appliance Testing (PAT)

- The independent regulator, HSE, provide advice and information on the use of electrical appliances in the UK:
 - [Safe use advice for electrical appliances](#)
 - [What is portable appliance testing?](#)
- You are responsible for ensuring that any equipment you bring to your university accommodation is electrically safe and suitable for UK electrical systems.
- Power supplied is 240v and 3 pin plugs must be utilised.
- One multi-adaptor for use with low wattage equipment only, such as PC and printer is permitted in each room. Please see attached Appendix A & B.
- Non UK equipment and associated Non-UK to UK adaptors may not be used unless they have been inspected and approved by the University. Please see attached Appendix C.
- If you are in any doubt about the suitability of your electrical appliances contact your Residence Reception and they will undertake an electrical test for all appliances, if necessary.
- The University carries out annual PAT testing during which all equipment in communal areas will be tested.
- Electrical items placing an excessive load on the electrical system or deemed unsafe or unfit for use by Residence staff will be removed and stored until the end of year.
- Items that should not be brought into university accommodation include
 - Cubed adapters (more than one). Please see attached Appendix D.
 - Items requiring a continental electrical adapter in order to work.
 - Electrical room heaters
 - Electric blankets
 - Deep fat fryers
 - Laundry equipment including washing machines and tumble dryers.

Appendix A



Appendix B



Appendix C



Appendix D

