

MCRU

EU/USA Adapter Mains Plug

MANY OF THE heavy audiophile power cords available today are fitted with USA or EU mains plugs that cannot be easily removed without risk of damage. Even if the mains plug is removed, fitting a 13 amp UK mains plug onto the bulky cable can be extremely difficult without the correct tools.

The end result is often a compromise between looking elegant and having all the wires making a good and safe electrical connection to the UK mains plug pins. The other solution is to use an adapter plug to convert the existing fitting to a 13 amp UK fitting. However, the adapter itself needs to be a high-quality unit otherwise many of the benefits of an audiophile power cord will be lost.

To address this problem, MCRU developed a EU/USA adapter plug in response to a number of requests

that it had received from audiophiles, who wanted to use USA mains plugs in UK sockets without tampering with the cable. This audiophile-grade adapter plug will accept Schuko European plugs or USA Nema plugs and convert them to a UK plug.

No touching

Ideally, you want as few contact surfaces in the mains circuit as possible, but where these are unavoidable, they need to be of a quality to ensure a negligible contact resistance. To achieve this, MCRU employs a plating company to gold-plate all the internal contact pins of the adapter.

This UK-based company, which has been in business for over 50 years, is able to provide audio-quality plating services to MCRU. The adapter is also fitted with a top-quality Bussmann 13 amp fuse that



has gold-plated end-caps. The outer casing of the adapter has been manufactured to be as slim as possible so that it does not add to the bulk of the original mains connector.

This is a very neat alternative to cutting off the American or European plug and then trying to cram bulky power leads into a 13 amp plug. An excellent solution! **NR**

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PRICE
£29.50

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