Owner's Manual

USB Peripheral Sharing Switch

Model #: U215-004-R

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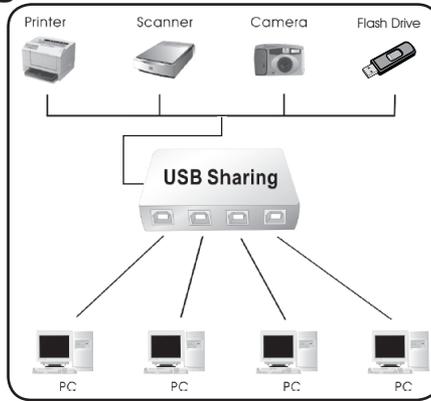
Installing the Software

Installing the USB Sharing Application:

• Insert the application CD in your computer's CD-ROM drive to start the installation process. If your computer does not have a CD-ROM drive, you can download the software from Tripp Lite's website at www.tripplite.com/support.

• If the installation does not automatically start, navigate to your CD-ROM drive in your Computer window (for Windows systems) or in Finder (for Mac OS X), and double-click the corresponding driver file.

• The Install page is displayed. The installation process will only take a few seconds.

• When the End of Installation dialog box is displayed, click "Finished".

Note: We highly recommend that you reboot your PC after installation.

Status Indication on Taskbar

Color of Status Indicator:

Red	Another computer is using the device; you may not switch between PCs at this moment (busy status).
Green	Device is now connected.
Yellow	Device is currently connected to another computer. Press Ctrl + F11 to switch, or right-click with the mouse and select "switch" (for Mac OS X, use Alt + F11).

Note: The status indicator on the Taskbar will be GREEN for ALL computers if the switch is improperly installed. Storage devices such as external hard drives and printers will continue to send signals back and forth to your computer whenever they are connected. When this occurs, the indicator icon will appear red and blinking. If you would like to control the USB Peripheral Sharing Switch without busy statuses, simply press Ctrl + F11 (for Mac OS X, use Alt + F11) and the confirmation message will open. Click "Yes" to confirm the switch.

Quick Installation

Features

Upstream (PC) Connector	Four USB Type-B connect to PCs.
Downstream (USB Peripheral) Connector	One USB Type-A connects to device.
Port Selection*	Via keyboard (hotkey), push-button switches or mouse (taskbar icon).
Power	Bus Powered (no external AC power needed).
Operating Systems Supported**	Windows (up to 8.1); Mac OS X (up to 10.10); Linux

Linux OS is not compatible with USB Sharing Application software; port selection is only possible via push-button switches.

**The operating systems listed are supported at the time of the creation of this Owner's Manual. For a listing of the most current operating systems supported, go to www.tripplite.com.*

Note:

1) This USB Peripheral Sharing Switch enables multiple computers to share one USB device, such as a USB printer, USB scanner or USB hard drive. However, it does not apply to a mouse or keyboard. If it is necessary to access multiple computers wth one mouse, keyboard or monitor, use a Tripp Lite KVM switch.

2) When using the USB Peripheral Sharing Switch to share a USB storage device, you must first eject the device before switching ports in order to avoid any data loss.

3) When using Mac OS X, use the ALT + F11 hotkey to switch the device.

4) We strongly recommend that you turn off the suspend (sleep) function of the OS while using this USB Peripheral Sharing Switch.

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Troubleshooting

## Windows and Mac Sleep Mode

Problems may occur in Windows or Mac Sleep Mode. If so, the icon on the Taskbar will be green on multiple PCs. If you experience this type of problem, disconnect and reconnect the USB Peripheral Sharing Switch to make it work again. To prevent this problem, we strongly recommend checking your setting in the sleep mode in your Windows/Mac OS first, and then following these steps to modify your default.

Windows

• Open the Start menu, then click on Control Panel.
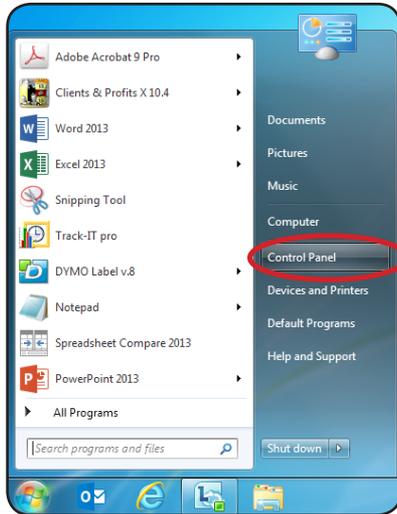
• From the Control Panel window, select Power Options.

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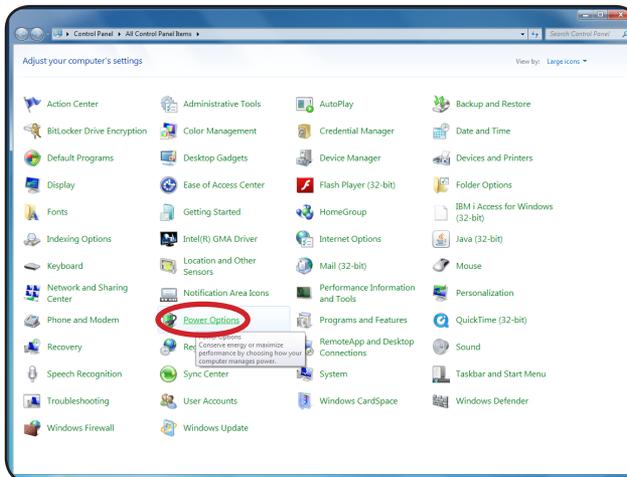
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• Once inside the Power Options window, choose "Never" from the "Put the computer to sleep" dropdown.
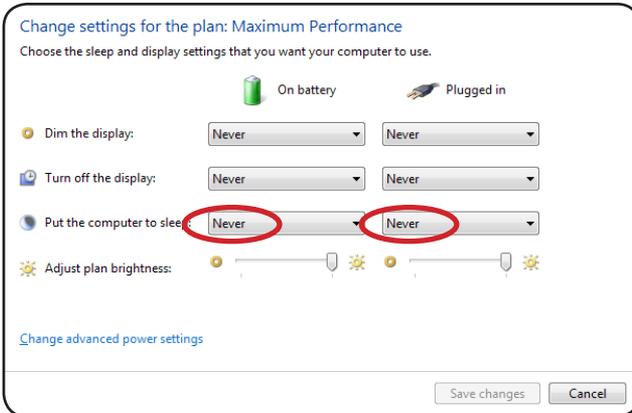
Mac OS X

• Select System Preferences, then click on the Energy Saver icon.
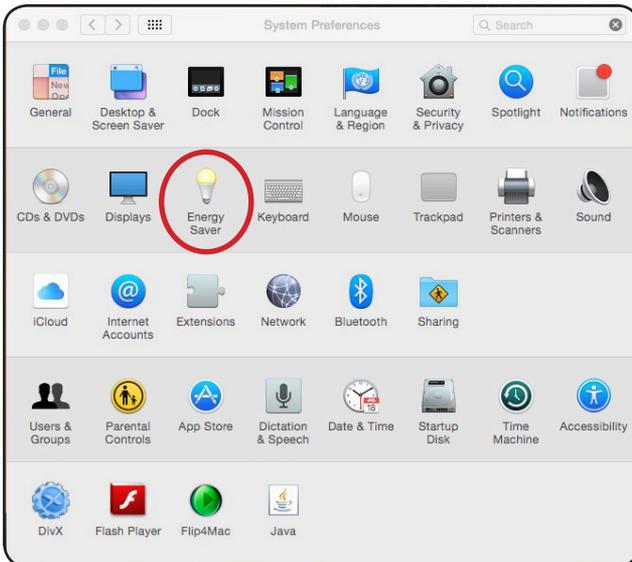
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• Once inside the Energy Saver window, slide the sleep mode bar to "Never".
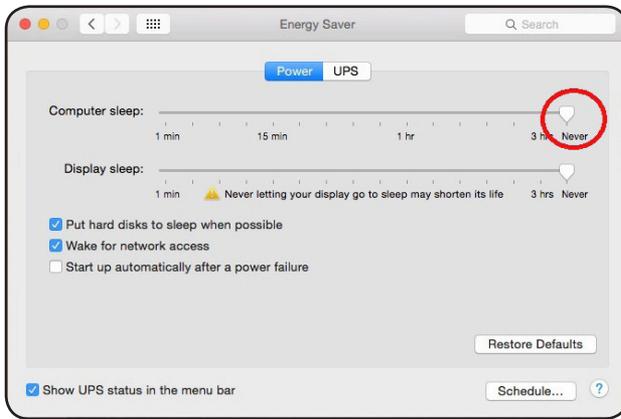
Hotkey Control Problems in Mac OS X

When you use the hotkey ALT + F11 to control USB Sharing in Mac OS X, turn on the "Function" keys in the Keyboard window, then turn off the "Sticky" keys in the Accessibility window (both are located in System Preferences).

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