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POWER \\ USER GUIDE

#### Model numbers: 5S-PS6-US1, 5S-PS8-US1, 7S-PS6-US1 and 7S-PS8-US1

**CAUTION** To reduce the risk of electrical shock, only use the power strip indoors and in cool dry locations. DO NOT connect to an ungrounded outlet. DO NOT use with 2-wire extension cords or adapters or any type of extension cord into the power strip. DO NOT install power strip near any heat-emitting appliances such as radiators, heat registers, or other apparatus that produces heat. DO NOT block any ventilation openings. DO NOT install where excessive moisture is present. DO NOT drill into any part of the housing or open the housing for any reason. There are no user-serviceable parts inside. DO NOT plug into another relocatable power tap. DO NOT "daisy chain" surge protectors. DO NOT use this apparatus near water. DO NOT place any liquid or liquid containers on top. DO NOT use with any aquarium equipment.

For common household, non-commercial use only. This product is recommended to be used with your home theater equipment, and other low voltage consumer electronic devices. It is not intended to be used with any medical equipment or life support devices. Do not use this equipment in the presence of a flammable anesthetic mixture with air, oxygen or nitrous oxide.

#### **Product Registration**

Prior to using your product, please go to <u>www.austere.com/guarantee</u> to register your product and to access our complete lifetime guarantee statement.

#### **Safety Instructions**

Read this manual thoroughly before use and keep it in a safe place for future reference, along with the purchase receipt and carton. The safety precautions enclosed herein reduce the risk of fire, electric shock and injury when correctly adhered to. Follow all instructions and take notice of all warnings to reduce the risk of fire or electric shock. Always exercise caution when operating any electrical device. Install in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Turn off when not in use.

DO NOT use if power supply become damaged or broken. Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel. Servicing is required when the apparatus has been damaged in any way, such as power-supply cord or plug is damage, liquid has been spilled or objects have fallen into the apparatus, the apparatus has been exposed to rain or moisture, does not operate normally, or has been dropped.

DO NOT defeat the safety purpose of the grounding-stype plug. A grounding type plug has two blades and a third grounding prong. The wide blade or the third prong are provided for your safety. If the provided plug does not fit into your outlet, consult an electrician for replacement of the obsolete outlet. To reduce the risk of electric shock, grounding of the center pin of this plug must be maintained.

**Important**: This device features an internal protection that will disconnect the surge protective component at the end of its useful life but will maintain mains power to the power strip – all connected devices are now unprotected. It is recommended to replace this unit every 5 years.

#### INSTALLATION

**Mounting Your Power Strip (Optional Installation):** The power strip contains keyhole openings so you can mount your power strip on a wall or other vertical surface. However, it is recommended that you mount the surge protector prior to plugging it in or connecting any of your equipment. Create a mounting template by placing a piece of paper over the mounting holes. Use a pin to make two holes in the paper in the preferred mounting location. Using the template, place it over the desired mounting location and mark with the push pins. Remove the template and install the mounting screws (User Supplied). Drive the screws into the pin hole marks until ¼ in. (0.5 cm) of the screw threads are exposed. Place the power strip over the screw heads and slide into place.

**Plug in your power strip to your AC Power Line:** Be sure the power strip's power cord is plugged into a standard, 3-wire grounded 120V AC, 60Hz outlet.

**Turn your power strip ON:** Press the power strip's power switch until it illuminates blue, indicating the unit is On and connected to AC input power.

**Review the LED status indicator Lights:** Check the LEDs prior to connecting any of your equipment. They will indicate the optimum operating conditions of the power strip when it is plugged into a 120V AC outlet.



**Power LED:** Will illuminate blue when lit. This indicates the power strip is plugged in and receiving power.



**Ground LED:** Will illuminate blue when lit. This indicates that the unit is plugged into a properly ground circuit.



**Protected LED:** Will illuminate blue when lit. This indicates that the power strips surge suppression components are intact and providing full protection against surges.

**Connect Your Equipment:** Plug your equipment's power cords into the power strip's AC outlets. All Austere power products feature expansive SmartFit outlets to accommodate your equipment's transformers without covering neighboring outlets. It is important to remember that you should NOT plug in extension cords directly into the power strip. DO NOT OVERLOAD the surge protector's outlets. The surge protector can accommodate a total equipment load of up to 15 amps (whether plugged into a single outlet or spread out over multiple outlets).

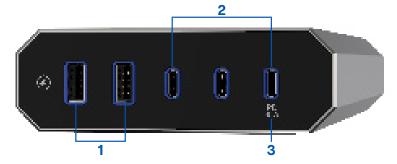
If the load on the surge protector exceeds 12 amps, the internal circuit breaker will trip and the outlets will stop providing power. If the circuit breaker trips, reduce the load by unplugging some devices. Reset the strip by cycling the power button from On to Off and then On again. Repeat the process of unplugging a device to reduce the overall load until the strip remains On delivering power to all connected devices.

When plugged in, if the **ground** indicator LED does not light, move the power strip to a different grounded 3-prong AC outlet. If this symptom continues, your outlets may not be properly grounded and need to be repaired by a professional electrician.

If the **protected** LED does not light, the power strip's AC line is no longer protected from surges and the power strip must be replaced. If the strip continues to be used with the protected LED in the Off state any connected equipment will not be protected from future surges and spikes.

**USB Charging Ports:** A total of (5) USB ports are available on both the V & VII Series power strip models;

- 1. Two USB A ports on all models.
- 2. Three USB C ports on all models.
- 3. One of USB C ports is a Power Delivery (PD) connection delivering 45W and up to 20v, enough to charge and run high power products such as laptops and large tablets. The PD power port is a feature that is **only available on the VII series models** (7S-PS6-US1 and 7S-PS8-US1).



**Technical Support:** Please contact our technical support team with installation questions, troubleshooting needs, or general product questions.

Phone: 1-800-503-1037Email: support@austere.com

#### **Specifications**

Surge Protection: 3000 joules for V Series models 5S-PS6-US1 and 5S-PS8-US1 Surge protection: 4000 joules for VII Series models 7S-PS6-US1 and 7S-PS8-US1

Electrical Rating: 125V/15A/1875W Maximum Peak Current: 15A

Response Time: Less than 1 nanosecond

Cable Length: 6ft/1828mm USB Output: 5.0V 2.4A per port USBC PD Output: 20V 45W PD

## **Additional Safety Precautions**

Only use attachments/accessories specified by the manufacturer.

Protect the power cord from being walked on or pinched particularly at the plugs, convenience receptacle, and the point where they exit from the apparatus.

To reduce the risk of electric fire, do not charge electrical devices while stowed in storage compartment.

Caution marking and rating plate are located at rear enclosure of the apparatus.

Carefully follow all instructions for assembly and mounting.

Test the strength of attachment to the wall before using the product.

This apparatus must be securely attached to the wall per installation instructions.

Tipping, shaking, or rocking the machine may cause injury/death.

Do not permanently mount or remove the plug for permanent connection to the electrical system.

Do not look directly into the LEDs when operating.

Keep away from liquids, oils, petrol, and all chemicals. Clean only with dry cloth.

Keep away from children. Supervise young children to ensure they do not play with the product. This is not a toy.

### LIFETIME GUARANTEE FOR CONSUMERS

Austere, 9375 SW Commerce Circle, Suite 7, Wilsonville, OR 97070, USA extends to you this Limited Guarantee. Statutory or common law may provide you with additional rights or remedies, which shall not be affected by this Limited Lifetime Guarantee. This Guarantee gives you specific legal rights, you may have other rights, which vary from state to state or country to country.

#### **Scope of Guarantee**

Austere provides a guarantee of the function of this product, if used in accordance with all applicable instructions and warnings, to be free from original defects in material and workmanship for the Lifetime\*\* of the product, subject to the conditions and limitations below. If the product should prove defective in material or workmanship within that period, Austere will, subject to the following terms, conditions and limitations, repair or, at Austere's sole discretion, replace the defective product, replace with a comparable product if the specific product is no longer available or refund to you the original purchase price you paid to the authorized dealer for the defective product if repair or replacement is not commercially practical or cannot be completed in a timely manner.

\*\* "Lifetime" \*\* means the duration of use of the product under normal circumstances and used in accordance with all instructions and warnings, and specifically such time as the product can no longer function after normal use for the specific purpose intended. Lifetime is further defined as the expected and typical life of the product, and specifically not the lifetime of the original purchaser or user.

OBSERVE: Prior to use, the individual user should review all instructions and warnings and take immediate care to determine whether this product is suitable, adequate or safe for the use intended. Because individual applications are subject to great variation, Austere makes no representation or guarantee as to the suitability or fitness of these products for any specific application.

**CONNECTED COMPONENT GUARANTEE** Austere guarantees to the original purchaser of any Power/Surge protection product five (5) years of protected connected equipment assurance. Austere may also provide you with a remedy regarding connected component damage to the extent:

- 1. You have a claim under the Lifetime Guarantee for products because of a product defect that causes connected component damage despite adequate use
- 2. Austere receives a formal guarantee claim from you for connected component damage applicable to the affected product.

**Important:** This device features an internal protection that will disconnect the surge protective component at the end of its useful life (when the joules have been exhausted) but will maintain mains power to the power strip – all connected devices are now unprotected. It is recommended to replace this unit every 5 years. When you register your product and activate the Component Guarantee, you will automatically be enrolled in Austere's complete care program which will alert you prior to the 5 year timeframe.

If the conditions listed in the preceding sentence are met, Austere will provide you with one of the following remedies provided that Austere may decide at its sole discretion which of the three remedies it provides:

- 1. Austere will replace the damaged connected component.
- 2. Austere will pay to repair the damaged connected component.
- 3. Austere will pay the fair market value (FMV) of the connected components, provided that such payments shall not exceed the maximum coverage amount for the product.

# Limitations

This guarantee does not apply to product purchased in used or unpackaged form or purchased from someone other than an authorized dealer, damages incurred as a result of product wear and tear caused by normal use over time, the natural breakdown of colors and materials over extended time and use, accidental damage, abuse, improper care, unreasonable use, natural disaster, abnormal mechanical or environmental conditions, disassembly, modifications or alterations to the product or negligence in care or use of the product. Removal or defacing of brand labels will immediately void this guarantee. This guarantee is non-transferable and only applies to the original purchaser of the product. This guarantee is restricted to the original country of purchase and will be void on any product taken outside the country where originally purchased or shipped to directly from an authorized dealer.

The Austere guarantee will be void if the product is used in any commercial, industrial or other use outside of common household use.

Austere shall not be liable for any incidental, reliance, or consequential damages or breach of implied guarantee on its products, including any damage to person or property, and specifically disclaims the warranty of merchantability and warranty of fitness for a particular purpose, whenever the law allows such limitations and disclaimers. Austere's sole and maximum obligation shall be to repair or replace the product or issue a refund in Austere's sole discretion.

Additionally, the guarantee of all Austere power products will be void if they have been connected to the output of any UPS system or if the power strips have been used in a daisy chain.

Furthermore, in addition to the limitations above, Austere will not guarantee products in the following situations:

- Products without sufficient proof of purchase
- Products purchased from someone other than an authorized dealer
- · Lost or stolen products or products purchased in used condition
- Non quality-related issues (after 30 days of initial purchase); within 30 days, return product to authorized reseller
- Damage from misuse of products (including, but not limited to: drops, extreme temperatures, water exposure, operating devices improperly or not in accordance with any accompanying instructions)
- Self-repairs or repairs through 3rd parties
- Damage from outside sources
- Product not used for its intended function
- Products where the original identification information has been altered, obliterated or removed or that has not been handled or packaged correctly

It is important to note that Austere is not responsible for the following:

- · Any data loss incurred from use of Austere's products
- · Any damage or loss to products that occur in transit to Austere
- · Returning personal items sent to Austere

#### **FORMAL GUARANTEE CLAIM**

HOW TO MAKE A CLAIM. In the event of a product irregularity or connected component damage, please comply with the following instructions:

- 1. Call Austere immediately after you discover a defect or connected component damage at 1-800-503-1037 or send a message directly to the Austere support team at support@austere.com for instructions on how to file your claim.
- 2. Provide a detailed explanation of how the damage occurred, Identify the affected product and all items of the components connected.
- 3. Purchaser provide sufficient proof of purchase from an authorized distributor showing the original date and place of purchase, as well as the product description and price.
- 4. Obtain a Return Authorization Number.
- 5. Upon receipt of a claim form (which will be sent to you after you filed Your Formal Warranty Claim), fill out the claim form entirely.
- 6. Pack and ship the product to Austere and, if requested, the item(s) of components connected, and all claim forms that Austere provides to you. Show the claim number on the shipping label and/or in clude it with the product. You must prepay all shipping costs and you are responsible for packaging and shipment, and you must pay the cost of the repair estimate.

See the full terms and detail of the Austere product guarantee, including the connected equipment guarantee at www.austere.com/guarantee.

#### **FCC Compliance Statement**

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

# **Canadian Compliance Statement**

This device complies with Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada license-exempt RSS standards. CAN/CSA 22.2 No.42 and No. 269.3.







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