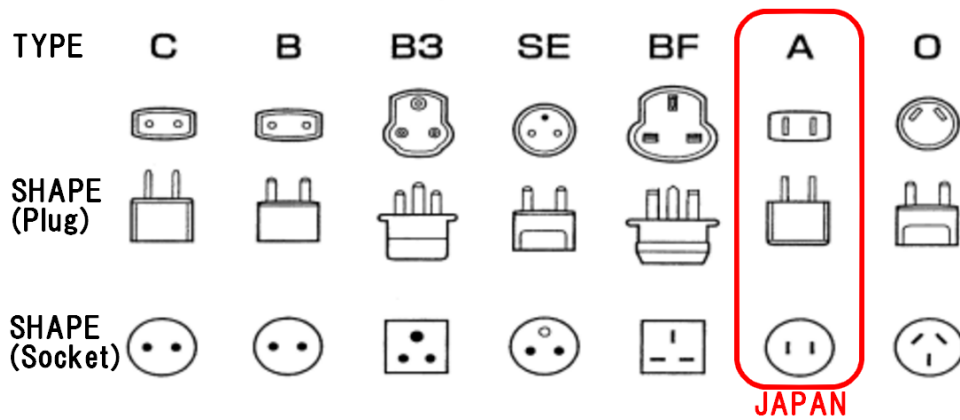


JAPAN POWER PLUGS AND SOKETS



100 V PLUG (TYPE A) 50HERTZ (EASTERN JAPAN REGION)

The voltage in Japan is **100 Volt**, which is different from North America (120V), Central Europe (230V) and most other regions of the world. Japanese electrical plugs have two, non-polarized pins, as shown above. They fit into North American outlets.

Japanese power outlets are identical to **ungrounded (2-pin)** North American outlets. While most Japanese outlets these days are polarized (one slot is slightly wider than the other), it is compatible to the two non-polarized pins above. If needed, you can encounter non-polarized outlets in some places.

The frequency of electric current is **50 Hertz in Eastern Japan (including Tokyo, Yokohama, Tohoku, Hokkaido)** and 60 Hertz in Western Japan (including Nagoya, Osaka, Kyoto, Hiroshima, Shikoku, Kyushu); however, most equipment is not affected by this frequency difference. A possible exception are timing devices such as clocks.