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# TCA-SMA Adapter Instructions

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#### **Safety Summary**

To avoid potential hazards, use this product only as specified.

#### To avoid fire or personal injury

Connect and disconnect properly. Connect the adapter to the host instrument before connecting the SMA device to the device-under-test. Disconnect the device input and ground from the device-under-test before disconnecting the SMA device from the adapter and host instrument.

**Ground the product.** This product is indirectly grounded through the grounding conductor of the host instrument power cord. To avoid electric shock, the grounding conductor must be connected to earth ground. Before making connections to the input or output terminals of the product, ensure that the product is properly grounded.

Observe all terminal ratings. To avoid fire or shock hazard, observe all ratings and markings on the host instrument. Consult the host instrument documentation for further ratings information before making connections to the host instrument.

Do not apply a potential to any terminal, including the common terminal, that exceeds the maximum rating of that terminal.

**Do not operate without covers.** Do not operate this product with covers or panels removed.

**Do not operate with suspected failures.** If you suspect there is damage to this product, have it inspected by qualified service personnel.

Do not operate in wet/damp conditions.

Do not operate in an explosive atmosphere.

Keep product surfaces clean and dry.

#### Safety symbols on the product



#### **Product Description**

The TekConnect®-SMA adapter allows you to connect SMA-terminated devices to Tektronix instruments with the TekConnect interface. The adapter preserves maximum signal integrity and eliminates the need for additional external adapters, which can degrade voltage standing wave ratio (VSWR).

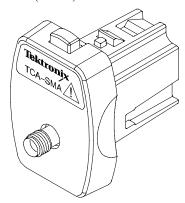


Figure 1: TCA-SMA Adapter

#### **Using the Adapter**

The adapter connects directly to the Tekconnect interface on the host instrument.

#### **Installing the Adapter**

- Insert the adapter into the TekConnect interface on the host instrument until the adapter locks in place.
- 2. Connect the SMA cable to the adapter.
- Connect the other end of the SMA cable to the device under test.

NOTE. For high-frequency input signals (above 10 GHz), make sure that the input cables do not exert upward pressure on the adapter. Upward pressure can affect the connection to the host instrument, which could degrade signal quality.

#### Removing the Adapter

- Disconnect the SMA cable from the device under test.
- 2. Disconnect the SMA cable from the adapter.
- 3. Press the button on top of the adapter (see Figure 2) to release the lock and remove the adapter from the host instrument.

**NOTE.** It may be necessary to remove the adapter before installing the host instrument cover.

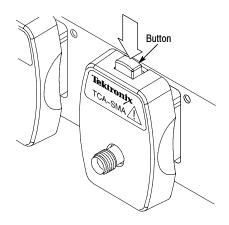


Figure 2: Removing the adapter from the host instrument

#### **Specifications**

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**VSWR.** Refer to the TekConnect host instrument for the overall system VSWR.

Propagation Delay.  $160 \text{ ps } \pm 5 \text{ ps.}$ 

#### **Additional Information**

For additional information on using the TekConnect adapters, refer to the documentation for the host instrument.

#### **Warranty Information**

For warranty information, go to www.tektronix.com, click Support, and then select Look Up Tektronix Warranty.

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