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The NATCP is removing battery chargers that pose an electric shock risk from the market

The accredited laboratory of the National Authority for Trade and Consumer Protection (NATCP) is once again testing USB chargers, given last year's 87% rejection rate. The purpose of the inspections is to prevent unsafe products from reaching consumers, which is why the authority is withdrawing them from circulation. Samples will be taken from online stores, specialty stores, small shops operated by Far Eastern companies, and shopping centers.

Almost every household has universal battery chargers, sometimes even in larger quantities. At the same time, there are countless devices available on the market that are unsafe: in 2025, the rejection rate was extremely high at 87%, which is a particularly strong justification for this year's series of inspections. Such products are particularly prevalent on the internet and in stores operated in the Far East. Based on previous inspection data, the mobile chargers available here are almost without exception dangerous.

If, during the investigation, the Mechanical and Electrical Laboratory of the NATCP finds that the product is non-compliant and the risk assessment indicates that the hazard is serious, high or medium, the authority shall ensure that the product is removed from the market so that dangerous products do not reach consumers.

In addition to official action, consumer awareness also plays an important role: it is not easy to identify dangerous products from the outside, so the NATCP asks consumers to always purchase devices from reliable sources, primarily from specialist stores. Choose only certified chargers and avoid unknown brands, products of unknown origin, or suspiciously cheap products, even if they appear to be suitable on the outside. It is also worth browsing the database of dangerous products

available on the NATCP website (www.nkfh.gov.hu), which lists products that have been examined by the authority and found to be risky.

The NATCP and the government agencies under its professional supervision conduct continuous inspections throughout the year to ensure consumer safety.

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