



# Travel adaptors

# CASP2022

The Coordinated Activities for the Safety of Products (CASP) projects enable all market surveillance authorities from European Union and European Economic Area countries to cooperate in reinforcing the safety of products placed on the European Single Market.

## Product scope

The market surveillance authorities agreed to restrict the product scope to simple and universal travel adaptors. A simple travel adaptor consists of only a plug from one national system to a socket-outlet of another national system. The 'multiple', 'complex' or 'universal' travel adaptors, composed of one or more socket-outlets that can be linked with other plugs through an electromechanical switch, often allows the capability to use the adaptor in multiple countries in the world.

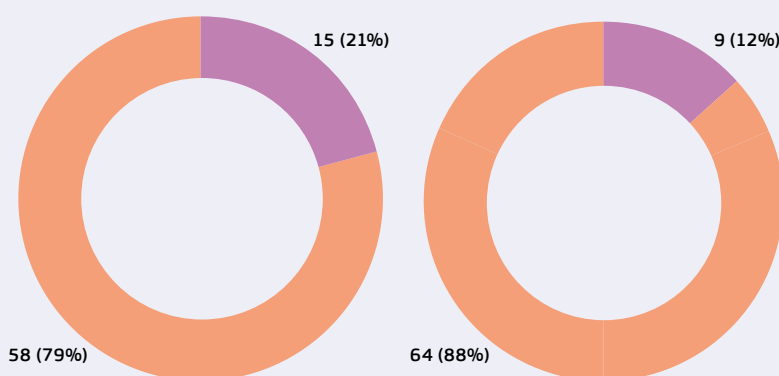


## Testing and results

### Overall test results (N=73)

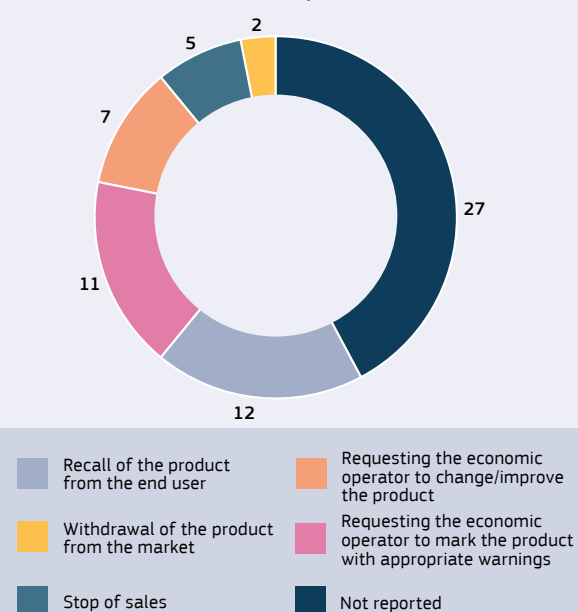
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■ Met the requirements  
■ Did not meet the requirements

### Measures adopted for samples that did not meet the requirements (N=64)



## Main testing criteria

The testing plan included a selection of clauses from the IEC standard 60884-2-5:2017 Plugs and socket-outlets for household and similar purposes – Part 2-5: Particular requirements for adaptors (which contains Annex AA Travel adaptors).

The standard is used together with IEC 60884- 1:2002, Amendment 1:2006 and Amendment 2:2013 Plugs and socket-outlets for household and similar purposes – Part 1: General requirements.

## Key recommendations

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Be aware of the applicable legislation and take steps to check if the products have been properly tested. Take all necessary precautions to ensure that the products fully comply with the requirements of the Low Voltage Directive (2014/35/EU), the General Product Safety Directive (2001/95/EU) and the applicable standards. All actors have to understand their role in the supply chain and fulfil their respective obligations for the safety of products they sell on the market.

②

Know your supplier. Verify and authenticate the identity of suppliers you are dealing with.

③

Understand the importance of warnings, markings and instructions. There are particular risks associated with poor warnings, markings and instructions as the incorrect use of any electrical product can lead to injury.

## Participating market surveillance authorities

COUNTRY	MSA
Cyprus	Consumer Protection Service, Ministry of Energy Commerce and Industry Department of Electrical and Mechanical Services, Ministry of Transport, Communications and Works
Finland	Finnish Safety and Chemicals Agency (Tukes)
France	Directorate-General of Customs and Indirect Taxes
Germany	District Government of Cologne District Government of Düsseldorf
Ireland	Competition and Consumer Protection Commission
Malta	Malta Competition and Consumer Affairs Authority
Poland	Office of Competition and Consumer Protection
Sweden	Swedish National electrical safety board



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