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PowerBook Duo Battery Recharger: Compatibility (8/95)

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TOPIC -----

Is the PowerBook Duo Battery Recharger compatible with Type I and Type II batteries?

DISCUSSION -----

The original PowerBook Duo Battery Recharger (M4178LL/A) is only compatible with Type I PowerBook Duo batteries and will not charge the high-capacity Type II PowerBook Duo batteries.

The revised PowerBook Duo Battery Recharger (M4178LL/B) is compatible with both Type I, Type II, and Type III Duo batteries.

To achieve full compatibility with Type III batteries, you must update the firmware in the charger. If you have a recharger model M1812 and you need to update it, follow these steps:

Step 1

Shut down the PowerBook Duo computer, make sure the Type III battery and any necessary software has been installed. If you are running System 7.5.1 the Type III Battery extension must be installed.

Step 2

Plug the power adapter into an AC outlet using the power cord that came with the computer.

Step 3

Snap the recharger onto the side of the power adapter.

Step 4

Plug the power adapter cable into the power adapter port on the back of the Duo computer.

Step 5

Turn on the PowerBook Duo to download the update to the charger.

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