

## Product Alert – Counterfeit Giacomini S.p.A. Firehose Nozzles, Standard Hose Valves and Pressure Restricting Hose Valves

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**Type of Notification: Counterfeit** 

FM Approvals has been made aware of counterfeit Giacomini S.p.A. firehose nozzles and hose valves that have been found in the Philippines bearing the FM Approvals certification mark. FM Approvals has neither tested nor certified these products and the identity of the manufacturer is unknown.

**Product Identity:** Firehose Nozzle, Standard Hose Valve and Pressure Restricting Hose

Valve

**Description:** 1-1/2" Firehose Nozzle, 1-1/2" Standard Hose Valve and 1-1/2" Pressure

Restricting Hose Valve

Make/Model (as displayed on product): Giacomini S.p.A. Models: A7, A55 & A155

FM Approval Status: Not FM Approved

**Hazard Involved:** The products described in this product alert have never been tested or certified as FM Approved. Use of products that falsely claim FM Approval may present a property risk for the user.

If you have any information relative to the counterfeit products described in this product alert please bring it to the attention of:

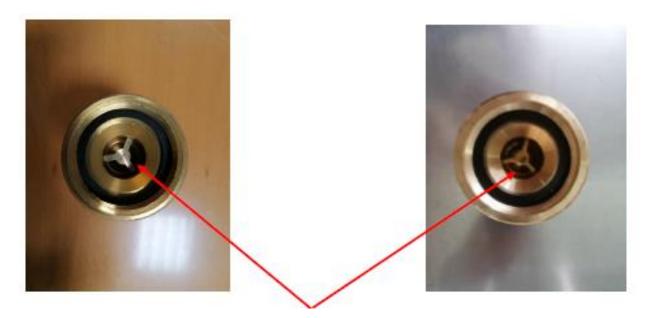
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**Figure 1:** Counterfeit A7 1-1/2" Firehose Nozzle - the counterfeit products are illustrated by the images on the left while the examples on the right are the actual FM Approved products.



**Figure 2:** Counterfeit A7 1-1/2" Firehose Nozzle (Bottom View) – Shape of the internal support is different as displayed by red arrows.



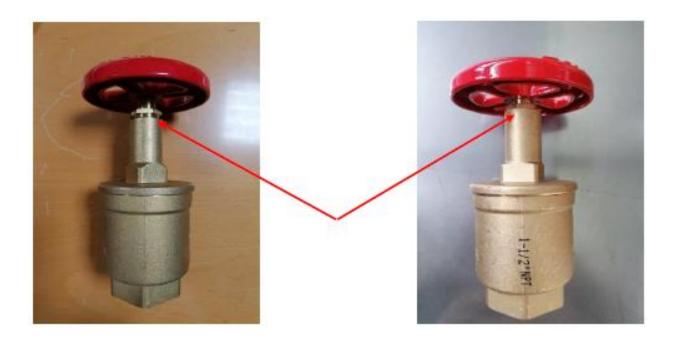


**Figure 3:** Counterfeit A7 1-1/2" Firehose Nozzle (Top View) – The machining of the teeth on the counterfeit nozzles are irregular (randomly squared, trangular, etc).





**Figure 4:** Counterfeit A55 1-1/2" Standard Hose Valve - the counterfeit products are illustrated by the images on the left while the examples on the right are the actual FM Approved products.



**Figure 5:** Counterfeit A55 1-1/2" Standard Hose Valve (Back View) – The thread type is printed on the body of the actual valve. On the counterfeit valve, the nut on the stem is not properly fastened.





**Figure 6:** Counterfeit A55 1-1/2" Standard Hose Valve (Bottom View) – The nut on the counterfeit valve is made of carbon in comparison to stainless steel which is in accordance with requirements on the actual valve.





**Figure 7:** Counterfeit A155 1-1/2" Pressure Restricting Valve (Front View) - the counterfeit products are illustrated by the images on the left while the examples on the right are the actual FM Approved products. Counterfeit valve has incorrect designation "Pressure Reducing Device" on the cast valve body.





**Figure 8:** Counterfeit A155 1-1/2" Pressure Restricting Valve (Side View) - The thread type is printed on the body of the actual valve.

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**Figure 9:** Counterfeit A155 1-1/2" Pressure Restricting Valve (Bottom View) - The nut on the counterfeit valve is made of brass in comparison to stainless steel nut on the actual valve.