

Product Alert

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Counterfeit Pressure Restricting Valves

Type of Notification: Counterfeit

FM Approvals has been made aware of counterfeit pressure restricting valves that were found in Thailand bearing the FM Approvals certification mark. FM Approvals has neither tested nor certified these products.

Company Identity: Unknown

Product Identity: The Pressure Restricting Valves bear the part number “A155” which is designated to Giacomini S.p.A however, the identity of the manufacturer is unknown.

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 suspect you are in possession of counterfeit A155 Pressure Restricting Valves bearing the FM Approvals certification marking or if you have any information relative to these referenced products, please bring that to the attention of FM Approvals.

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Figure 1. Photograph of a counterfeit A155 pressure restricting valve (left) and authentic Giacomini SpA, A155 pressure restricting valve (right).



Figure 2. Photographs of a counterfeit A155 pressure restricting valve (left) and an authentic Giacomini SpA, A155 pressure restricting valve (right). The FM Approved A155’s handwheel is secured with a nut (Top) while the suspected counterfeit product’s handwheel is secured with a bolt (Bottom). Also, the suspected counterfeit valve’s yellow ring is a different size and references “ITALY” in comparison with the authentic valve’s yellow ring which clearly states “MADE IN ITALY”.



Figure 3. Photographs of a counterfeit A155 pressure restricting valve (left) and an authentic Giacomini SpA, A155 pressure restricting valve (right). There are clear differences between the valve body logo on both pressure restricting valves.



Figure 4. Photographs of a counterfeit A155 pressure restricting valve (left) and an authentic Giacomini SpA, A155 pressure restricting valve (right). The suspected counterfeit product's setting positions are laser etched and are restricted in comparison to the authentic product's settings which are engraved and setting/locking bell range extends to the top.