

Counterfeit Prevention Policy

1. Scope

It is the policy of TM Steels Limited to conduct all business activities in compliance with the rules and regulations applicable to our industry and the laws in the countries in which the company operates. In all cases, these business activities are conducted to the highest ethical standards. We strive to maintain the integrity of our business and our employees and their commitment to maintaining the highest standard of business practice.

2. Counterfeit Material

There is increased evidence that counterfeit material in the market is rising. Counterfeit material is defined as being that which is misrepresented in its origins or quality.

3. Prevention Policy

There are two main ways that manufacturers can help to guard against counterfeit goods entering the supply chain. These are marking the products and packaging with identifiable data and/or logo and protecting the supply chain.

Our material will always be stamped with a cast number (where the size allows) or be clearly and securely labelled with part numbers and serialisation.

The company's Counterfeit Prevention Policy is based on having a secure supply chain. This is the most effective method of preventing counterfeit components entering the industry.

4. Suppliers

TM Steels only use suppliers on our approved suppliers list for purchases of raw materials. These materials are verified on receipt and held in secure warehouses. The company maintains a quality system accredited to ISO 9001 : 2015

5. Batch Traceability

TM Steels uses batch codes and serialisation on the material and corresponding documentation. The batch code enables the original component, and any sub-component, to be traced back to their origin.

6. Encountering Counterfeit Products

If TM Steels discovers counterfeit materials, those materials will be quarantined, and an investigation will be undertaken to discover the source. Full details of the infringement will be reported to the appropriate government trading standards agency for criminal investigation.

If a TM Steels customer believes they may have discovered counterfeit materials they are to quarantine the goods, contact our Quality team immediately and make their concerns known. The customer is advised to report the incident to the appropriate government trading standards agency, if appropriate.

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