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<b>Issue Ref:</b>	HSE Information Sheet 13003
<b>Topic:</b>	<b>FAKE JSP HARD HATS - URGENT</b>
<b>Details:</b>	<p><b>A leading safety manufacturer is urging contractors to check their site workers' hard hats after a potentially lethal batch of poor-quality counterfeits was discovered.</b></p> <p>Experts at JSP are warning that the fake hard hats can be split in two with your bare hands.</p> <p>The British Safety Industry Federation said the counterfeits originated from Asia or the Middle East.</p> <p>The helmets are copies of JSP's MkII safety helmet which it has been manufacturing in the UK for over 35 years.</p> <p>The bogus hard hats are easily identifiable from the marks "Burly" and "MkII" under the peak.- see photo below</p> <p>All genuine JSP safety helmets comply with and significantly exceed relevant international performance standards.</p> <p>Matthew Judson, JSP's director of technical support, said users should make sure JSP's name is branded into the helmet, and ensure that the user information leaflet is original – not a photocopy that is not square on the page – correctly spelled, in multiple languages, and with the manufacture's contact details listed.</p> <p>They should examine the helmet closely for consistency of colour, clarity and legibility of markings and make sure it is durable.</p> <p>He said: "If you suspect a helmet is fake, give us a call and we will send someone out to have a look at it, or take it back to the place you bought it from.</p> <p>"If someone had been wearing a bogus helmet and an object had fallen on their head they could be dead.</p>
<b>Recommended Action:</b>	<p>If you or any of your partners habitually use JSP brand helmets then do check them at the earliest opportunity</p> <p>This would also apply to subbies etc on construction projects</p>
<b>Links/References</b>	N/A
<b>Picture:</b>	



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