

**Counterfeit Component Policy**

Counterfeiting and piracy have grown into a global business. Counterfeit components do not need to comply with performance and safety guidelines, they are not tested or approved. Counterfeit components wreak havoc on the supply chain. They have a destructive impact on product life cycles, employment and the economics of the electronics industry as a whole. Counterfeiting must be eliminated and this requires diligence from both buyers and sellers.

The opportunity for infiltration of counterfeit Nemco tantalum capacitors into the supply chain is minimized through inventory management, protocols, and traceability either on a direct sale or sale through an authorized/franchised distributor. A list of authorized sellers of Nemco products is on our website [www.nemcocaps.com](http://www.nemcocaps.com). Customers can always contact Nemco direct to validate anyone selling our products.

Buyers need to be vigilant and take steps to avoid buying from questionable sources. The ability to buy directly from Nemco Electronics Corporation and its global network of authorized /franchised distributors insures traceability of the capacitors purchased.

Be forewarned, component procurement via a non-franchised channel may risk receiving counterfeit or inferior material. If in doubt, please contact Nemco toll free at (800) 227-4058 or email [marketing@nemcocaps.com](mailto:marketing@nemcocaps.com), so we may review your concerns.

Nemco products are permanently laser marked space permitting with the following information: a videcon readable polarity stripe, capacitance, voltage and date code which allows us to narrow a traceability search. We use a unique font and size. This information and more, is also located on reel labels.

Ultimately, since product must be traceable, we insist that traceability be direct or via an authorized distributor before any action is taken. With this policy, we have had no occurrences of counterfeit tantalum capacitors reported either directly or through an authorized distributor.

Your cooperation in preventing and eliminating the circulation of counterfeits will be greatly appreciated by the entire global community.

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