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# Counterfeit Shipping Containers

A counterfeit shipping container (also known as a fake, cloned or re-birthed container) is a container that has had its unique identifier erased from its exterior and replaced with that of another legitimate containers unique identifier.

The counterfeit container can then be used as a substitute for the copied container and may be used to facilitate a range of border related offences.

Below is a list of indicators to look out for and report to Border Watch:

* Repainted display numbers
* Alterations to corner castings
* Display numbers do not match plate or casting number
* Evidence of grinding of the corner casting
* Original numbers partially hidden or showing through
* Container Safety Plate or Manufacturers Plate damaged altered or replaced
* Any evidence of an attempt to replace serial numbers
* Incorrect placement of container number



