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****SAFETY FLASH****

Beware Of Extremely Dangerous Counterfeit Safety Helmets

The BSIF has been made aware that counterfeit and sub-standard safety helmets believed to be of Asian origin and marked under the brand name “Burly” and “MkII” have found their way onto the international market.

These helmets are copies of the well-known MkII[®] safety helmet, a product manufactured by JSP[®] in the UK and should not be confused as being one and the same.

The “Burly” helmets do not meet the requirements of the British and European Standard, EN397. **They are extremely dangerous; they must not be worn and should be destroyed immediately.**

Please see the images of the counterfeit “Burly” helmets below showing the under-peak markings and the instruction leaflet. If in doubt, please carry out inspections of your helmets and if you find such a helmet, please contact the BSIF at technical@bsif.co.uk or by phone on +44 (0)1442 248744.

Counterfeit Personal Protective Equipment(PPE) is on the increase, with well established product brands and designs being targeted. The consequences of using counterfeit and illegal products could be fatal. Often these products don't perform as they should, endangering lives and exposing businesses to the risk of prosecution.

To help combat the arrival of counterfeit and illegal PPE, the BSIF has introduced the Registered Safety Supplier Scheme (RSSS). The scheme ensures that all PPE is tested to the known performance requirement as stipulated by CE standards and that you are buying from a recognised and reputable source.

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Notes to editors

Photo Caption: User's information for safety helmet, counterfeit safety helmet, testing of counterfeit helmet

About the British Safety Industry Federation (BSIF)

Established in 1994, the BSIF is the UK's leading trade body for the safety industry. The Federation represents manufacturers and distributors of safety, health and environmental products; training companies; safety and environmental consultancies; together with accreditation and inspection houses, publishers and risk management consultancies. It is a Health and Safety Executive-recognised competent authority and the lead trade body for the PPE Regulations, as designated by the UK Department for Business, Innovation and Skills.

As a membership organisation, the Federation is clearly focused to bring benefits to its members, something which its core values and mission statement reflect. Its core values – influential, knowledgeable, beneficial and supportive – drive the BSIF's everyday aims, to support and represent suppliers of safety products and services across all aspects of safety legislation, standards making and major occupational safety issues. Its mission statement – to continue to improve occupational safety, protect and develop the safety and environment protection markets and generate benefits for its members – will continue to drive the Federation over the next years. The BSIF will carry on working with its members and other relevant bodies to help ensure the industry is 'working together in safety'.

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Nothing more than your safety

MARKING ON SAFETY HELMET
File size :55-62cm, 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ "-7 $\frac{3}{4}$ "

Electrical insulation 440V A.C.

USER'S INFORMATION FOR SAFETY HELMET

USE:

- This safety helmet is designed to protect the head from falling objects in factory or building site.
- Attachment slot is for the use with ear muffs or face shield.
- With adjustable headband.
- Easy to use.
- Light weight.

ADJUSTMENT:

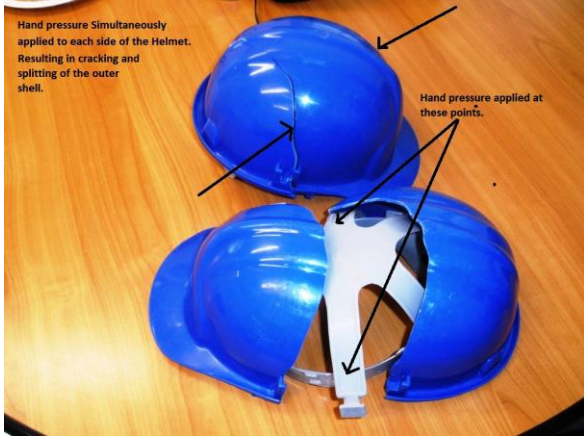
- Install the suspension to the helmet by inserting the four or six suspension hanger keys to the four key slots of the helmet. (Figure 1-1,1-2) (The brow pad is located at the front of the helmet).
- Adjust the sizing post of the headband according to the size of your head (Figure2) until you feel comfortable and snug.

If chin strap is necessary:

- The chin strap is installed to the helmet by inserting the hooks to the two chin strap attachment holes located on two sides of the helmet. (Figure3).
- Adjust the buckle until the helmet feels comfortable and snug on the head. Do not over tighten.

REQUIREMENT:

Hand pressure Simultaneously applied to each side of the Helmet. Resulting in cracking and splitting of the outer shell.



Hand pressure applied at these points.