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To: SFI Member/Affiliate Sanctioning Bodies, Consumers, and Manufacturers

From: SFI Foundation, Inc.

Notice of Counterfeit SFI Labels on Suits and Hoods sold by Sawan Sports

Please note that SFI has found several products (suits, hoods) sold by Sawan Sports which bear counterfeit SFI labels stating that the manufacturer certifies that their products meet the applicable SFI Specs. SFI obtained examples of some of these products and determined through testing that they DO NOT meet the performance requirements of the SFI Specs: The Thermal Protection Performance of the suit falls short of the 3.2A/5 rating claimed on the counterfeit tag, and the thread holding the hood (balaclava) together is not heat-resistant.

These products have NOT been submitted for certification by the manufacturer and they do not comply with SFI Spec 3.2A for Driver Suits or SFI Spec 3.3 for Driver Accessories. It should be noted that for any spec program, certification that products meet the minimum standards is made by the submitting manufacturer. Products are NOT certified, endorsed or approved by SFI.

SFI Specifications require that a manufacturer's label appear on fire suits and hoods, but there are no manufacturer-identifying markings on these products. Necessary measures should be taken to ensure that items purchased from this source are not allowed to be used where compliance with the relevant SFI Specifications are required. Please contact SFI with any concerns or inquiries about questionable product.



