

COUNTERFEIT “CROSBY” SHACKLES SAFETY ALERT

Purpose

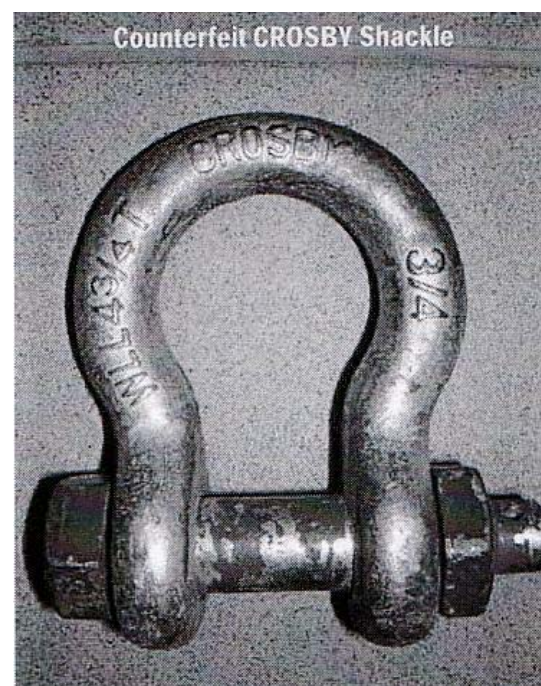
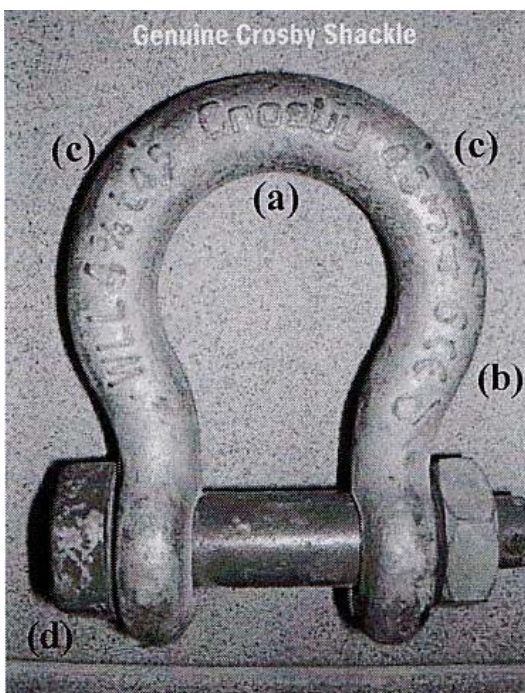
To raise awareness of potential counterfeit Crosby shackles and the consequences of their use.

Description

Counterfeit Crosby Shackles have been found at locations in Europe. These shackles are NOT up to required standards and it is mandatory that they be immediately removed from service. The counterfeit shackles can fail at as low as just 40% of their stated rating, causing a potentially catastrophic outcome. The most obvious difference is that the counterfeit shackle has the word “CROSBY” all in capital (Upper Case) lettering. The genuine shackle only has the “C” of “Crosby” capitalized.

The points to look for in deciding whether you have a Crosby shackle or a copy are:

- On the face, (a) the Crosby Name should be embossed as per the Crosby Logo, (b) the CE mark should appear along with the (c) markings of the 45 degree angles
- On the rear of the shackle should appear 2 different groupings of IDs (3 for Belgium manufacture) providing full traceability of the shackle.
- The pin should also be stamped (d) on the head with a tractable ID number.



Responsibility for Action

- All OHS Staff should coordinate and document a complete inspection of the shackles in their locations and destroy any suspected counterfeit shackles. Liaise with your Lifting Equipment Specialists. Add the requirement to sample a selection of shackles to your Yard Planned General Inspection checklists to ensure on-going vigilance.