

COUNTERFEIT PRODUCTS: RISKS TO CHILDREN'S HEALTH

5th and 6th Year of Primary School

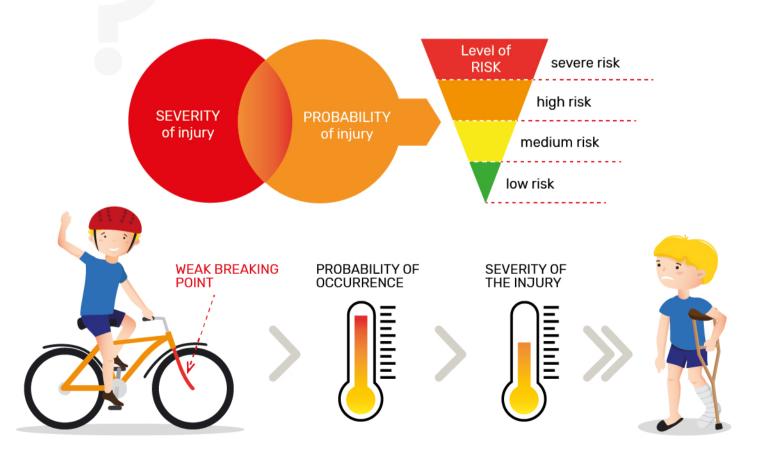
Are counterfeit products dangerous to our health?

Counterfeit products pose serious health risks to consumers, especially children, in addition to economic damage and environmental harm.



What is risk?

Risk is the combination of the severity of the injury that a particular hazard may cause and the probability of the damage occurring.





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How could the dangers of counterfeit products affect children's health?

Let's look at some examples:



DOLL

danger: presence of toxic substances

possible injuries: stunted growth, damage to vital organs. The consequences for the child's health depend on the type of substance, concentration and exposure.





REMOTE CONTROL CAR

danger: short circuits may occur in electric toys or products with counterfeit

batteries

possible injuries: burns of

varying degrees





TOYS WITH BUTTON CELLS

danger: access to button cells possible injuries: chemical poisoning, burns

What should you look out for to avoid counterfeits?

Remember the three P_s





Price. If it's too cheap to be true, be wary.



Product. Look closely at the product and the packaging, and look for the contact details of the company responsible for the product. If you see texts that are badly written or in a foreign language that's not your own, it may be a counterfeit.



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