# The REAL DEAL on Electrical Counterfeits



### The Problem

The Electrical Safety Foundation International surveyed over 900 electrical inspectors, contractors, distributors, and manufacturers to learn about the counterfeiting issue in the electrical industry.



Of all respondents have encountered a counterfeit electrical product on the job.

## Nearly half of the inspectors surveyed have discovered a counterfeit. The average number of Lighting & breakers were the most

The average number of counterfeits they found in the last year alone.



Lighting & breakers were the most common counterfeit product discovered.

### The =Action 6

96%

believe counterfeits are at least a moderate threat to public safety.

THREAT:

20% MODERATE 55%!

SUBSTANTIAL

20%

URGENT

Only half reported a counterfeit upon discovery.



do not have defined best practices to avoid counterfeits in their work.

#### The Need

**Distributors** were thought to be best equipped to reduce the prevalence of counterfeits.





Over 1/4 of respondents were "not at all" familiar with liability associated with counterfeit products.

Over half believe their company does not provide adequate training.

55%





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