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Apeks Suit Valve Copy Identification

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There are copies of the Apeks Low Profile Suit valves on the market.
The following slides show how to tell the difference between genuine Apeks Suit Valves and the inferior copies.

Low Profile Dump Valve

**COUNTERFEIT
SUIT VALVE**

**GENUINE APEKS
SUIT VALVE**

The inner cap is black

The silicone gasket is grey

The silicone “cut out” clips on the copy are 1.25mm – 1.9mm wide

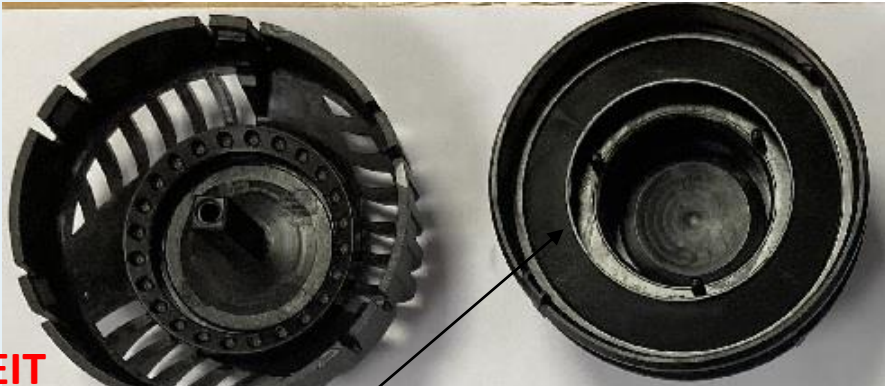


The inner cap is grey – this is the easiest way to tell without disassembling the valve.

The silicone gasket is purple (or grey pre 2022)

The “cut out” clips on the Apeks valve are 1mm-1.5mm wide

**COUNTERFEIT
SUIT VALVE**



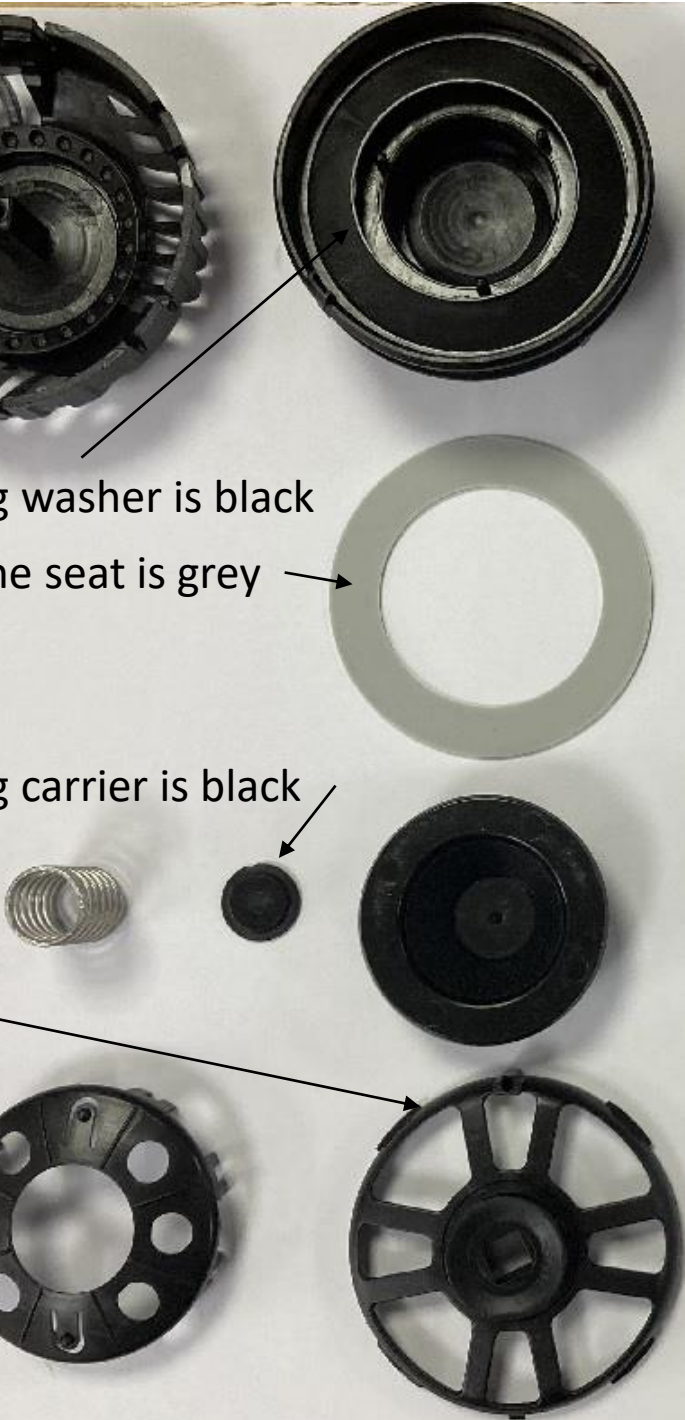
The spring washer is black

The silicone seat is grey

The spring carrier is black

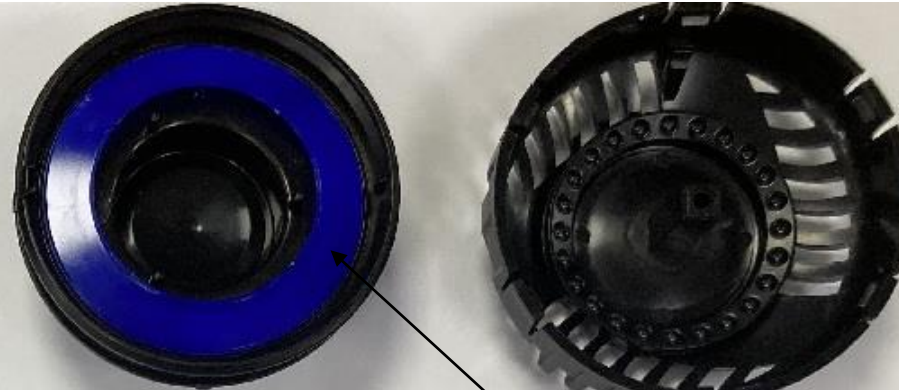
The inner cap is black

The load transmitter
black



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**GENUINE APEKS
SUIT VALVE**



The spring washer is blue

The silicone seat is purple

**NOTE: VALVES PRODUCED PRIOR TO
2022 WILL HAVE A GREY VALVE SEAT**

The spring carrier is white

The inner cap is grey

The load transmitter dark
grey



**COUNTERFEIT
SUIT VALVE**

**GENUINE APEKS
SUIT VALVE**

The ejector pins are 6mm diameter & diagonal to the square drive flats



The ejector pins are 3mm diameter & across from the square drive flats

**COUNTERFEIT
SUIT VALVE**

**GENUINE APEKS
SUIT VALVE**

THERE IS NO
HOLE THROUGH
THE CENTER ON
THE COPY



THE HOLE IN THE
CENTER GOES
THROUGH ON
THE GENUINE
BACK NUT

**COUNTERFEIT
SUIT VALVE**

**GENUINE APEKS
SUIT VALVE**

Poor
surface
finish

Additional
ribs at the
bottom of
the clips



Two ejector
pin marks
and good
surface
finish

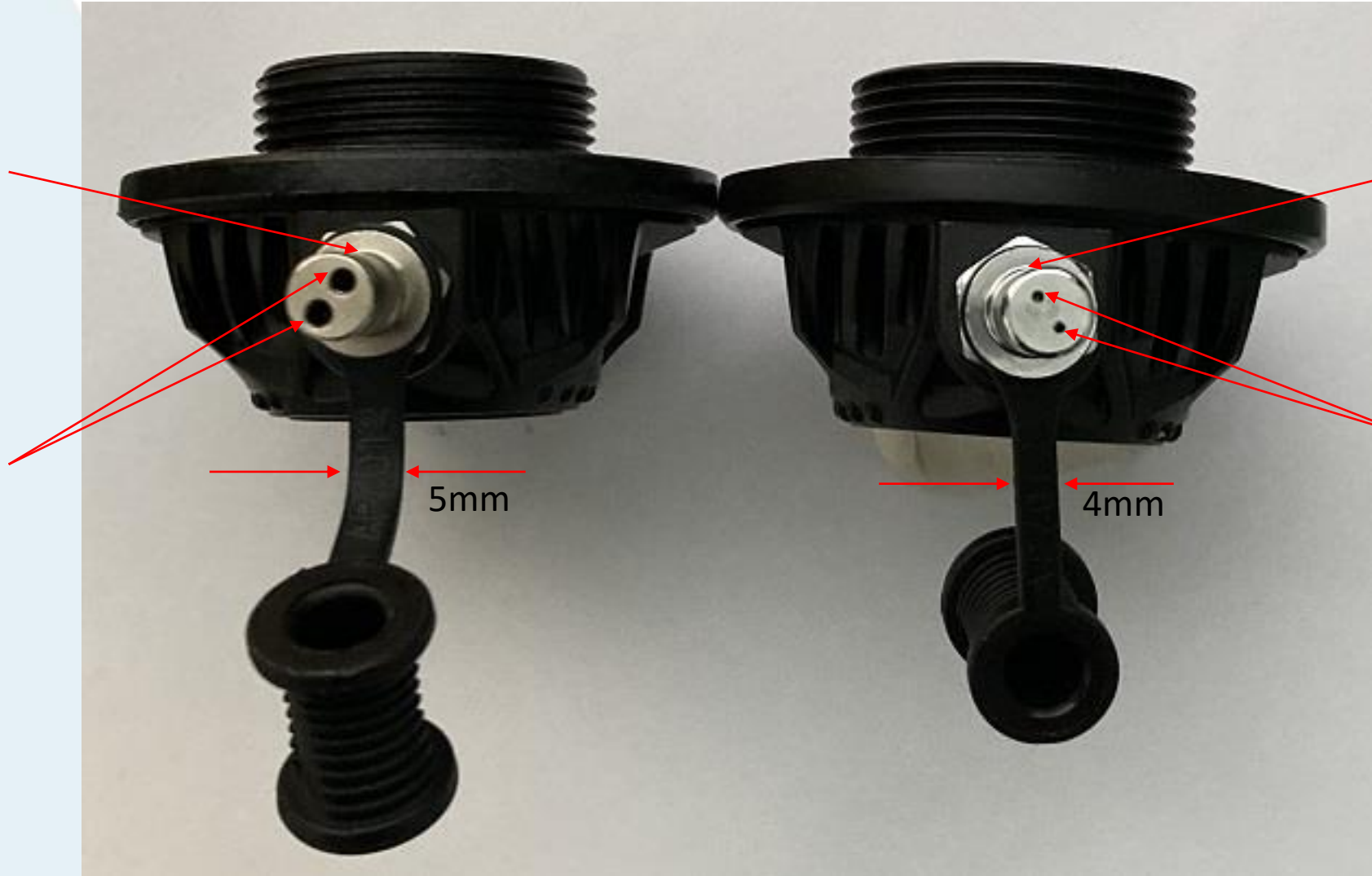
No extra
ribs, surface
is smooth all
the way
round

**COUNTERFEIT
SUIT VALVE**

**GENUINE APEKS
SUIT VALVE**

Nickel
colour
connector

2mm
diameter
inlet holes



Bright
chrome
plate
connector

1mm
diameter
inlet holes