

[Hong Kong Customs seizes suspected counterfeit sports shoes \(with photo\)](#)

Hong Kong Customs yesterday (September 9) seized about 12 000 pairs of suspected counterfeit sports shoes with an estimated market value of about \$1 million from a container at the Customs Cargo Examination Compound of the River Trade Terminal in Tuen Mun.

Through risk assessment, Customs officers inspected a Dominican Republic-bound 40-foot-long container that arrived in Hong Kong from Huangpu, Guangdong. Upon inspection, Customs officers seized the batch of suspected counterfeit sports shoes in the container.

An investigation is ongoing.

Under the Trade Descriptions Ordinance, any person who imports or exports any goods to which a forged trade mark is applied commits an offence. The maximum penalty upon conviction is a fine of \$500,000 and imprisonment for five years.

Members of the public may report any suspected counterfeiting and smuggling activities to Customs' 24-hour hotline 2545 6182 or its dedicated crime-reporting email account (crimereport@customs.gov.hk).

