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**YOKOHAMA Eliminates Counterfeit Aluminum Wheels in China**

YOKOHAMA announced on 20th June the successful completion of its latest effort to eliminate counterfeit versions of the Company’s aluminum wheels in China.   
  
YOKOHAMA filed a complaint and submitted information to the Foshan Public Security Bureau, regarding a distributor of counterfeit sports car aluminum wheels imitating YOKOHAMA’s “ADVAN Racing” wheels in Foshan City and Guangzhou City, Guangdong Province. The distributor was selling the counterfeit wheels via internet shopping sites and retail shops outside of the Company’s official distribution channels. Acting on the complaint and information provided by the Company, the Foshan authorities seized over 900 counterfeit aluminum wheels on 25th October 2017. On 29th March 2018 YOKOHAMA confirmed that the People’s Court of Foshan fined and sentenced the distributor of the counterfeit wheels to serve time in prison.   
  
This is the second time that YOKOHAMA has successfully discovered and eliminated counterfeits of its “ADVAN Racing” wheels in China, the first being back in 2014. YOKOHAMA remains resolute in its stance against the infringement of intellectual property rights, including the sale of counterfeit goods, and will strengthen its efforts against such illegal activities in Japan and overseas to ensure that its customers around the world are confident and secure in the knowledge that they are using genuine YOKOHAMA products.