

Special Review: Swiss-made Replicas

Which site can I purchase a genuine, Swiss-made Rolex replica from?

That is the main question we receive on this website. However, we don't have any specific article that can currently answer that question. Instead, in this article, we will give you a detailed review of the few websites on the Internet known to sell genuine, Swiss-made Rolex replicas, and separate the scams which claim to be selling them, but aren't delivering.

Over 40% of the new messages on the message board are removed each day because they are asking or referring to Swiss-made replica websites. The reason we do not allow these postings is to prevent solicitation from dealers. If anyone would like information about any particular site, they can read this article for a complete, detailed review of every website selling genuine, Swiss-made replicas on the Internet.

IdealWatches.com

IdealWatches.com specializes in Swiss-made replicas. They carry a large selection of Swiss-made replicas. All pictures shown on their site are original pictures. Customers have often raved about the quality of their Swiss-made replicas. They seem to have most models in stock, and do ship out promptly.

They offer free overnight courier shipping with insurance, and a free box set along with the price. Their reasonable prices and longevity on the net make them a reliable source to deal with, as many have dealt with them already in the past.



The website is very nice and professional, and they have very detailed pictures of all angles of their watches. This is a great credibility booster, because customers can see the details of the watches.

One problem with their return policy is a stated 5% re-stocking fee. This means that if you buy the watch for \$1000 and don't like it, they will refund you \$950. So you basically lose \$50.

Also, they don't offer certificates or tags with their free boxes. Which means if you want the certificate and tags, you will need to do without them because no one else usually sells just a certificate and tag alone.

Overall, it is a good site with great detailed pictures and descriptions. Their shipping times have varied – at one point they delayed orders for as long as 1 week because of a reported ownership change – but now have resumed their usual prompt delivery.

Positive – Idealwatches.com

- Very detailed description and unique pictures of watches
- Prompt processing and delivery
- Low prices

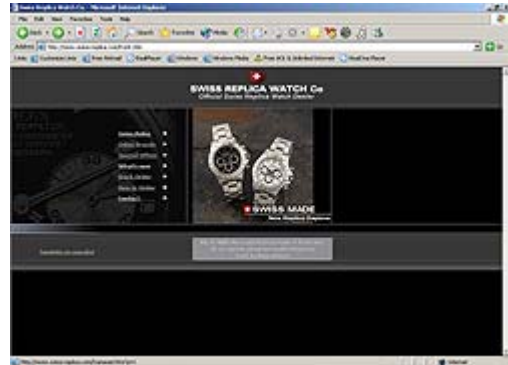
Negative – Idealwatches.com

- 10% loss if you return the watch
- New toll-free number still waiting

Swiss-replica.com

Swiss-replica claims to be an authorized dealer of Swiss-made Rolex replicas. Of course, there is no such thing. Anyone lucky enough to find the supplier of these replicas is also a dealer of the Swiss-made Rolex replicas.

They have a very nice website, but with a few problems. Their company is very new, and hasn't been around for more than a month. They have a detailed 'specification' of their replica which looks real nice because it is programmed in Flash... but all the pictures are taken from genuine Rolex watches and Rolex's own website.



The photos of watches they carry are also not detailed enough and they don't offer any close-ups of their watches. In addition, some of the pictures are taken from genuine Rolex watches (because the time is set to 10:10). As far as we can tell, however, they are selling genuine Swiss-made replicas.

However, there are several more major problems with the website. For one, their Visa/Mastercard orders are billed from a country in Europe, and in Euros, not US Dollars. This means the customer pays for the conversion on their credit card bill, and usually pays a 10% premium on top of the prices listed on their website.

Overnight shipping will also cost you an extra \$25, but they do offer free boxes and certificates with every order (no tags). Although their selection is small compared to some other sites like idealwatches, they carry the most popular models.

Returns, however, are punishing. You are charged a 5% credit card processing charge, PLUS 10% re-stocking fee, PLUS shipping costs. So if you purchase a Submariner replica for \$950USD, your credit card bill will actually show about \$1040USD after conversion (since they bill in Euros).

If you want to return that Submariner, you will be paying 5% credit card charge (\$50), plus 10% re-stocking fee (\$100), PLUS shipping costs. Ridiculously you will end up losing over \$150 for returning the watch... not to mention your own shipping costs to ship the watch back to them!

Usually this is a tactic from people who ship lower quality watches. The Swiss-made replica supplier sells returns and slightly used watches at a discount to dealers, and some dealers use this 'high return fee' tactic to reduce returns.

Overall, it is a very nice website, but too new to judge. Their prices are higher than everyone else's, and the main drawback is that huge premium you have to pay because you are charged in Euros, or if you want to return the watch.

Positive – swiss-replica.com

- Nice website design
- Multiple payment options
- Selection of the most popular watches

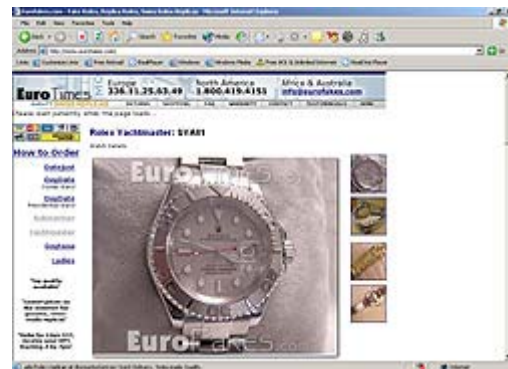
Negative – swiss-replica.com

- Add 10% to your cost of ordering, plus shipping and box
- 15% loss if you return the watch
- Uncertain about quality of their Swiss-made replicas

EuroFakes.com

They have original pictures on their website, with organized detailed pictures for each watch. The photos of watches are very detailed, and the close-ups show the finest details on the dials.

One drawback of their website is slow-loading pages. People have complained on the message board about not being able to reach their site at times because their servers are located in Europe. Also, if you want to reach them after hours, expect to pay up to 50 cents per minute to call their Europe number.



Their customers have reported speedy shipping, and they report that they offer a 100% money-back guarantee. If you order with Western Union, customers have talked about literally receiving their watch the very next day.

The prices are very reasonable and competitive compared with the other sites, and they also offer free overnight courier, boxes, certificates, and tags with every purchase.

But the most amazing and attractive part about purchasing from EuroFakes is their warranty.

With most companies, the warranty ends when the company shuts down. This can be anywhere from 3 months to 1 year. No company can survive a long period of time because Rolex will file a lawsuit against them. If they still don't shut down, their owners will go to jail (as is the case of fakegifts.com and fakewatch.com).

So what do you do if the watch needs a repair after the site shuts down? Normally, you lose \$1000. Most jewelers won't work with replicas, and some have even talked about confiscating them. If you bring your watch to a genuine Rolex dealer, they will definitely confiscate the replica.

However, Eurofakes has an agreement with an online Swiss watch repair shop who will handle all repairs for the lifetime of the watch, at 50% discounted prices for labor, and wholesale prices for parts. What it usually costs you to replace a genuine Rolex crown (\$300) will only cost \$40 after the expiration of the warranty! Their website (not listed here, please visit eurofakes.com) shows a variety of repairs, including replacement of Swiss-made movements.

This service alone will save you the cost of purchasing a new watch if the slightest problem occurs with your Swiss-made replica.

Overall, the prices are good and the website looks good as well. Customers have reported that their credit card bills were billed in USD and NOT in Euros (like swiss-replica), so you won't have to pay an extra 10% exchange rate premium to your credit card company.

Positive – Eurofakes.com

- Detailed pictures of watches
- Quick processing and delivery
- Lifetime guaranteed service on watch
- No re-stocking fee if you return the watch
- Low prices

Negative – Eurofakes.com

- Slow loading pages
- Same-day delivery available only for Western Union

ReplicaLord.com

They have a large selection of watches, not only Swiss-made replicas, but many Asian-made replicas as well. Their pictures are original, and they do have several pictures up for each watch.

But they state a 90 day warranty and refund period on one page, and a 1-year warranty on another page with a 4-day refund policy. In addition, some customers have complained about receiving poorer quality replicas that look just like Japan-made replicas sold elsewhere.



You have to be very careful about unclear return policies. If you try to dispute the charge with your credit card company, you will be placed at fault for not knowing the return policies in advance.

Their prices are also very awkward. The Yachtmaster prices are extremely high, while the Submariner/Datejust prices are much lower. For some strange reason, there is an average of \$400 difference in prices. If you are unsure what this implies, then read their text very carefully – while other Swiss-made replica sites sell solid 18k gold 2-tone Submariner replicas, ReplicaLord is selling gold-wrapped 2-tone Submariner replicas! That explains the unusually low prices on all their Submariner/Datejust replicas.

Another oddity is they only accept money orders for \$550 Daytona replicas. This most likely means they are shipping out lower quality Daytonas. Consumers have to beware of the fact that they clearly ship out lower quality Swiss-made replicas for certain models (Daytona, Submariner, and Datejust).

ReplicaLord also charges for shipping, as well as a box set. This means the watch will not come with a certificate, and don't have engravings between the lugs. They don't offer overnight courier shipping either, which means you will definitely have to wait longer to receive your watch. Expect to pay an extra \$40 for shipping plus box set.

The detailed pictures of watches they offer are nice, but unorganized. They have pictures shown that do not belong to the specified watch (such as a stainless steel bracelet for an all-gold watch), and their small detailed pictures seem to come from portions of idealwatches.com images.

The phone number listed on ReplicaLord.com is also reportedly never answered. As of now, I have called several times in the past day and have never gotten through. Companies like these usually avoid phone calls from complaining customers and return the phone calls of new customers. Their voice mail message sounds like a voice-changer mechanism and doesn't sound like a real human voice either. Make sure you call if you decide to place an order.

Overall, the website is legitimate, but be careful when you order. Read everything carefully to avoid disappointments, and expect to pay considerably more than you would pay elsewhere.

Advantages – Replicaind.com

- Original pictures of watches
- Large selection

Disadvantages – Replicaind.com

- Highest prices on the net
- Unclear return policies
- Gold-wrapped 2-tone models instead of solid gold like other sites
- Certain Swiss-made replicas have poorer quality
- Extra charge for shipping and box sets

What happened to other sites offering Swiss-made replicas?

You may have figured out by now that we listed only 4 sites above, and there must be at least 10 sites that claim to offer Swiss-made Rolex replicas. But based on the information we have gathered from customers and what is shown on their websites, the 4 sites above are the ONLY sites offering genuine, Swiss-made Rolex replicas. All other sites on the Internet claiming to offer ETA movements are actually shipping out high quality Japan-made replicas, NOT Swiss-made replicas!

Here are some quick pointers how you can differentiate between sites offering high quality Japan-made replicas and genuine Swiss-made replicas.

Exclusive Swiss-made Models

Only genuine Swiss-made replicas have mid-size Yachtmasters, proper Serti 2-tone Submariners, and the Pearl Face, 2-tone Yachtmaster models. If a site claiming that they offer genuine Swiss-made Rolex replicas must be able to offer all those models. They are best-sellers, so if a dealer claims he can't get them, it means he is not selling genuine, Swiss-made Rolex replicas.

The highest quality Japan-made replicas do come in Serti Submariner models as well, but are not 2-tone models and are not solid gold.

Reasonable Prices

Some dealers try to con customers into buying a high quality Japan-made replica by selling them as Swiss-made replicas and at very low prices.

Any price you see under \$500 simply cannot be a genuine Swiss-made replica, because the Swiss-made replicas cost on average over \$500 each, wholesale. Compare that to the highest quality Japan-made replicas, which sell for about \$150 each wholesale!

But you cannot make the assumption that just because a site is selling them for higher prices is selling genuine Swiss-made replicas. Make sure it passes all our other tests.

1-Year Warranty

We've written about this in our articles, and we'll write about it here again. The warranty offered by dealers is always the exact same warranty offered by the suppliers. The suppliers of genuine Swiss-made Rolex replicas always offer a 1 year warranty.

This brings up a good issue – what if the site goes out of business? Then your watch most likely can't be repaired because most jewelers won't even touch a replica, and some will even confiscate it.

Visit our review about Eurofakes.com for more information about their innovative agreement with an online jeweler who will service for your watch for life (at a discounted rate)... even if Eurofakes goes out of business.

Careless Typos

Genuine Swiss-made replicas with Swiss-made quality certificates are always in English. Never settle for certificates that are in French! There is a series of pics being used over and over again on the Internet that features the Blue Face, 2-tone Submariner placed on top of a French certificate. Notice the word Rolex is misspelled "Roex" and the word Chronometer is misspelled "Chronmeter". If they can't even spell the words correctly, what else can they be missing out?

Here is a list of the sites using these pictures (and these watches are not genuine, Swiss-made replicas)

<http://www.swisswarehouse.com>

<http://www.triwatches.com>

<http://www.swissreplica.com>

<http://www.knockedoffcheap.com>

<http://www.swiss-replica-watches.com>

<http://www.replicamall.com>

If you purchased from any of these sites and expected a genuine, Swiss-made replica, return the watch immediately!

Differences that Can't be Seen

There are many differences that simply cannot be seen in pictures or read from words

- Genuine Swiss-made replicas have solid 18k gold 2-tone models, while cheaper quality replicas have gold-filled 2-tone models
- Genuine Swiss-made replicas have real Swiss-made ETA movements, one of the most reliable automatic movements from one of the oldest watch company in the world, while cheaper quality replicas have a Japan-made movement
- Genuine Swiss-made replicas have real 18k gold that looks exactly like the gold on a real Rolex, while cheaper quality replicas look too brown compared to a real Rolex
- Genuine Swiss-made replicas have sapphire crystal while cheaper quality has mineral crystal
- Genuine Swiss-made replicas have much better craftsmanship on the entire watch, designed to last for a long time if serviced properly, while cheaper quality replicas don't have the benefit of this quality
- Genuine Swiss-made replicas have better markings and in general look much more exact compared to cheaper quality replicas
- Genuine Swiss-made replicas have a platinum wrapped bezel on the Rolesium model, while cheaper quality replicas are just polished stainless steel
- Genuine Swiss-made replicas have precise dimensions on all their hands, while cheaper quality replicas always have shorter second hands compared to the real thing
- Genuine Swiss-made replicas use 440-grade stainless steel while cheaper qualities from Japan use a lower grade
- Genuine Swiss-made replicas have precise date wheels, while the date background of cheaper quality replicas are always too dark, or plain white