

COUNTERFEIT CURRENCY NOTICE



Caldwell County Sheriffs Office

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Signs of the fake

- Pink Chinese Writing
- Double dotted line in corner of note
- Fails the pen marker test
- Paper doesn't feel right
- No Water Mark
- No holographic ink
- No embedded vertical strip spelling denomination



Pictured above is an example of the current counterfeit bills we are seeing passed in Caldwell County. This letter is to inform you of a couple ways to identify these currencies and what to do if you encounter one.

These counterfeits stand out because of the bright pink Chinese writing on both sides of the bill. This is the easiest way to notice the bill is fake. Also notice in the above picture in the top corner of the bill there is a double dashed line across the corner. This is also only on the counterfeit bills. These bill also do not have any of the security features that a normal bill would have. An easy security measure to look for is the holographic ink. A real note will have the denomination in the bottom right corner and also the eagle in the middle bottom of the front that both have the shiny holographic ink. These bills in those areas are printed the correct color however it is flat and does not have any shine to it. These notes will also fail the pen test when marked with a counterfeit pen.

If you come in contact with the bill try to keep the bill without putting yourself in danger. Make note of the time, date and location that you received the bill. Make notes of the description of the person who passed the bill. Then call the Caldwell County Sheriff's Office at 828-758-2324 and make a report. Once a deputy arrives hand the counterfeit bill over along with the information that you have collected. Any questions about these notes can be directed to Detective Chris Everhart at 828-759-1521 or Lt. Aaron Barlowe at 828-759-1520.