



PUBLIC NOTICE

COUNTERFEIT BANKNOTES (\$100) IN CIRCULATION

The Central Bank has been made aware that an improved counterfeit version of its **Series 2000 \$100 Banknote** is circulating and wishes to advise the public of this latest attempt. The counterfeiters have been able to simulate a number of security features, some of which are outlined below:

Genuine Note	New Counterfeit Note
On the front, a watermark of the Spanish galleon (ship) is seen to the right of the portrait only when held against a light source.	On the front, a simulated watermark of the Spanish galleon is seen to the right of the portrait at all times.
On the front, in the lower right-hand corner, a shimmery reflective foil feature reveals clear changing images of a sand dollar, a blue marlin, and "\$100" in a very effective way.	On the front, in the lower right-hand corner, a somewhat shiny foil feature reveals distorted, flat images of a sand dollar, a blue marlin, and "\$100".
On the front, in two locations, invisible numeral blocks showing "100" become visible under ultraviolet (UV) light.	On the front, in two locations, invisible numeral blocks showing "100" become visible under ultraviolet (UV) light. These numeral blocks also "seep through" to the back.
On the front, the words "Series 2000" do not fluoresce under UV light.	On the front, the words "Series 2000" do fluoresce under UV light.
On the front, at the left, a well-integrated silver security thread weaves in and out of the paper and reads "BAHAMAS" when held up against a light source.	On the front, at the left, a simulated security thread is stencilled in silver. Behind the silver stencil is a solid dark grey line which does not exist on the genuine note.
On the back, silver metallic patches in the splash of water below the blue marlin and right panel behind the Coat of Arms fluoresce brilliantly under UV light.	On the back, silver metallic patches in the splash of water below the blue marlin and right panel behind the Coat of Arms fluoresce lightly under UV light.
On the front and back, invisible security fibres throughout the paper fluoresce under UV light.	On the front and back, invisible security fibres throughout the paper fluoresce under UV light.

The public is advised to thoroughly examine its banknotes. **Feel the banknote.** Genuine banknotes should have areas that feel relatively smooth to the touch, along with areas which feel comparatively rougher due to raised printing. A circular with pictorial representations of the points discussed above can be found on our website at www.centralbankbahamas.com.

The Central Bank remains vigilant in its attempt to combat counterfeiting and regularly facilitates Counterfeit Detection Seminars in Nassau and Freeport to assist the general public in distinguishing genuine banknotes from its counterfeit counterpart. If you suspect that you have received a counterfeit note, kindly contact the Central Detective Unit of the Royal Bahamas Police Force at telephone number 502-9990/1. The Central Bank may also be contacted at 302-2620.

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