Guide to spotting FAKE ECU remappers by CMR

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With an ever increasing amount of vehicle ECU remapping services popping up all over the internet ive put together this short guide on how to spot those who are FAKE vs those of us which are genuine in 3 easy steps, saving you time and money

No.1) "Initial Questions"

These are questions you should yourself whilst browsing the adverts....

- Do they have a website?
- Do they have a brand?
- Do they have business cards?
- What payment methods can you use?
- Do they even have a FB page with reviews?

You all know how to spot a fake spammy advert on instagram so why should this be any different? Remember the 'too good to be true' motto ;-)

If you have found someone you believe you want to remap your car then ask them if they have a *genuine customer code* that they can verify upon arrival in person. This customer code will be registered against their company and against their equipment.

No.2) Who are they?

This to me is ultimately the most important, even with the best tools on the market inexperience will make mistakes and give an inferior result

- What qualifications / affliations do they have?
- Are the above related to remapping or just the motor trade in general?
 - Do they have a vast knowledge of your car and its ECU type?
 - Can they tell you about the process and what is done during it?

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Remapping is not just about being good with computers, otherwise all the young 7 year olds would be showing us how to do it, right? Its about having experience and qualifications within the trade itself. Dont be afraid to ask questions other than "how much will it cost" and "what will i gain" because any monkey can pull some numbers out the air to impress you!

No.3) What equipment do they have?

Look to see what their photo's contain and see if they proudly promote using genuine software / hardware

Unfortunately the FAKE chinese market (come on we've all bought a fake pair of trainers on holiday....) has introduced FAKE chinese remapping tools that plague the internet auction sites such as eBay, aliexpress etc.

When deciding who you really want to remap your car take a good look at their equipment, i have given examples of FAKE vs Genuine **software** and **hardware** below on this page

CRACKED EBAY FAKE SOFTWARE



£50 CHINESE EBAY SPECIAL CRACKED FAKE HARDWARE



GENUINE SOFTWARE



£5000, YES £5000 GENUINE HARDWARE

