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“Replica” Rolex Daytona With Working Chronograph

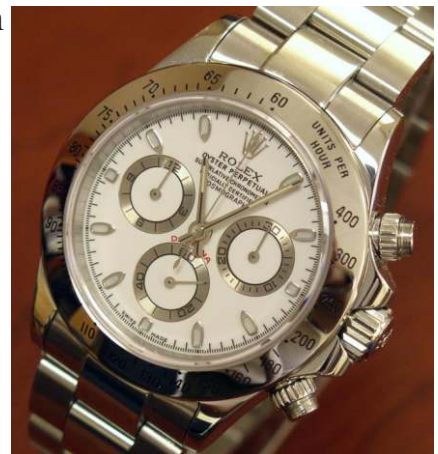


While the Rolex Submariner is certainly the most often requested replica watch, other models are certainly gaining ground. The Rolex Daytona is one of these. I have seen MANY of these replicas and the vast majority are easy to identify a fake was as the “chronograph” functions don’t work, or are only calendar displays. This is BY FAR the most common situation with replica Daytonas.

This watch came to me from a friend in Canada. My external examination left me impressed with the overall quality. As soon as I opened the case up, I knew I had something different from the norm. The movement looks like a **copy of a Valjoux 7750** and is fairly well-made. The finish is average, but the fit to the case is good. I tested the watch for

both accuracy and chronograph functionality. The watch ran a little fast (*about 10 seconds per day*) which is common. **The chronograph functioned quite well**, even through several cycles and re-set to zero every time. The crown is threaded and there is a large O-ring, so water resistance is like to be acceptable, though I would not subject ANY replica chronograph to underwater use.

The other components of the watch (*case, bracelet, face, etc.*) look to be of acceptable quality. Certainly a “legitimate” watch (*Seiko, Citizen, Wenger, etc.*) is going to



offer better overall quality, functionality, and support. Of course, none of those is going to look like this watch. Please feel free to contact me if you questions about this watch, and look for a future paper on longer-term test results.

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