Re: Why blue resistors?

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On Thu, 12 Apr 2007 14:50:48 +0100, Paul Burke <paul@xxxxxxxxxx> Gave us:

> Most of the axial ones I get are grey, though some are blue. But the SM ones are all charcoal black, with the little confusing numbers on − like (when they aren't just a manufacturer's code) 470 means 47 ohms, not 470 ohms.

It's an industry standard, dufus, and always has been.

> But 0.1% S&M resistors come in a variety of entertaining colours.

Specials are specials, and vary from maker to maker.

Standard 5% and 1% SMD components, and practically any "most used" component for electronics will always carry package marking standards.

The worst thing a would be up−n−comer competitor vendor could do is make a series of parts he wishes to sell to a Mfgr that has a non−standard marking methodology employed on it.

It would be like shooting one's self in the head, much less the foot.
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