

Order of the Red Banner of Labor, Type 3, Variation 1 "jumbo", #43717, circa 1945-47.

Silver gilt, enamels. Measures 50.7 mm in height including the eyelet, 37.8 mm in width; weighs 37.8 g not including the suspension and connecting link. This piece is among the very early suspension type Red Banner of Labor. Unlike most, it was awarded either during WW2 or soon after the end of the war, almost certainly for wartime achievements. The mint mark is in straight lines, nearly 9 mm in width. According to Mondvor.narod.ru, the currently known serial number range for this sub-variation is 35667 through 49642.

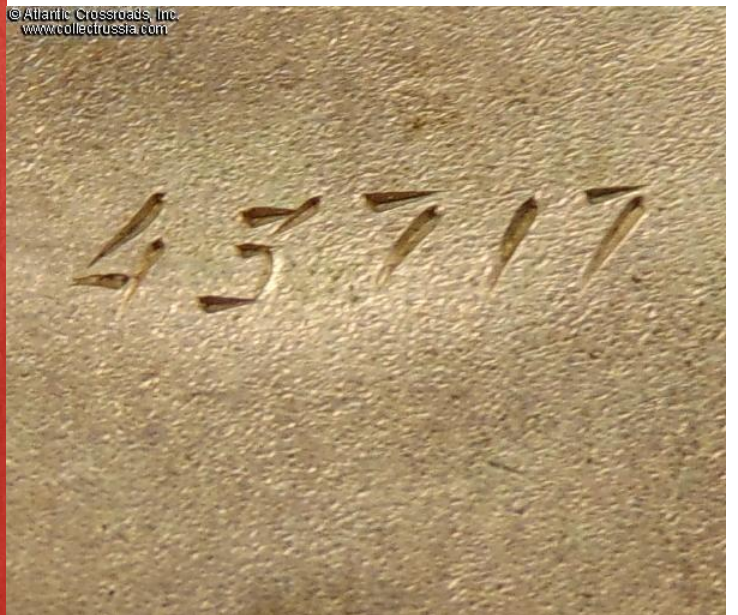
Excellent condition. The enamel has a couple of microscopic flakes on the upper edge of the banner, completely invisible to the naked eye and not easy to find even with a 10x loupe. The enamel is otherwise perfect and retains beautiful luster. The gilt is nicely preserved.

Comes with on a period suspension device, a two-layer model in brass and steel with integral catch of the pin. The old, possibly original ribbon shows minor amount of wear along the edges but is otherwise intact, clean and attractive. Overall, a very nice example of high Soviet labor decoration earned at least in part during WW2.

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