

Order of the Badge of Honor, Type 4 Variation 1, #169941, circa 1952 issue.

Silver gilt, enamels; measures 50.4 mm in height incl. eyelet, 33.4 mm in width; weighs 30.8 g not including the suspension and connecting link. Sub-variation featuring worker's coveralls without a belt and the serial number without the underline. Less than 25000 specimens of this scarce version were ever produced. Note the serial number of this particular specimen which is among the lowest possible for the Type 4 "hollow backs" (the lowest number ever observed according to Mondvor.narod.ru is 169816).

In outstanding, excellent condition. There are no chips, repairs, or any wear to enamel visible even under 10x magnification. The enamel shows beautiful luster. The gilt finish on the lettering is well preserved. There is nice light patina to the silver parts. There are only a couple of microscopic contact marks to the figures of the workers and letters "СССР", no wear visible to the naked eye.

The order comes on an original suspension device, a two-layer model in steel with integral catch of the pin. The connecting link appears to be original and its ends are joined with solder. The old, probably original ribbon is nicely preserved and sound. Overall, a superb example through and through - practically impossible to upgrade.

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