

Hungary, Medal for Excellent Military Service, Type 1, 1954-1957.

The medallion is in gilded brass and enamels; measures 39.6 mm in height incl. eyelet, 36.1 mm wide, riveted four-piece construction. Features the 1949-style state emblem in the center and crossed PPSH submachine guns at the bottom. This is a very scarce version of the medal issued for just three years before the change in the national emblem; only 1725 of these were ever awarded (as compared with over 14,000 of the 1957 version and over 4,000 of the 1964 version with silver starburst.)

Excellent condition. There are a few tiny, nearly unnoticeable imperfections of the enamel on the red star that appear to be factory flaws, not a result of wear. Mild patina to the wreath adds character; there is no significant tarnish.

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