



Small DOSAAF Pentathlon medallion, 1970s-80s.

In aluminum, pentagon-shaped, 57 mm in height, 60 mm in width. Each of the five segments depicts the symbol of a paramilitary sport, united by the State Emblem of the USSR. The sports represented in this medallion are flying model planes, radio sports, motorcycle racing, underwater diving, and parachuting. The verso is blank.

In near-mint condition. The obverse is pristine; the reverse shows minor scratches and contact points, not too intrusive to the eye.

DOSAAF (ДОСААФ, Russian abbreviation for Voluntary Society for Assistance to the Army, Air Force, and Navy) was established in 1927 as OSOAVIAKHIM. In 1951 it was renamed DOSAAF. But, whatever the acronym, this huge and well-funded organization was in the business of paramilitary preparation of the young Soviet civilian population.

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