

DOSAAF Instructor Badge, screw back version, circa 1950s issue.

Brass, enamels, lacquer. Measures 26.2 mm in height, 23.5 mm in width. Beautiful quality, typical of the early mint production.

Excellent condition. The enamel is perfect and shows a beautiful luster. The original gilt finish is clearly visible in recessed areas and on the reverse. The screw post is full length, over 9 mm, and includes an original mint marked screw plate.

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