

### Medal of Honored Metallurgist of RSFSR, circa 1980s-1995.

In brass, enamels and lacquer; medallion measures 33.9 mm in height (incl. eyelet), 31.3 mm in width; weighs 13.8 g not including the suspension and connecting link. The reverse of the medallion shows raised late style logo of the Moscow Mint. The suspension has mint mark "MMD". This medal is more elaborately made than vast majority of other medals of Honored / People's title holders.

In excellent condition. The enamel is perfect with the exception of a few tiny contact marks and internal imperfections to enamel on the center medallion - some of which may be manufacturing flaws that appear on other known examples. The lacquer is nicely preserved. Nice, even toning to the brass. The ribbon is old, probably original to the medal.

Although the Title of Honored Metallurgist of RSFSR was established in 1975; however, the medal was probably instituted with a significant delay, most likely in the early to mid-80s. The overall quality and the mint marks in particular point out to the early 1980s manufacture.

/"Avers 8", p. 234, fig. 1148/

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