

Badge in Commemoration of the 15th Anniversary of Kazakhstan, 1935-36 issue.

In silver-plated brass and enamels; measures 46.2 mm tall, 36.4 mm wide. Very impressive and massive two-piece construction badge with superimposed Stalin's portrait. Nice quality, with standard Soviet propaganda themes executed in exquisite detail.

In very fine to excellent condition, far better than most other specimens of this badge that we've encountered. The enamel retains magnificent luster and appears absolutely perfect on the first glance. A careful examination with a magnifying glass reveals a few tiny surface flakes: one to the center of the "X" and a few even tinier ones at the lower edge of the red enameled segments at the bottom of the badge. To reiterate, all of these imperfections are practically unnoticeable to the naked eye.

The fragile silver finish on the obverse is almost completely intact having only minor wear to the high points - a very uncommon case. The details of the artwork are pristine. The silver plating on the reverse is also nearly pristine, with just a touch of wear to the edges. The screw post is full length, over 11.5 mm long. Comes with original screw plate.

The badge was awarded in mid 1930s to selected VIPs.

/"Avers 8" p. 30, fig. 198; see also Early Soviet Labor Badges, "Ural Photo Catalog of Soviet Phaleristic. Part 1" by A. Kalistratov and V. Voronochenko, page 112, fig. V-2/.

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