

Medal for Irreproachable Service in MOOP of Ukrainian SSR, 2nd class (for 15 years of service), 1962-68 issue.

Brass gilt, silver plating; 32.1 mm wide; weighs 16.5 g not including the suspension and connecting link. Excellent condition. The silver and gilt finish are nicely preserved and bright. Both sides of the medallion show only minimal tarnish that adds character, no blemishes or significant oxidation. Includes well-preserved old ribbon.

MOOP stands for Ministry of Protecting the Public Order, a temporary substitute for MVD during the 60s. This particular variation of the MOOP medal was issued by the Ukrainian MOOP. Curiously, only in the Ukraine MOOP medals did not have a designation for the republic, which in the past had led many to mistakenly believe that these were medals of the "all-Union" MOOP of 1966-68 period (in reality, the only MOOP medals were from the "republican" series). In 1968, the law enforcement ministry of the Soviet Union re-acquired its old name MVD, and the MOOP medals were never issued after that.

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