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## Buckle for Imperial Russian Navy Enlisted Sailors and NCOs, circa late 1900s - 1917.

In copper, measures approx. 53 x 82 mm (2 1/8" x 3 1/4"). Shows Romanov Eagle and crossed anchors in sharply defined relief. One of the "bale" brackets for the belt has a small maker mark of stylized Imperial double-headed eagle.

In excellent condition. The plate has kept its shape perfectly and is free of edge knocks or dents. The emblem shows almost no wear to the high points, its details are very crisp. There is attractive even patina to the copper on both sides, no significant blemishes or verdigris.

This uncommon maker-marked example of Imperial Russian belt buckle would complement any collection of pre-Revolutionary naval gear. Until 1908, buckles were used exclusively by Russian Naval Infantry or Mosrkoy Ekipazh (marine detachments onboard naval vessels.) This piece however is more likely to be of 1907 or later vintage judging by the presence of maker mark - which typically do not appear on Russian military buckles from the earlier years.

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