

Excellent Railway Administrator badge, circa mid-1940s.

Brass, enamels; 40.3 mm tall, 27.3 mm wide; weighs 12.6 g without the screw plate. Relatively early variation, featuring well-defined relief to the oval portion. The screw post is characteristically thick measuring approx. 3.7 mm in diameter.

Excellent condition. The enamel shows magnificent luster and is essentially perfect having only a couple of microscopic contact marks, no chips, flaking or any other wear visible to the unaided eye. Details of the artwork are well-preserved. Traces of the original silver finish are still present in the recessed areas of the wreath. The screw post is full length, well over 12 mm, and includes original early screw plate maker-marked "NKPS Sh.M. Z" (Narkomat of Railroad Transportation, Mechanical Stamping Factory").

The Excellent Railway Administrator is among the hardest to find among the badges of the Soviet WW2 railroad proficiency series (1943-57).

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