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NAVAL U-BOAT COMBAT CLASP (1944-45) (U-Boots-Frontspange) Schwerin - Silver

Description

The submarine Combat Clasp was instituted on May 15, 1944. The initial clasp was only in bronze. As the war progressed, it became evident that a higher grade award was needed. On November 24, a higher grade award was instituted, the Submarine Combat Clasp in Silver. The clasp featured an integral hinge and wide ribbed, fluted pin. The pin was made from round wire stock.







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Details

Height Weight 24,36 mm 21.40 gr Type/Pattern ** Second Width Material Zinc

Remarks

76,72 mm

** Two patterns of U Boat Clasps exist. The earliest, or First pattern, had a recessed area on the rear central part of the badge. The later more common, or Second pattern, had a solid back badge. Additional variations between the two patterns may be observed in the obverse die characteristics.