## IDENTIFYING THE FAKE OF CANADA'S OH/MS, TYPE 1

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CANADA 1923-39 PERFORATED O.H.M.S. (5 HOLE)



Fake Type I

- 1. Measurements:
  - Height O 6.2 mm, H 6.4 mm, M 6.2 mm,
    S 6.7 mm.
    - HS 13.9 mm, OM 13.4 mm.
  - Width HO 10.0 mm, SM 10.8 mm.
- 2. Characteristics:
  - The left and right vertical legs of the 'H' are even at the top, but the base of the left leg extends well below the right leg.
  - The left leg of the 'H' almost touches the 'S'.
  - The holes are slightly smaller than the genuine.
  - The shape of the 'S' is too tall and thin.

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Genuine

The genuine were perforated by machines made by a Chicago die making firm. The holes should show no variation in position but some copies may not be clearly punched, as the pins did wear out.

1. Measurements:

- Height 0 6.3 mm, H 6.2 mm, M 6.3 mm, S – 6.1 mm.
  - HS 13.4 mm, OM 13.4 mm.
- Width HO 10.0 mm, SM 10.8 mm.

2. Characteristics:

- The left vertical leg of the 'H' should be slightly higher than the right leg, but the base of the legs should be even.
- There is a considerable space between the 'H' and the 'S'.