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

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CANADA 1923.39
PERFORATED O.H.M.S. (5 HOLE)

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Fake Type I

1. Measurements:

- Height $-0-6.2 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{H}-6.4 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{M}-6.2 \mathrm{~mm}$, $-\mathrm{S}-6.7 \mathrm{~mm}$. - HS - $13.9 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{OM}$ - 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 - $0-6.3 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{H}-6.2 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{M}-6.3 \mathrm{~mm}$. $\mathrm{S}-6.1 \mathrm{~mm}$.
- HS - $13.4 \mathrm{~mm}, \mathrm{OM}$ - 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 ' $S$ '.

