

The Luftwaffe Tank Badge *Luftwaffe Panzerkampfabzeichen*

Instituted on November 3, 1944. The badge had a silver wreath for tank crew members and tank mechanics and had a black wreath for Panzer Grenadiers and medical personnel.



In spite of the belief in some circles that this badge was neither manufactured or issued, it was, beginning in January of 1945. There

was only one manufacturer of this badge and an original is shown here.



It should be noted that although numbered badges were indeed approved, none were either manufactured or issued. Also, badges now

extant with an appliqué silver eagle are improvements on 1957 de-Nazified pieces and not original to the period.



This is a very scarce and throughly misunderstood official issue combat badge.

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