

TIMOR – 1940s A fine W.W.W. Dirty Dozen assigned to the British Military Army

One of the most appreciated World War II military field watches, the Timor WWW Dirty Dozen takes part to the British Army history.

It was early to mid 1940s when the British Ministry of Defense (MoD), at the time headed by Winston Churchill, commissioned the military timepieces to watch companies and every detail requested has been given attention. 12 Watch Manufacturers could comply with the standards and Timor was one of the 'Dirty Dozen' family. So the British Army WW2 watch was born.

The W.W.W. stays for Wrist, Watch and Waterproof, so the main points requested by the British Army and this Timor is no exception. The engraved caseback shows 'TIMOR' signature, letter 'K' code, civil and military assigned numbers and the WWW acronym. The stainless steel case is satin finished so any reflection could be seen by the enemy. This kind of details would have done difference between life and death while being in the battlefield, nothing is left to chance. The fixed lugs ensures the watch to be firm on the wrist and the big winding crown, satin finished as well, was easier to use by soldiers since many of them used to wear gloves.

This field watch houses the manual winding Caliber 6060, featuring 15 jewels and much reliability.

The black dial is preserved in outstanding condition and now developed an attractive dark grey patina matching the radium color, aged as well. The lume overflows the indexes, a pretty common hallmark of radium dials.

Manufacturer – Timor

Year – Circa 1945

Movement – Timor 6060, Manual winding

Model Name – W.W.W.

Reference – N/A

Material – Stainless steel case

Bracelet/Strap – Generic nato strap

Clasp/Buckle – Generic metal buckle

Dimensions – 36,5mm x 45mm

Signed - Dial, Movement and Caseback

CONDITION REPORT

MOVEMENT: running* at the time of cataloguing.

CASE: the stainless steel satin finished case remains in great overall condition. There are light signs of wear visible with the naked eye, such as scuffs and scratches. Original crown can be pulled out in order to set the time. The caseback shows scratches but the engravings are clearly visible. Plexiglass is preserved in very good condition.

DIAL: The black dial remains in very good condition and shows a dark grey patina. The white arabic numerals and railroad track scales on dial and subdial remain untouched, as well as the 'TIMOR' and broad arrow '↕' signatures. The radium on indexes and hands has aged a



dark beige color and overflows the indexes, a usual thing for Radium dials. Original main hands and subregister hand are preserved in honest condition, showing sign of time.

*We do not guarantee the authenticity of any individual component parts since subsequent repairs and restoration work may have resulted in the replacement of original parts.

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