

COIN EXAMINATION & ATTRIBUTION GUIDELINES

If you have coins that you would like to have examined as suspected doubled dies, the following guidelines must be followed.

1. The fee for attributions depends on whether one side of the coin needs to be attributed, or both sides need to be attributed. If only one side needs to be attributed (just one side has doubling), the fee is \$3 per coin. If both sides need to be attributed (both sides have doubling), then the fee is \$5 per coin. Return postage and insurance is extra and must be included with any coins that are sent. The rule of thumb for return postage is that whatever it costs you for postage and insurance to send the coins to me, that's the amount that should be included for postage and insurance to return the coins to you.
2. You may send up to, but no more than 5 coins per shipment. If packages are sent with more than 5 coins, it will greatly delay their return. Five coins will be processed and the package will then be placed at the end of the line. Once it again reaches the front of the processing line, the next five coins will be processed. This process will be repeated until all of the coins in the package are processed.
3. You may **NOT** send any additional shipments until your previous shipment has been returned. If another package is sent, it will not go into the processing line until the first package has been returned.
4. **NEVER** send coins by Certified Mail. If they are lost or stolen in the mail you will **NOT** be able to recover any of their value. Certified Mail does NOT carry any insurance. Coins with an estimated value of less than \$500 should be sent by Insured First Class Mail in a padded mailer. If the coins have an **established value** of \$500 or more, they should be sent by Registered Mail.
5. If you would like to receive a notice that the coins arrived here safely, you can take advantage of the delivery confirmation services available through the Post Office, and also the return receipt services available from the Post Office.
6. Make sure that you package your coins very carefully. If they can move about in the package, they might be able to tear out of the package and become lost. I recommend shipping in a padded mailer available from the post office, Wal-Mart, Staples, etc.
7. Please send your coins in plastic or vinyl flips from which they can easily be removed. Do not send the coins in 2x2's that have been stapled.
8. We do NOT attribute foreign coin varieties – only die varieties on U.S. coinage.
9. Once the coins arrive they will be placed in a processing line by the postmark date and will be processed in the order of those postmark dates. Depending on the volume of mail, it may take 4 to 6 weeks before a package can be processed.

Where Do I Send My Coins?

Send all U.S. doubled dies, **EXCEPT** U.S. five-cent doubled dies, to: John A. Wexler, P.O. Box 544, Quakertown, PA 18951-0544. E-Mail: jwex@comcast.net

Send all U.S. five-cent doubled dies to: Brian Ribar, 2053 Edith Place, Merrick, NY 11566-3306. E-Mail: bribar@optonline.net

Send all overdates to John Wexler.