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(54) **Electroplated blank for coins, medallions and tokens.**

(57) An electroplated blank is disclosed capable of having insignia minted on at least one face to form coins, medallions or tokens, the blank comprising a metallic core e.g. of steel, with an electroplated coating comprising 0.5 to 8% by weight tin, the balance copper, completely enveloping said blank and having a thickness of from about 5  $\mu\text{m}$  to about 50  $\mu\text{m}$ .



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