

## BUTTON STUDY SHEET

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SHAPE - ROUND	SHAPE - DOMED	SHAPE - DRUM	SHAPE - BEEHIVE	SHAPE - MELON (plain surface)	SHAPE - MELON (lined surface)
SHAPE - BALL	SHAPE - SQUARE (scarce)	SHAPE - SCALLOPED	SHAPE - TWO PIECE		
COLOR - BLACK	COLOR - REDDISH	COLOR - TAN	COLOR - BROWN	COLOR - BROWN	COLOR - WHITE (rare) (Birmingham Trade) NBS Feb 1984
					COLOR - INTERMIXED
2-HOLE Sew-Through	4-HOLE Sew-Through	WHISTLE Sew-Through	SELF SHANK	PIN SHANK	METAL SHANK
OMEs are scarce	OME - BRASS RIM	OME - CUT STEEL	OME - STEEL CROSS	OME - WHITE METAL (rare) Escutcheon	OME - METAL FACE (rare)
OME - PEARL (rare)	OME - GLASS (rare)				<p>RARE ITEMS "JUST SO YOU KNOW"</p> <p>BACK TYPE - CANVAS</p> <p>SHAPE - HEXAGON</p> <p>OME - BONE &amp; BRASS (Half ball of laminated tan rubber, bone, tan rubber, black rubber, topped by a brass scalloped escutcheon)</p> <p>Rubber with brass rim and metal back. The rubber IS backmarked, but you can't see it.</p>

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<p>Backmarks - 47 known differences</p> <p>A general rule: the more words, the older the button</p>	<p>N.R.Co are Novelty Rubber Company buttons</p>	<p>N.R. Co. GOODYEAR'S P=T. 1851. (Novelty)</p>	<p>N.R.Co. P=T. (Novelty)</p>	<p>N.R.Co. GOODYEAR'S P=T (Novelty)</p>	<p>N.R.Co. GOODYEAR'S P=T (raised marks in a depressed circle) (Novelty)</p>
<p>N.R.Co. N.Y. GOODYEAR'S P=T. 1851</p>	<p>N.R.Co. GOODYEAR'S P=T. May 6, 1851</p>				
<p>Backmarks - IRCCo Goodyear (Indian Rubber)</p>	<p>Backmarks - IRCCo Goodyear 1851 (Indian Rubber)</p>		<p>Backmarks - DHRCo. 1875 (Dickinson)</p>	<p>Backmarks - Dickinson H.R.Co. S'P'F'D (Dickinson)</p>	<p>Backmarks - DHRCo (Dickinson)</p>
		<p>Backmarks - Patent April 15, 1885 (on a small plain four-hole)</p>	<p>Backmarks - Patented Nov. 25-1919 (plain four hole medium)</p>	<p>Backmarks - P.W.G. Jan 19, 1864 (small plain 2-hole)</p>	<p>Backmarks - R.R. &amp; T. Co. (on a large plain 4-hole)</p>
<p>Backmarks - A.I.B. (on a pre-1942 Navy coat) (rare)</p>	<p>Backmarks - AHRCo (American Hard?)</p>	<p>Backmarks - American Rubber Com Mannheim (with woman's head on front) (rare)</p>	<p>Backmarks - NBC (very rare)</p>	<p>Backmarks - N.B. Co. Patent Apld for (small, plain button) (very rare)</p>	<p>Backmarks - (49er scarce) NOVELTY RUBBER CO NEW YORK GOODYEAR PATENT '49-51 (oldest)</p>
<p>Backmarks - (49er scarce) NOVELTY RUBBER CO NEW YORK GOODYEAR PATENT 1849-51</p>	<p>Backmarks - (49er scarce) NOVELTY RUBBER CO NEW YORK GOODYEAR PATENT 1849-51 with ornamental marks separating the inscriptions</p>	<p>Backmarks - (49er scarce) NOVELTY RUBBER CO NEW YORK GOODYEAR PATENT 1849-1851</p>	<p>Backmarks - (49er scarce) N.R.CO.N.Y. 1849-51 Goodyear Patent</p>	<p>Backmarks - NON-VERBAL Swan picture above shank and "Patent" below (on a small shell-shaped button)</p>	<p>FRONTmark - Aetna Rubber Mills Boston (rare)</p>
<p>Backmark ERRORS - Goodyear for Goodyear</p>	<p>Backmark ERRORS - 1581 instead of 1851 (scarcest error)</p>	<p>Backmark ERRORS - Reversed, upside down, missing or extra letters</p>	<p>Backmark ERRORS - Misplaced apostrophy</p>	<p>Backmark ERRORS - Misplaced apostrophy</p>	<p>Backmark ERRORS - Marked on both front and back the same</p>

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LIBERTY HEAD WITH CAP	CAMEO	BUG	BIRD	FRUIT	BOAR HEAD
LEAVES	DEER	DOE JUMPING THROUGH HOOP	CAP	WOLF HEAD	WASP
FLOWERS	ROSE	CLOVER	FALCON HUNTRESS (scarce)	PLUMED RIDER WITH SPEAR & DOG (scarce)	COW JUMPING OVER THE MOON (rare)
MONOGRAM (rare0)	POLITICAL DANCING FROGS (rare)	POLITICAL SEYMORE & BLAIR 1869 (rare) verbal and numeric	POLITICAL GRANT AND COLFAX 1869 (rare) verbal and numeric		
MILITARY	EAGLE REVOLUTION SHARPSHOOTERS (rare)	CIVIL WAR SHARPSHOOTERS (rare)	US NAVY - HORIZONTAL ANCHOR sew through	US NAVY ENLISTED - UPRIGHT ANCHOR sew through (scarcer)	
USAGE (Borden, JS&Co, etc.)	MASONIC SYMBOL (RARE)		DF - PAINT	DF - IMITATION WOOD GRAIN	DF - DULL ; SHINY
PATTERNS- There are over 598 known patterns/designs on rubber buttons	INTAGLIO	FACETED TOP	IMITATION CAMEO	IMITATION FABRIC	