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Form: Circular

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Date: 1937

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Variations:

Size	Metal	Mass	Value
38.5 mm	Bronze	20,1 gm	\$30

Edge: Plain.

Obverse: Crowned and robed bust of Edward VIII, right. Legend: "H.M. EDWARD VIII, KING AND EMPEROR.".

Reverse: Coronation scene at Westminster Abbey. Archbishop of Canterbury, standing right, placing crown on King, enthroned le clerics in attendance on left. At the bottom: "MADE IN ENGLAND". Legend on a band above: "CROWNED AT WESTMINSTER ABBEY" and below between stops: "12TH. MAY 1937".

Notes: BHM records medals of diameter 52mm, 39mm, 32mm and 26mm in a variety of different metals.

King Edward VIII (1894-1972) was the eldest son of King George V and Queen Mary. Edward became king when his father died in early 1936. He abdicated in December of that year in favour of marriage to the American divorcee Wallis Simpson. The coronation commemorated on this medal never took place. His younger brother was crowned King George VI later in 1937.