

## ***Tips & Techniques***

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### **Assigning Grades to Modern Coins**

Many collectors do not know what grades to assign to modern issue coins purchased directly from the mint.

The following are recommended practice.

- Even though most modern issue coins which are individually packaged will grade higher than 65, the grades MS-65 or PF-65 should be assigned unless the coin has been certified by a reputable, independent grading service such as NGC, PCGS, or ANACS.
- Coins purchased in rolls or bags which have not entered circulation should be graded MS-60
- Mint, Proof and Commemorative sets should be assigned MS-65 or PF-65 unless individually graded.