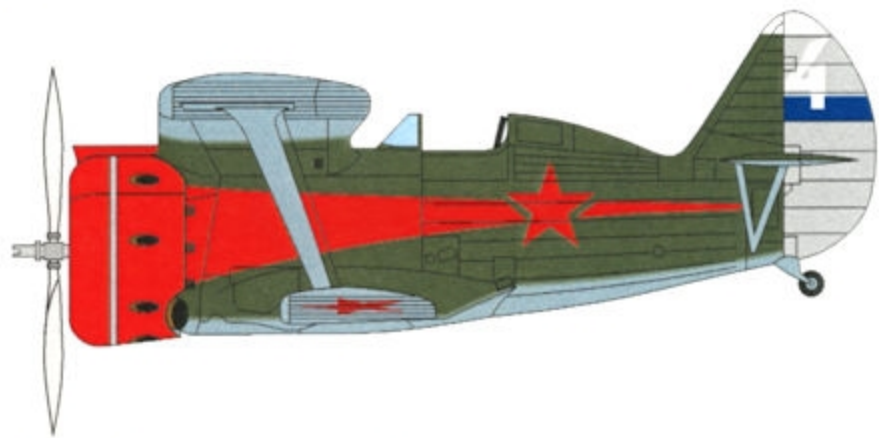


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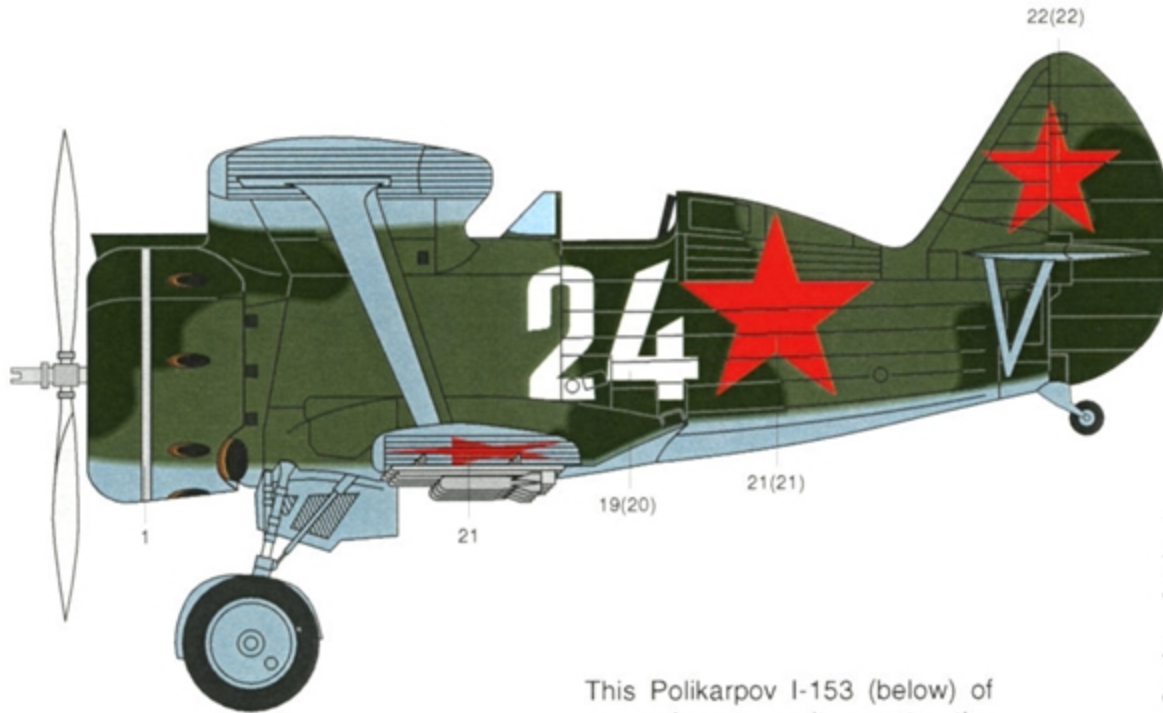
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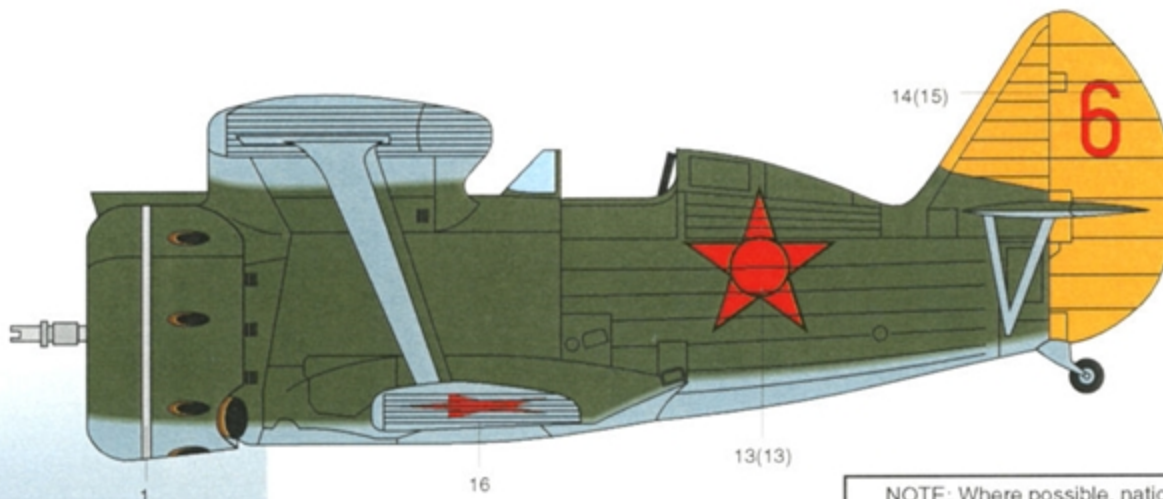
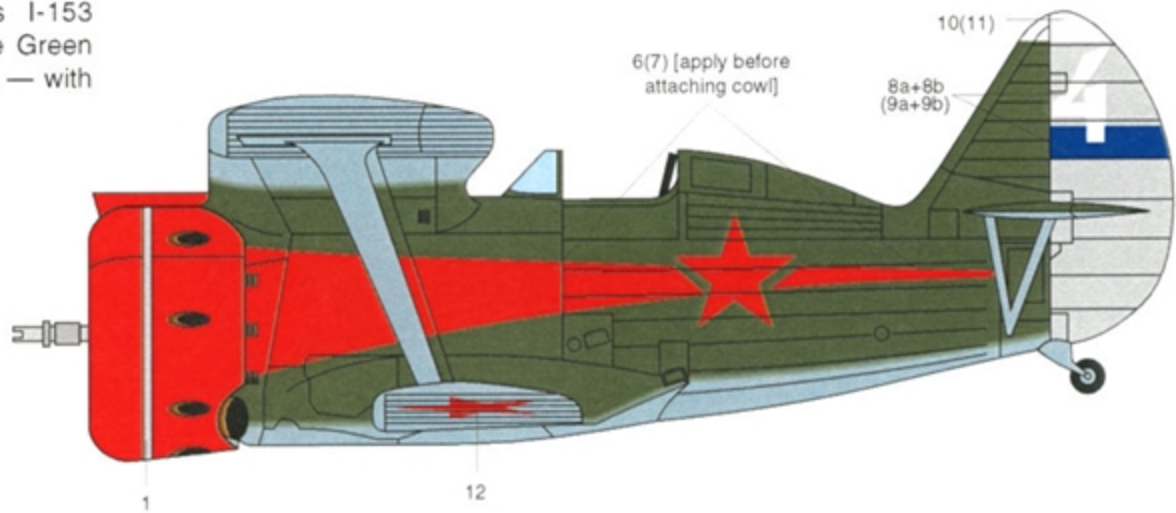
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Polikarpov I-153's (above) of the 71st IAP in August 1942 White 24 was piloted by HSU Capt. K.V. Solovyov – an ace with 5 victories. This machine wore Dark green and Olive Green over Standard Lt. blue. It carried four RS-82 rockets beneath each wing. Note that wheel well interiors, as well as the landing gear themselves, were often in the under-surface color, as depicted here.

"Red 6" (far below) served with Soviet Black Sea Fleet near Sevastopol early in the East-Front campaign. This I-153 wears the standard Olive Green over Lt. Blue camouflage — with a yellow fin and rudder.

This Polikarpov I-153 (below) of an unknown unit sports the standard Olive Green over Lt. Blue scheme — supplemented by large, gaudy red fuselage flashes and cowl. Note the white fin tip and sprayed aluminum rudder.



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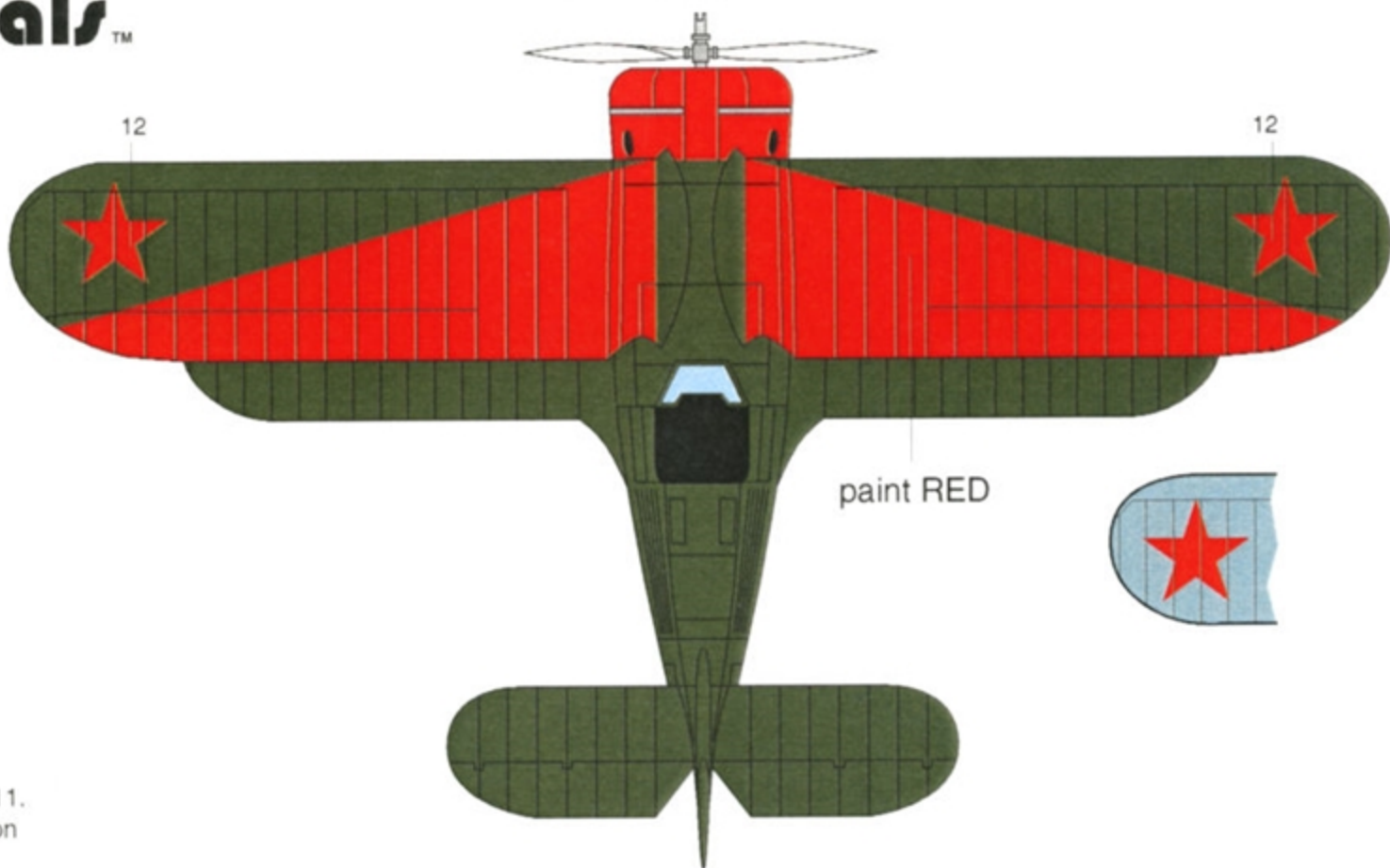
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TOP VIEW, WHITE "4"



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