WEIGHT

Unique ID: NMGW130

Object type certainty: Certain Workflow status: Published

Undecorated, perforated, discoidal lead, or lead alloy, weight. The perforation is off-centre. Diameter of weight 19mm, thickness 3.5mm, internal diameter of perforation 7mm.

Notes:

The function of lead weights such as these is not certain; they have variously been identified as unofficial weights used by traders or weights for other purposes such as weighing down rabbiting, bird or fishing nets (Margeson 1993, 139; Bailey 1995, 29). Crudely cast lead weights like this example are difficult to date; excavated examples from Wales range in date from the medieval period until the nineteenth century, although the possibility of an earlier date can not be dismissed.

Class: Lead weight Sub class: Perforated discoidal lead weight

Chronology

Broad period: ROMAN Period from: ROMAN Period to: POST MEDIEVAL Date from: AD 43

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1 Thickness: 3.5 mm Diameter: 19 mm

Personal details

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Other reference numbers

Other reference: NMGWPA:99.20.152

Materials and construction

Primary material: Lead Manufacture method: Cast

Spatial metadata

Region: <u>Wales</u> (European Region) County or Unitary authority: <u>Newport</u> (Unitary Authority) District: <u>Newport</u> (Unitary Authority) To be known as: Caerleon area, South Wales

Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: Centred on parish Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 0.01 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector General landuse: Other Specific landuse: Unknown