

# WEIGHT

**Unique ID:** WMID-0C42F4

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A complete lead or lead alloy shield shaped weight of Medieval dating (AD 1250 to AD 1600).

The shield weight is sub triangular in shape, with a raised shield shape on the front. A border is present around the edge, consisting of multiple transverse lines. A design may have been present on the central section, but due to post depositional damage, this design is now unclear. The reverse of the weight is plain and undecorated.

It measures 44.3 mm in length, 33.3 mm wide and 13.9 mm thick. It weighs 116.3 g (4.1 oz).

The weight is a light grey colour, with an even surface patina. Thick grooves are present on the front of the weight, these are believed to be post depositional in nature.

Lead weights such as this were used to weigh goods under the averdepois system from 1390 in England and were used throughout the 15th century. It is likely that these weights represent a desire to standardize the trade weight system. Several similar weights have been recorded on the PAS database including YORYM-73CBD0, WMID-185044, DEV-A400D0 and SOM-8AB516.

**Class:** shield

## Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

## Chronology

Broad period: MEDIEVAL

Period from: MEDIEVAL

Period to: MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1250

Date to: Circa AD 1600

## Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 44.3 mm

Width: 33.3 mm

Thickness: 13.9 mm

Weight: 116.3 g

## Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Saturday 5th October 2013

## Personal details

Found by: This information is restricted for your login.

Recorded by: Miss Teresa Gilmore

Identified by: Miss Teresa Gilmore

## Materials and construction

Primary material: Lead Alloy

Completeness: Complete

## Spatial metadata

Region: [East Midlands](#) (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: [Lincolnshire](#) (County)

District: [South Kesteven](#) (District)

Parish or ward: [Ancaster](#) (Civil Parish)

## Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SK9643

Four figure Latitude: 52.97576423

Four figure longitude: -0.57177079

1:25K map: SK9643

1:10K map: SK94SE

Grid reference source: From finder

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 100 metre square.

## Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

Discovery circumstances: Found whilst metal detecting