

WEIGHT

Unique ID: WMID-345F27

Object type certainty: Probably

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

An incomplete lead or lead alloy steelyard weight, of probable Roman dating (1st to 2nd Century AD).

The weight is hemispherical (flat top, domed base) in shape. The remains of an iron suspension loop are running through the length of the weight.

It measures 35.2 mm tall, with a maximum diameter of 42.7 mm. It weighs 395.3 g (13.94 oz).

The weight is a light grey to off white colour, with an even surface patina.

Similar biconical weights have been found associated with Roman steelyards, such as WMID-184456 and WMID-049777 and can be dated from 1st to 2nd Centuries AD. However lead weights due to being a functional artefact, can continue being used until the Late Medieval period.

Class: steelyard

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: ROMAN

Period from: ROMAN

Period to: ROMAN

Date from: Circa AD 43

Date to: Circa AD 100

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Height: 35.2 mm

Weight: 395.3 g

Diameter: 42.7 mm

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

Secondary material: Iron

Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

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

County or Unitary authority: [Shropshire](#) (Unitary Authority)

District: [Shropshire](#) (Unitary Authority)

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

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SO7293

Four figure Latitude: 52.53413806

Four figure longitude: -2.41421325

1:25K map: SO7293

1:10K map: SO79SW

Grid reference source: From finder

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

Discovery circumstances: Found whilst searching with a metal detector