

WEIGHT

Unique ID: SOM-1CF6EE

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

Probably Post Medieval cast copper-alloy cup weight belonging to nested set c. 1100-c. 1900 AD with the later end of this range more likely. This weight is circular in plan. Its sides, 2.9mm thick and 15.4mm tall, flare evenly upwards from the base to a rim. The base is flat on the inside and outside. The inner and outer faces and rim are plain. Outer diameter of rim: 28.3mm; outer diameter of base: 22.2 mm. Weight: 28.05g. (0.989 ounces).

According to Biggs (1992, 14-16) this type of weight was in use from the 12th century and throughout the medieval to post-medieval period although they were most common in the 17th-19th centuries. The earlier examples tend to have thicker sides and decorated rims and the plainness of this example suggest a post-medieval date. In the English-troy bullion system, 20 pennyweights = 1 ounce, equal to 31.1grams so the weight may have some loss due to corrosion, and originally was 1 ounce.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: POST MEDIEVAL

Period from: MEDIEVAL

Period to: POST MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1100

Date to: Circa AD 1900

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Height: 15.4 mm

Thickness: 2.9 mm

Weight: 28.05 g

Diameter: 28.3 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Monday 1st April 2013 - Tuesday 30th April 2013

Personal details

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Other reference numbers

Other reference: SCC receipt 16719

Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Manufacture method: Cast

Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

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

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

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

To be known as: Chiselborough CP

Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: From finder

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 0.01 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

General landuse: Grassland, Heathland

Biggs, N., 1992 [English Weights: An Illustrated Survey](#) Powys: White House Publications