

CLOTH SEAL

Unique ID: BH-7A00E6

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

An incomplete lead-alloy Post Medieval cloth, or "packer's", seal of William Knipe of London dating to the eighteenth century. The seal is formed of a central disc surrounded by an attached concentric strip. The legend on the obverse can probably be reconstructed as '[WILL] / [K]NIP[E] / [P]ACK[ER]' in three lines. The centre of the reverse has scratched markings reading 'IIV' or 'IIW'. The cloth seal measures 23mm in diameter, 2.5mm in thickness and weighs 5.1 grams.

For a similar packer's seal recorded on the Portable Antiquities Scheme database, see SUR-7E7126. The National Archives contains a lease of 30 June 1739, which refers to William Knipe of London, packer, as well as his will, proved 1748.

Inscription: Obverse: [WILL] / [K]NIP[E] / [P]ACK[ER]; Reverse: IIV or IIW

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: POST MEDIEVAL

Period from: POST MEDIEVAL

Period to: POST MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1700

Date to: Circa AD 1748

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Thickness: 2.5 mm

Weight: 5.1 g

Diameter: 23 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Sunday 1st January 2017 - Wednesday 7th February 2018

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Lead Alloy

Manufacture method: Cast

Completeness: Incomplete

Spatial metadata

Region: [Eastern](#) (European Region)

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

District: [East Hertfordshire](#) (District)

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

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: TL2826

Four figure Latitude: 51.91782324

Four figure longitude: -0.14027487

1:25K map: TL2826

1:10K map: TL22NE

Grid reference source: Centred on field

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.