

CLOTH SEAL

Unique ID: SOM-61B2CC

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

An incomplete Medieval or Post Medieval lead cloth seal, probably dating to c. AD 1400-1714. Disc 1 of a 2- or 4-part seal. The surviving fragment comprises of a flat disc of lead with an integral rivet projecting from the reverse. The front of the disc is stamped with a crowned F flanked by fleur-de-lis, all in low relief.

Dimensions: diameter 17.3mm; thickness 7.2mm; weight 2.48g.

With so little of the design surviving any specific identification must be slightly tentative, however very similar seals for faulty cloths are published by Egan (1987: nos. 110-111), suggested to date to the end of the Medieval period. Although seals did continue in use in some areas, the end of the alnage taxation system provides a likely end date for this object.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: MEDIEVAL

Period from: MEDIEVAL

Period to: POST MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1400

Date to: Circa AD 1714

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Thickness: 7.2 mm

Weight: 2.48 g

Diameter: 17.3 mm

Personal details

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Other reference numbers

Other reference: SCC receipt: 019984

Materials and construction

Primary material: Lead

Completeness: Incomplete

Spatial metadata

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

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

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

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: ST3913

Four figure Latitude: 50.9132264

Four figure longitude: -2.86905741

1:25K map: ST3913

1:10K map: ST31SE

Grid reference source: Generated from computer mapping software

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

General landuse: Grassland, Heathland

Egan, G., 1994 [Lead cloth seals and related items in the British Museum](#) London: Department of Medieval and Later Antiquities, British Museum