

Would You Like to Super-Size That Grenade?

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Thurmont, Maryland Some 50 customers at a Maryland McDonalds got more than a Big Mac as they visited the fast food restaurant. They got an evacuation and a front row seat to the extraction of a live military-grade grenade from the asphalt of the parking lot.

The UXO was uncovered by a landscaping company operating a shovel machine. According to the bomb technician who responded from the Office of the State Fire Marshal, the grenade was live and if hit with the machine, the operator would likely have been killed.

The munition had been in the parking lot for some time and is likely a relic of a military base which was located in Thurmont several decades ago. It was extracted and safely removed from the site for disposal.