

Cannonballs Wash Ashore From Hurricane Dorian

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Folly Island, South Carolina Seashell hunters spotted two suspicious items on Folly Beach near an old Coast Guard Base while searching through debris following Hurricane Dorian. The Charleston County bomb disposal team responded and notified a US Air Force EOD for technical assistance.



EOD identified the items as Civil War-era ordnance including one 8" shell and one 3" shell. EOD safely removed the items for disposal.

During the Civil War, the area was occupied by Union troops. Folly Island was used as a base for the battle to retake Fort Sumter. Sixteen cannonballs were found on a Folly Island beach in 2016 following Hurricane Matthew.