

# "Ditching" Ordnance - Not the Best Idea

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**Shuswap, Canada** Royal Canadian Navy EOD at CFB Esquimalt was called in to investigate a potential UXO found lying in a roadside ditch among garbage in Shuswap. A local citizen conducting a clean up of illegally dumped refuse was alarmed to find an ordnance item in the debris.

The EOD unit removed the item which was believed to be an inert tank shell and transported it to a Vernon area National Defense property where it was disposed of.

Authorities suspect that the item was an old war souvenir which someone discarded by the road along with other debris. After the find, police issued a statement urging citizens who wish to get rid of collectible war memorabilia to do so in a responsible manner, not roadside dumping.