Youngster Finds Mills Bomb on Irish Beach

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Cultra Beach, Ireland A young boy contacted the Police Service of Northern Ireland after he found an unexploded grenade on a County Down beach. An Army technical officer responded to the scene and confirmed it was a live WWI "Mills Bomb" hand grenade.



The UXO was moved to Crawfordsburn Country Park where it was disposed of by a controlled detonation. In a social media post police confirmed it was a "live grenade that was capable of exploding." The post read, "A big thank you to the young lad who found the grenade and alerted police and thanks to all involved and alerted officials."

The Mills bomb grenade was developed in 1915 during WWI and became the first hand grenade to be widely issued in Britain.