

# A New Legend Variant for Richard II Halfpence

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New type designated Withers 1p  
0.48g

The Intermediate Style halfpennies of Richard II (1344-1351) (S 1699, N 1331b) are described extensively in the Galata Small Change series volume II in which these halfpence are assigned to type 1(a-o). Within this type all the subtypes listed have punctuation either as saltire stops, colon stops or pellet stops.

I recently obtained from the Internet a Richard II intermediate issue halfpenny detectorist's find from Stradbroke Suffolk. This coin is of interest in that there are no stops within the obverse legend apart from an apostrophe after Ricard.

The coin with lombardic n's on obverse and reverse reads -

**+ RICARD ' REX ANGL**

**CIVI / TAS / LON / DON**

This subtype neatly fits into the Withers catalogue as new type 1p

## Reference

Paul & Bente R Withers, 'The Halfpennies and Farthings of Edward III and Richard II'