

Title (en)

Snowboard boot ankle/heel support member

Title (de)

Knöchel und Fersenstützelement für Snowboardstiefel

Title (fr)

Element de support du talon et de la cheville pour chaussure de surf des neiges

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Abstract (en)

[origin: EP0985357A1] A support member 2 having an L-shape or a C-shape is configured to engage a portion of the foot just below the ankle bone and a portion of the foot just behind the ankle bone for supporting the foot within a snowboard boot 1. The support member is formed with a male Velcro TM material on one side for engagement with material on an inner side of a snowboard boot thereby providing removable engagement with the boot. In one embodiment, the support member may be filled with a paraffin wax that is pliable at room temperature to conform to the shape of a riders foot, but is rigid in colder temperatures such as on a snow filled mountain side, such that the support member is generally rigid when used. The support member engages the foot to insure that the foot may not undergo any significant movement within the snowboard boot while the rider is snowboarding. Alternatively, two support members may be employed, one support member on each side of the foot within the boot. <IMAGE>

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