

Title (en)

Footwear item with interchangeable outsole

Title (de)

Schuhartikel mit austauschbarer Laufsohle

Title (fr)

Article de chaussure avec semelle d'usure interchangeable

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Abstract (en)

The present invention refers to a footwear item provided with an interchangeable outsole, comprising an upper adapted to receive and accommodate a wearer's foot, a midsole (3) that is permanently associated to said upper, an interchangeable outsole (4), and coupling means (16, 17) provided to removably secure said interchangeable outsole (4) to said midsole (3). The interchangeable outsole (4) comprises a front portion (5) and a rear portion (6) that are associated to each other via at least a flexure strip (7, 8) adapted to allow the interchangeable outsole (4) to both flexibly bend and spring back into an outstretched position thereof; at the end portions thereof, the midsole (3) comprises a front peripheral undercut (9) and a rear peripheral undercut (10), which are adapted to receive a toe extremity (11) of the front portion (5) and a heel extremity (12) of the rear portion (6), respectively, wherein the front portion (5) and the rear portion (6) are adapted to bend at the flexure strip (7, 8) so as to cause the interchangeable outsole (4) to bend into a curved form to thereby enable said extremities (11, 12) of the interchangeable outsole (4) to be fitted into the respective peripheral undercuts (9, 10) of the midsole (3), said extremities (11, 12) being then caused to firmly engage said undercuts (9, 10) when said interchangeable outsole (4) is allowed to spring back.

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