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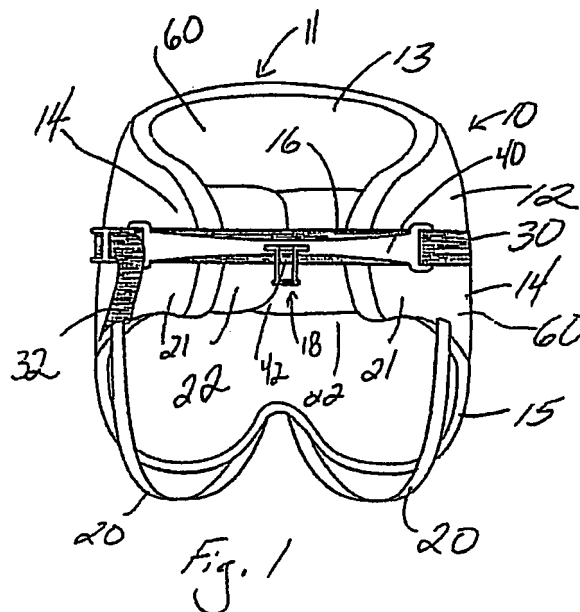
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(54) **Buoyancy harness**

(57) A buoyancy harness for connecting a rider to a water sport apparatus, comprises a body portion (12), a fastener (16), and a connector (18). The body portion may take the form of a waist or seat harness that is configured to encircle at least a portion of the lower abdomen of the rider and possibly a portion of the pelvic region. At least a portion of the body portion (12) is comprised of

at least one layer of buoyant material (26). The body portion may also include a water permeable material that permits trapped water to pass through the harness. The fastener (16) is operably connected to the body portion (12) and is configured to secure the body portion to at least a portion of the rider. The connector (18) is also operably connected to the body portion and is configured for operable attachment to the water sport apparatus.





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