TRANSISTOR RADIO HOLSTER

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A holster to carry objects wherein the holster is mounted on a belt that passes around a person, the holster being of a simple construction in which flat pieces of material separably interlock to provide a secure, adjustable carrying means.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

There are numerous holsters, or carrying cases, that mount on a belt to be carried on a person, e.g., around a person's waist. These holsters usually are glued, stitched or otherwise fixed together to provide a container of a given size and shape, and simply have slots, or a loop, to receive a belt that passes around a person.

Such holsters are particularly common with the advent of the small portable radios; and, the holsters must be designed to accommodate one particular radio because the radios are of different sizes and shapes, and have jacks in different places so that an opening must be provided in the holster for a plug to be inserted into the jack while the radio is within the holster.

It will therefore be seen that the usual form of holster is particularly designed and particularly constructed to receive one particular item.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The holster of the present invention overcomes the above mentioned and other difficulties with prior art holsters by providing an adjustable holster of somewhat open construction so that radios of considerably different dimensions can be accommodated; and, the open construction provides sufficient space to expose a jack on the radio so that no special hole must be provided. Yet, the holster is very secure once it is assembled, precluding any possibility of having the item within the holster fall inadvertently.

Also, it will be seen that the same holster can readily accommodate a large variety of items other than radios. Moreover, the holster is formed of flat flexible pieces rendering it very easy and inexpensive to manufacture and simple to use.

These and other features and advantages of the present invention will become apparent from a consideration of the following specifications when taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings in which:

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of an adjustable holster made according to the present invention;
FIG. 2 is a plan view of the two major components of the adjustable holster, and;
FIG. 3 is a rear elevational view of the adjustable holster of the invention.

DESCRIPTION OF THE EMBODIMENT

Referring particularly to the drawings, it will be seen that the device includes basically, a strip 1 of flexible material that is folded around the item to be carried such as the item shown in FIG. 3. The strip 1 is folded so that the ends of the strip 1 overlap. A second strip 2 of similar material is passed through slots C substantially in the center of the strip 1, is folded to enclose both sides of the tubular member formed by the strip 1, and the ends of the strip 2 are then folded out. A belt that is designed to pass around a person's waist is now passed through slots 15 in one end of the strip 2, through slots provided in the ends of the strip 1, and through additional slots 15 in the opposite end of the strip 2.

It will therefore be seen that the two strips 1 and 2 and the belt 5 are interlocked so that the holster cannot be loosened without removing the belt 5.

In more detail, FIG. 2 of the drawings shows the present invention as including a flat, rectangular piece of plastic, leather, or other flexible material, pierced with pairs of spaced slots A, B, C, D and E in the strip 1. Slots A, D, and E are of sufficient size to permit a conventional belt 5 worn around a person to pass therethrough. Slots B and C are of sufficient size to permit a narrowed area 10 of the strip 2 to pass through and snugly catch and hold at shoulders 11 on the strip 2. Thus, when the strip 2 is positioned in slots B or C of the strip 1, there is a tight fit and locking action which prevents the strip 2 from slipping or moving out of position (as shown by broken lines 20 in FIG. 2).

The strip 2, as shown in FIG. 2, is pierced by six spaced slots 15 of a size to allow a conventional belt to pass therethrough. Strip 2 has a narrowed area 10 with shoulders 11 which engage spaced slots B or C in the strip 1 when passed through, providing a locking arrangement to prevent the strip 2 from moving once it is engaged in the slots.

In FIG. 3 it will be seen that the belt 5 passes through the spaced slots 15 of the strip 2 as well as through the spaced slots A and E of strip 1, thus completely enclosing and securely holding whatever article is in the holster. Tapered or beveled end 3 of the strip 1 is folded over and overlaps the end 4 of the strip 1. Thus, the object or article is completely enclosed and held securely by the strip 2 passing through the strip 11 and the belt 5 passing through both the strip 1 and the strip 2. As shown in FIG. 1, the belt 5 passes around the person, with the strip 50 engaging the belt 5 and passing over a shoulder of the person, thus giving both horizontal and vertical support to the holster.

As can be seen in FIG. 2, the strip 1 has two sets of spaced slots B and C which are somewhat longer than spaced slots A, D or E. Slots B and C are of such size to receive the narrowed section 10 of the strip 2 to form a flat, close engagement between the two strips. The selection of either slot B or slot C will depend on the length of the article to be enclosed by the holster of the invention. If strip 2 passes through the set of spaced slots B, then the belt 5 will pass through the set of spaced slots A and D of the strip 1. If horizontal strip 2 passes through the set of spaced slots C, then the belt 5 will pass through the set of spaced slots A and E of the strip 1.

The size of the object to be enclosed will determine which slots of the strip 1 are placed in engagement with the belt 5 and the strip 2.

OPERATION

To use the holster of this invention, the strip 2 is passed through either the pair of spaced slots B or the pair of spaced slots C of the strip 1. Then, the item to be enclosed is placed over this point of intersection between strips 1 and 2. The respective ends of the strip 1 are then folded at dotted lines 12 around the article so that the pair of spaced slots A overlies the pair of spaced slots E. Then, belt 5 is inserted into the spaced slots 15 on one end of the strip 2 and passed through slots A and E of the strip 1 as they overlap each other; then the belt 5 is inserted through the spaced slots on the other end of the strip 2. The belt is then placed...
around the person and tightened. This motion not only positions the belt around the person, but also tightens the strip 1 and the strip 2 together, thus forming a tight and reliable holster for the object to be carried. Also, the shoulder strap 20 may be placed over a shoulder to give stable support to the entire holster assembly on the person if required. If a smaller object is to be enclosed, then slots A will overlap and engage slot D with slot E merely extending around the object to be enclosed.

3. An adjustable holster to carry an object on a belt that surrounds a person including a first strip of material surrounding the object in a first direction so that the ends of the strip overlap, a second strip of material intersecting said first strip substantially at right angles relative to said first strip, means to interlock said first strip and said second strip where the strips intersect, said second strip passing across both ends of the object, said first strip having a plurality of slots that are in alignment when said ends of said first strip are overlapped, said second strip having at least one slot in each end thereof, said belt passing through said slots in said first strip and said slots in said second strip to interlock said first strip and said second strip.

2. The holster of claim 1 in which said second strip is inserted into the middle of said first strip through spaced slots.

3. The holster of claim 2 in which the area of said second strip engaged by the spaced slots of the first strip is of smaller width than the main body of said second strip.

4. The holster of claim 3 in which the ends of said first strip are folded over until the spaced slots at each end of said strip are aligned.

5. The holster of claim 4 in which a belt is inserted into the spaced slots at an end of said second strip and is pulled therethrough.

6. The holster of claim 5 in which said belt is inserted, after it leaves the said second strip slots, through the said aligned slots of said first strip.

7. The holster of claim 6 in which said belt, after leaving said aligned slots of said first strip, is inserted through spaced slots at the other end of said second strip and pulled tight.

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