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FIG. 1

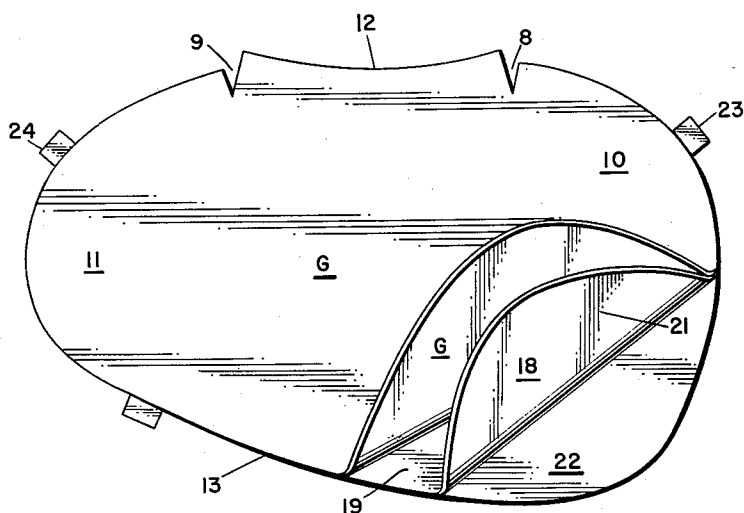
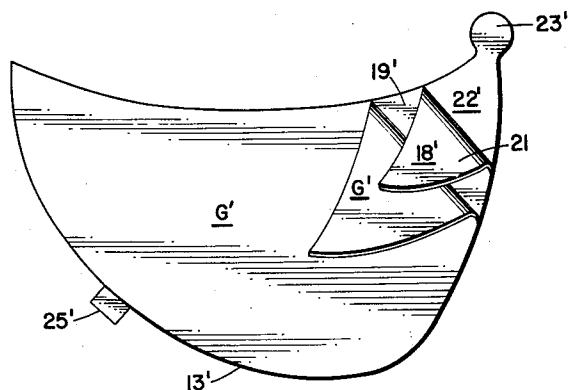


FIG. 2



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1 Claim. (Cl. 2-55)

The present invention relates to articles of clothing and more particularly to devices for absorbing the perspiration of a person that is developed conspicuously in various areas of the human body and retained by the clothes worn thereby.

It is the major object of the present invention to provide an inexpensive, disposable garment shield.

Another object is to provide a disposable garment shield which is extremely effective in protecting the garment with which it is worn.

An additional object of the invention is to provide a disposable garment shield which can be attached to the clothing at selected locations and be held there in a manner that will prevent slipping or wrinkling.

Another object is to provide a disposable garment shield which is readily applied to and removed from its location of use.

A more particular object is to provide a disposable garment shield having integral self-contained attachment means for securing it to the garment to be protected.

These and other objects of the invention will become apparent from the following detailed description, when taken in conjunction with the appended drawing, wherein:

FIGURE 1 is a perspective view of a first form of garment shield embodying the present invention; and

FIGURE 2 is a perspective view of a second form of garment shield embodying the present invention.

Referring to the drawings:

**FIGURE 1**

The garment shield (disposable), embodying the above-identified invention, includes as the main foundation of the shield, a plastic sheet 18 with contact-adhesive on both top side 19 and bottom side 21 of the plastic. This foundation sheet 18, 19 and 21 is the protective, water-proof, the attachable, and the disposable part of the shield. The shield is cut in an oval pattern and includes a pull tab 25, and is cut in one piece; this eliminates stitches and bulkiness in the shield.

The oval pattern has two oval shaped wings 10 (front) and 11 (back), and two notches 8 (front) and 9 (back) with a curved line 12 at the upper edge of the shield. The front wing 10 is wider at the upper and lower edge between the front notch 8, and the lower line 13, thus giving more protection at this part of the shield because perspiration flows more excessively at this part of the arm pit, and perspiration often extends beyond the protection of the ordinary shield.

The adhesive being contact type, provides a way to embody the absorbent smooth, deodorized sheet G to the foundation sheet 18 by means of the top contact adhesive side 19. The absorbent smooth sheet G is impregnated with a deodorant.

The absorbent, smooth, deodorized sheet G is processed onto the contact top sheet 19 with pressure, and the two materials become one fabric. The shield is cut in one piece, in an oval shape with two oval shaped wings 10 and 11, including one pull tab 25, from this merged fabric.

The inner or bottom face of the contact adhesive, protective sheet 21, including the oval wings 10 and 11, remain adhesive and permanently tacky for the application of the shield to the garment. It should also be known that the tacky adhesive will not rub off on the garment,

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stain, or wear the garment out through repeated applications of the shield.

The tacky adhesive on the bottom side 21 is in turn covered by a removable cover sheet 22, made of paper or cloth, with two pull tabs 23 and 24, and will remain firmly affixed to the adhesive until such a time as to be peeled off at the time of wearing. Pull tab 23 is on the front of the covering, thus making it possible to peel the temporary covering off from front to back. Tab 24 is at the back of the paper or cloth covering, making it possible to pull the covering off from back to front. This procedure makes it convenient for the wearer to place the shield in the garment either from the front of the arm pit or from the back, working it on towards the front or from the front to the back. The shield is pressed firmly with the hand that is applying the shield and the shield will stay in its proper place without slipping or wrinkling.

**FIGURE 2**

The construction, foundation, and materials of FIGURE 2 is the same as in FIGURE 1, except FIGURE 2 is cut in a half moon shape. The numerals of FIGURE 2 refer to corresponding parts in FIG. 1 and the primes designate that FIG. 2 is an alternate construction. The half moon type shield is extremely valuable to ladies wearing expensive evening dresses. It is completely hidden and works wonders for sleeveless dresses. This shield can be cut in larger shields to wear at the back of under-clothing to protect the seat of women's skirts; it also can be worn across the shoulder part of a garment to prevent oils [skin] penetrating into the garment.

The aforedescribed garment shields may be worn or employed by men as well as women. They may be manufactured in various colors which will correspond with the color of the garment to be protected. In view of their low cost of manufacture, the user will have no compunctions against discarding them after use. Additionally, they lend themselves readily to be sold through coin operated vending machines.

It should be understood that various shapes, styles, thicknesses, and color may be employed in adapting the above described garment shield to various types of ladies' and gentlemen's garments.

Various modifications and changes may be made with regard to the above description without departing from the spirit of the invention or the scope of the following claim.

I claim:

A garment shield of the type comprising: a water repellent plastic sheet, of a generally oblong configuration, having one longitudinally spaced end portion of a substantially greater surface area than the other longitudinally spaced end portion; said plastic sheet defining top and bottom surfaces; a moisture absorbent deodorant impregnated fabric of the same configuration as said plastic sheet secured to one of said surfaces by an adhesive coating on the entire one of said surfaces; a protective sheet releasably secured by means of a tacky adhesive to the other surface of the said plastic sheet; said plastic sheet and said absorbent sheet each having aligned integral pull tabs extending from the edges thereof; said protective sheet having a configuration substantially the same as said plastic sheet; said protective sheet also having an integral pull tab extending from the edge thereof, which may be used to remove the protective sheet from the plastic sheet thus leaving the tacky adhesive coating on the entire bottom surface exposed so that the shield may be applied to a garment; the said longitudinal end of greater area being adapted to face the front of a garment to provide greater protection therefor when worn as an armpit shield; said first mentioned pull tabs on the said plastic sheet and

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the said absorbent sheet being adapted to be used to remove the shield from a garment to which it has been secured.

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