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(54) **Chainsaw protective trousers or chaps**

(57) Trousers 10, 20 or chaps 40 for use by operators of chainsaws include a shell 36, 36' made from a relatively elastic material such as a warp knitted synthetic fabric, a layered filling 30 of loose protective fibres which may be contained in an envelope 31, and a patch 16, 16' of relatively inelastic heat resistant material such as a meta aramid extending over the front and side of a thigh region of one or each of the legs 13, 14, 13' 14'. Preferably the patch is spaced apart from the crotch 32 and fly 12 by an elastic portion 33 of the shell. The patch provides protection from the chainsaw exhaust without compromising flexibility and comfort.

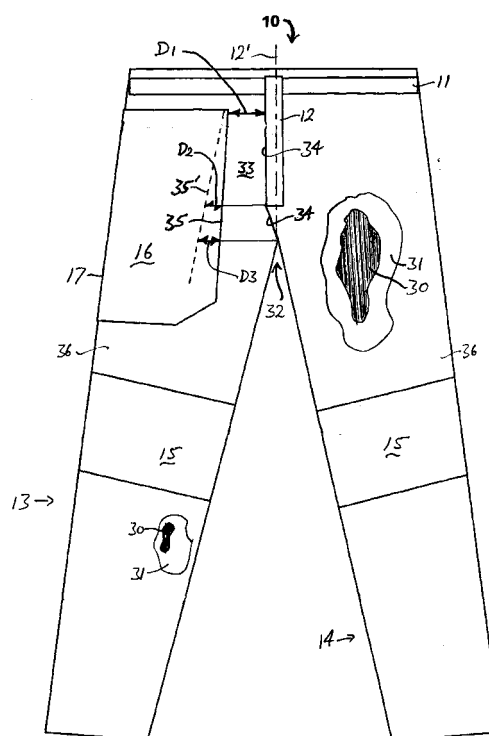


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