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## COMMERCIAL ITEM DESCRIPTION

### SHOES, GYMNASIUM: BASKETBALL AND OTHER ACTIVITIES, HEAVY DUTY

The General Services Administration has authorized the use of this commercial item description in preference to MIL-S-43961.

Abstract. This commercial item description covers gymnasium shoes. The gymnasium shoes are intended to be worn by military personnel when involved in athletic activities such as basketball.

#### Salient characteristics

Design and construction. The gymnasium shoes shall be white, be lowcut, and have a heavy duty canvas tongue and uppers. The shoes shall have a full length cushion sole and cushion arch support made of sponge rubber. The foxings, toe cap, and outer sole shall be made of natural rubber, synthetic rubber, or a combination of both. The outer sole shall be made of nonmarking material. A suitable counter and bias binding material, as used by industry, should be used. The outer sole abrasive index shall be a minimum of 75 (ASTM D 1630) and the outer sole hardness shall be a minimum of 45 and a maximum of 65 (ASTM D 2240).

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Each shoe shall have white lacing and two ventilating eyelets on the inside shank. Shoe sizes 3 through 8-1/2 shall have six pairs of lacing eyelets and sizes 9 through 15 including half-sizes shall have seven pairs of lacing eyelets.

Sizes and widths. The gymnasium shoes shall be provided in the following sizes and widths:

Narrow	Sizes 3 - 10 in whole and half sizes
Regular	Sizes 3 - 15 in whole and half sizes

Workmanship. The finished gymnasium shoes shall conform to the quality of product established by this document. The occurrence of defects shall not exceed the contractor's own quality assurance standards and the quality assurance standards defined by the technical data in the bid package.

Regulatory requirements. The offeror/contractor is encouraged to use recovered materials in accordance with Public Law 94-580 to the maximum extent practicable.

Quality assurance

Certification. The contractor shall certify that the product offered meets the salient characteristics of this description and that the product conforms to the producer's own drawings, specifications, standards and quality assurance practices. The Government reserves the right to require proof of such conformance prior to the first delivery and thereafter as may be otherwise provided for under the provisions of the contract. Reliance on contractor quality assurance systems shall not relieve the contractor of the responsibility of ensuring that all products or supplies submitted to the Government for acceptance comply with all requirements of the contract.

Certificate of compliance. Unless otherwise specified in the contract or purchase order, certificates of compliance may be submitted on all components.

Examination

Visual examination. The gymnasium shoes shall be examined for the defects listed below. The lot size shall be expressed in units of shoes. The sample unit is one pair of shoes.

Defects. The gymnasium shoes shall be examined for the following defects: any hole, cut, tear, inferior materials, workmanship defects such as distortion, wrinkles pleats or excessive fullness or color not as specified; any spot or stain (outside);

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thread ends not removed; label missing, incorrect, or illegible; measurement of item not as specified.

Preservation, packing, and marking. The preservation, packing, and marking shall be as specified in the contract or order.

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- a. Title, number, and date of this document
- b. Sizes and widths required (see Sizes and widths.)
- c. When palletization is required (see Preservation, packing, and marking.)

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Standardization Documents Order Desk  
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Source of non-Government documents. Copies of non-Government documents are available from:

ASTM-D 2240 - Indentation Hardness of Rubber and Plastics by Means of a Durometer

ASTM-D 1630 - Abrasion Resistance of Rubber Compounds for Soles and Heels

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