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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Samsonite Europe N.V., a corporation organized under the laws of Belgium, having its principal place of business at Westerring 17, 9200 Oudenaarde, Belgium (the "Assignor") is the owner by assignment of the right, title, and interest in and to certain new and useful systems, devices, designs and methods as disclosed and described in the Samsonite Invention and Product Design Disclosure Questionnaire having the title "Zipper wit integrated zipper cover" and Samsonite Ref. No. P-SA2001-EP, (the "Invention"); and

WHEREAS, Assignor desires to assign any and all right, title and interest to the Invention; any patents, patent applications, utility models, utility model applications, design registrations, design applications, or other intellectual property rights based upon or arising from the Invention, including, but not limited to, any original, provisional, non-provisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, divisional, international, foreign, regional, and convention applications, registrations, or patents; any reissue or reexamination thereof or to be obtained therefor; any renewals, or substitutes thereof; any and all priority rights or priority claims and International Convention rights for any of the foregoing; any and all rights to collect damages, including past damages, for infringement of any and all of the foregoing; and other benefits accruing to or to accrue to Assignor with respect to the filing of applications for patents or design registrations or the securing of patents, design registrations, or other intellectual property rights in any country or region in the world (the "Intellectual Property Rights"); and

WHEREAS, Samsonite IP Holdings S.à r.l., a société à responsabilité limitée (private limited liability company) governed by the laws of the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg, having its registered office at 13-15 Avenue de la Liberté, L-1931 Luxembourg, registered with the Luxembourg Register of Commerce and Companies (Registre de Commerce et des Sociétés, Luxembourg) under number B 147.735 (the "Assignee"), desires to acquire any and all right, title, and interest of Assignor in and to the Invention and the Intellectual Property Rights;

NOW THEREFORE, for the sum of €1.00 and other good and valuable consideration to Assignor in hand paid, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Assignor has sold, assigned, and transferred and by these presents does hereby sell, assign and transfer to the said Assignee, and said Assignee's legal representatives, successors and assigns, any and all of the entire right, title and interest in and to the Invention and the Intellectual Property Rights;

UPON SAID CONSIDERATION, the Assignor hereby covenants and agrees with the said Assignee that it will not execute any writing or do any act whatsoever conflicting with these presents, and that it will, at any time upon request, without further or additional consideration, but at the expense of the said Assignee, execute such additional assignments and other writings and do such additional acts as said Assignee may deem necessary or desirable to perfect the Assignee's enjoyment of this grant, and render all necessary assistance in making applications for and obtaining original, provisional, non-provisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, continuing prosecution, divisional, renewal, reissue, reexamined, or extended patents or design registrations in any country or region in the world, and execute confirmatory assignments or acknowledgments of this assignment as necessary for full enjoyment of the Invention and the Intellectual Property Rights and for recording in foreign patent offices, and in enforcing any rights or choses in action accruing as a result of the Intellectual Property Rights, by giving testimony in any proceedings or transactions involving such Invention and/or the Intellectual Property Rights, and by executing preliminary statements and other affidavits, it being understood that the

foregoing covenant and agreement shall bind, and inure to the benefit of, the assigns and legal representatives of both parties;

UPON SAID CONSIDERATION, Assignor represents and warrants that Assignor has the right, title, and authority to execute this Assignment and to convey any and all right, title, and interest in the Invention and the Intellectual Property Rights, and that Assignor has not conveyed nor will convey hereafter all or part of the Invention and the Intellectual Property Rights to a third party; and

ASSIGNOR HEREBY AUTHORIZES said Assignee, its successors, and assigns, or anyone it may properly designate, to apply for patents, design registrations, and other intellectual property rights associated with the Invention in any country or region in the world, in its own name if desired, and additionally to claim priority to the filing date of the original application or registration and otherwise take advantage of the provisions of any international conventions.

This Assignment may be executed in two or more counterparts and by facsimile, all of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

The effective date of this Assignment is 7 January 2020.

SAMSONITE EUROPE N.V.,

Date: 16 SEPTEMBER 2020

By:

Name: Fabio RUGARLI

Title: President Europe

ACCEPTANCE OF ASSIGNMENT

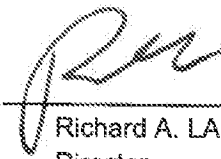
The Assignee hereby acknowledges and accepts the foregoing assignment of rights by Assignor.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the Assignee, by its undersigned officer, confirms its acceptance of the Assignment as of the effective date of 7 January 2020.

SAMSONITE IP HOLDINGS S.À R.L.,

Date: 30-09-2020

By:

Name:  Richard A. LAMB

Title: Director

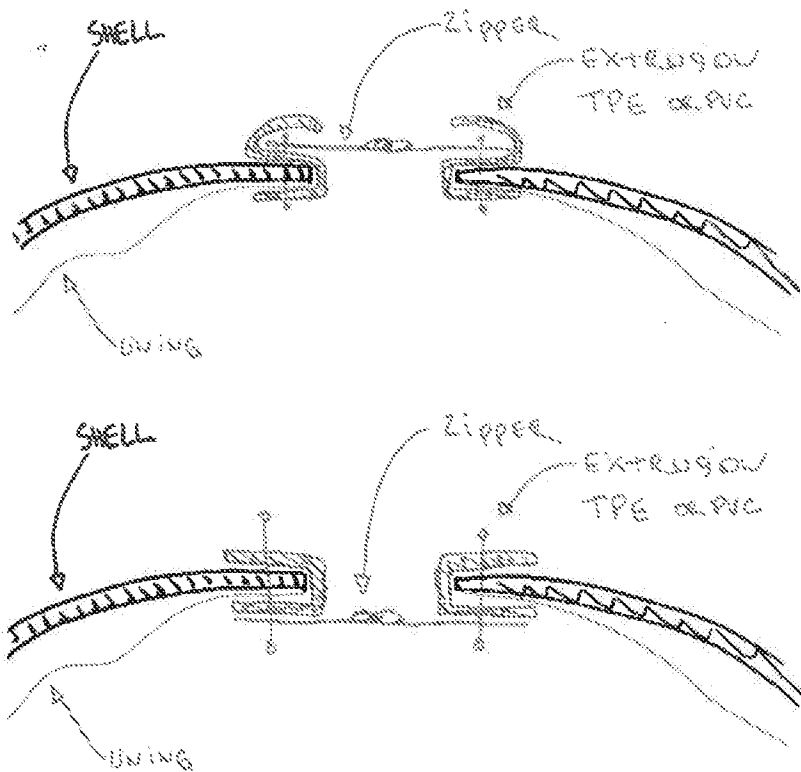
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Samsonite Invention and Product Design Disclosure Questionnaire

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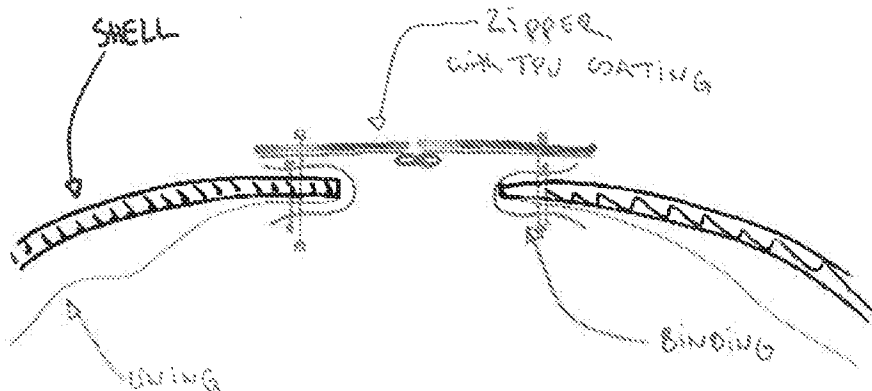
1. Title
Zipper with integrated zipper cover
2. Project Name. What is the internal project name of this invention or product design?
Ultralight PP zipped
3. Related Product Info. Describe any existing Samsonite products, methods, or external publications or presentations that are similar to your invention or product design.
Zipper closed ~~hardly~~ cases are using in most cases a TPE or PVC extrusion to cover the zipper and the raw edge of the shell.
This provides a clean finish on the inside while protecting the zipper tape and the zipper tape fixation thread from wear and tear.



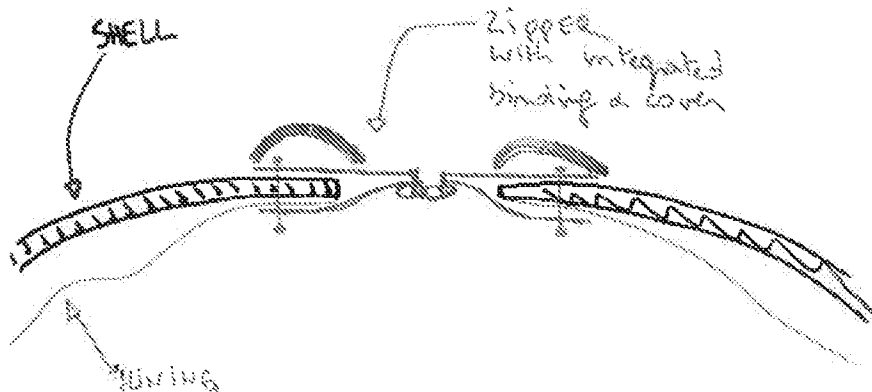
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In order to save weight, we are using in some cases a zipper without zipper cover. In this case we need to cover the raw edge of the shell by a separate binding. To avoid wear and tear on the outside, we are covering the zipper tape with a TPU lamination on the zipper tape.

This however creates a more polarising look as the thread is not hidden and the tape is completely visible.



4. Description. Provide a thorough description of your invention, using attachments if helpful. For a product design, please attach photographs or drawings from all sides.



The solution provides consist of three layers of webbing and one coil. The top layer covers the functional zipper tape and hides the fixation thread. The top zipper tape is covered with TPU for visual purpose and to avoid abrasion. This top layer could also be made in a different material or thicker webbing to give a different look. The key is that it is fixed directly to the edge of the zipper without being folded around the shell separately.

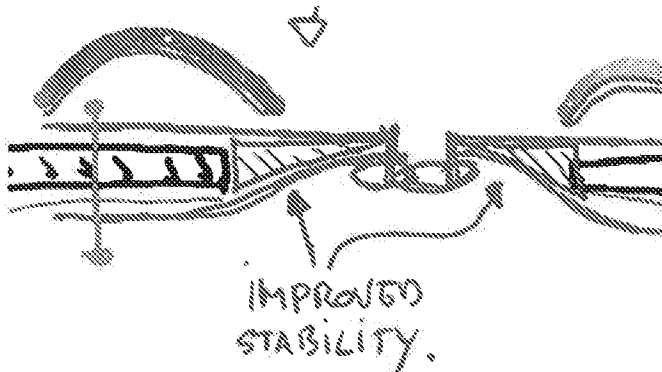
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This way of covering the zipper and stitching thread requires a lot less material and is therefore significantly lighter. As we are not forced to use an extrusion, we have also much more freedom of outlook and texture for this top layer.

The second layer is connecting the shell to the coil and is as such the functional part of the zipper tape.

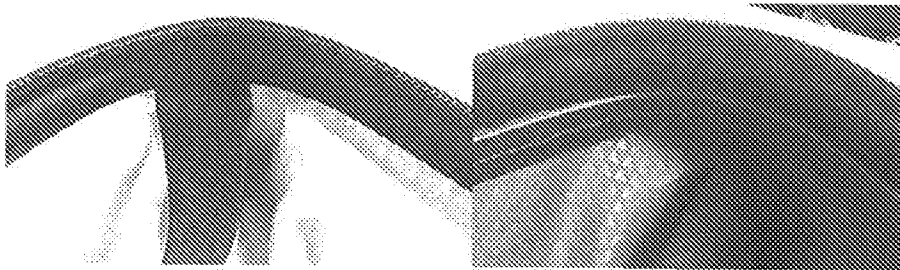
The third layer is covering the raw edge of the shell and also covers the edge of the inner liner. It is also fixed to the coil. This minimises the process steps as both tapes can be stitched to the coil in one operation. The fact that the coil is supported attached to two tapes fixed on both sides of the shell also gives a more ridged connection between the two shells.



The triangle created between the two tapes creates additional stiffness.

This minimises the movement between the two shells. This will keep the shells parallel to each other during rolling even when the case is not filled, and as such it improves the rolling performance.

The tape on the inside is also cleaner than the plastic extrusion. The clean surface of the extrusion makes the fixation stitching obvious while the webbing obscures this stitching.



At last, the current solutions always require different steps to fix the extrusion, binding and tape. In the proposed solution, this can be done in one single operation. As a result, it also reduces the labor cost on the production line significantly.

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5. Written Record. When and where was the very first written record of the invention or product design made?

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6. Prototype. When and where was the first functional prototype or model made? Who made it?

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7. Advantages. State the advantages that your invention or product design has over other existing products or technology.

REDACTED

8. Previous Public Disclosure without a Confidentiality Agreement. Has the invention or product design been discussed or disclosed, without a confidentiality agreement, outside of Samsonite (such as product testing, or to vendors, distributors, at a trade show, in an advertisement, etc.)? If yes, please provide the details of when and to whom it was discussed or disclosed. If not, please do not discuss or disclose outside of Samsonite until a patent has been filed or a determination has been made to not file a patent for the invention.

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9. Anticipated Public Disclosure. Is there an anticipated plan to discuss or disclose this invention outside of Samsonite? If so, when and where?

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10. Confidentiality Agreement. Is there a confidentiality agreement with any party regarding this invention or product design?

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11. Offer for Sale. Has the invention or product design been offered for sale? If so, when and where? If not, is there a plan to do so?

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12. Inventors. Provide the names and information for each inventor. An inventor is generally considered to be someone who conceived or thought of the invention. Someone who merely follows or implements the instructions of others, including those who help make a prototype or refine the invention or design, is generally not an inventor.

(Make extra copies of this text block for more inventors.)

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13. Approvals. Has submission of this invention disclosure been approved? If so, by who?

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14. Name of Person Completing this Form:

Reinhard Meerschaert

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