

LABORATORY EQUIPMENTS

Equipment for measuring the rigidity of the footwear

Purpose:

This equipment is intended to measure the rigidity of the complete footwear, to determine if it should be subjected to the "BENNEWART" flexing test.

Description:

The machine is equipped with the following components:

. Metal hinged table fixed to the machine structure;

. Adjustable clamping device to fix the forepart of the footwear to the solid static base ;

. Suitable sensor to acquire the force ;

. A force digital display (in Newtons) .

After properly clamped the test specimen (whole shoe) is subjected to a force of 30 N applied to the plane of the hinged table at a distance of 315 mm from the centre of the hinge. The flexed angle is then read and for footwear whose angle under the applied force is lower than 45° from the horizontal should not be subjected to the flexing test.

