



GORE-TEX® Extended Comfort Footwear FOR ENHANCED CLIMATE COMFORT

At work people have to perform at a high level day in day out – no matter what weather conditions and temperatures they may encounter. Footwear that is comfortable to wear makes a big difference. This holds true for all kinds of professions, from uniformed police officers on patrol duty to skilled

craftsmen and soldiers having to perform strenuous physical activities during desert operations. Workplace, daily duty and safety footwear with GORE-TEX® product technology is durably waterproof and highly breathable.

In order to meet the specific requirements of the wearer in terms of climate comfort, GORE-TEX® footwear for the workplace is available in three different product classes:

GORE-TEX® Insulated Comfort Footwear

- Durably waterproof
- Breathable
- Highly insulated for maximum heat retention

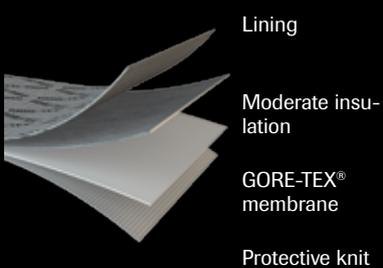
Ideal for cold weather and outdoor activities in winter



GORE-TEX® Performance Comfort Footwear

- Durably waterproof
- Breathable
- Moderately insulated for a broad range of temperatures

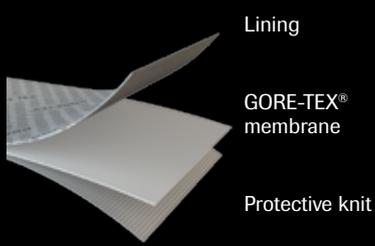
Ideal for changing weather and a wide range of activities



GORE-TEX® Extended Comfort Footwear

- Durably waterproof
- Highly breathable
- Non insulated for high heat loss

Ideal for warm weather and combined outdoor / indoor activities



TRIED, TESTED AND PROVEN UNDER REAL LIFE CONDITIONS

In situations in which people need to feel comfortable in warmer temperatures, during periods of strenuous physical activity and while performing work that takes them both outdoors and indoors, GORE-TEX® Extended Comfort Footwear is the best solution.

At the core of these operational, safety and daily duty boots are specific GORE-TEX® Extended Comfort Laminates: thin 3-layer laminates that come without insulation. The construction

consists of a highly abrasion resistant, quick-dry, textile lining, the microporous GORE-TEX® membrane and a protective knit.

Durable protection in wet conditions combined with effective heat and moisture management – even at elevated temperatures or during physically strenuous, fast-paced outdoor activities: The performance capabilities of the GORE-TEX® Extended Comfort Footwear product class were convincingly demonstrated in a recent user trial involving police forces, security personnel, skilled craftsmen and the military.

Scout GORE-TEX® by Haix®

- Durably waterproof/liquid proof
- Highly breathable
- Non insulated for high heat loss
- Sand and dust proof
- Lightweight and comfortable
- Supportive and stabilising



(Summer) combat boot with high climate comfort – FOR HOT CLIMATES AND HIGH INTENSITY ACTIVITIES

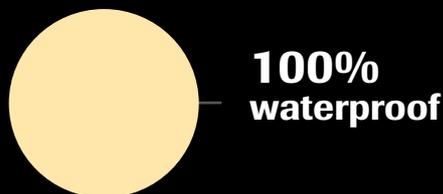
DETAILS OF THE USER TRIAL

- The user trial was conducted within the framework of an evaluation of the military boots produced by different footwear manufacturers.
- Between May and September 2012 a total of 34 soldiers from various branches of the military, like the airborne forces, infantry and mechanised infantry, wore the military boot (summer) under real life conditions.
- 80% of the soldiers wore the test boots for 4-5 days a week. 92% of the test persons wore the boots for 6-12h a day (total wearing time: app. 440h).
- The boots were tested during various training scenarios conducted in different climate zones: tropical rain forest (warm/damp), desert (warm/dry) and army barracks (indoor/during periods of high activity). The temperature range extended from -5 °C to +40 °C.
- At the end of the 20 week user trial: Feedback via questionnaire

RESULTS OF OF THE USER TRIAL

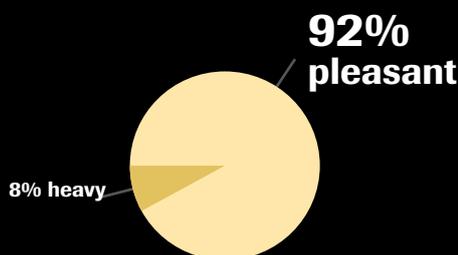
WATERPROOFNESS of the test boots:

All of the soldiers confirmed that the boots were durably waterproof



WEIGHT of the test boots:

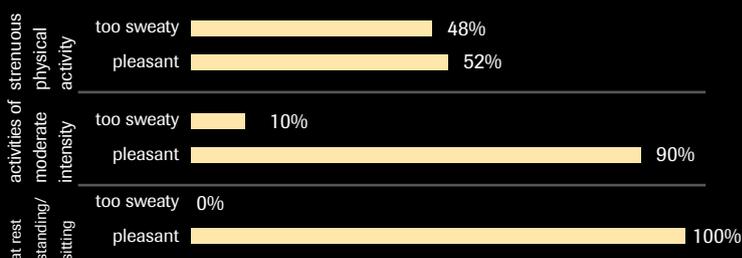
92% of the soldiers confirmed that the weight of the boots was pleasant



SWEATING inside the test boots (outdoors, at different activity levels):

At rest or during moderate activities (on guard duty at the barracks) over 90% of the soldiers said that the climate inside the shoe was pleasant.

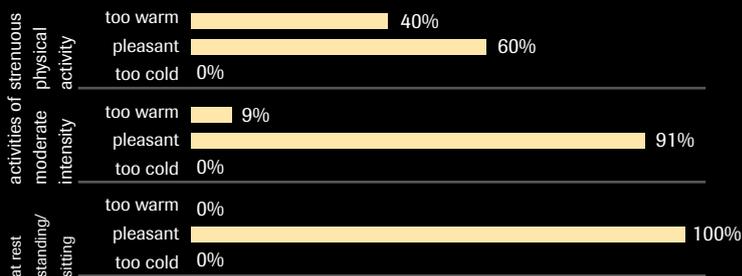
During periods of more strenuous physical activity this was still confirmed by 52% of the participants..



TEMPERATURE inside the test boots (outdoors, at different activity levels):

91% of the soldiers said that during activities of moderate intensity the temperature inside the test boots was pleasant.

During periods of more strenuous physical activity this was still confirmed by 60% of the participants.



OVERALL ASSESSMENT of the test boots:

83% of the soldiers assessed the test boots as being "good" or even "very good"

