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## Footwear advice



## Why do I need to change my footwear?

During an average life time your feet carry you the equivalent of five times around the world yet receive little care or attention. Many adult foot problems occur because of shoes that are too big, too small or badly made. Your shoes should support your feet. Some people think that their feet stay the same size throughout their lives but feet tend to increase in length and width and it is important to check that your shoes fit correctly.

- Shoe sizing can vary between brands so do not rely on the size alone and remember a bigger size will only give extra length and not extra width or depth.
- Flimsy ill fitting shoes could cause you to trip or fall.
- Avoid backless shoes where the heel of the foot overlaps the heel of the shoe.
- Shoes that are too tight can cause callus and corns.
- When buying shoes, make sure you can put them on and take them off easily.
- It is a good idea to buy shoes in the afternoon particularly if your feet swell during the day.
- Buy the correct style shoes for your activities high heels are not made for walking long distances.
- If possible try not to wear the same shoes everyday so that any moisture in your shoes can dry out.

# What would be the correct style to choose?

# **Fitting**

When choosing shoes ensure you choose the correct size. You should have about 1cm between your longest toe and the front of the shoe, and the shoe width should match your foot width. Avoid shoes that are tight or put pressure on your foot.

### Heel

A broad base to spread the load and give stability with a maximum heel height of 4cms.

# Heel counter/cup

Always wear shoes with a comfortable deep heel counter/cup that complements the shape of your heel.

#### Sole

The sole of the shoe should be flexible, cushion the foot and have shock absorption properties.

## Upper

Ideally, it should be composed of a natural material e.g. leather with no seams or top stitching.

## Lining

Inside the shoe should be smooth and without seams.

## **Fastenings**

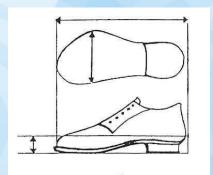
Ideally, shoes should have laces, straps with buckles or Velcro to keep them in place.

#### Toe Box

Deep enough to allow your toes to wiggle and prevent any rubbing.

#### Insole

Preferable removable to allow use of an insole or extra padding.



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