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**(54) Title:** FITTED BELT FOR ABSORBENT GARMENT**(57) Abstract**

Disclosed is a disposable absorbent garment (10, 10', 10'') having a belt (12, 12', 12'', 12'''). The belt may either be integral with (12'', 12''') or detachable (12, 12') from the absorbent portion of the garment. The belt (12, 12'') is arcuate so that one laterally extending edge (16, 16'') of the belt is longer than the other laterally extending edge (16, 16'') of the belt. This arrangement provides a better fitting belt which more discretely conforms to the contours of the wearer and is less noticeable under clothing. Alternatively, the belt (12''') may have a portion which is worn relatively high on the wearer's back, portions which extend diagonally downward to the front of the wearer and a portion which is worn relatively low, below the stomach of the wearer in front. This arrangement provides a belt (12''') which generally does not interfere with the portions of the wearer's body which encounter large ranges of motion during normal movements of the body.

