



Antique Football

VINTAGE HELMET GRADING SERVICES



Certificate Number	SAE-AGS-10069
Style Classification	Adjustable Ear Head Harness (SAE)
Date of Manufacture	1907 - 1908
Manufacturer	A.G. Spalding & Bros.
Model No.	No. M
Evaluation Date	5/10/2018
Evaluated By	PCH
Manufacturer's Logo	Yes
Location	Left Ear Flap

Material

Exterior	Oil Treated Canvas
Interior	White Felt

Size

Adult/Youth	
Hat Size	

Description

SAE-AGS-10069 is a circa 1907-1908 A.G. Spalding No. M adjustable ear head harness consisting of a oil treated canvas body and ear protectors and white felt padding.

Provenance

None

AntiqueFootball makes no representation of condition or AFR Grade beyond the inspection date noted.

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Registry QR Code:		AFR	EX
		Grade:	88.33

<http://www.helmetregistry.com/helmets/10069.htm>



Inspection Summary				Grading Scale	
Criteria	AFR Score	Grade %	Comp. Grade	Score Range	Grade
Deformation	100.00	40.00%	40.00	95-100	MINT
Exterior Condition	72.00	35.00%	25.20	90 - 95	NEAR MINT
Interior	92.50	25.00%	23.13	85 - 90	EX
Overall Score			88.33	80 - 85	EX - VG
				75 - 80	VERY GOOD
				70 - 75	GOOD
Overall Grade			EX	65 - 70	GOOD - FAIR
				60 - 65	FAIR
				< 60	POOR

I hereby certify that I have completed this vintage football helmet grading evaluation in accordance with the Vintage Helmet Grading Protocol and the Helmet Grading Code of Ethics established by AntiqueFootball.

Name	
P. Chris Hornung	
Signature	
Date	5/10/2018
Certificate is invalid without AF wax seal	



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Deformation		Body/Crown						Ear Pads		Deduction	Notes
		Symmetrical			Asymmetrical			Right	Left		
		Longitudinal	Lateral	Vertical	Longitudinal	Lateral	Vertical				
Deformation	Cupping			X						0.0	No cupping
	Compression							X	X	0.0	No compression
	Shear	X	X	X						0.0	No shear
Total Deformation Deductions										0.0	

Grading Key: A = Slight; B = Minor; C = Moderate; D = Significant; F = Severe

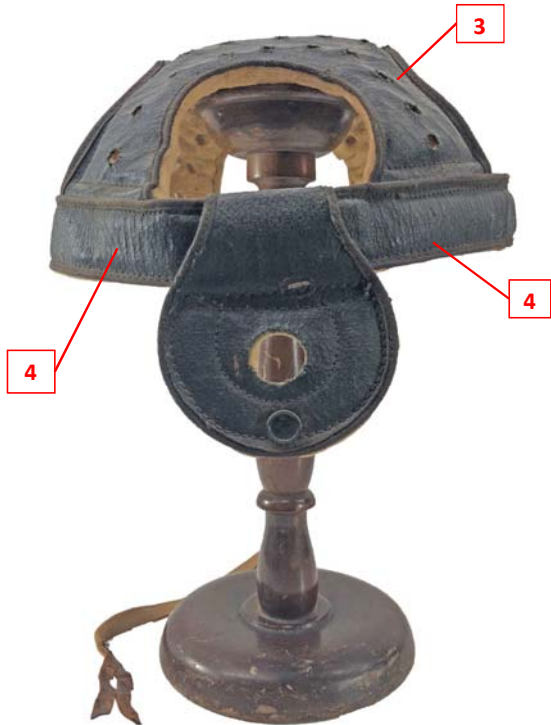
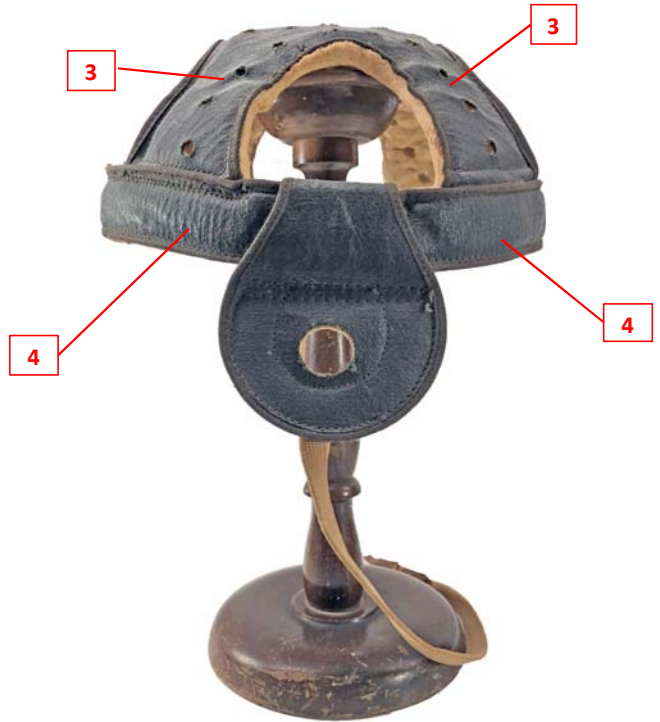
Exterior Condition		Location								Deduction	Notes
		Top	Front	Right Body	Left Body	Right Ear	Left Ear	Rear	Chinstrap		
Wear	Material Loss									0.0	No material loss
	Material Repairs									0.0	No material repairs evident
	Insect/Rodent Damage									0.0	No insect/rodent damage
	Tearing/Fraying								B	1.0	1 Spalling of leather chinstrap fob
	Surface Abrasions/Scuffs/Scars									0.0	No surface abrasions
Total Wear Deductions										1.0	
Desiccation	Stitch Disintegration/Damage	D							X	8.0	2 Stitch disintegration at top rear of helmet
	Fat Spews								X	0.0	No fat spews
	Embrittlement									0.0	Embrittlement deductions superseded by crazing/cracking deductions
	Shrinkage Depressions/Creasing	B		B	B					6.0	3 Moderate shrinkage depressions on top
	Crazing/Cracking	D	D	D	D			D	X	40.0	4 Significant cracking of oil treatment on front, rear, right, left and top of helmet
	Flaking/Spalling								X	0.0	No flaking/spalling
	Acidic Hydrolysis/Red Rot								X	0.0	No visible rot
Total Desiccation Deductions										54.0	
Discoloration	Oxidation								X	0.0	No oxidation
	Chemical Staining									0.0	No chemical staining
	Soiling/Staining								B	1.0	5 Minor staining of chinstrap
	Applied Treatments/Residue									0.0	No applied treatments/residue
	Foreign Markings									0.0	No foreign markings
	Metal Corrosion/Salt Accretions									0.0	No metal corrosion
	Microbic Deterioration									0.0	No sign of mold or bacteriological deterioration
Total Discoloration Deductions										1.0	
Total Exterior Condition Deductions										56.0	

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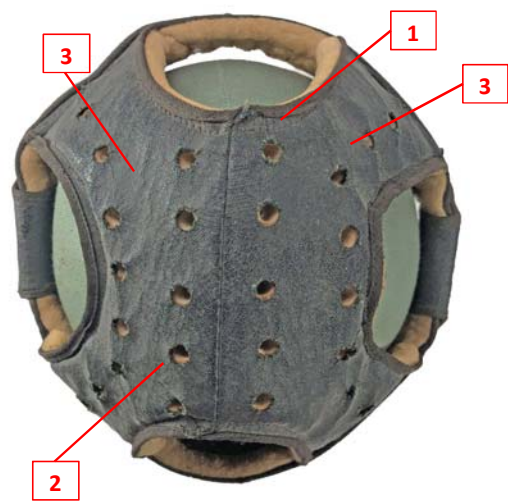
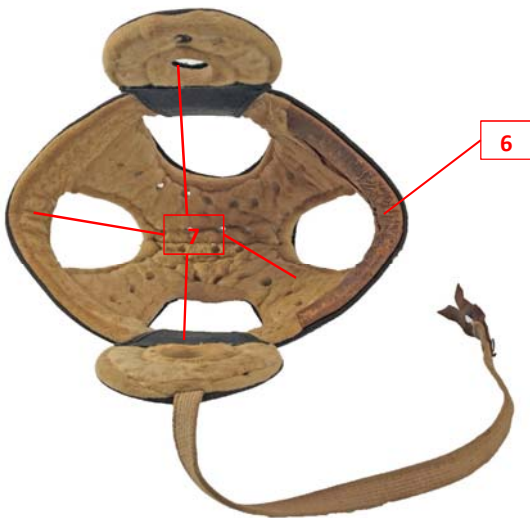
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Interior Condition		Location							Deduction	Notes
		Crown	Front	Right Side	Left Side	Right Ear	Left Ear	Rear		
Shell	Material Loss								0.0	No material loss
	Material Repairs								0.0	No material repairs
	Stitch Disintegration/Damage								0.0	No interior stitch damage
	Staining/Discoloration								0.0	No staining/discoloration
	Insect/Rodent Damage								0.0	No insect/rodent damage
	Tearing/Fraying								0.0	No tearing or fraying
	Foreign Markings								0.0	No foreign markings
	Embrittlement								0.0	No embrittlement
	Crazing/Cracking								0.0	No crazing/cracking
	Flaking/Spalling		C						8.0	6 Moderate spalling of leather headband
	Acidic Hydrolysis/Red Rot								0.0	No evidence of hydrolysis or rot
Total Shell Deductions									8.0	
Padding	Material Loss								0.0	No material loss
	Insect/Rodent Damage								0.0	No insect/rodent damage
	Staining/Discoloration	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	7.0	7 Slight staining of all interior padding surfaces
	Foreign Markings								0.0	No foreign markings
	Odor								0.0	No detectable odor
Total Padding Deductions									7.0	
Total Interior Condition Deductions									15.0	

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About the Adjustable-Ear Head Harness

Between 1907 and 1908, A.G. Spalding & Bros. manufactured the No. M Adjustable Ear Head Harness. The No. M was marketed as a cheaper helmet alternative for boys and had moveable ear pads that could be adjusted front to back to fit the wearer's head. Patented as a "Athletic Head Harness" by G.L. Pierce in August, 1907, the original design contemplated securing the ear flaps with lacing through holes punched in the flaps. However, when it was introduced Spalding, the No. M included wedges that were to be inserted between the headband and ear flap to secure it in position. The No. M was discontinued at the end of 1908.

THE SPALDING HEAD HARNESS

No. B

No. C

No. M

No. MP

No. E

No. B. Soft black leather top and sides, soft leather ear pieces, adjustable chin strap; rear extension. Top padded with felt and well ventilated. Sides stitched and felt padded with canvas lining. Each, \$3.00

No. M. Soft, good quality black leather, unpadded. Has adjustable ear pieces, gives necessary protection, and at the same time is one of the most comfortable and satisfactory styles of head harness that we have ever made. Each, \$2.50

No. MP. Similar in style to No. M, but padded with felt. Each, \$2.50

No. E. Made of special and very durable material; nicely padded and well made. Same design as No. MP. \$1.50

No. C. Soft black leather top, well ventilated; moleskin sides and ear pieces, elastic chin strap; rear extension. Nicely padded with felt and substantially made. Each, \$2.00

Patent applied for.

When ordering any of these Head Harness specify size of hat worn.
Prices subject to change without notice
Send for handsomely illustrated catalogue of all athletic sports.

Communications addressed to
A. G. SPALDING & BROS.
in any of the following cities will receive attention:
For street numbers see inside front cover of this book.

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New York	Pittsburg	Washington	Cleveland	Cincinnati	Denver
Buffalo	Baltimore	New Orleans	Detroit	Kansas City	Minneapolis
Syracuse					

These prices in effect July 5, 1907.