

Kingpin ski binding off the market pending lawsuit

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German manufacturer Marker DE has stopped selling the beloved Kingpin ski binding in response to a finding from a patent infringement lawsuit brought forth by G3 Genuine Guide Gear Inc. According to legal documents, Marker stipulated in court in May, agreeing that it had infringed on one of three patent claims that G3 asserted against them.

Subsequent court dates will determine whether Marker infringed on two other infringement claims, as well as the damages G3 will be awarded.

In the fall 2015, Marker, who elected not to comment on the matter, introduced the Kingpin binding to great fanfare.

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