

Skechers GOrun Speed Elite Hyper Now Available to All Competitive Runners

Ultra-lightweight Flagship Racing Flat Elevates Skechers' Performance Running Category

MANHATTAN BEACH, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- The Skechers flagship racing flat, Skechers GOrun Speed Elite Hyper, will now be available to all competitive runners for the first time. This unique racer, originally exclusive to elite Skechers runners, is designed to be as light as possible with quick turnover and running economy in mind.



Skechers GOrun Speed Elite Hyper—the brand's ultra-lightweight flagship racing flat—is now available to all competitive runners. (Photo: Business Wire)

"Our design team and road testers work tirelessly to ensure that our performance running shoes are fast and deliver the latest innovations." said Michael Greenberg, president of Skechers. "The pure result of this effort is the Skechers GOrun Speed Elite Hyper—our flagship technical racing flat that represents everything we stand for in the category. We originally designed this shoe specifically for the elite athletes on our team—giving them the competitive edge

to win races. Runners around the world have been asking when they could get a pair. We listened, and the Skechers GOrun Speed Elite Hyper is now available to anyone aiming for the podium. We expect the running community buzz generated by the Speed Elite Hyper will also shine the spotlight on our entire collection of award-winning performance running products."

"The Speed Elite Hyper is a fantastic shoe and it has become my go-to in road races," said 17-time national champion and Skechers elite runner Edward Cheserek, who tested and provided keen insight on the competitive flat. "It's great this racer that I helped develop is now available to all runners."

The Skechers GOrun Speed Elite Hyper is designed to compete with the highest tier of technical running gear in the market. It features a unique patent-pending infused carbon fiber polymer winglet plate that makes the Speed Elite Hyper one of the lightest, fastest, most authentic racers in this category. Developed through biomechanical testing and insights from elite athletes, the winglet plate is designed to help runners transmit power to the ground with reduced energy loss, for improved running economy.

The Speed Elite Hyper is the latest in a collection of running styles from Skechers that feature an innovative Hyper Burst midsole, which is made using a "super critical" foaming process to create spherically-shaped cells in tight format. It is the lightest and most resilient midsole foam that Skechers Performance has offered to date. The unique irregular cell structure is unlike most other EVA foams on the market today. The shoe also includes Goodyear Rubber Technology on a portion of the outsole for enhanced grip, stability and durability.

Since its debut with the first model of Skechers GOrun worn by Meb Keflezighi in 2012, Skechers Performance footwear has earned respect throughout the running world and won numerous awards within the footwear industry—including 10 editorial awards in 2019 alone.

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