

DICKS SPORTING GOODS INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
NEWLIN WILLIAM R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
DICKS SPORTING GOODS INC  
[DKS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
300 INDUSTRY DRIVE, RIDC  
PARK WEST  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/02/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Exec. VP/Chief Admin. Officer

PITTSBURGH, PA 15275

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)          | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 03/02/2005                           |  | G <sup>(1)</sup>               | V<br>Amount<br>4,200<br><sup>(2)</sup><br>D \$ 0                  | 26,027 <sup>(3)</sup>   | I  | By wife                           |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock option (right to buy)                | \$ 35.95   | 03/02/2005                           |  | A                              | 50,000  | <sup>(4)</sup> 03/02/2015                                | Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share                      | 50,000                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |  |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|--|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                                | Other |
| NEWLIN WILLIAM R<br>300 INDUSTRY DRIVE<br>RIDC PARK WEST<br>PITTSBURGH, PA 15275 |               |           | Exec.<br>VP/Chief<br>Admin.<br>Officer |       |

## Signatures

/s/ William R.  
Newlin 03/04/2005  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) This gift transaction is a Form 5 event, and is voluntarily being reported earlier than is required by the SEC, and is not subject to the two business day filing requirement.  
 The 4,200 shares were gifted by the reporting person's wife. Mr. Newlin disclaims beneficial ownership of those shares, and the inclusion of such shares shall not be an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner for the purposes of Section 16 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act").
- (2) This amount includes 1,027 shares acquired under the Dick's Sporting Goods, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan in June 2004. This amount also includes 18,000 shares owned by the reporting person's wife; the reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of those shares, and the inclusion of such shares shall not be an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner for purposes of Section 16 under the Exchange Act.
- (3) The option vests 25% annually over a four-year period in equal increments.

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