



Knitting Abbreviations

() - work instructions within parentheses in the place directed.

[] - work instructions within brackets as many times as directed

***** - repeat instructions following the single asterisk as directed

****** - repeat instructions between asterisks as directed

Alt – alternate

Approx – approximately

Beg – beginning

Bet – between

BO – bind(cast) off

CC – contrast colour

Cm – centimeters

CN – cable needle

CO – cast on

Col – colour

Cont – continue

Dbl – double

Dec – decrease/decreases/decreasing

DK – double knit weight yarn

DPN – double pointed needles

Foll – follow; follows; following

G(r) – gram

G st – garter stitch

In(s) – inch(es)

Inc – increase/increases/increasing

Incl – include

K – knit

K1b – knit stitch in row below

K2tog – knit two stitches together

K1 f&b – knit into front and then in the back of next stitch (increase)

K1tbl or ktbl – knit through the back loop

K2tog tbl – knit two stitches together through back loop.

Kwise – knitwise

LH – left hand

Lp(s) – loop(s)
M – meters
M1 – make one – an increase; if the pattern does not specify which increase, use any.
MB – make bobble
MC – main colour
Mm – millimeters
Oz – ounce
P – purl
P2tog – purl two stitches together
Patt(s) – pattern(s)
P1 f&b - purl into front and then in the back of next stitch (increase)
Pm – place marker
Pnso – pass next stitch over
Pssso – pass slipped stitch over
P1tbl or ptbl – purl through the back loop
Pwise – purlwise
Rem – remaining
Rep – repeat
Rev st st – reverse stocking stitch
RH – right hand
Rnds – rounds
RS – right side
Sk – skip next stitch
Sk2 – skip next two stitches
Skp or skpo – slip one stitch, knit next stitch, pass slipped stitch over the knitted one as in sl1, k1, pssso
Sl – slip
Sl1k – slip one stitch knitwise
Sl1p – slip one stitch purlwise
Ssk – slip, slip, knit these two stitches together (a decrease)
St st – stocking stitch (stockinette)
St(s) – stitch(es)
Tbl – through back loop
Tog – together
WS – wrong side
Wyb – with yarn at the back
Wyf – with yarn at the front
Yb – yarn back
Yf – yarn front
Yfd or yfwd – yarn forward
Yfrn – yarn forward and around needle
Yo – yarn over needle (used in US; the same as yfd or yfwd)
Yo2 – yarn over twice
Yon – yarn over needle
Yrn – yarn around needle