

SCHMETZ NEEDLE GUIDE

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Needle Anatomy

Butt: The beveled end allows easy insertion in the needle bar.

Shank: Household needles have a flat shank, while commercial and industrial needles have round, threaded, notched or other special shanks. Shanks allow perfect positioning of the needle in the sewing machine.

Shoulder: The sloping area transitioning between the shank and blade. SCHMETZ color codes appear on the shoulder.

Blade: Needle size is determined by the blade diameter (i.e., size 75 is .75mm).

Groove: The groove cradles and guides thread to the eye. The length and size of the groove

vary according to needle type.

Scarf: The indentation above the eye that allows the bobbin hook to smoothly grab the thread under the throat plate to create a stitch. The shape and size of the scarf vary according to needle type.

Eye: The hole through which thread passes. The shape and size of the eye vary according to needle type.

Point & Tip: Length, shape and size vary according to needle types.

Needle Type: Upper color band indicates needle type (i.e., Stretch).

Needle Size: Lower color band indicates size (i.e., 75/11).



Change Your Needle

Damaged or worn needles result in:

- · Broken or shredded threads
- Skipped or uneven stitches
- · Puckered or damaged fabrics
- Popping sounds made by sewing machine

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The needle system used by home sewing machines. Needles have a flat shank and a scarf.

SCHMETZ Works with All Sewing Machine Brands!

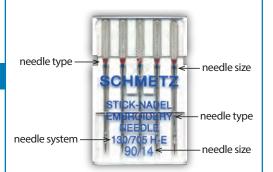
Replace Your Needle

It's the easiest way to improve stitch quality.

Needle Selection

Choose needle size according to thread thickness and needle type according to fabric application.

How to Read a Needle Package



The SCHMETZ Advantage

- Less friction on thread passing through eye.
- Penetrates fabric with less resistance.
- · Smoother stitch creation.
- · Resists heat improved durability & performance.

eye point tip

General Purpose Needles

Universal

Size: 60/8, 65/9, 70/10, 75/11, 80/12, 90/14, 100/16, 110/18, 120/19

Assorted, Twin, Triple Color Code: Size only.

Feature: Slightly rounded point. Fabric Use: Numerous - woven and knits.

A great general purpose needle.

Jersey (Ball Point)

Size: 70/10, 80/12, 90/14, 100/16, Assorted

Color Code: Orange

Feature: Medium ball point. Fabric Use: Knits and some

stretch fabrics. Made especially for sewing on knits. The medium ball point does not

damage or break knit fibers.

Stretch

Size: 65/9, 75/11, 90/14, Twin

Color Code: Yellow Feature: Medium ball point, special eye and scarf. Fabric Use: Elastic materials

and highly elastic knitwear. The medium ball point, specially designed eye and scarf prevent skipped stitches.

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leans

Size: 70/10, 80/12, 90/14, 100/16, 110/18, Assorted,

Twin

Color Code: Blue Feature: Medium ball point

and reinforced blade.

Fabric Use: Denim and similar fabrics. For penetrating extra thick woven fabrics, denims, or quilts with minimum needle deflection, reduced risk of needle breakage and skipped stitches.

Quilting

Size: 75/11, 90/14,

Assorted

Color Code: Green Feature: Special taper to the slightly rounded point. Fabric Use: Made especially

for piecing and machine quilting. The special tapered design allows easier fabric penetration and helps eliminate skipped stitches.

Leather

Size: 70/10, 80/12, 90/14, 100/16, 110/18, Assorted Color Code: Brown Feature: Cutting point.

Fabric Use: Leather, artificial leather, heavy non-woven synthetics. Do not use on knit or woven fabrics.

Quick Threading

Size: 80/12, 90/14 Color Code: Size only. Feature: Universal needle with a slip-in threading slot in the eye.

Fabric Use: Numerous woven and knits. A general purpose needle for effortless threading.



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Specialty Needles

Microtex (Sharp)

Size: 60/8, 70/10, 80/12, 90/14, 100/16, 110/18, Assorted

Color Code: Purple

Feature: Very slim acute point. Fabric Use: Micro fibers, polyester, silk, foils, artificial leather, coated materials. Very thin acute point creates beautiful topstitching and perfectly straight stitches for quilt piecing

when precision is paramount.

Embroidery

Size: 75/11, 90/14, Assorted, Twin Color Code: Red Feature: Light ball

point, wide eve and groove. Fabric Use: Use with rayon,

polyester and other specialty embroidery threads. The special scarf, widened groove and enlarged eye protect fragile threads and guard against excess friction allowing troublefree embroidery and decorative stitching.

Gold Embroidery

Size: 75/11, 90/14 Color Code: None Feature: Titanium Nitride coating, slightly rounded point and enlarged eye.

Fabric Use: Coarse

and densely woven materials. Slightly rounded point and enlarged eye are perfect for embroidery on most fabrics and with the most fragile specialty threads. Titanium coating resists adhesives, improves needle wear and penetration of coarse and densely woven fabrics.

Metallic

Size: 80/12, 90/14,

Twin

Color Code: Pink Feature: Elongated eye. Fabric Use: Metallic

and other specialty threads. A "must have" for sewing with sensitive

metallic threads. The elongated eye prevents shredding and breaking of metallic threads.

Topstitch

Size: 80/12, 90/14,

100/16

Color Code: Lt. Green Feature: Elongated eye. Fabric Use: Topstitch,

heavy, multiple or poor quality threads. Achieve

perfectly straight stitch lines and even stitches when using a straight stitch plate.

Super NonStick

Size: 70/10, 80/12, 90/14, 100/16 Color Code: None

Feature: Anti-adhesive coating (NIT), extra large eye, distinctive scarf, and reinforced blade prevent skipped

stitches and provides a residue-free needle. Fabric Use: Use when sewing multi-media guilts, embroidery stabilizer, spray adhesive, fusibles, vinyl, or hook and loop tape.

Hemstitch

Size: 100, 120, Twin Color Code: Size only. **Feature**: A wing on each side of the needle. Fabric Use: Light or

medium weight loosely woven fabrics. Popular for heirloom sewing and to

create decorative cutwork.

Double Eye

Size: 80/12

Color Code: Size only. Feature: Universal needle with two eyes. Fabric Use: Numerous —

different threads for shading and texturing effects for embroidery and topstitching.



woven and knits. Use two

Multiple Needles

Double needles are two needles mounted on one shank used to create two rows of stitches simultaneously. Use two spools of

Universal Twin

Sizes: 1.6/70, 1.6/80, 2.0/80, 2.5/80, 3.0/90, 4.0/80, 4.0/90, 4.0/100, 6.0/100, 8.0/100, Assorted

Double Hemstitch

Size: 2.5/100

A hemstitch needle and a universal needle with a 2.5 mm separation.

Embroidery Twin

Size: 2.0/75, 3.0/75

Metallic Twin

Size: 2.5/80, 3.0/90

Jeans Twin Size: 4.0/100

Stretch Twin

Size: 2.5/75, 4.0/75

Universal Triple Size: 2.5/80, 3.0/80

