Common Knitting Abbreviations



beg begin or beginning
bind –or cast– off
cc contrasting color
cm centimeter(s)
cn cable needle
co cast on

cont continue or continuing dec decrease or decreasing double-pointed needle(s)

est established

foll follows or following

g gram(s)
in inch(es)

inc increase or increasing

k knit

kfb knit into front and back of stitch

kXtog knit the next X amount of stitches together (example:

k2tog means knit next two stitches together)

LH left-hand
mm millimeter(s)
MC main color
M1 make one
p purl
patt(s) pattern(s)

pm place marker

psso pass slipped stitch(es) over

pXtog purl the next X amount of stitches together (example:

p2tog means purl next two stitches together)

rem remains or remaining

rep repeat

rev reversing or reversed

RH right-hand
rnd(s) round(s)
RS right side

SKP slip one stitch, knit one stitch, pass slipped stitch over **SK2P** slip one stitch, knit two stitches together, pass slipped

stitch over the two knitted stitches

S2KP slip two stitches together knitwise, knit one stitch,

pass slipped stitches over the knitted stitch

sl st slip stitch

ssk(p) slip, slip, knit –or purl

st(s) stitch(es)

St st Stockinette or Stocking stitch

tbl through back loop

togWSwrong side(s)wyibwith yarn in backwyifwith yarn in front

yf yarn forward (over hook or needle)

yo yarn over (hook or needle)

Common Crochet Abbreviations



BP back post

BPdc back post double crochetBPsc back post single crochetBPtr back post treble crochet

ch chain(s)

ch- refers to chain or space previously made (example:

ch-1 space)

ch-sp chain space previously made
 dc double crochet (UK: tr=treble)
 dc2tog double crochet two stitches together
 dtr double treble (UK: trtr=triple treble)

FP front post

FPdc front post double crochet

FPsc front post single crochet front post treble crochet

grp(s) group(s)

hdc half double crochet (UK: htr=half treble)

lp(s) loop(s)

sc single crochet (UK: dc=double crochet)
sc2tog single crochet two stitches together

sk skip or skipped

sl st slip stitch (UK: sc=single crochet)

sp(s) space(s)
t-ch turning chain

tr treble (UK: dtr=double treble)

trtr triple treble (UK: qtr=quadruple treble)