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## Textile machinery — Knitting machines — Number of needles for circular knitting machines of large nominal diameter

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## 1 Scope and field of application

This International Standard specifies the usual number of needles for single face, double face and "links-links" circular knitting machines of large nominal diameter in terms of the needle pitch or gauge  $E$  and the machine nominal diameter; it may be used as a basis for the comparison of fabrics knitted on these machines.

NOTE — The classification and vocabulary of knitting machines are laid down in ISO 7839.

## 2 References

ISO 7839, *Textile machinery and accessories — Knitting machines — Classification and vocabulary.*

ISO 8117, *Textile machinery — Knitting machines — Nominal diameters of circular machines.*

ISO 8188, *Textile machinery and accessories — Pitches of knitting machine needles.*

## 3 Number of needles

### 3.1 General

The numerical designations of the nominal diameters of circular knitting machines and the needle pitches are given in ISO 8117 and ISO 8188.

To determine the usual number,  $N_u$  (rounded number), of needles for circular knitting machines of large nominal diameter from the theoretical number,  $N_t$ , of needles, take as the divisor

- 12, for machines with nominal diameters less than or equal to 508 mm, and
- 24, for machines with nominal diameters greater than 508 mm.

The deviation from the theoretical number of needles shall not exceed  $\pm \frac{3}{9}$  for case a) and  $\pm \frac{6}{18}$  for case b).

NOTE — The usual number (rounded) of needles is therefore a multiple of 12 or 24 which occurs in the fixed tolerance interval for the theoretical number of needles, i.e.  $\pm \frac{3}{9}$  or  $\pm \frac{6}{18}$ .

### 3.2 Calculation

The theoretical number,  $N_t$ , of needles is obtained using the following formula:

$$N_t = d_c \pi E$$

where

$N_t$  is the theoretical number of needles;

$$\pi = 3,141\,592\,7;$$

$d_c$  is the designation for the nominal diameter of the knitting machine;

$E$  is the gauge.

The usual number,  $N_u$ , of needles, as given in the table, is the number rounded according to the requirements of 3.1.

*Example:*

The theoretical number of needles for a knitting machine with a numerical designation  $d_c = 18$  and a gauge  $E = 24$  is

$$N_t = 18 \times 3,141\,592\,7 \times 24 = 1\,357,168$$

The usual number of needles is therefore in the range of 1 348,168 to 1 360,168 (i.e.  $1\,357,168 \pm \frac{3}{9}$ ) and is 1 356 (using a divisor of 12) in this case.



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