



Common Crochet Abbreviations

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NOTE: Special abbreviations may also be used in some patterns. Generally, the definition of a special abbreviation is provided at the beginning of the pattern. For more information about reading patterns, go to www.yarnstandards.com

Abbreviation	Description	Abbreviation	Description
[]	work instructions within brackets as many times as directed	FPtr	front post treble crochet
()	work instructions within parentheses as many times as directed	g	gram
*	repeat the instructions following the single asterisk as directed	hdc	half double crochet
**	repeat instructions between asterisks as many times as directed or repeat from a given set of instructions	inc	increase/increases/increasing
"	inch(es)	lp(s)	loops
alt	alternate	m	meter(s)
approx	approximately	MC	main color
beg	begin/beginning	mm	millimeter(s)
bet	between	oz	ounce(s)
BL	back loop(s)	p	picot
bo	bobble	pat(s) or patt	pattern(s)
BP	back post	pc	popcorn
BPdc	back post double crochet	pm	place marker
BPsc	back post single crochet	prev	previous
BPtr	back post treble crochet	rem	remain/remaining
CA	color A	rep	repeat(s)
CB	color B	rnd(s)	round(s)
CC	contrasting color	RS	right side
ch	chain stitch	sc	single crochet
ch-	refers to chain or space previously made: e.g., ch-1 space	sc2tog	single crochet 2 stitches together
ch-sp	chain spac	sk	skip
CL	cluster	Sl st	slip stitch
cm	centimeter(s)	sp(s)	space(s)
cont	continue	st(s)	stitch(es)
dc	double crochet	tch or t-ch	turning chain
dc2tog	double crochet 2 stitches together	tbl	through back loop
dec	decrease/decreases/decreasing	tog	together
dtr	double treble	tr	treble crochet
FL	front loop(s)	trtr	triple treble crochet
foll	follow/follows/following	WS	wrong side
FP	front post	yd(s)	yard(s)
FPdc	front post double crochet	yo	yarn over
FPsc	front post single crochet	yoh	yarn over hook

Chart courtesy of www.yarnstandards.com