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Ever since our first SNC model was developed in 1978, we at Shima Seiki have been at the forefront of computerized knitting technology. Furthermore with the launch of our award-winning and best-selling SES® series in 1989, Shima Seiki has secured a major portion of the market share worldwide. It therefore comes as no surprise that Shima Seiki is considered the global standard in computerized flat knitting technology.





#### The New Global Standard

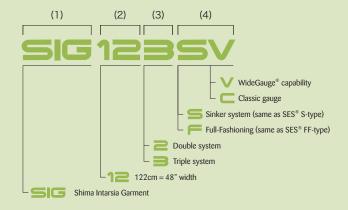
Shima Seiki announces a whole new global standard with the introduction of the SIG® series machines. Carrying over our greatest achievements in flat knitting technology from our SES® series, SIG® offers a blend of quality, productivity, user-friendliness and costperformance that fulfills the high expectations already held by the global fashion industry.

#### Nomenclature

How to "read" Shima Seiki knitting machine names. Shima Seiki's knitting machine names consist of 4 sections:

- (1) Series Code
- (2) Knitting Width
- (3) Number of Knitting Systems
- (4) Machine Type

This system allows easy identification of SIG<sup>®</sup> and other models.



















































# The World's First Digital Stitch Device

Considered one of the most significant breakthroughs in modern-day knitting, our patented Digital Stitch Control System (DSCS®) is the only proven digital system field-tested and market-proven in the industry for over 20 years. No other manufacturer can claim this kind of experience or level of refinement.



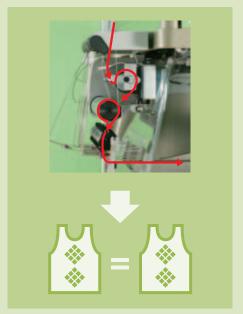


# **Inconsistency Factors**

Factors such as:

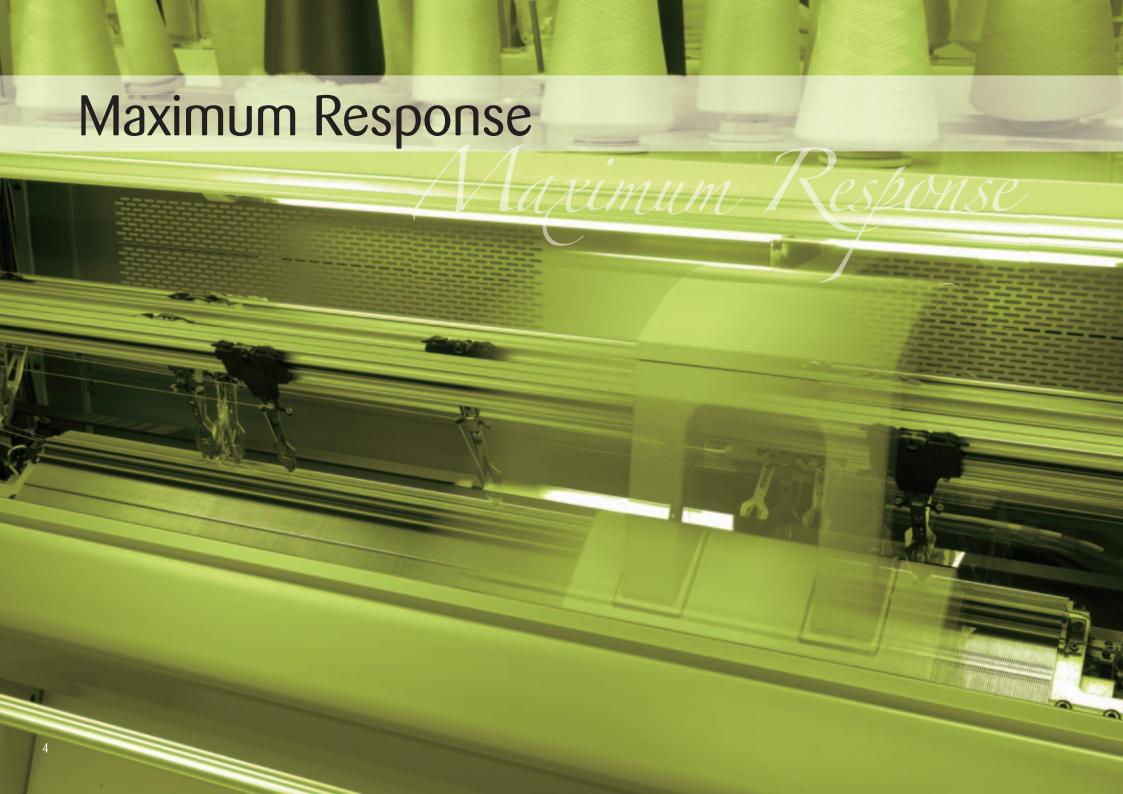
- Knitting speed;
- Yarn tension;
- Cone size;
- Batch difference: and
- Humidity

all contribute to variations in loop formation. Analog systems cannot keep up with the minute adjustments required against today's demands for high-speed knitting, resulting in inconsistent production quality.



### The DSCS® Encoder

Once the DSCS  $^{\text{@}}$  equipped machine is programmed with the desired loop length, it monitors yarn consumption continuously and adjusts yarn feed and tension to yield consistency throughout the fabric to within a remarkable  $\pm 1\%$  tolerance. The result is quality control that is essential to shaping and integral garment production.





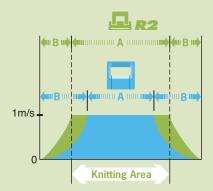
# Rapid Response R2Carriage®

SIG® features the new Shima Seiki R2 (Rapid Response) Carriage® System. By re-evaluating the entire carriage mechanism and software programming, maximum knitting speed increases over previous SES® models. More importantly, the R2Carriage® achieves quicker carriage returns after each course. Combined, these improvements result in an increase in productivity of over 10 per cent.



# Benefits of a Compact, Lightweight Carriage

The compact size and low mass of the R2Carriage<sup>®</sup> allow a lower moment of inertia and quicker carriage returns.



For a given knitting width, a larger and heavier carriage requires more space (B) at each end of the machine to decelerate, return and accelerate back up to speed, so the actual portion where the carriage runs at full speed (A) becomes very limited. With a compact, lightweight carriage, less space is required for the carriage to make returns, allowing more area for the carriage to run at full speed. This allows faster knitting per course, resulting in higher productivity.



# **Typical Increases in Productivity**

Significant increases in productivity can be seen throughout different portions of these garments.



Machine: SIG122SV 07G (@1.1m/s)

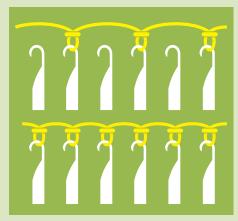
Knitting:	All-needle, 7G texture	Half-gauge, 5G texture
No. of Courses:	3470	2402
Knitting Time:	41:07	25:15
Average Savings:	11.9%	13.9%



# WIDEGAUGE®

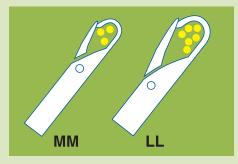
# WideGauge® Knitting

SIG®122SV and SIG®123SV feature WideGauge® capability that allows a variety of gauges to be knit on a single machine. This allows the freedom to handle changing seasons and shifting trends without investing in a machine for every gauge or resorting to the complex, time-consuming task of gauge conversion.



A wide range of production is possible, from tighter, finer-gauge fabrics using all-needle knitting to more airy, lower-gauge textures using half-gauge  $(1\times1)$  knitting.





#### **Needle Hook Conversion**

SIG®122SV and SIG®123SV WideGauge® machines are available in 07G, 12G and 14G, with a choice of needle hooks. The MM Hook has a standard-size hook, while the special LL Hook features an oversized hook that allows thicker gauges or multiple ends for increased gauge range.



# **Gaugeless Knitting**

WideGauge® capable models can also perform Gaugeless Knitting, whereby an assortment of gauge sizes can be knit in a single garment for greater patterning possibilities.









#### **New Intarsia Carriers**

 ${\sf SIG}^{\circledast}$  series machines feature capacity for up to 30 intarsia carriers. The new intarsia carriers are more compact, fitting more carriers and thus allowing more color changes within a given knitting width. The improved intarsia system is also much quieter, averaging two-thirds (2/3) less noise than our previous intarsia system.

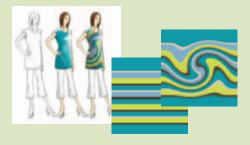


# **New Arch-Shaped Carrier Rails**

SIG® features light and rigid aluminum yarn carrier rails that form an arch-shape. This creates equal distance and angle to the needle bed for all yarn carriers, permitting a straight yarn carrier design which in turn contributes to smooth and stable operation.

# **Intarsia Design and Programming**

From yarn creation and knit fabric design to machine programming and even sales promotion, our All-in-One SDS®ONE design workstation features everything needed to create quality intarsia knitwear quickly and efficiently. Shima Seiki's unparalleled experience and know-how in the industry make SDS®ONE the most advanced knit design system available.







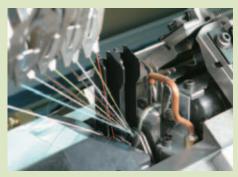












# Yarn Gripper and Cutter System

Our unique yarn gripper and cutter system consists of two yarn grippers and one yarn cutter that work in precise coordination with each other. Since the gripper and cutter are separate units, they can be independently activated to delay cutting while holding, or perform holding alone. Safety features are also built-in, such as a finger guard and the use of specially configured safety blades.







#### The Shima Seiki Takedown System

Shima Seiki's fabric takedown system features two sets of independently adjustable rollers and the takedown comb. The rollers provide quicker response times, permitting easier transfer especially for Aran and cable patterns. The patented takedown comb employs a fullyactive row of setup needles. Their active release mechanism further offers complete, reliable, snag-free fabric release.











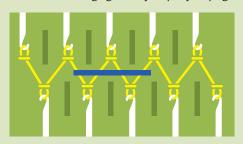
# **Spring-Type Full-Sinker System**

Spring-type sinkers operate full-time regardless of carriage position, and provide gentle holddown movement, realizing significant improvement in quality and texture for complicated threedimensional fabrics.



# **Stitch Presser Technology**

The patented stitch presser system features a special motor-driven system which allows the pressers to carry out individual on/off adjustments in both knit and transfer, in either course direction. These pressers are able to hold down fabric gently for improved consistency and control, contributing significantly to quality shaping.

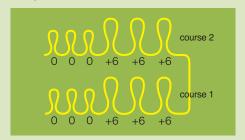


Stitch Presser performs effective holddown while knitting ribs, when sinkers are otherwise ineffective.



#### **Second Stitch Control**

SIG® machines feature a special Second Stitch cam that allows loose/tight stitches for shaping. Loose and tight stitches can be controlled for each individual needle, allowing instantaneous changes when needed.







#### **All-New Built-In Controller**

SIG® features a brand-new computer-control unit that is built-in to the knitting machine. Maintenance and periodical cleaning become more efficient, and shipping and installation requirements are simplified.

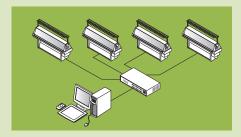




# **USB Memory Input**

The new controller accepts USB memory input to support large file sizes for increasingly complex patterns and designs. A second port is now available for supplementary connection with other USB devices as well.





#### **Shima Network Solutions**

By networking multiple knitting machines with our SDS®-ONE design workstation, knitting data can be uploaded/downloaded and shared. Online production management can be used to gather important information about productivity for each individual machine. Shima Network Solutions can be customized according to your factory configuration, for up to a total of 240 machines in a single network.



# **Backup Power Supply**

A backup power supply allows work to resume after power failures, offering the peace of mind that an entire garment will not be lost due to blackouts. This is especially effective when knitting items with high per-piece cost, such as dresses.









#### **Proudly Made in Japan**

From machining, microchip loading and product testing to final assembly, Shima Seiki's state-of-the-art equipment and skilled workers ensure product quality that is second-to-none.



## **In-House Testing**

All machine models undergo testing for electromagnetic immunity at our own EMC testing center. Shima Seiki's commitment to safety ensures compliance with the world's strictest safety standards.



# **Getting the Basics Right**

The needle bed is the most important part of the knitting machine. That's why at Shima Seiki, we take high-strength steel and place it through an advanced numerically-controlled machining process which yields a tough, precision-cut needle bed. We also use high-precision needle plates that provide durability at high speeds and protect the needle bed in the event of broken needles and jacks.



# **High-Performance Needle Selection**

SIG® machines feature simple, durable and economical latch needles that are motivated by special solenoid-type actuators developed and manufactured in-house by Shima Seiki. Rated as having the quickest response in the world, these actuators provide accurate, consistent and reliable needle selection.

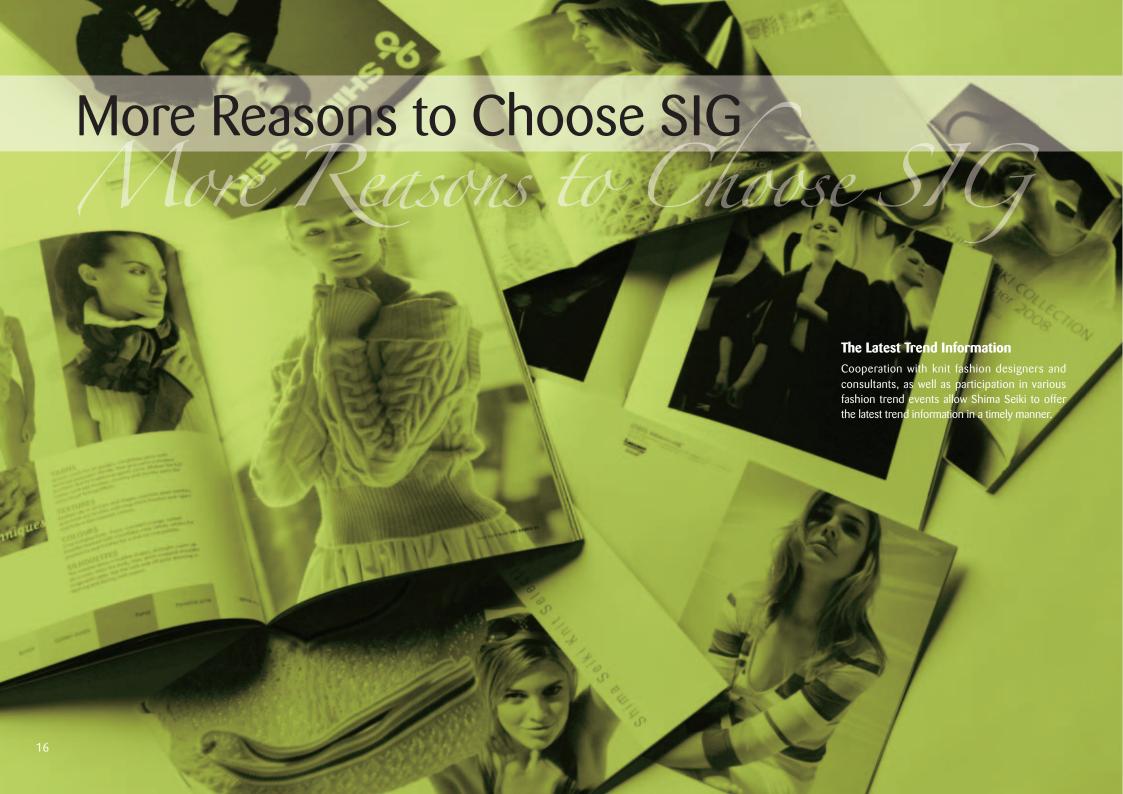




# Thinking of You

Our new company slogan says it all: Choose Shima Seiki and you'll have the backing of the world's premier developer of computerized flat knitting technology. You can rest assured knowing that your choice is the right choice.







# The Communication Space

Showrooms at our Wakayama headquarters, Tokyo and Osaka branch offices, as well as our Design Centers in Milan and New York always have the latest samples on display, and provide opportunities for strategic meetings among designer, apparel merchandiser, yarn spinner and knit manufacturer.





## **Training**

Shima Seiki offers training courses at its headquarters in Japan, or at subsidiaries, branch offices and agencies worldwide.



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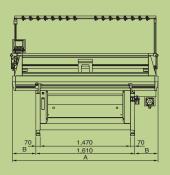
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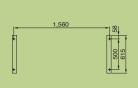
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#### **DIMENSIONS**







#### **Average Weight**

SIG122	850kg (1,870lbs)
SIG123	924kg (2,033lbs)

Actual weight is dependent upon gauge and optional equipment.

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SIG122	2,370	380
SIG123	2,720	555

All dimensions are in millimeters.

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

	Туре	SIG®122SV	SIG®122SC	SIG®122FC	SIG®123SV	SIG®123SC	SIG®123FC
	Gauge	7 · 12 · 14	7 · 12 · 14 · 16	16 · 18	7 · 12 · 14	7 · 12 · 14 · 16	16 · 18
	Knitting width	Variable stroke. Max 48" (122cm)					
	W: 0	Wide range of gauge knil on a single machine					
	WideGauge <sup>®</sup>	0	_		0	-	
	Knitting speed	Max 1.3m/sec. Knitting speed va	ries according to gauge and knitting	g condition. Variably adjustable spe	ed levels. 10 additional programmab	le speeds.	
	Stitch density	120 levels, electronically controlled.					
	Second Stitch <sup>1</sup>	Motor-controlled second stitch carr	allows individual adjustement of loo	se / tight stitches for shaping.			
	Racking			pitch also available from any positio	n.		
	Knitting system		NITRAN® system. Single R2Carriag	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	' ' '	NITRAN® system. Single R2Carriage	®system.
	Transfer	Simultaneous transfer, front or back	ck, independent of carriage direction	. Split stitch possible without excha	nging yarn carriers.		
	Sinker system	Spring-type moveable full-sinker system. Fixed sinker system.			Spring-type moveat	ole full-sinker system.	Fixed sinker system.
	Stitch presser	Special motor-driven system allows individual adjustment for on / off in knit and transfer.					
Nee	edle hook conversion	Conversion between LL-size and MM-size possible without exchanging cams.					
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	Needle selection	Full jacquard selection via special solenoid actuators.					
_	Setup device	Takedown comb with special setup needles.					
_	Takedown device	Main / sub rollers. Changeable 99 levels, automatically adjustable on each level. Automatic opening and closing.					
_	Yarn cutter	Single-unit system includes 1 yarn cutter and 2 yarn grippers. Both sides standard.					
	DSCS®	Consistent loop length by digital control method. Left side standard.					
	Left side yarn feed	10 positions			16 positions		
	Right side yarn feed	10 positions (7G only) –			16 positions		
_	Side tensions	12 on each side			16 on each side		
_	Yarn carriers				S		
	Top tensions	ensions 24 tension devices 32 tension devices					
		One-touch easy threading. Lowered 100mm for easy access. Large knots cause machine stop. Small knots cause 0-9 courses at specified knot detection speed, then automatically resume at set speed.					
_	Stop motion	Yarn break, large knot, wraparound check, shock detection, piece count, over-torque, program error, etc.					
	Drive system	Belt drive. AC servo motor. No lubrication necessary.					
	Cleaner	Special blower operated cleaner.					
	Safety devices	Full safety cover for noise-suppression and dust-proofing with stop motion sensor and interlock mechanism. Stop button. Power supply disconnecting device. Ultra-low speed "crawl" setting. CE Mark. Indicator lamps (see below).					
	Operation lamp	Green/normal operation. Flashing green/normal stop. Flashing amber/abnormal stop.					

CONTROLLER			
Data input	USB memory interface. USB 3.5" MO disk interface. Ethernet 10 / 100 BASE-T network interface.		
Pattern memory	25,165,824 bits (1,024 wales × 8,192 addresses)		
Control unit	Built-in controller. Stored program for flat knitting machine.		
Control display	Monochrome LCD panel. Editing possible via display panel operation. Available in English, French, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, German, Turkish, Russian, Chinese, Korean and Japanese.		
Back-up power	Power supply for resuming knitting after power failure		
Power	Single phase AC220V ± 10%	3 phase AC200V ± 10%	
	2.0KVA	2.2KVA	

OPTIONS: (1) Second Stitch

# Fully Fashioned High-Speed Knitting Machine



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