# Abbreviations & Special Techniques Checklist

☐ List of abbreviations is included. *

☐ All abbreviations used in instructions (including those in chart keys) are included in the list. >

☐ Abbreviation list doesn't contain abbreviations not used in pattern. +

☐ Abbreviations use the same wording in list, other instructions, and designer's other patterns. <

☐ Abbreviations are listed in designers preferred order (alphabetically, etc.).

☐ Special techniques or stitches described clearly. ^

☐ Any links to special techniques work and send knitters to tutorial for that specific technique.

# Notes

\*  A knitting pattern only needs a list of abbreviations if abbreviations are used in the pattern.

> It can be easy to miss adding an abbreviation (**k2tog**, **yo**, etc.). I like to have a notepad; each time I use an abbreviation when writing the instructions, I will add that abbreviation to my notepad. This helps me write an accurate abbreviations list quickly in the end.

+ Some designers or publications may include an extensive list of all abbreviations used in any one of their patterns. This is acceptable. For most patterns, it is tidier and saves space to list the abbreviations used in the pattern and no more than that.

< For example, **wyif** or **yf** are both abbreviations that can be used to tell knitters to move the yarn to the front of the needle. Even though both are acceptable abbreviations, using only one abbreviation for this technique will result in more clear, consistent, and professional patterns.

^ Whether it's a cable stitch or bind off technique (Kitchener stitch, I-cord bind off, etc.), either including the instructions to work the technique or a link to a tutorial elsewhere (article, YouTube video, etc.) will help knitters work the intended technique correctly and make the knitting process more convenient.

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