

Netting Gauges or Mesh Sticks

A netting gauge or mesh stick is used to make sure all the netted meshes are the same size. It can be a single or double-pointed knitting needle, a dowel, or a flat piece of wood or plastic. It can be as small as the smallest size knitting needle you can find, or as large a piece of plastic or wood as you can manipulate.

Knitting Needles

- sizes 00000000 to 50
- sizes most often used are 0 to 8

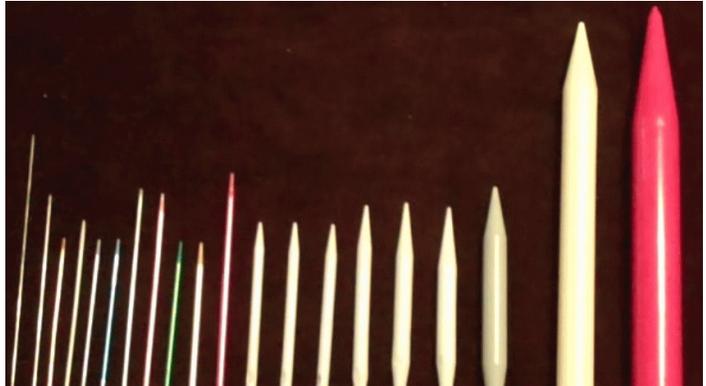
needles in photo are (left to right)

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0-17

35

50



To convert from inches to mm and back again, you can use <http://mdmetric.com/tech/cvtcht.htm>

Wooden Dowels

diameters (from left to right)

1/8"

3/16"

1/4"

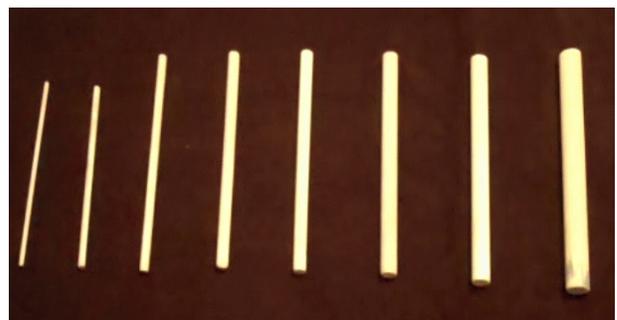
5/16"

3/8"

7/16"

1/2"

5/8"



Narrow Flat Plastic Netting Gauges or Mesh Sticks

width (from left to right)

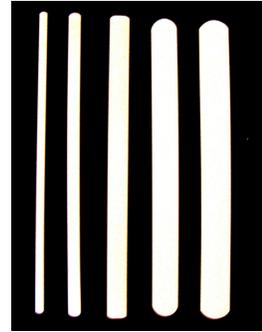
1/8"

1/4"

3/8"

1/2"

5/8"



Wide Flat Plastic Netting Gauges or Mesh Sticks

width (from left to right)

3/4 "

1"

1 1/4"

1 1/2"

1 3/4"

2"

2 1/2"

3"



Sources for Mesh Sticks or Netting Gauges

Your local craft stores, yarn stores, hardware stores, or marine supply stores may carry what you want. Here are some online sites that sell mesh sticks or netting gauges.

Company Name Link to Web-site	Supplies They Sell
Finniwig Studio http://www.finniwig.com/finniwigstudios.htm	wooden mesh sticks
Jann's Netcraft http://www.jannnetcraft.com/net-making/	wide flat plastic netting gauges ¾" to 3" (catalog item 972110) as a set of 8 (catalog item 972900)
Lacis http://lacis.com/	plastic netting gauges (4 mm -15 mm), knitting needles
Mielke's Fiber Arts, LLC http://www.mielkesfarm.com/netting.htm	set of 5 plastic netting gauges (⅛" to ⅝"), netting kit (3 meshes, 2 needles, and instructions)
The Lacemaker http://www.lacemakerusa.com/	set of 5 plastic netting gauges (⅛" to ⅝")