# HOT DRAW KNITTER with DRAW FORCE TESTER

## LH-123A HDK-DFT





The textile industry uses knit-dye-grade or draw force measurement when checking the uniformity of the POY production. Before inspecting the POY for dye uptake, it is necessary first to draw and set the yarn. HDK is the only available lab instrument that offers this capability.

Hot Draw Knitter with Draw Force Tester, HDK-DFT, is a precision knitting machine with automatic stitch control system and a Draw Force measurement to check the consistency of the POY production quickly and accurately. It is ideal for use in production control and R&D labs as well as dyeing plants.

The HDK-DFT is the only instrument that provides a knit sample and draw force results on a package at the same time. This test complies with ASTM D 5344, Standard Method for Extension Force of Partially Oriented Yarn.

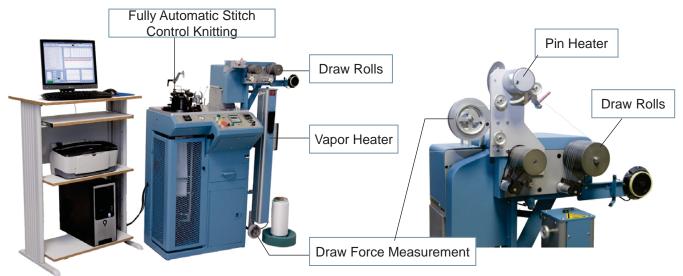
POY, MOY and LOY samples from 10d up to 2000d can be knit with the HDK. (Please consult Lawson-Hemphill to knit higher or lower denier yarns). The machine can be equipped with a non-contact Vapor heater and contact Pin heater to allow testing of both polyester and nylon yarns. Precision Draw ratios are available from 1:1 to 1:3, with increments of 0.05.

Windows based and user friendly DFT software program provides real-time tension data on the yarn as it is being drawn and knitted. Accept/Reject limits can be defined by the operator. The test results and the tension graphs are saved in common file formats. DFT software includes the ability to run draw force tests under increasing temperature levels to determine optimum settings and critical temperatures for the yarn under test.



#### **FEATURES**

- Precision knitting machine with automatic Stitch Control and Draw Force Measurement system
- Provides a standard knit fabric sample and draw force results on the same POY package at the same time
  to check the uniformity and the consistency of the POY production quickly and accurately
- Complies with ASTM D 5344, Standard method for Extension Force of Partially Oriented Yarn
- Ability knit POY, MOY and LOY yarn samples
- Non-contact Vapor Heater (max 205°C) and contact Pin heater (max 250°C) are available to test polyester and nylon yarns on the same machine
- Precision Draw Ratio rolls from 1:1 to 1:3, with increments of 0.05 are available
- Nine different cylinder sizes to knit yarns from 10d up to 2000d. (Please consult Lawson Hemphill to knit higher or lower denier yarns.)
- Interchangeable knitting cylinders that can be used in all Lawson Hemphill knitting machines
- Maintains constant course length with the Yarn Meterhead to ensure uniform loop size
- · Maintains constant tension on the yarn with the Air Servo/Stitch Cam Regulator
- Features fabric take-up assembly to collect the fabric sample under controlled tension



HDK Lab Knitter with Drawing System Main Components

HDK Lab Knitter with Drawing System
Hot Pin Option

#### **ADVANTAGES**

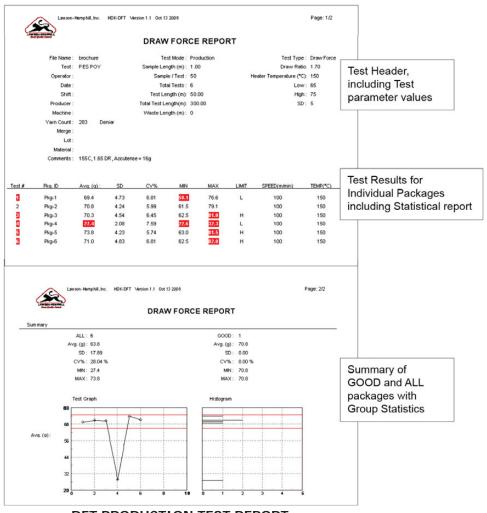
- The only Draw Force testing platform to provide Draw Force data and Knit-Dye Grade on the same yarn.
- Identifies critical temperatures for your product using temp curve analysis
- · Reduces labor and raw material costs
- Increases first-quality yields
- Optimizes texturing conditions
- · Maximizes customer satisfaction

#### **HDK-DFT SOFTWARE DFT Temperature Curve Mode** Windows based, easy to use Draw Force Temperature Curve software features: Software to allow for RAMP or STEP Draw Force statistics with average, min Temperature testing. and max tension, SD and CV% See the Changes in Continuous monitoring and detection of Tension vs. Temperature. changes in yarn tension with real-time tension graph display Identify Critical Temperatures for Auto or operator defined accept/reject your product. limits to sort out the packages Ability to view the tension graphs and test data for multiple or single packages Automatic saving of the test settings, View Tension Data for each Package results and tension graphs Easy to share test report formats Tension Graph, Histogram and Spectrograph report for each package Pie Pers. (F11) Save Det . ed 301.00 Average 274.6 Std. 3.5 CV4-1.27 Minimum 264.0 Minimum 280.8 LX 0 File Name: brochure Test Results for Test 5 DFT 🚍 Hea Individual Packages Limits SD CV% Min Max Speed Temp(\*C) Sample # Avg. (g) 6.81 5.74 7.59 6.45 5.99 6.81 62.5 63.0 with Statistics 71.0 73.8 4.23 2.08 4.54 4.24 4.73 70.3 70.8 69.4 62.5 61.5 60.0 80.0 Out of Limit results are highlighted and flagged ▼ Test Limits 66.9 68.4 65.0 75.0 5.0 Avg. (g) Summary of all User Selectable Packages with **Test Limits** Statistical Analysis Reset 000 Pkg-2 Pkg-3 Pkg-4 Pkg-5 Pkg-6 Pkg-7 Pkg-8 Pkg-9 Pkg-10 0% Tension Graph and Histogram

**DFT Software Main Screen** 

START (F1)

with Limits



**DFT PRODUCTION TEST REPORT** 

### MODEL TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

LH-123A Hot Draw Knitter-Draw Force Tester		Pretension Range	min-5grams, max-60grams
Electrical	110-220 Vac 50-60 Hz (consult LH for other power supply)	Linear Input Speed	110 m/min. (maximum)
		Heater Temperature	110°C-205°C (vapor heater) 50°C-250°C (pin heater)
Air	60 psi, clean air required		
Dimensions	1054 x 546 x 1346mm (41.5 x 21.5 x 53 inches)	Fabric Tolerance	0.5% from sample to sample or machine to machine
Weight	181kg (400 lbs)	Draw Ratio Rolls	from 1:1 to 1:3 in increments of 0.05 (Contact Lawson-Hemphill for other draw ratios.)
		Yarn Types	POY, Flat or Texturized yarns (partially oriented yarn, low oriented yarn, medium oriented yarn and fully oriented yarn.
*All specifications are subject to change.		Optional	Pin Heater, Package Changer

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