



## What's New in CreativeStudio® Version 4.2

Gammill is pleased to announce CreativeStudio® Version 4.2

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### **CreativeStudio® upgrade instructions:**

- For detailed installation instructions, click [here](#).
- Download "CreativeStudio V4.2.zip".
- Click **Start, Control Panel, Add or Remove Programs** to uninstall the old version of CreativeStudio.
- Take the downloaded file, via flash drive, to the Stitcher and unzip it, run the CSsetup4.2.exe.
- If asked, click **Install KB958869**. Click **Next**, and check **I Agree**, then check **Do Not Restart Now** and **Finish**.
- If during the install you receive the following error "At minimum, you must have Service Pack 2 installed", then refer to "[How To Update Your Windows XP Service Pack](#)".
- Follow the CreativeStudio installation directions.
- Be sure to select your Controller (MOD) Type, then Restart the computer.
- Start CreativeStudio® and notice the introductory splash screen now indicates Version 4.2.
- Under the **Tools** menu item, select **Calibrate Stitcher** and follow the on screen prompts to re-calibrate the stitcher.
- Under the **Tools** menu item, select **Controller Definition** to set the user defaults, such as SPI and tie length.
- You are now ready to run CreativeStudio®, Happy Quilting ☺.

*CreativeStudio™ V4.2 includes many new features and contains fixes that have been brought to our attention since the release of V 4.1. Many new enhancements have been added to improve the user's experience. **These enhancements came from quilters like you.** If you have additional ideas for enhancements, please send them to [enhancements@gammill.com](mailto:enhancements@gammill.com).*

*Gammill Quilting Systems and Statler Stitcher are committed to the needs of the quilting community and make every attempt to improve future software versions with their needs in mind. This release has been thoroughly tested. However, should you discover a problem with our software, please report it to [support@gammill.com](mailto:support@gammill.com). Thank you.*

**Enhancements** Enhancements are improvements to the software to make the quilting experience better. Almost all enhancements came from request from users like you.

- 1. New Smoother Stitcher movement offering better stitch quality:** The stitch movement has been smoothed and improved, which improves cornering during automatic sewing.
- 2. New methods to Reduce thread breaks:** This is mostly due to smoothing the movement of the needle and tie off improvements. Tie Offs are now a consistent speed, in the past tie speed was based on the stitch speed, which could cause the thread to break. Ramping tie speed to improve tie quality, smooth slower acceleration during tie off has reduced Thread breaks and improved the quality of the tie.
- 3. New Speed label indicator:** Changes color when adjusted by the user. A user can increase the speed of a pattern while the stitcher is running; this user speed increase is designed to carry over to future patterns. When the speed has been modified by the user, the Speed Label on the bottom tool bar changes from black to a dark pink.
- 4. Easy return to the pattern default speed:** If the speed is modified as described above, and shows in dark pink, then clicking the Speed Label will revert to the unmodified speed. This can be done at any time, before, after, and even during sewing.

**Usability Improvements** These are fixes to the software to improve its quality and usability.

- 1. Fixed issue where sliding mouse causes function loss:** Maintaining keyboard function when the mouse slides off the CAD screen.
- 2. Set upper pattern sizing limit:** To prevent an occasional rare error a pattern size upper limit was added. This size is still quite large and will never be reached in any quilting operation.
- 3. Improved opening PROJX between SAM and Stitcher modes:** Resolved issue with the encrypted project (.projx) when it was moved between Stand Alone mode and the Stitcher, which has been repaired.
- 4. Not allowing pattern handle manipulation while sewing:** An error could occur if a user moved or resized a pattern while it was sewing. We are preventing this error by not allowing pattern movement and resizing while sewing.
- 5. Echo remains grey while processing:** The echo feature will now remain grey while calculating the echo placement.
- 6. Dividing a Designer Pause pattern removes the designer pause:** Dividing a pattern with a designer pause will warn the user that continuing will remove the designer pause.
- 7. E2E Continue now maintains user changed settings:** In the past a user selecting all E2E patterns, then changing a property like SPI, would lose these changes when Continue was clicked.
- 8. Relocate Origin now maintains user changed settings:** User changed properties are maintained when Relocate Origin is used.
- 9. Storing undo before a pattern flip:** Anytime a function is used an undo should be stored. This will improve undo by making its store points more consistent.
- 10. Virtual Stitchout no longer changes pattern sewn state:** In the past clicking Virtual Stitchout (F2) twice would change the pattern state to sewn.
- 11. Mouse click Stop now works in Oil Routine:** The oil routine in the past could only be stopped from the head.
- 12. Echo is now grayed out if more than one pattern is selected:** Trying to echo more than one pattern at a time could cause errors, now echo is not available if more than one pattern is selected. To echo more than one pattern, first select the patterns you wish to echo (they should be touching or near touching), then right click and select "Combine Group", then echo.
- 13. Right click CAD menu is now enable after abort:** In CS 4.1, getting an abort due to obstacle disabled the right click menu.
- 14. Motor power are now restored for the Mod 3, A, B:** In CS 4.1 the power settings were slightly off for these earlier controllers.

**Support Improvements** Changes to the software to improve Statler's ability to support your Stitcher as needed.

- 1. Enabled access when controller is connected but Stitcher is unresponsive:** This mode was added to help the Statler support team be able to access Diagnostic screens.
- 2. New exception error now gives user the choice to retry or to Exit CS, saving the project.** Now instead of getting an unhandled exception, you get the choice to retry, or save your project and exit.
- 3. Fixed Configuration form "Yes don't save", to not save:** In the past making a change in the Controller Definition, then exiting clicking, "Yes don't save" would save the change anyway. Now it exits the Controller Definition form without saving.
- 4. New clicking "Cancel" on startup Origin Form will maintain previous origin:** This only works if you have not previously turned off your controller. This is not a feature that will be used in everyday operation; it is mostly useful in recovery situations.