

September 10, 2026
STAR MICRONICS CO., LTD.

New Makinohara Factory Completed and Dedication Ceremony Held

—Expanding production capacity for high-end models to meet growing demand—



▲ Exterior of the Makinohara Factory



▲ Machine tool assembly (finished products)

STAR MICRONICS CO., LTD. (“the Company”, Head Office: Suruga-ku, Shizuoka City, Shizuoka Prefecture; Representative Director, President and Chief Executive Officer: Mamoru Sato) is pleased to announce that it held a dedication ceremony on September 10 after completing construction of the Makinohara Factory in Makinohara City, Shizuoka Prefecture.

The Makinohara Factory is a newly established production site built as part of the renovation of domestic factories in the Machine Tools Segment ^{*1}, which the Company announced in February 2024. Construction commenced in May 2025, and the factory began operations in July 2026. The factory assembles high-end models of the Company’s Swiss-type CNC automatic lathes ^{*2}, which are produced exclusively in Japan, as well as processes sheet metal parts through cutting, bending, welding, and painting. The Company is expanding production capacity in response to the growing global demand for Swiss-type CNC automatic lathes.

With the completion of the Kikugawa South Factory ^{*3}, which manufactures core components for the Company’s machine tools, as well as the Makinohara Factory, the Company is further strengthening its production system as part of its efforts to become a top manufacturer of automatic lathes.

■ Features of the New Factory

1. A new facility dedicated to the assembly and sheet metal processing of high-end models

High-end models are manufactured exclusively in Japan, distinguished by their ability to efficiently process complex parts used primarily in the medical device and aerospace industries, and are used by companies in Japan, Europe, and the United States. In response to the upswing in demand in recent years, the Company is expanding its assembly capacity with the construction of the new Makinohara Factory.

At the same time, the Company is enhancing its production capacity for sheet metal parts through various

measures, including the introduction of state-of-the-art punch and laser combination machines.

2. Consolidation of scattered locations

The Company has consolidated such processes as sheet metal parts machining and unit assembly, which were previously spread across three locations, at the Makinohara Factory. The Company has expanded its workspace by a factor of roughly 1.6 compared with its previous size and established a system that enables integrated production, depending on the model, from machining sheet metal parts used in the machines to assembling finished products. This will facilitate more efficient and stable production.

3. A comfortable work environment

To ensure that employees can work safely and comfortably even during processes that generate heat, such as welding, the Company has installed air conditioning systems to maintain a consistent temperature throughout the factory. In doing so, every effort is being made to reduce physical strain and the risk of heatstroke, thereby helping to improve work efficiency and quality, while ensuring the health and safety of employees. In addition, the Company has set up a cafeteria space that serves as a place for employees to relax and socialize.

*1 Reference: Notice Concerning the Renovation of Domestic Factories in the Machine Tools Segment (press release dated February 2024)

https://star-m.jp/eng/ir/wp-content/blogs.dir/7/files/ir_news_20240209_02.pdf

*2 Reference: Swiss-type automatic lathe is a type of lathe that rotates materials such as metal and presses a cutting instrument against the materials to cut them. It was invented in Switzerland in the 1870s as a machine for machining small precision parts such as watch parts. It is also called a “spindle-moving type automatic lathe”. It is characterized by its ability to cut long narrow parts with high precision due to the material grasped by the spindle unit being machined while fed at a certain distance from the guide bush, which acts as a material run-out prevention device.

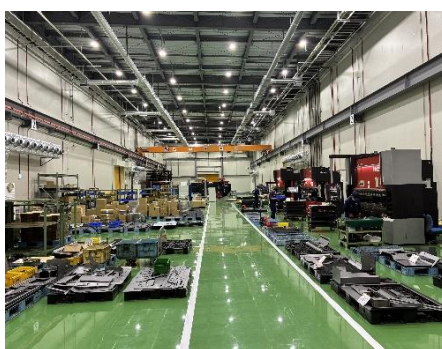
*3 Reference: The Kikugawa South Factory is a new factory that began operations in December 2025. It is a cutting-edge smart factory that combines environmental considerations with manufacturing efficiency. For details, please refer to the following.

New Kikugawa South Factory Completed and Dedication Ceremony Held (press release dated February 2026)

https://star-m.jp/eng/files/ir_news_20260205_01.pdf



▲ Laser cutting sheet metal with new equipment



▲ Manufacturing site



▲ Cafeteria space

■ Building Overview

Building name: Makinohara Factory

Location: 946, Nunohikihara, Makinohara City, Shizuoka Prefecture, Japan

Function: Main body assembly of high-end models

Structural overview: Steel-framed two-story building

Building area: Approx. 6,900 m² (approx. 2,090 tsubo)

Total floor area: Approx. 9,100 m² (approx. 2,760 tsubo)

Total project cost: Approx. ¥4 billion

Construction commenced: May 2025

Operations commenced: July 2026

Design and construction: Kiuchi Construction Co., Ltd.

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