### **Baby Quilt Guidelines**



These Guidelines are intended to ensure that every baby quilt is of high quality and reflects positively on our Guild. By following these guidelines, you ensure that your quilt is safe and lasts through many washes and much use after it has gone home with the baby.

#### The Guidelines

Baby quilts must be **new** and **unused** - **no repurposed quilts** such as table toppers or wall-hangings.

**Contaminant free** - i.e. no contaminants such as mold, mildew, dust, animal hair, fragrance/odors and smoke etc.

If you use a spray adhesive on your quilt, please give the quilt a gentle wash before submitting. Vinegar, instead of detergent, works well and is naturally fragrance free.

Size: Minimum: 36" × 36"

Maximum: 44" x 48"

Materials: New materials only

**100% cotton** for the top, back and binding. (Flannel or quilting cotton)

Precut flannel backing (approx. 42" x 45") provided on request.

Batting should be a good quality cotton or polyester quilt batting

Precut batting (approx. 45" x 48") provided on request

Print and colour should be appropriate for a newborn baby

#### Quilting:

Should be **machine quilted** to hold up to numerous washings and extend the life of the quilt

- Do not quilt too densely this will keep the quilt light and flexible
- Do not use invisible thread, buttons, or other embellishments that might be harmful to babies

## Finishing Your Quilt:

**ALWAYS check carefully for pins** and any loose threads that could catch a tiny finger or toe.

Securely attach a **BBQG label** to the quilt. Ensure label is sewn down on all 4 sides. Labels sewn on 2 sides create a loop that can catch tiny fingers and toes.

# Turning in Your Quilt:

At the meeting, please sign in your baby quilt at the Baby Quilt Committee table, regardless of whether you made it from a guild kit or your own fabric.

Sorry, but we do not accept incomplete quilts