

Ronald McDonald House – Philadelphia Donated Quilt Requirements

General Care & Construction Requirements

- **Fabric:** Should be 100% cotton fabric and batting.
- **Adornments:** No embellishments (e.g., beads, buttons, ribbons, appliques with loose edges, or heavy trims) to prevent choking hazards and medical equipment snagging.
- **Laundering:** All quilts should be pre-washed prior to delivery using **unscented, sensitive-skin laundry detergent** to avoid triggering allergic reactions or respiratory sensitivities in patients. If you cannot launder the quilts please let the Philanthropy committee know and we will launder them for you.

Sizing & Dimension Guidelines

Size Category	Recommended Dimensions	Notes
Small / Baby	~40" x 40"	Ideal minimum size. Avoid smaller sizes (e.g., preemie/NICU blankets), as larger hospital networks typically cover those needs.
Lap & Throw	~45" x 60" to 50" x 65"	Best overall size. Easy for patients and family members to carry and use in hospital rooms.
Twin / Large	Do Not Send	Not accepted. Bed-sized quilts present a safety hazard by tangling with medical tubing and cords.

Fabric Themes & Audience

- **Age Range Served:** Newborns through adolescents (ages 0 to 18+).
- **Theme Diversity:** Bright colors, modern prints, teen-friendly themes, and neutral patterns are strongly encouraged—not just baby motifs.
- **Usage:** Quilts are given to both pediatric patients and family members (parents, siblings) for comfort during long stays and hospital visits.