

Blanket Guidelines

We accept blankets made with **NEW, CLEAN, AND WASHABLE** materials in infant, child or teen friendly colors. We accept blankets that are crocheted, quilted, knitted, fleece blankets, or tied comforters.

Note: Blankets that smell of smoke or strong chemicals, or have pet hair on them, or are musty-smelling cannot be accepted as they may produce severe allergic reactions in the children. Rarely, we have had to deem a blanket unacceptable. These blankets are then donated to other charities.

Approximate sizes: (measurements need not be exact)

- Baby blankets: 30" x 36" (**minimum size**)
- Children's blankets: 42" x 60
- Teen's blankets: 45" x 72" (**maximum size**)

Suggested materials:

- 100% cotton fabric
- flannel
- polar fleece
- acrylic yarn

Unsuitable materials:

- denim, tapestry, polyester double knit, felt, vinyl, wool, corduroy, burlap
- wool yarn
- materials that aren't cuddly & soft
- used, soiled or old materials

Important Reminders:

- Batting in quilts should be securely sewn into outer seams.
- If the blanket is tied, anchor it every 4-6 inches and cut ties to 1 inch or less in length.
- Do not attach buttons or similar decorative items to blankets; they can be choking hazards for children.
- Please be sure to **COMPLETE** the construction of your blanket.
- Please remove all pins before turning in your blanket--check, double check and triple check it please. It's better you find that pin and not the child who receives your blanket.

Thank you, from CARES Northwest.

