

QOV Bare Bones Table of Requirements

	Do	DO Not
Fabric	<i>Use high quality 100% cotton quilting weight fabric appropriate for an adult.</i>	Use sheets, thin, stiff, or scratchy fabric.
Pattern	<i>Many free patterns are available on our website and on the web.</i>	Make rag quilts. Make a wholecloth QOV unless you are a professional quality quilter.
Size	<i>Top: Width 55" to 72" by length 65" to 90" Backing 3 to 4 inches larger on all four sides.</i>	Make quilt top less than minimum or more than maximum.
Binding	<i>Use straight cut or bias double fold binding; join binding pieces with diagonal seams. Apply neatly by hand or machine.</i>	Fold over backing and use as binding or zig-zag binding in place.
Quilting	<i>Machine or hand quilting in an appropriate design. (free hand, pantograph, or computer guided patriotic or generic designs) Balanced stitches of uniform size. (5 - 7 stitches per inch if quilted by hand; 8 -12 stitches per inch if by machine) Low-loft quality batting. (Cotton, 80/20, or poly from Pellon, Warm Company; Quilter's Dream; Hobbs)</i>	Tie Do only stitch in the ditch on a domestic machine or use giant meander Use high-loft batting
Label	<i>Must include Quilt of Valor; blank for name of recipient. Should include names of piecer and quilter.</i>	<u>Do not include more than your first name and state.</u> <u>Include advertising, political or religious messages.</u>
Journal	<i>Write a note to the recipient.</i>	Do not include more than your first name, and state Include advertising, political or religious messages.
Washing	<i>Wash your quilt after it is quilted and bound. Use a Color Catcher in the machine</i>	Use scented laundry products . Send a quilt covered in pet hair.
Presentation Case	<i>Make a coordinating pillowcase or bag in which to place your QOV.</i>	Send your quilt without a presentation case.