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Timely longarm quilting services for those who want their 'labour of love' beautifully finished.

Preparing Your Quilt

Constructing Your Quilt Top

Here are three tips that our customers have found very useful

- **Stitch length matters** — It is best to use 14-15 stitches per inch (number 2 on a metric machine) rather than the normal 12 so that the seams will not come apart at the edges.
- **A word about seams** — Seams should be $\frac{1}{4}$ inch and pressed to one side. When joining two seams together, it is best if the seams are pressed in opposite directions to avoid a big lump.
- **Something about borders** — When attaching borders to the sides of your quilt, the best result is achieved by measuring across the middle of the quilt in two or three places and using that measurement for the border (it may be necessary to ease the edge of the quilt to fit). Repeat this process for the top and bottom borders of the quilt. This helps to prevent wavy borders.

Preparing Your Quilt

Please follow these five preparatory steps before bringing your quilt and batting in

- 1 Clip all threads on the front and back of the quilt top and make sure seams are secure.
- 2 In order to make your quilt lie flat, press seams in one direction.
- 3 Ensure your backing is at least 8" wider and 12" longer than the quilt top. It should also be squared with opposite sides of equal length and all corners 90 degrees Note: We cannot see the backing once it is on the machine so cannot guarantee the position of any design features. If piecing the back, it works best if additions and seams are in the middle.
- 4 Please bring the quilt and the backing — both pressed flat — on separate hangers.
- 5 Call 519 993 2084 or email roy@mrcslongarmquilting.ca today to book your appointment!