

# CAROLINA QUILT STUDIO

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## CQS Longarm Quilting Services~ Quilt Preparation

At CQS, we know how much time, effort, and love goes into piecing a quilt top. Now it's time to complete the process and bring your creation to life with beautiful, professional longarm quilting. Whether you're making a cherished family heirloom or just want to enjoy a cozy quilt, we are here to ensure that your project is treated with the utmost care and attention to detail. Our goal is to provide you with a finished quilt that exceeds your expectations, all while making the process simple and stress-free.

### Quilt top:

- ~Make sure all seams are intact.
- ~Clip loose threads from the front and back of the pieced top.
- ~Ensure the quilt top is square. Measure the width of the top and bottom to make sure they are the same. Then do the same for the sides. If there are differences, examine the quilt to see if it can be corrected. Not correcting the issue can result in puckers in the fabric.
- ~Make sure your borders lay flat. There should be no waves. If there are, your quilt may end up with puckers and/or pleats. (Longarm quilting will not fix fullness in a quilt.)
- ~Be sure to press the quilt top so that all seams lay flat and is wrinkle free.
- ~Make sure there are no buttons, pins, or embellishments that will impede quilting.

### Backing Fabric:

- ~Backing fabric (and batting) must be 4" - 6" larger than quilt top on all four sides.
- ~When piecing your backing, be sure to remove selvages at seam.
- ~As with the quilt top, ensure your backing fabric is square.
- ~Make sure all fabric edges are cut straight so that it can be loaded onto the longarm correctly.
- ~Press the backing fabric so that it is wrinkle free.

Be sure to mark the top of the quilt top and backing to ensure any directional piecing or prints are aligned as you'd like them to be in the finished product.

### Pricing:

- ~Overall edge to edge quilting is \$0.025 per sq. inch.      ~Meander is \$0.020 per sq. inch.
- (Example: length of quilt x width of quilt x .025 (or .020) = quilting cost; 60 x 72 x .025 = \$108.00)
- ~Thread charge: \$1.50 per bobbin

- ~Piecing backing starts at \$35.00      ~Ironing top or backing: \$20.00
- ~Baste strips to make backing larger: \$10 per strip      ~Centering quilt top and backing: \$35.00
- ~Add-on charges may apply if quilt requires additional preparation

Machine Binding services are available at the following prices per linear inch

- ~Attach Front (already made): \$0.15      ~Make/attach (front only): \$0.22
- ~Machine attach (already made): \$0.22      ~Make and Machine attach (Complete) \$0.29

We offer complementary quilt trimming, all 3 layers will be trimmed equally.  
Quality backing fabrics and batting are available for purchase if needed, prices vary.