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Modern Quilts for Every Home

## How to prepare your quilt for Longarm Quilting

### **Top:**

- Press all seams, alternating the direction to reduce bulk.
- Trim all threads. Dark threads will show through light fabric.
- Check for square, extra fabric in the borders will cause tucks and pleats. Measure along the top, middle, and bottom edges, preferably on a seam, to ensure they are the same size.
- Either backstitch edge seams or sew a seam 1/8" in around the edge to prevent seams from being pulled apart by the frame.
- Do not baste or layer your quilt.
- Prevent seeing the bobbin thread by requesting the same color on the top and bottom.

### **Backing:**

- Remove selvages in seams. These will not shrink at the same rate as the rest of the fabric and can be visible after washing.
- Use a 5/8" seam allowance. Backstitch seams at the beginning and end and press the seam open.
- Please cut your backing AND batting a minimum of 4" larger than your quilt top. You do not need to cut packaged batting.
- Press your backing well and fold it carefully to prevent wrinkles.