Local Wish Information & Average Time Frames

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The work of the local team begins upon the completion of all required paperwork by the wish family and after medical clearance is obtained from the treating physician(s), if needed. **Until this is obtained, the local team member will not be assigned to the wish.**

The average time frames listed below are general estimations and should not be used to set expectations with a wish family. A more concrete timeframe will be established between the Local Wish Coordinator and family after understanding the logistical details of the wish and delivery timeframes. If your wish family speaks Spanish, your Bilingual Wish Specialist will remain your main point of contact.

Katie Cholewa's Wish Types kcholewa@illinois.wish.org	Additional Requirements Needed from Family	Average Time Frame to Completion After Paperwork is Received and Katie is Introduced to The Family
Animals	Medical approvalLandlord approval (if applicable)	3-5 months**
Medical Bed/Chair/Wheelchair		4-5 months
Room Redo	Landlord approval (if applicable)	3-5 months
I wish to Be	Medical approval (if applicable)	4-5 months
Motorized Vehicle	Medical approvalDriver's license(s) (if applicable)	2-5 months***
Playhouse/Playset	Homeowner's/renter's insuranceLandlord approval (if applicable)	1-2 months (when season begins)

^{**}Timing is breed-dependent. For puppies, the dog will need to be with the mother for between 8-12 weeks (about 3 months), then delivered to the child.

^{***}Timing can be based on manufacturing times.

Taylor Stirmell's Wish Types tstirmell@illinois.wish.org	Additional Requirements Needed from Family	Average Time Frame to Completion After Paperwork is Received and Taylor is Introduced to The Family
Campers	 Driver's license(s) Vehicle Insurance Family's alignment of towing capacity & hitch needs 	2-3 months
Computers		2-3 months
Electronics		2-3 months
Education	Acceptance letter	2-3 months
Car Customization	 Driver's license(s) Vehicle insurance Proof of registration/title	8-9 months
Construction	Homeowner's/renter's insuranceLandlord approval (if applicable)	6 months (when season begins)





★ Quinceañera		8 months*
△ Other Parties		4-5 months
Musical Instrument		2-3 months
Sports/Camping Equipment		4-5 months
Shopping Sprees	Shopping spree Formstack in email intro	2-3 months
Hot Tubs	Medical approvalHomeowner's/renter's insurance	3-5 months** (when season begins)
Swimming Pool	Medical approvalHomeowner's/renter's insurance	3-5 months (when season begins)

- *Quinceañera timeframe is high because the planning of this wish is similar to a wedding and is dependent upon vendor availability for hosting larger events.
- **Hot tub timeframe is unusually high due to a 12-week manufacturing delay.
- Due to the complexity of a swimming pool wish, our capacity remains at granting 8 pool wishes a year. Your current coordinator will have the most up-to-date timing expectations.
- "When season begins" = the timing for wishes that require landscaping will not be able to begin until the spring/summer season begins in April/May with the season wrapping in October.

"Other" Wish Types

"Other" wishes will be assigned to Local Wish Coordinators based on capacity and portfolio size. Examples of this wish type may include wishes for Braces, Citizenship/Residency, and to start your own business among others.



