

Wish Practices Index

The Make-A-Wish Foundation of Illinois strives to fulfill the favorite wish of every eligible child. Before approving any wish request, we evaluate the request against the following criteria:

- ✓ Is it truly the child's wish?
- ✓ Is it legal?
- ✓ Is it safe?
- ✓ Is it fiscally responsible?
- ✓ Can it have a detrimental affect on public perception about Make-A-Wish?

The Make-A-Wish Foundation of America prohibits all Make-A-Wish Chapters from granting the following:

- ✓ Family-added enhancement that would result in the delivery of an item that violates national policy or when money is paid directly to chapter by the family.
- ✓ Firearms & weapons
- ✓ Gifts of money
- ✓ Gifts of real property, dwellings, or residences of any kind or payment of rent
- ✓ Helicopter rides and flight activities (sky diving, parasailing, paragliding)
- ✓ In-ground swimming pool
- ✓ Multiple wishes
- ✓ Primary modes of transportation including but not limited to cars, vans, trucks, motorcycles and SUVs
- ✓ Remodeling/construction (defined as anything that adds livable square footage to an existing home, changes the exterior footprint of the original home or that changes the tax basis of the home)
- ✓ Service Animals
- ✓ Swim spas
- ✓ Wheelchair Accessible Van Conversions
- ✓ Wishes for large scale support
- ✓ Wishes for medical treatment

Once we have satisfied these criteria, we identify and explore reasonable ways to fulfill the essence of the wish. The following Wish Practice Sheets outline the parameters by which we are able to fulfill each of the wish types our chapter fulfills:

	<i>Adopted</i>
✓ Above Ground Pool	05/2002; revised: 06/03, 08/03, 04/07, 07/09, 10/10, 08/12, 03/17
✓ Animal	10/2001; revised: 05/06, 07/09, 10/10, 08/12, 03/17, 1/20
✓ Celebrity	05/2002; revised: 02/06; 07/09, 10/10, 08/12, 03/17
✓ Citizenship/Resident	04/2007
✓ Computer	03/2002; revised: 02/04, 05/06, 07/09, 10/10, 08/12, 03/17
✓ Cruise	05/2002; revised: 06/03, 02/04, 10/04, 12/04, 02/06, 04/07, 07/09, 10/10, 08/12, 03/17, 01/20
✓ Disney Cruise	05/2002; revised: 02/06, 07/09, 10/10, 2/12, 08/12, 03/17
✓ Disneyland	05/2002; revised: 12/05, 10/10, 08/12, 03/17
✓ Disney World	05/2002; revised: 12/05, 07/09, 10/10, 08/12, 8/13, 03/17
✓ Education	08/2001; revised: 09/02, 05/06, 07/09, 08/12, 03/17
✓ Electronics	02/2002; revised: 07/09, 10/10, 1/14, 03/17
✓ Hawaii	05/2002; revised: 09/03, 08/04, 12/05, 07/09, 10/10, 08/12, 03/17, 06/19
✓ Hot Tubs	04/2007; revised: 07/09, 10/10, 2/14, 03/17, 1/20
✓ International Travel	07/2001; revised: 09/02, 09/03, 02/04, 12/05, 07/09, 10/10, 08/12, 06/19, 01/20
✓ Medical Equipment & Medical Procedure	12/2011; revised: 08/12, 8/13, 03/17
✓ Motorized Vehicle Customization	04/2007; revised: 07/09, 10/10, 08/12, 03/17
✓ Other Domestic Travel	10/2010; revised: 08/12, 1/14, 03/17, 06/19
✓ Party	08/2001; revised: 09/03, 02/06, 07/09, 10/10, 08/12
✓ Philanthropic Wishes	07/2009; revised: 10/10, 03/17
✓ Playhouse or Play set	12/2005; revised 07/09, 11/24, 03/17
✓ Recreational Vehicles	10/2003; revised: 04/07, 10/10, 08/12, 8/13, 1/14, 03/17, 1/20
✓ Room Redecoration	05/2002; revised: 07/09, 10/10, 08/12, 03/17, 1/20
✓ Shopping Spree	05/2002; revised: 03/04, 10/04, 09/06, 07/09, 10/10, 08/12, 03/17
✓ Visa	04/2007; revised: 07/09