

# little lambs and ivy's baby registry



## Newborn Clothing Checklist

So, what do you really need in the way of clothing for a newborn layette? After 22 years of dressing “little lambs”, the pros at Little Lambs and Ivy have created a checklist for what you’ll really **LOVE** to have when it comes to newborn clothing.

- Gowns or Convertibags (3)** — Go for soft cotton with fold over cuffs. To keep baby from scratching his face, fold over cuffs are terrific. A newborn’s legs fold up to his body, like a little frog, so a gown fits best with room to grow. Also, gowns make diaper changes much easier in the night--no snaps to fumble with. They are of your most used items in the first few weeks.
- Short-sleeved onesies (5 to 8)** — Use them with pants or diaper covers; use them under the swaddle. Easy breezy!
- Coveralls or footies (3)** — Preferably with fold over cuffs, they cover from head to toe without bunching up and without rubbing against the tender umbilical cord area.
- Take-me-home outfit (1 with a backup)** — Soft and adorable, easy to get on, and perfect to meet the family in. Take a back-up to the hospital just in case an accident happens.
- Blankets (4-6)** — Absolutely essential for calming a newborn, the best swaddle blankets are lightweight, square in shape, large and soft. It’s a tired mother’s best friend at night.
- Hats (2-3)** — Newborns lose a lot of body heat through their heads, so keep them covered up in cool weather for the first month.
- Socks (8 pair)** — Look for an elastic cuff sock, or a “no-kick off” bootie to keep their little toes warm and cozy. Great-grandma always said a baby couldn’t sleep if her little feet were chilly.
- Mitts (2 pair)** — These are soft cotton mittens to keep them from scratching their face if the outfit doesn’t already have fold over cuffs.
- Sweaters (2) plus a hoodie (1)** — A soft cotton sweater makes any outfit or dress a little warmer in winter or in summer’s air conditioning. A hoodie with a soft cotton lining makes running out for errands easier.
- Burp Cloths (6)** — Indispensable for mopping up baby’s little burps. Since you’ll be wearing one on your shoulder for many months, make sure it’s stylish!
- Small Bibs (4)** — For a newborn spitter, it’s a necessity. Otherwise, you will be changing outfits all day.

Here’s to many years of dressing your adorable child. Oh, what fun you’re going to have! They grow up so fast, enjoy every moment.