

Wedding Photography Checklist

Wedding Date _____

Start time _____

Place _____

At the Brides Home

- o Mother/bridesmaid adjusting veil
- o Bride putting on garter with bridesmaid/s looking on
- o Bride in bedroom mirror getting ready
- o Corsage being pinned on mother
- o Corsage being pinned on father
- o Portrait of mother and bride
- o Portrait of father and bride
- o Brothers and/or sisters and bride
- o Group shot of whole party
- o Bride with individual bridesmaids etc
- o Bride leaving house with parents and bridesmaid/s
- o Father helping bride into car
- o Shot of bride in back of car from the front seat looking back

At the Church Prior to Service

- o Groom waiting
- o Groom and best man
- o Groom, best man and groomsmen
- o Best man adjusting grooms tie
- o Groom and best man shaking hands
- o Groom with father
- o Groom with mother
- o Groom and best man at front of church waiting
- o Guests arriving at the church
- o Bride arriving in car
- o Bride exiting car father helping
- o Bride kissing father on the cheek
- o Bride with mother and father looking on
- o Bride and bridesmaid/s group shot in church garden or vestibule
- o Any candid shots of wedding party



- o Bridesmaid/s, flower girls etc. coming down the aisle
- o Bride and father coming down the aisle
- o Father giving bride away
- o General shots of ceremony
- o From rear of church looking down the aisle at couple
- o Above from organ area or balconies
- o Soloists
- o Readers
- o Ring ceremony
- o Kissing
- o Exchanging of vows

After the Service Inside the Church

- o Bride signing the register
- o Groom signing the register
- o Bride and groom signing the register
- o Best man signing the register
- o Maid of honour signing the register
- o Bride and groom coming back down the aisle

After the Service Outside the Church

- o Groom kissing bride full length
- o Groom kissing bride close up head shot
- o Bride and groom looking at ring
- o Bride and grooms hands with rings and flowers
- o Bride and groom with vicar/registrar etc
- o Bride, groom and bridal party
- o Any other shots set up if missed during the service
- o Bride with bridesmaid/s and flowers
- o Bride with best man and groomsmen
- o Groom with bridesmaid/s
- o Bride and groom in church door
- o Bride and groom leaving church
- o Bride, groom, bridesmaid/s, best man and groomsmen outside church
- o Group shots
- o Bride and groom with bride's parents
- o Bride and groom with groom's parents
- o Bride and groom with bride's immediate family
- o Bride and groom with groom's immediate family
- o Bride with her mother
- o Bride with her father
- o Bride with both parents



- o Groom with his mother
- o Groom with his father
- o Groom with both parents
- o Bride and groom with both sets of parents
- o Bride and groom or either with special members of family/friends
- o Couple getting into wedding car
- o Shot of couple from front seat or through sunroof etc
- o Shot of car with couple and church in background

Special Shots

- o Various shots at a predetermined destination
- o Couple sitting with dress train spread out
- o Couple on bridge looking at water
- o Couple next to a tree
- o Couple walking in woods
- o Couple walking on beach
- o Couple in ruins of old building
- o Any other special shots

At the Reception

- o Receiving line
- o Couple greeting guests
- o Wedding cake
- o Guest book (assuming names already in there)
- o Guests signing book
- o Gifts
- o Toasts
- o Close up of bride and groom toasting
- o Various shots of guests during meal/speeches
- o Bride's fathers speech
- o Grooms speech
- o Best mans speech
- o Any other speeches
- o First dance
- o Bride and father dancing
- o Groom and mother dancing
- o Other family or guests dancing
- o Candids of any shenanigans during reception
- o Cutting the cake
- o Bride throwing bouquet
- o Actual shot of Bride and groom leaving
- o Shot of decorated car
- o Car leaving reception



Formal Shots at Reception

If possible, you may be required/allowed to set up a small studio area where you can take some formal shots of the wedding party with various guests. It may be an idea to take orders (if possible) before the actual wedding day, or just set it up and see what happens.

Any Other Shots

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