

WEDDING PHOTOGRAPHY CHECKLIST

Wedding Date...../...../.....

Start time.....

Place.....

At the Brides Home

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

At the Church Prior to Service

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

During the service

Bridal party coming down the aisle

Bridesmaid/s, flower girls etc. coming down the aisle
Bride and father coming down the aisle
Father giving bride away
General shots of ceremony (wherever allowed)
From rear of church looking down the aisle at couple
Above from organ area or balconies
Ad hoc shots of guests/church
Breaking of glass/jumping of broom etc
Soloists
Readers
Ring ceremony
Kissing
Exchanging of vows

After the Service Inside the Church

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

After the Service Outside the Church

Groom kissing bride full length
Groom kissing bride $\frac{3}{4}$ length
Groom kissing bride close up head shot
Bride and groom looking at ring
Bride and grooms hands with rings and flowers
Bride and groom with vicar/registrars etc
Bride, groom and bridal party
Any other shots set up if missed during the service
Bride with bridesmaid/s and flowers
Bride with best man and groomsmen
Groom with bridesmaid/s
Bride and groom in church door
Bride and groom leaving church
Bride, groom, bridesmaid/s, best man and groomsmen outside church
Group shots (to be arranged as per the family)
Bride and groom with bride's parents
Bride and groom with groom's parents
Bride and groom with bride's immediate family
Bride and groom with groom's immediate family
Bride with her mother
Bride with her father
Bride with both parents

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

Special Shots

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

At the Reception

Receiving line
Couple greeting guests
Wedding cake
Guest book (assuming names already in there)
Guests signing book
Gifts
Toasts
Close up of bride and groom on top table
Close up of bride and groom toasting
Various shots of guests during meal/speeches
Bride's fathers speech
Grooms speech
Best mans speech
Any other speeches
First dance
Bride and father dancing
Groom and mother dancing
Other family or guests dancing
Candids of any shenanigans during reception (keep it clean)
Cutting the cake
Bride throwing bouquet (mock up)
Bride throwing bouquet (actual)
Set up of bride and groom leaving
Actual shot of Bride and groom leaving (if you are still there)
Shot of decorated car
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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This list is purely meant as a guide. Each wedding is totally different from the last. It is recommended that you print this list and take it to your first meeting with the wedding couple and family. Get them to tick each photograph required, and to add any you may have missed.