

WEDDING PHOTOGRAPHY CHECK LIST

Here are a number of suggestions for pictures. Please check off all those you desire. Please fill in any special requests you may have. This list helps guide the photographer and assistant in setting up each shot.

DURING CEREMONY (If Allowed)

- Bride's mother on usher's arm
- Groom's mother on usher's arm
- Initial lighting of Unity Candles
- Bride being taken down aisle by father
- Father giving away bride
- Various shots during the ceremony itself
- Full length shot of ceremony
- Bride and groom lighting of Unity Candle
- Bride and groom coming down the aisle
- Receiving line at church

BRIDE & GROOM FORMALS

- Bride, Groom & Minister
- Bride, Groom & entire Wedding Party
- Bride, Groom & Bride's Parents
- Bride, Groom & Bride's direct family
- Bride, Groom & Bride's Grandparents
- Bride, Groom & Groom's Parents
- Bride, Groom & Groom's direct family
- Bride, Groom & Groom's Grandparents
- Bride & Groom (Various poses)
- Bride & Groom lighting Unity Candle (Posed)

BRIDE FORMALS

- Bride (Various full & half length shots)
- Bride with mother
- Bride with parents
- Bride with all bridesmaids
- Bride with maid or matron of honor
- Bride with ring bearer & flower girl

GROOM FORMALS

- Groom (Various full & half length shots)
- Groom with parents
- Groom with all groomsmen
- Groom with bestman (formal)
- Groom with bestman (casual, shaking hands)
- Groom with ring bearer

RECEPTION

- Introduction of the wedding party
- Guest signing book
- Wedding cake prior to being cut
- Food tables/Decorations

- Various shots of Bride & Groom socializing
- Bride & Groom toasting each other (Posed)
- Bride & Groom ring shots with bouquet
- Bride & Groom cutting cake (Posed/real)
- Bride & Groom feeding cake to one another
- Various shots of Bride, Groom & Guest eating
- Wedding party toasting Bride & Groom
- Bride & Groom's first dance
- Bride & father dancing
- Groom & mother dancing
- Various guests & bridal party dancing
- Bride throwing bouquet
- Bride seated with Groom taking garter off
- Groom throwing garter
- Shots of who caught garter & bouquet
- Group Shot of Reception

If With-In Time Limit

- Bride & Groom Leaving (Bird seed)
- Bride & Groom getting into car/limo (Posed/real)
- Shots while seated in car/limo (Posed/real)

Special requests: _____

NOTES:

Formals:

All persons that will be in the formal pictures should return to the front of the church/staging area directly after the service. Any delays with missing persons will only prolong the time needed for the wedding portraits and is not the fault of the photographer. (On average, formals should only take 30 minutes.)

Receptions:

Most receptions last 2 1/2 hours. On an average, half your guests will leave shortly after the first hour. It is our experience the majority of pictures during the reception should be taken within the first 1 1/2 hours. We will suggest during the reception which pictures should be next for best effect. It is totally up to you what the flow of your reception will follow.

General Guide for Reception's Order of Events:

- Announcement
- Bride & Groom lead the line for the buffet.
- Toasting
- Cake Cutting
- First Dance/Father & Daughter/Mother & Groom/Etc.
- General Dancing
- Garter/Bouquet Toss
- Bride & Groom Leaving (Bird Seed)