

Wedding Photography Checklist

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- ☐ Before the Ceremony
 - ☐ Bride leaving home for the big day.
 - ☐ Bride arriving at church.
 - ☐ Bride and bridesmaids getting dressed.
 - ☐ Bride and maids putting on makeup and doing hair.
 - ☐ Gown being zipped or buttoned.
 - ☐ Display of something old, new, borrowed and blue.
 - ☐ Bride putting on garter and veil.
 - ☐ Mother fussing with veil.
 - ☐ Bride in gown.
 - ☐ Maids receiving bouquets.
 - ☐ Pose of bride and mother.
 - ☐ Pose of bride and father.
 - ☐ Bride looking in mirror
 - ☐ Bride pinning on dad's boutonniere and mom's corsage.
 - ☐ Bride looking out of a window.
 - ☐ Groom tying his tie.
 - ☐ Groom looking in a mirror.
 - ☐ Groom with best man.
 - ☐ Groom with groomsmen/ushers.
 - ☐ Groomsmen/ushers receiving boutonnieres.
 - ☐ Close-up of invitation and programs.
- ☐ At the Ceremony
 - ☐ Outside the wedding venue/church.
 - ☐ Interior of church/venue while still empty.
 - ☐ Officiant.
 - ☐ Guests arriving.
 - ☐ Bride arriving at ceremony.
 - ☐ Guests being escorted to their seats.
 - ☐ Guests reading programs.
 - ☐ Seating of bride and groom's parents.

- ☐ Organist/soloist/vocalists.
- ☐ Groom and groomsmen at altar.
- ☐ Bridesmaids, flower girl and ring bearer coming down aisle.
- ☐ Maid of honor coming down aisle.
- ☐ Close-up of bride just before she comes down the aisle.
- ☐ Bride being escorted down the aisle.
- ☐ Grooms reaction to bride approaching.
- ☐ Back of bride and father going down the aisle.
- ☐ Father giving bride away.
- ☐ Bride and groom exchanging vows.
- ☐ Guests from altar point of view.
- ☐ Exchange of rings.
- ☐ Groom kissing bride.
- ☐ Introduction of husband and wife.
- ☐ Recessional.
- ☐ Signing of the marriage license.
- ☐ Bride and groom exiting church/venue.
- ☐ Bride and groom on church steps/doorway.
- ☐ Guests throwing flower petals/birdseed/confetti.
- ☐ Bride and groom getting into vehicle.
- ☐ Bride and groom waving/looking out the back window.
- ☐ Formal Wedding Photos
 - ☐ Bride alone.
 - ☐ Bride and groom together.
 - ☐ Bride and groom's hands with rings.
 - ☐ Bride with maid/matron of honor.
 - ☐ Bride with bridesmaids.
 - ☐ Bride and father.
 - ☐ Bride with mother.
 - ☐ Bride with parents.
 - ☐ Bride with parents and siblings.
 - ☐ Bride with grandparents.
 - ☐ Groom with best man.

- ☐ Groom with attendants.
- ☐ Groom with father.
- ☐ Groom with mother.
- ☐ Groom with parents.
- ☐ Groom with parents and siblings.
- ☐ Groom with grandparents.
- ☐ Couple with officiant.
- ☐ Couple with all attendants.
- ☐ Couple with best man and maid/matron of honor.
- ☐ Couple with ring bearer and flower girl.
- ☐ Couple with both families.
- ☐ At the Reception
 - ☐ Exterior and interior of venue while still empty.
 - ☐ Bride and groom arriving.
 - ☐ The receiving line.
 - ☐ Wedding cake.
 - ☐ Buffet tables/food.
 - ☐ Bar setup.
 - ☐ Guests signing guest book.
 - ☐ The gift table.
 - ☐ Any special decorations.
 - ☐ Close-up of favors.
 - ☐ Bride and groom's first dance.
 - ☐ Bride and father dancing.
 - ☐ Groom and mother dancing.
 - ☐ Wedding party dancing.
 - ☐ Bride and groom's parents dancing.
 - ☐ Guests dancing.
 - ☐ Bride and groom posing at each guest table.
 - ☐ Bride and groom cutting the wedding cake.
 - ☐ The feeding of the cake.
 - ☐ Speeches/toasts.
 - ☐ The head table.

- ☐ Tables and settings.
- ☐ Bride tossing the bouquet.
- ☐ Groom taking the garter from bride.
- ☐ Groom throwing the garter.
- ☐ Bride and groom's last dance.
- ☐ The getaway car.