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Weddings

Wedding Photography Pose Options Check List

Wedding Date _____ Photographer Start Time: _____ Wedding Start Time _____

PREPARATION:

- Mother/Maid of Honor adjusting veil
- Bride getting make-up and hair
- Wedding Dress Hanging, staged
- Bride's shoes (possibly with rings, staged)
- Bride & Groom Rings, staged
- Bride putting on garter with bridesmaids
- Bride in dressing room with mirror
- Corsage being pinned on mother
- Corsage being pinned on father
- Portrait of mother and bride
- Portrait of father and bride
- Group Shot of Bride and bridesmaids
- Bride leaving house with parents and bridesmaids
- Father helping bride into car
- Groom and groomsmen getting ready
- Best man adjusting groom's tie
- Groom and best man handshaking
- Groom with father
- Bride and matron of honor
- Bride kissing father on the cheek
- Bride and mother with father looking on
- Bride and bridesmaids group pose in vestibule or dressing room
- Grandparents accompanied down the aisle
- Other people accompanied down aisle

SETUP POSES IN THE CHURCH AND/OR OUTSIDE PRIOR TO CEREMONY

With most of your formal poses 2-4 shots will be taken to help eliminate blinking and assure a good smile.

- Groom kissing bride at the altar full length
- Groom kissing bride at the altar 3/4 pose
- Groom kissing bride at the altar tight head shot pose
- Groom putting ring on bride's finger
- Bride putting ring on groom's finger
- Bride and groom lighting candles, full length
- Bride and groom lighting candles, 3/4 pose
- Bride and groom's hands with rings and flowers
- Bride and groom with officiator
- Bride and groom and bridal party with officiator

- Other missed shots during ceremony
- Bride with bridesmaids flowers around her
- Bride and groomsmen
- Groom with bridesmaids
- Bride and groom at church door (or stained glass window) in silhouette
- Bride and groom on the steps of church
- Bride and bridesmaids on the steps of the church
- Groom and groomsmen on the steps of the church
- Group shots back inside church
(Use church altar/steps, etc. as a studio)
- Bride and groom with bridal party standing
- Bride and groom with bridal party sitting
- Bride and groom with bridal party
(alternating male and female)
- Bride and groom with all of the Brides family
(as big as the bride would like to go)
- Bride and groom with brides immediate family
- Bride and groom with bride's parents
- Bride with her parents
- Bride with her mother
- Bride with her father
- Bride and groom with all of the groom's family
(as big as the bride would like to go)
- Bride and groom with groom's immediate family
- Bride and groom with groom's parents
- Groom with his parents
- Groom with his mother
- Groom with his father
- Bride and groom with both sets of parents
- Bride and/or groom with special family members
(e.g. favorite uncle, best friend, generations photograph, etc)
- Bride & Groom with all grandparents
- Bride and groom leaving inside of church
- Getting into car or limo
- Shot through the sun roof of the limo
- Shot while seated in limo
- Wide shot of church/ceremony site and limo
- Mood shots in and around the church/grounds and/or
on the way to the weddings reception site.

DURING THE CEREMONY

- Bridal party coming down the aisle
- Bridesmaids, flower girls, and ring bearer coming down the aisle
- Bride being taken down aisle by father
- Father giving away bride
- Vows, if possible
- Unity candle
- Shots during the ceremony itself (Pre-approved by officiator)
(These can also be taken as setup shots after ceremony)
- Overall area during ceremony

AFTER THE CEREMONY AT CHURCH

- Bride and groom coming down the aisle
- Receiving line right after ceremony
- Best man signing certificate with bride and groom looking on
- Matron of honor signing certificate with bride and groom looking on

OPTIONS AT THE RECEPTION

- ___ Receiving line (If not taken earlier)
- ___ Wedding cake (prior to being cut)
- ___ Guest book
- ___ Guests signing book
- ___ Wedding Favors
- ___ Gift table
- ___ Introduction of the wedding party
- ___ Wedding party toasting bride and groom
- ___ Close up of bride and groom toasting
- ___ Close up of bride and groom at head table kissing
- ___ Group shots of guests at their table during the meal
- ___ First dance
- ___ Parent dance
- ___ Bride and father dance
- ___ Groom and mother dance
- ___ Parents dancing
- ___ Bridal party dancing
- ___ Guest dancing
- ___ Bride showing rings to bridesmaids
- ___ General dancing shots (wide and close up)
- ___ Flower girl and ring bearer together
- ___ Candids of guests and bridal party as conditions permit
- ___ Bride and groom posed in front of the cake
- ___ Cutting the cake
- ___ Bride and groom feeding cake to one another
- ___ Bride faking the bouquet toss
- ___ Bride throwing the bouquet
- ___ The catch of the bouquet
- ___ Groom taking off garter
- ___ Groom and garter
- ___ Groom throwing the garter
- ___ The catch of the garter
- ___ Group shot of bride and groom with the recipients of the bouquet and garter
- ___ Guest leaving
- ___ Posed departure shot of bride and groom (kissing, waving, etc.)
- ___ Getaway car, limo, horses, whatever, etc.
- ___ Bride and groom leaving reception area (birdseed, rose pedals)
- ___ Bride and groom in car as it goes in to the distance.

*NOTE - all weddings are unique. This wedding list is meant to be used as a **guide**, not the rule. Many of the above shots are not needed by some couples and other couples have pose ideas unique to them. You and Jennifer will go over this and decide together. Brides must contact Jennifer one month prior to their wedding to arrange a location visit for pre-planning.*