



Wedding Checklist

Nine to Twelve Months Before:

- ☐ Pick out engagement ring.
- ☐ Select a wedding date and time.
- ☐ Determine if you want a wedding planner.
- ☐ Send engagement announcement to local newspaper.
- ☐ Select the attendants for your wedding party.
- ☐ Start compiling the guest list (inform your families to do the same).
- ☐ Determine how many guests may attend.
- ☐ Determine the type of wedding you want (formality, style, color scheme).
- ☐ Establish a preliminary budget.
- ☐ Select and secure your reception location.
- ☐ Select and secure your ceremony location.
- ☐ Select and secure a photographer.
- ☐ _____

Six to Nine Months Before:

- ☐ Determine who will officiate at the ceremony.
- ☐ Shop for wedding dress, headpiece, veil, etc.
- ☐ Select and order the bridesmaids' dresses.
- ☐ Inform mothers to select their wedding day dresses.
- ☐ Select a caterer if not already provided by the reception site.
- ☐ Interview and choose your wedding cake baker, videographer, musicians and florist. Sign necessary contracts.
- ☐ Choose and reserve DJ or Band for reception.
- ☐ Schedule Engagement Photos.
- ☐ Reserve accommodations for guests (block hotel rooms)
- ☐ _____

Four to Six Months Before

- ☐ Complete the guest lists.
- ☐ Register with a gift bridal registry in your favorite store(s).
- ☐ Prepare all maps and directions for the ceremony and reception.
- ☐ Select and order the invitations and stationery.
- ☐ Start planning for honeymoon.
- ☐ Select and order the men's attire.
- ☐ Confirm dates with bridesmaids and hostesses for Showers.
- ☐ Finalize the florist details, photographer, videographer, musicians, etc.
- ☐ Hire the limousine or other forms of transportation for the wedding.
- ☐ _____

Two to Four Months Before:

- ☐ Check requirements for blood test and marriage license in your state.
- ☐ Shop for wedding rings.
- ☐ Confirm the menu and provide an estimated guest count to the caterer.
- ☐ Determine your resources for designing and printing the program for the ceremony.
- ☐ Buy ceremony and reception accessories. (Guest Books, Unity Candles, Toasting Flutes, etc.)
- ☐ Select gifts for all your attendants, parents and each other.
- ☐ Choose and reserve location for rehearsal dinner.
- ☐ Confirm the wedding cake details with the baker.
- ☐ Set appointments with any hair dressers and/or make-up artists.
- ☐ _____

Six to Eight Weeks Before:

- ☐ Handle business and legal details such as name changes, address changes, etc.
- ☐ Prepare the wedding announcement for the newspaper.
- ☐ Mail invitations and announcements.
- ☐ Do a rehearsal of your hair and makeup.
- ☐ Create a wedding day schedule.
- ☐ _____

Four to Six Weeks Before:

- ☐ Finalize honeymoon details and make the necessary reservations.
- ☐ Finalize the dates and times with the officiant for the rehearsal.
- ☐ Order wedding programs.
- ☐ Confirm menu, time & place for rehearsal dinner.
- ☐ Schedule a final fitting for your gown.
- ☐ Make sure all bridesmaids' attire has been fitted.
- ☐ Get your marriage license and any blood tests which are needed.
- ☐ Call any guests who have not responded yet.
- ☐ Select song for father/daughter, mother/son dance.
- ☐ _____

Two to Three Weeks Before:

- ☐ Pick up your wedding rings.
- ☐ Confirm florist details and delivery times.
- ☐ Make arrangements to have your wedding gifts moved to your home.
- ☐ Make sure all clothing and accessories for you and the bridal party are ready.
- ☐ Verify groom's party's measurements and final fittings.
- ☐ Confirm your honeymoon reservations. Ensure you have any necessary documents.
- ☐ Review all the final details with your photographer, videographer, etc.
- ☐ Give the final head count to the caterer.
- ☐ Confirm the availability of the musicians and vocalists.

- ☐ Finalize your rehearsal dinner arrangements and other plans.
- ☐ Prepare speeches for reception.
- ☐ Write personal wedding vows.
- ☐ _____

The Week Before:

- ☐ Start packing for your honeymoon.
- ☐ Delegate responsibilities to reliable individuals on your wedding day.
- ☐ Get a manicure or massage to relax yourself.
- ☐ _____

Rehearsal:

- ☐ Review any seating details with the ushers.
- ☐ Wrap and present the wedding party gifts.
- ☐ Give Best Man officiant's fee.
- ☐ Give wedding rings to Best Man/Maid of Honor.
- ☐ Give Marriage License to officiant.
- ☐ _____

The Day Before:

- ☐ Stay with your family the night before and go to sleep early.
- ☐ Pack bag with personal needs and a change of clothes for after the wedding.
- ☐ Rest and relax with a good bath.
- ☐ Be sure to eat properly.
- ☐ Prepare for your hairdresser and make-up appointments.
- ☐ Pick up any tuxedos/suits.
- ☐ _____

The Day of The Wedding:

- ☐ Make sure the best man and maid of honor sign the wedding certificate.
- ☐ Allow yourself plenty of time to get dressed.
- ☐ Be sure to eat properly.
- ☐ _____

After The Wedding:

- ☐ Send thank you notes as soon as possible after the wedding.
- ☐ Have bridal gown cleaned and preserved.
- ☐ Change your name on ID and important documents.
- ☐ Complete change of address cards.
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