

SHOT CHECKLIST

Tear this page out and use this list of shots to make sure you don't miss any important moments.

GETTING READY (BRIDE)

- Bride leaving home
- Bride arriving at the venue
- Wedding dress hanging or lying over a chair
- Shoes, arranged decoratively, with an interesting background
- The bridal party helping each other get ready
- Zipping, buttoning, or tying the wedding dress
- Fastening the bride's necklace
- Putting on the garter and veil
- Bride looking into mirror and looking out window
- Bridal party putting on makeup
- Bride pinning a corsage or boutonniere on her parents
- Bride hugging parents and bridal party
- Bride and parents leaving for ceremony

GETTING READY (GROOM)

- Groom alone
- Groom with best man and groomsmen
- Groom tying his tie
- Groom looking into mirror or out window
- Groom pinning a corsage or boutonniere on his parents
- Groom hugging parents

CEREMONY

- The inside and outside of the venue itself
- Guests walking into the venue
- Bride and father entering
- Parents and grandparents being seated by usher
- Maid of honor and bridesmaids walking down aisle

CEREMONY (CONTINUED)

- Flower girl and ring bearer walking down aisle
- Groom and groomsmen waiting for bride
- Musicians and officiate
- The bride just before she makes her entrance
- Bride and father walking down the aisle from the front, side, and back
- Groom seeing bride for first time
- The guests from the front of the venue
- Bride and groom saying the vows
- Exchanging the rings, both wide-angle and close-up
- Bride and groom kissing
- Bride and groom walking up the aisle from the front, side, and back
- Receiving line
- Guests throwing confetti
- Signing of the marriage license
- Bride and groom getting into the car
- Bride and groom in the back seat

POSED SHOTS

- Bride and groom with flower girl and ring-bearer
- Bride and groom with entire wedding party
- Bride and groom with families
- Bride and groom with parents
- Bride with bridesmaids
- Bride with maid of honor
- Bride alone (full length)
- Bride with parents
- Bride and groom together
- Bride with groomsmen
- Groom with bridesmaids
- Groom with parents
- Groom with best man
- Groom with groomsmen

RECEPTION

- Invitations, programs, guest book, place card table
- Close-up of the bride and groom's place card
- Inside and outside of reception site, including decorations and centerpieces
- Bride and groom arriving
- Bride and groom greeting guests
- Group shot, on stairs if possible
- Bride and groom's head table
- Musicians or DJ
- Wedding cake
- Groom's cake
- Gift table with gifts
- A shot of bride and groom with guests at each table
- The food
- Bride and groom's, bride and father, and groom and mother dancing
- Guests dancing
- Bride and groom cutting the cake and then feeding each other
- Toasts
- Bride and groom drinking champagne
- Rings:
 - On a book, with the shadow making a heart
 - On the stamen of a flower
 - On the invitations
- Bride throwing bouquet
- Groom retrieving and then tossing the garter
- Bride and groom leaving party and driving away