

Your Wedding Ceremony Worksheet

Whether you are planning a large wedding or a small elopement, the ceremony is the heart of the big day. You want it to be just right. We've got you covered! Your officiant will provide you with great ceremony ideas and this quick guide will help you be prepared. You want to have everything you need when you are at the ceremony.

Officiant Details

Your officiant can help guide you through most of it. Be sure to keep their information handy.

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Ceremony Prep Checklist

- Find out the order of the ceremony from your officiant. You should have a copy of the wedding ceremony script so you know how it will flow. Some couples choose to not see the ceremony script until their wedding day, and that is perfectly fine. You should at least have the ceremony outline to review.
- If you are having special elements like sand blending, love lock, unity puzzle, etc., get the items needed. Etsy and Pinterest are great places to look for ideas, as well as Michaels or Hobby Lobby.

- ❑ If you are doing a handfasting, buy or make handfasting cords. They should be chosen carefully and carry meaning.
 - Practice the handfasting ceremony. There are different ways to do the wrapping, so find one that resonates with you. See this [Ultimate Handfasting Guide](#) for more tips.
- ❑ Remind the photographer that the paperwork signing needs to happen immediately after the ceremony and before the photo shoot starts.
- ❑ If you are exchanging your own personal vows, we can help with that too! Use our free [Wedding Vows Generator tool](#) for a headstart on writing your own vows.
 - Some couples choose to email their vows separately to the officiant to be sure they somewhat match in length. Also, it is perfectly fine if only one of you wants to share personal vows. Practice saying your vows out loud so it flows better at the ceremony.
- ❑ Get your marriage license up to 90 days in advance. The sooner the better.
- ❑ **Be sure to bring the license!** The officiant will be collecting it when they arrive to go over it and get it ready for signing.

Other Things To Bring On The Big Day

- ❖ Rings
- ❖ Water
- ❖ Written Vows
- ❖ Tissue/Handkerchief
- ❖ Cosmetic bag for touch ups
- ❖ Breath mints
- ❖ Gifts you may have for witnesses or wedding party
- ❖ Vendor Tip envelopes with their names clearly marked (you can give this to someone you trust to handle)
- ❖ Vendor payment if they are collecting on the day of
- ❖ If eloping, bring a bridal bouquet or other flowers if you would like them
- ❖ If you are using wedding decorations, don't forget them.
- ❖ If you are supplying your own music, be sure it is ready to go