

# Erin Hession Photography

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## Wedding Questionnaire

Wedding date: \_\_\_\_\_ Celebrity guests in attendance? \_\_\_\_\_

Will the bride and groom see each other before the ceremony? (circle) YES NO  
If yes, do you want photos of your private moment? YES NO  
Also, would you like for us to clear the sanctuary/altar area of on-lookers  
before your private moment? YES NO

Bride's name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Groom's name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address after the wedding: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, state, zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ cell # for emergencies: \_\_\_\_\_  
Maid of honor: \_\_\_\_\_ Matron of honor: \_\_\_\_\_  
Best Man: \_\_\_\_\_ # of guests: \_\_\_\_\_  
# of bridesmaids: \_\_\_\_\_ (including maid/matron of honor)  
# of groomsmen: \_\_\_\_\_ (including best man)  
# of ushers: \_\_\_\_\_ (Rule of thumb – 1 usher per 50 guests)  
(Name/age) Flower girl(s)? \_\_\_\_\_ Ring bearer(s)? \_\_\_\_\_  
The ceremony takes place at: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ ceremony start time: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of presiding priest, rabbi or minister? \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of church/location coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_  
Are flash photographs permitted during the ceremony? \_\_\_\_\_  
Are we allowed to move around during the ceremony? YES NO  
(We will try to be as discreet as possible obviously, but some churches won't permit us to  
shoot from anywhere but the back of the church)  
Is there a balcony? \_\_\_\_\_ Unity candle? \_\_\_\_\_  
Will there be a full mass? \_\_\_\_\_ Will there be a receiving line? \_\_\_\_\_  
What time will the florist arrive? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please allow plenty of time for them to set up before we arrive to begin pictures)  
What are your wedding colors? \_\_\_\_\_  
The reception is at: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of venue coordinator: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cocktail hour? YES NO If so, at what time? \_\_\_\_\_  
Time reception begins/ends: \_\_\_\_\_ Is your first dance choreographed? YES NO  
Who will provide the: Flowers? \_\_\_\_\_ Dresses & Tuxes? \_\_\_\_\_  
(names/numbers) Cake? \_\_\_\_\_ Rentals? \_\_\_\_\_  
Catering? \_\_\_\_\_ DJ/Band? \_\_\_\_\_  
Video? \_\_\_\_\_ Transportation? \_\_\_\_\_  
Wedding Coordination? \_\_\_\_\_  
Hair & make-up? \_\_\_\_\_

*Recommended Time Guidelines: coverage begins when we arrive and ends when we depart  
(Timeline may differ between ceremony locations and restrictions)*  
Dressing room & formal photographs before wedding: 2-3 hours before ceremony  
We stop photographing ½ hour before the ceremony starts since guests begin arriving  
Ceremony: Protestant – 30 minutes, Jewish – 30 minutes, Catholic – 1 hour  
Receiving line rule of thumb: For every 100 guests, allow 15 minutes  
Reception: 1 hour for dinner and 1-2 hours for ceremonial events  
Travel: Please allow adequate time to travel between locations

To avoid an awkward situation & in consideration of the long day, we require our clients to provide 3 meals during the reception for both photographers and assistant. We require the same meal as your guests and need to be seated with them so that we may be available to shoot during dinner if needed.

Will you have assigned seating at the reception? YES NO  
 What is our table number? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the order in which you will be performing the following events: receiving line, bridal party introductions, dinner, toasts, cake cutting, first dance, father/daughter, mother/son, bouquet & garter toss, etc.

Event: \_\_\_\_\_ Approx. time: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Event: \_\_\_\_\_ Approx. time: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Event: \_\_\_\_\_ Approx. time: \_\_\_\_\_

*Tell us about your immediate families: (parents, siblings, in-laws, nieces, nephews, stepparents, grandparents, etc.) Feel free to continue this on another sheet if needed.*

<b>Bride's family</b>		<b>Groom's family</b>	
Name	Relationship	Name	Relationship
_____	_____	_____	_____
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We will email photo information and parent album information to your parents after the wedding so please provide your parents email addresses below!  
 Bride's mom's email address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bride's dad's email address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Groom's mom's email address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Groom's dad's email address: \_\_\_\_\_

After the wedding, we often post some of the images on FaceBook/IG & tag the images for your friends and families to view. Are you and your fiancé on FaceBook/IG? YES NO  
 If so, please friend us before the wedding! 😊

**Some other information & suggestions from the professionals...**

We highly recommend hiring a full service florist – their responsibilities include presenting the flowers to all involved and making sure that the flowers meet your expectations before they leave. Please also make sure that hairdressers and cosmetologists are aware that everybody needs to be ready at their designated time, their delays can result in a hurried photo session with less photographs taken. Also, we recommend that our brides designate a “personal assistant” for the day that can help her find any missing items, solve any wedding stress-related issues, etc. Delayed photography sessions as a result of something missing or more importantly, *someone* missing can cause a less than perfect smile! We also suggest that you discuss your photography needs & wants with your friends and family members before the wedding. You may have a very different vision of your day than others who will want reprints & enlargements afterwards. Our goal is to provide a mix of photos to please our clients and their families but we must know of any special requests in advance.

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Photography Schedule

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Email to [erinhession@gmail.com](mailto:erinhession@gmail.com) at least 3-4 weeks prior to your wedding

Client's Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Wedding Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_

Wedding Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Photography or time restrictions? \_\_\_\_\_

Does the bride want photos of herself diving into the wedding dress? YES NO

Reception Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want black and white coverage? \_\_\_\_\_ (We typically shoot 5-10% in B&W unless otherwise specified. You can always change the color images to B&W or sepia after the wedding)

Notes:

**Photographers and assistant will arrive at \_\_\_\_\_ to begin photos.**

Please make sure everyone except the bride is dressed and ready for photos before the photographer's arrival time. (Outdoor photo of the wedding location if the weather is nice)

**Getting Ready/Dressing Room Photos** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Dress hanging up

Shoes, jewelry, details

Old, new, borrowed & blue items

Invitation (don't forget to bring an extra one with you that day for us to photograph!)

Candid photos of wedding party preparations

Bride getting ready

Special Requests: \_\_\_\_\_

**Groom's Photos** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Groom alone

Groom with best man

Groom with groomsmen

Groom with ushers

Groom with mom

Groom with dad

Groom with parents

Groom with parents and siblings

Groom with siblings

Groom's parents together

Groom with grandparents

Groom with flower girl & ring bearer

Flower girl(s) and ring bearer(s) together

Special Requests: \_\_\_\_\_

**Bride's Photos** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Bride alone

Bride with maid of honor

Bride with bridesmaids

Bride with flower girl & ring bearer

Bride with mom

Bride with dad

Bride with parents

Bride with siblings and parents

Bride with siblings

Bride's parents together

Bride with grandparents

Special Requests: \_\_\_\_\_

**Pre-ceremony photos**

Overall ceremony space

Altar décor

Guest book

Programs

Guest book attendants

Program attendants

Guests signing in

Memorial table

Special Requests: \_\_\_\_\_

**Ceremony Photos** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Grandparents and parents being seated

Processional

Groom's reaction

Giving away the bride

Bride and Groom exchanging vows

Unity candle

Ring exchange

Kissing at the altar

Recessional

Special Requests: \_\_\_\_\_

**Exit**

Rice/confetti/bubbles/rose petals/bells Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Getting into getaway vehicle: \_\_\_\_\_

**Altar return for family/wedding party photos** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Bride and Groom with her immediate family and extended family names: \_\_\_\_\_

Bride and Groom with her immediate family

Bride and Groom with her parents

Bride and Groom with all parents

Bride and Groom with his parents

Bride and Groom with his immediate family

Bride and Groom with his immediate family and extended family

Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Divorced parents? Please notify us of your situation: \_\_\_\_\_

Bride and Groom with best man & maid of honor

Wedding party (bridesmaids/groomsmen)

Full wedding party with ushers, flower girl & ring bearer

Groom with bridesmaids

Bride with groomsmen

Special Requests: \_\_\_\_\_

**Bride and Groom Photos** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Bride and Groom

Kissing

Hands with rings over flowers

Dip and kiss

Kissing under the veil

Special Requests: \_\_\_\_\_

**Candid Reception Photos** \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Outdoor shot of the reception hall (weather permitting)

Overall room shots/décor

Cake prior to being cut

Bridal party intros

During dinner: candid of the head table, families & guests

All toasts

Cake cutting/feeding

Bride and Groom's first dance

Bride with father

Groom with mother

Candid dancing shots

Dollar dance

Anniversary dance

Bouquet/garter

Photo booth

Night time décor

Late night snacks

Cool ring shots

Sparkler photos with the bride & groom

Sparkler send off or grand exit?

Special Requests: \_\_\_\_\_

\*If you have any Pinterest photos, please choose your top 10 favorites and email them to [erinhession@gmail.com](mailto:erinhession@gmail.com) with this paperwork.

\*Please also send along a list of your vendors with their email addresses so that we may distribute your photo schedule to your vendor team the week of the wedding! 😊