

Questions to ask your wedding venue.

On your wedding day, you want everything to be perfect. One important way to make sure your day is exactly how you want it is to make sure you ask all the right questions.

#### General Questions.

- 1. Is the venue available on your selected wedding date?
- 2. Can you provisionally hold the date? If so for how long?
- 3. How many guests can the venue accommodate for the ceremony and reception?
- 4. How many extra evening guests can the venue accommodate?
- 5. Do they offer accommodation? For how many guests?
- 6. Are there separate areas for the bride and groom to get ready on the day?
- 7. Do they offer wedding packages?
- 8. How long are you able to hire the venue?
- 9. Is the venue exclusive hire?
- 10. What facilities can they offer?
- 11. Is an outdoor area included?
- 12. Is there a designated smoking area?
- 13. Is the room accessible for disabled guests?
- 14. Is there a secure area to store the wedding gifts?
- 15. Are there booster seats or high chairs available for children?
- 16. Are fireworks allowed?
- 17. Is confetti allowed?
- 18. Do they have photographs to show past receptions?
- 19. Who is the main venue contact for the day of the wedding?
- 20. Is there an on-the-day wedding coordinator included?

## Venue Decorations.

- 1. When can you start decorating?
- 2. Can we bring our own decorations?
- 3. Are there any restrictions on decoration?
- 4. Do they have a list of recommended suppliers?
- 5. When do you need to remove the decorations?

#### The Ceremony.

- 1. Can the venue accommodate the ceremony?
- 2. Is the venue licensed?
- 3. Can the venue be flexible on timings?
- 4. Are the ceremony and reception held in the same room or separate rooms?
- 5. If same room, is the switch over from the ceremony to the reception included in the cost?
- 6. How long will the switch-over take?
- 7. Does the venue provide the seating for the ceremony?
- 8. What is the cost to have both the ceremony and reception at the venue?

## The Reception.

- 1. Do they have an in-house caterer?
- 2. If not, do they have a preferred list of caterers?
- 3. Do I have to use your recommended suppliers only?
- 4. Do you offer the tables and chairs?
- 5. Can we hire in our own style of tables and chairs?
- 6. Are Crockery and Linen provided?
- 7. Can we hire our own style of crockery and linens?
- 8. What does the venue provide for drinks with the meal?
- 9. Can we bring our own alcohol? Is there a corkage fee?

#### The Cake.

- 1. Do you offer a wedding cake stand or table?
- 2. Do You Provide Cake-Cutting Utensils?
- 3. Is There a Cake-Cutting Fee?

## Music, Food and Evening Guests.

- 1. Can you bring in a band or DJ?
- 2. What do they have for a sound system? Speakers, microphones?
- 3. When can the band or DJ be set up?
- 4. How many people does the dance floor accommodate?
- 5. Until what time do they allow the music to play?
- 6. Can we hire a street food van?
- 7. Can we have pasties delivered?

## The Bar.

- 1. Do they provide a cash bar?
- 2. Could we arrange an open bar?
- 3. Can we personalise the bar?
- 4. Can we serve signature drinks?
- 5. Can we have a mobile bar?

## Payment.

- 1. What is required for a deposit?
- 2. Do they offer payment plans?
- 3. Are there any special wedding packages on offer?
- 4. What is their cancellation policy?

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