

BEN SUSSMAN PHOTOGRAPHY

Standard Wedding Checklist

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1. Participants

Bride's Side:

Mother of the Bride
Father of the Bride
Stepmother
Stepfather
Maternal Grandmother
Maternal Grandfather
Sisters
Brothers
Stepsisters
Stepbrothers

Groom's Side:

Mother of the Bride
Father of the Bride
Stepmother
Stepfather
Maternal Grandmother
Maternal Grandfather
Sisters
Brothers
Stepsisters
Stepbrothers

Bridal Party:

Maid of Honor
Bridesmaids
Flower Girl
Best Man
Groomsmen
Ring Bearer

2. Customary Photos

Pre-Ceremony Shoot with Groom

- Closeups and Full Length - Alone
 - With mother
 - With father
 - With both parents
 - With other family members
 - With the bestman
 - With the groomsmen
 - With ring bearer
 - Checking your tie and/or finishing up
 - Getting ready candids
 - Groom's Details, i.e. boutonniere, tuxes hanging, bottle of cologne, card/gift from bride, etc
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Pre-Ceremony Shoot with Bride

- Closeups and Full Length - Alone
 - With mother
 - With father
 - With both parents
 - With other family members
 - With Maid/Matron of Honor
 - With bridesmaids
 - With flower girl
 - Putting on the finishing touches
 - Adjusting garter
 - Bride's Details, i.e. the dress, the shoes, the bouquets, makeup, jewellery, card/gift from the groom, etc.
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Ceremony

- Ushers seating guests and mothers
- Bride's Arrival

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- Processional
 - Bride being walked down the aisle
 - Groom waiting at the alter
 - Bride being given away
 - Wedding Party members at the alter
 - Kneeling at the alter
 - Exchanging rings
 - Exchanging vows
 - Lighting unity candles
 - Exchanging kiss
 - Signing marriage license
 - With officiant
 - Recessional
 - In front of the church after ceremony
 - Candids outside with guests
 - Guests outside and inside the church. Some brides have elected to have shots done of all of the people attending the church ceremony.
 - Couple leaving in limo
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Formals 1 (Wedding Participants)

- Bride Alone
 - Groom Alone
 - Bride & Groom together - various locations
 - Bride with attendants
 - Groom with attendants
 - Bride with "the guys"
 - Groom with "the girls"
 - Bride with each attendant individually
 - Groom with each attendant individually
 - Entire Wedding Party
 - Hands with wedding rings
 - With children from wedding party
 - With best man and maid of honour
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Reception Photos

- Talking with guests at reception - receiving line
- First dance

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- Cutting the cake
 - Toasting
 - With special guests
 - Dancing and candid photos at the reception
 - Wedding Cake before cutting
 - Food or dessert tables
 - Organist and/or soloists
 - Musicians
 - Any decorations that you have spent a lot of time and energy putting together.
 - Candid photos of everyone at the reception
 - Photo of the invitation with bouquets, toasting glasses and table centerpieces

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Formals 2 (Family)

- Bride with Mother
- Bride with Father
- Bride with Mother & Father
- Bride with Siblings (you may want to do individually or as a group)
- Bride with Mother, Father and Siblings
- Bride with Mother, Father, Siblings, their spouses and children
- Bride with Grandparents
- Family generation photo including all above (you may want to wait and do this with the groom)

- Groom with Mother
- Groom with Father
- Groom with Mother & Father
- Groom with Siblings (you may want to do individually or as a group)
- Groom with Mother, Father and Siblings
- Groom with Mother, Father, Siblings and their spouses and children
- Groom with Grandparents
- Family generation photo including all above (you may want to wait and do this with the bride)

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- Bride, Groom and Bride's Parents
- Bride, Groom and Groom's Parents
- Bride, Groom and Both Sets of Parents
- Bride, Groom and Bride's Grandparents
- Bride, Groom and Groom's Grandparents
- Bride, Groom and Bride's Siblings
- Bride, Groom and Groom's Siblings
- Bride, Groom and all Siblings
- Bride, Groom and Brides entire family
- Bride, Groom and Grooms entire family
- Bride, Groom and both families combined