

LWR Photography

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- 1. What Happens At The Initial Meeting Between Photographer And Bride/Groom?**
Well, the Bride/Groom will want to review the photographer's previous work samples, but it is equally important that the chemistry is right for all parties.
- 2. Is There Any Obligation That Comes Along With The Initial Introductory Meeting?**
Absolutely NOT; the first meeting is basically an informal interview with both sides asking lots of questions. If all goes well, a contract and deposit could transpire but it is NOT unusual for the B&G to follow-up with a second meeting or phone call.
- 3. Do You Have References? If So, Can We Contact Them For Their Opinion On Your Work?**
Yes. I would be glad to provide you with some names and phone numbers upon request, but perhaps the "Testimonials" on the LWR Photography website might suffice. Visit: www.lwrphotography.com
- 4. Are You Willing To Travel? If So, What Are Your Restrictions Or Concern?**
Yes. I am 100% open-minded to over-night travel, but additional costs may be required to cover all related mileage, tolls, parking, lodging, etc.
- 5. What Format Do You Shoot At Your Weddings? Digital Or Film?**
All weddings are shot in DIGITAL format.
- 6. Do You Have Back-Up Camera Equipment?**
YES. I try to be prepared for everything. I will carry an extra camera, extra lenses, extra flashes, etc.
- 7. Do You Have A Back-Up Plan In Case Of Sickness or Unforeseen Emergencies?**
YES. If I were physically unable to attend the wedding due to an uncontrollable emergency, I would send a qualified representative to substitute for my absence. The formal agreement would not be affected by the necessity of having a substitute photographer.
- 8. Do You Shoot Traditional Wedding Poses or Photo-Journalistic?**
I try to provide both the traditional/formal wedding poses AND the candid photo-journalistic shots as well. The main objective is to record as many of the days memories as possible; some memories will be formally orchestrated for the camera lens while other memories will be more spontaneous and free.
- 9. Do You Offer A Second Photographer To Shoot Along Side Your Efforts?**
A Second Camera (Photographer) is available upon request for an additional fee. Large wedding parties and/or long wedding days would be wise to consider this extra resource. Secondary Photographer rates can be found in the side notes of the LWR Photography Price List.

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10. Is It Okay For Family Members, Friends & Invitees To Take Photos While You Are Taking Photos?

Yes, absolutely. This usually happens during the traditional / posed formals (after the ceremony) and I try to allow people to get their shots either before or after I push MY shutter button so that it doesn't cause the people in the photo to be looking in different directions. Sometimes multiple flashes will also cause a photo to be over-exposed, but I try to manage the moment as professionally as possible.

11. Do You Allow The Bride And Groom To Submit A List Of Preferred Photos?

Input from the B&G and guests is always welcome, but I do not guarantee that "preferred photos" will be delivered. Working to an established list sometimes interferes with the natural flow of the wedding. The last thing a B&G or the photographer needs to deal with while working to a tight schedule is a ridged list of predetermined photos.

12. What Are Your Wedding Package Prices?

LWR Photography offers (4) separate wedding packages for consideration. Prices range from \$1300 (minimum) to \$2850 (maximum) depending on the specific details. Wedding Package Prices can be found on the LWR Photography website. Prices are subject to change without notice unless under contract.

13. Do You Schedule Multiple-Events On The Same Day As The Wedding?

NO. Your wedding day will be the only scheduled event of the day. There will be no conflicts of interest. No conflicting timelines. No distractions or interferences.

14. Are Engagement Pictures Included As A Part Of The Wedding Packages?

Engagement Photograph's are NOT part of the Wedding Photo Packages unless a part of a special promotion. Engagement Package Pricing is available on-line.

15. Are You Willing To Photograph Our Wedding Rehearsal And/Or Other Planned Activities Prior To The Wedding Day?

YES. All requests for additional photo services are always welcome. The additional assignments may require additional costs which are 100% negotiable. All additional assignments and compensation must be agreed to in writing by all parties within 72 hours of the additional event.

16. Do You Allow Special Requests From The Guests On The Day Of The Wedding?

YES. All reasonable requests are welcome, but there are NO guarantees that time and/or conditions will allow certain requests to be honored.

17. Do You Have Any Sample Photo's From Previous Weddings?

Yes. We have several wedding book samples for your review upon request. We also have several dozen photos posted on the LWR Photography website.

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18. Do The Newlyweds Have A Choice Of Wedding Books To Select From Or Does The Photographer Chose In Behalf Of The Customer?

LWR orders wedding books from a preferred vendor. A variety of book designs are available for consideration, but the customer's input is always welcome prior to the initial purchase. Several Renaissance Album Inserts are also available for consideration. We'll work together to make the best possible memories.

19. How Long Does It Take To Produce a Full-Size Wedding Album?

The timeframe for producing a Wedding Album depends upon the overall quantity of pages required to hold the customized prints. Example: Some couples prefer two-dozen 8X10's while other couples prefer 40-75 multiple size photos on a variety of inserts. The order for two-dozen 8X10's is a rather simple assignment while the multiple size photos & inserts can be complicated and will take longer. LWR will work closely with the B&G until the project is complete.

20. Do You Offer Reprint And/Or Enlargement Services?

YES. Our reprint and enlargement prices are extremely competitive with other professional photographers. Pricing can be found on the LWR Photography website.

21. Do You Offer Framing Services?

NO, we do NOT offer professional framing services, but we can help with giving the B&G several leads to creditable sources.

22. What Is Required To Reserve Our Date?

Your wedding date can be "officially booked" (reserved) by filling out and signing the contract and submitting the required security deposit. The contract will also call out the conditions for the 2nd and 3rd payments as well. Always ask for a formal receipt whenever making payment of any kind.

23. Is Signing A Contract Really Necessary?

YES. A Business Contract is always necessary when money is exchanged for services rendered. That said- the Contract is protection for both the B&G and the wedding photographer since both parties are counting on each other to perform in a specific manner. The contract also gives LWR the permission to copyright the work performed throughout the assignment.

24. Do You Book Weddings On Verbal Agreements?

NO. Verbal Agreements usually lead to misunderstandings and mistakes. I would prefer a written agreement for such an important occasion.

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25. Can You Provide Me With An Advance Copy Of Your Contract Agreement Before Our First Meeting?

YES. The Contract Service Agreement can be emailed to you for review upon request. Otherwise, anyone without access to the internet can request a hardcopy of the contract to be mailed to their place of residence.

26. Do You Offer On-Line Viewing And/Or Purchasing?

YES. There are several sites which can be utilized to provide this service after the wedding. LWR Photography reserves the right to select the best website for reliability and privacy purposes. There is no extra charge to the B&G for this service. The B&G will be provided with the web address after the photos are uploaded. Sharing that web address with family and friends will be the responsibility of the B&G.

27. Can The Bride And Groom Edit/Change The On-Line Viewing Website?

No. The On-Line Viewing Website is secured by a Login and Password which is private and reserved for the website administrator. The Bride and Groom may offer suggestions and make requests before, during and after the initial upload. The photos may be customized for ordering purposes, but not the website.

28. How Do You Characterize Yourself As A Photographer?

Obviously, a lot of planning goes into a wedding day, but sometimes the best laid plans go astray without warning. That said- I try to stay ready and flexible. I'm always looking to capture the special moments, emotions, expressions, lighting, etc. And I try my hardest to accommodate people while being polite and pleasant.

29. What Makes A Good Wedding Photo?

A good wedding photograph requires several key elements. I usually look to find a colorful background while snapping a particular photo. Besides from finding the right location, it's important to have well-coordinated clothing, a comfortable pose, a positive spirit, spontaneous reactions, and plenty of genuine smiles. Bottom Line: Smiles. Smiles. And more smiles. Tell your family and friends to have a good time!

30. What Is Meant By Wedding Photo Restrictions?

Wedding Photos Restrictions are usually imposed by the policy of a church, reception hall, or off-sit facility. Each of these organizations may have preferences that they expect to be respected by professional photographers. Example: some churches do not allow "flash photography" during the ceremony. That means natural light photos only. Some photo sites (like a public garden) must be formally reserved before usage. This usually means the B&G need to obtain a formal permit. Other restrictions may be imposed by mother-nature (weather) and/or darkness. This explains why it's so important to be organized and to stay on time with the overall wedding day plan.

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31. Do You Have Any Advice For The Bride & Groom?

The most important advice for anyone who is getting married is to relax, have fun and enjoy the moment. Some couples worry themselves into a frenzy, but there are lots of people available to help make the day a complete success. ENJOY YOUR DAY!

Photo advice is simple; look at the “primary” camera when taking formals (SMILE) and focus on the person you are talking with when taking candid shots. Make sure you engage the people who want to talk with you. Do not become overly conscious about the camera man. Hopefully, you will look at your photos after the honeymoon and you’ll ask yourselves, “That’s a nice picture... when did the photographer take that one?”

32. Do You Have Any Advice For The Bridal Party, Escorts & Ushers?

It’s important to remember that B&G are the main focus of the photographer. The Bridal Party just needs to stand ready to cooperate with a sense of enjoyment and plenty of smiles. Relax. Enjoy.

33. Is There Anything That Can Be Done To Make The Post-Ceremony Formals Less Time Consuming?

Sometimes formals can be a little time consuming while others are waiting for their turn to be in the pictures. It’s easy for children to get bored if things take too long. I recommend that the B&G develop a photo-shoot plan so that everyone is “qued-up” for their part in the photos. Example: Some couples hand-out a short handwritten itinerary which reads– 1st The Bride, 2nd The Bride & Groom, 3rd The Bride & Grooms Parents, 4th The Bride & Grooms Parents and Siblings, 5th The Bride & Grooms Grandparents, etc., etc. etc. This gives the older family members and/or young children the chance to leave the premises (if necessary) before the Bridal Party steps in for their turn at the camera. It’s important to keep things moving so that you don’t arrive late at your reception.

34. What Happens When We Contract Your Services For 10 Hours And We Need More?

LWR will continue taking photos until it is appropriate to leave. No additional charge. And we will always say GOOD-BYE before we depart!

35. Does LWR Photography Offer Videography??

LWR Photography is currently taking steps to add Videography to our list of services. Upon our customers request—we will offer several referrals to contact. We are also developing a muvee file which is developed from you digital photos along with music and text subtitles