

Questions to Ask “The Wedding Photographer”

1. Do you have the date available for my wedding?
2. Do you require a deposit? If so, how much?
3. How long do I have to get my deposit to you?
4. Is my deposit refundable?
5. What styles or style of photography do you shoot?
6. What are the various wedding packages you offer?
7. Do you have a wedding photography portfolio and/or website that I can look at?
8. How long have you been photographing weddings and how long have you been a professional photographer?
9. From where did you receive your photography training?
10. What kind of cameras and equipment do you use and why these particular ones?
11. Do you shoot in mostly auto mode, semi auto mode, or manual – and why? (This is a very revealing question to determining the basic skill level of a photographer.)
12. Do you have a good handle and knowledge of flash/strobe photography? (The answer to this questions should always be yes if you are looking for a pro photographer.)
13. Do you have any referrals and may I contact them?
14. Why do you enjoy photographing weddings?
15. Do I get to keep the digital images?
16. Do I get any prints with my wedding package?
17. May I post the wedding pictures you took on social media?
18. What information do you need from me to help you appropriately plan my wedding photography?
19. Do you offer a second and/or third photographer option? How does this work, and how much more does it cost?
20. What are photography copyright laws and what is a model release?
21. Are you a people person? Why or why not?
22. How long does it take to process my wedding pictures for me to see them after the wedding?
23. What if it rains on the day of my outdoor wedding?
24. May I request specific photos for you to take?
25. How much time will it take to photograph my wedding?
26. What happens if my wedding runs over the time we originally planned? Will you stay later and does this cost me anything?
27. What makes you a professional wedding photographer?
28. Why are your rates so high/low?
29. Do you edit or touch up digital images in Photoshop? Does this cost anything extra?
30. What if the bride or groom is running late for pictures, or any other key people who are scheduled to be in pictures? How do we handle that?
31. How far will you travel to photograph a wedding and how much more will that cost?
32. What if you get sick or hurt and cannot photograph my wedding? How do we handle this?