

A Bride's Checklist

As soon after the engagement as possible:

- Set the date.
- Consult a professional coordinator if you plan to use one.

At least six months in advance:

- Decide on your wedding budget.
- Select the type of wedding and reception.
- Determine (approximately) the number of guests.
- Select your wedding site; reserve date and time.
- Set time for rehearsal and notify wedding party.
- Contact Travel Agency for honeymoon plans.
- Choose the reception place.
- Select and consult with your minister.
- Select your attendants.
- Decide on a color scheme.
- Begin working on your guest list.
- Select your bridal gown and accessories.
- Color coordinate men's attire with bridesmaids' dresses; schedule fittings.
- Choose attendants' dresses.
- Plan the reception; if it is to be catered, make arrangements for all required services.
- Select an experienced wedding photographer and videographer.

Four months before:

- Select and reserve rental equipment for ceremony and reception.
- Select your china, silver, etc., and register your choices.
- Have mothers select their gowns.
- Plan the ceremony and church music.
- Consult with florist for all flowers.

- Consult with balloon decorator.
- Plan music for the reception.

Three months before:

- Complete guest list and order invitations.
- Purchase attendants' gifts.
- Order wedding cake.
- Cosmetic consultation.

Six weeks before:

- Mail invitations.

One month before:

- Arrange transportation for wedding party.
- Make arrangements for out-of-town guests' lodging.
- Get marriage license.
- Have final fitting on gown.
- Arrange for final fitting for bridesmaids.
- Have picture taken for newspaper announcements.
- Decide on hairstyle for wedding day.

Two weeks before:

- Check on attire for everyone in the wedding party.
- Send announcements to newspaper.

One week before:

- Verify all details with florist, photographer, videographer, caterer, musicians/dj's, equipment rentals, etc...

Wedding Day:

- ENJOY!