



Reminders for your Ceremony Day

Your wedding day will be a busy day for the two of you

For your ceremony, please remember the following...

Bring your Marriage Licence: The Marriage Act of Ontario stipulates the marriage ceremony cannot take place without a valid Marriage Licence. It must be available to the Officiant, *before* the ceremony.

Bring your Witnesses: You will require two witnesses for the ceremony. They must understand the ceremony as they witness it. Witnesses can be family, friends or acquaintances; they do not need to be Canadian residents or Canadian citizens. They do not need ID. They will sign documents as part of the ceremony proceedings; their signatures will remain as part of your official marriage records.

Seating: The *Toronto Civic Wedding Chambers* seats 15 and there is room for approximately 10-15 standing.

Arrive Early: Know your route to the ceremony location and give yourself plenty of time to arrive safely. Be aware of road closures or any sporting or cultural events that may affect traffic flow to your location on your wedding day.

City Hall: The couple and their witnesses should arrive at City Hall **20 minutes before your scheduled time**, with the Marriage Licence. This will allow your Officiant adequate time to prepare the paperwork.

Your Location: The Officiant will arrive approximately 20 minutes early. The Officiant will need the Marriage Licence upon arrival, to prepare the paperwork.

Language Requirement: The couple and witnesses must understand the legal elements of the ceremony. Otherwise, someone must be present who can translate. Please note: the couple cannot interpret the ceremony proceedings for each other.

Remember the payment for the Officiant: If you have booked an Officiant to marry you at your chosen location, the fee is outlined in the email you received from us on the day of your booking. Officiant services are included in the City Hall reservation fee.

For more information, see our *Frequently Asked Questions* on our website via this [link](#)