



Reminders for your Ceremony Day!

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

Bring your Marriage Licence! The Marriage Act of Ontario will not allow the ceremony to occur without a valid Marriage Licence. A marriage license is valid for 90 days from date of issue. It must be available to the Officiant, *before* the ceremony.

Bring your Witnesses! You will require two legal witnesses for the ceremony. They must be over the age of 12 and able to understand the ceremony as they witness it. Witnesses can be family, friends or acquaintances; ID is not a requirement and they do not need to be Canadian residents or Canadian citizens. They will sign documents as part of the ceremony proceedings; their signatures will remain as part of your official marriage records.

Capacity The Toronto City Hall Wedding Chambers welcomes 17 persons in total – 15 guests plus the couple.

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

Your Location Ceremonies: The Officiant we send to your location will arrive approximately 20 minutes before your ceremony begins. The Officiant will need the Marriage Licence upon arrival, to prepare the Marriage Register for your ceremony, and the remainder of the fee.

Language Requirement The couple and the witnesses must understand the legal elements of the ceremony as presented in the English language. Otherwise, someone must be present who can translate (a friend or family member). Please note: the couple cannot interpret the ceremony proceedings for each other.

Your Vows You are welcome to prepare your own marriage vows for your ceremony. If you prefer, our Officiants will have traditional vows that you can rely upon for your ceremony.

Rings are optional You do not have to exchange rings as part of the ceremony, this is a personal decision for the couple.

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

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