Our Top 10 Tips for an *unforgettable* ceremony

With years of combined experience, our team of friendly and professional registrars have seen it all—from the perfectly polished to the beautifully unpredictable. Over time, we've gathered the very best advice to help your wedding morning and ceremony run like clockwork. These tips are designed to keep things enjoyable and stress-free, so you can focus on what really matters: celebrating your love. Here are our top tips to help your big day go off without a hitch…

1 *Reserve Seats for Your VIPs*

Make sure your bridal party and immediate family have clearly allocated, named seats. It's a small detail that makes a big difference, ensuring your nearest and dearest feel special and know exactly where to go.

2 *Plan your Entrance*

To avoid any last-minute confusion, let the father of the bride and bridesmaids know where they'll be sitting. A smooth entrance sets the tone for the whole ceremony.

3 *Be on Time*

Yes, we've all heard it's a bride's prerogative to be fashionably late, but being on time really does matter. Delays can affect everything from the timing of your wedding breakfast (no one wants a rushed meal!), your precious photo opportunities, time for just the two of you and even the length of your ceremony.



4 *Say Goodbye to Shaky Paper (and Phones!)*

Print your readings and vows onto sturdy card. It looks elegant and helps calm any nerves. No rustling paper or phone screens in sight. Trust us, it makes a world of difference.

5 *Grooms: Delegate the Seating Plan*

You've got enough on your plate, like getting married! Make sure your ushers know the seating plan so they can guide guests to their seats.



6 A Grand Entrance for the Mums

Don’t forget about the mothers of the bride and groom. It’s a lovely touch to have them escorted into the ceremony by a family member, usher or toastmaster. It adds a sense of occasion to their entrance and makes them feel truly honoured.

7 Keep an Eye on the Clock

The morning of your wedding can fly by. Ask a trusted bridesmaid or family member to give you time checks so you stay on track without feeling rushed.



8 A Kind Reminder from our Catherine

One of our lovely registrars, Catherine, says it best: “If your other half is waiting at the top of the aisle, please be kind and don’t keep them waiting too long.” Standing there with all eyes on you can be a little nerve-wracking!

9 Finishing Touches for the Groom

Before you head out, take the price stickers off your shoes and snip the thread from your jacket tail. These little things are easy to forget but make a big difference in your photos.



10 Look Into Each Other’s Eyes

When you say your vows, look at each other—not the registrar. This is your moment.

Most importantly, enjoy every single moment. Your wedding day will go by in a flash, so take time to pause, breathe, and soak up the love, laughter, and happiness all around you.