

# Duties of the Wedding Party

## Duties of the Maid/Matron of Honor

- Plans and coordinates bridal shower
- Assists the bride in additional planning
- Helps bride address envelopes, record wedding gifts received, shopping, and other pre-wedding tasks
- Pays for her own wedding attire and accessories
- Helps coordinate the bridesmaids with their fittings
- Attends the ceremony rehearsal and is invited to the rehearsal dinner party
- Helps the bride get ready before the ceremony
- Oversees the bridesmaids and informs them of their responsibilities
- Arranges the bride's veil and train during the ceremony
- Holds the bride's bouquet during the ceremony
- Hands the officiant the groom's wedding ring
- Signs the marriage certificate as a legal witness
- Helps the bride change into her going-away clothes after the reception

## Duties of the Bridesmaids

- Pay for their own wedding attire and accessories
- Help out with pre-wedding preparations
- Co-host the bridal shower with the maid of honor
- Attend the ceremony rehearsal and are invited to the rehearsal dinner party

## Duties of the Flower Girl

- The flower girl's parents are usually responsible for her attire
- With parents, attends the ceremony rehearsal and is invited to the rehearsal dinner party
- Carries a basket of flowers
- Walks before the bride in the processional, stands next to the maid or matron of honor during the ceremony and follows the bride and groom during the recessional

## Duties of the Ring Bearer

- The ring bearer's parents are usually responsible for his attire
- With parents, attends the ceremony rehearsal and is invited to the rehearsal dinner party
- Carries a pillow with rings tied to it
- Walks down the aisle with or after the flower girl

## Duties of the Best Man

- Plans and coordinates the bachelor party
- Pays for his own wedding attire and accessories
- Helps coordinate the groomsmen's formal wear fitting
- Attends the ceremony rehearsal and is invited to the rehearsal dinner party
- Gets the groom to the ceremony site on time
- Oversees the groomsmen/ushers and informs them of their responsibilities
- Hands the officiant the bride's wedding ring
- Signs the marriage certificate as a legal witness
- Responsible for giving the officiant payment
- Responsible for giving other professionals their payments
- Makes sure that the couple's car is ready to go
- Returns the groom's attire to the tuxedo shop

## Duties of the Groomsmen

- Pay for their own wedding attire and accessories
- Attend the ceremony rehearsal and are invited to the rehearsal dinner party
- Assist with setup
- Escort the bridesmaids
- Straighten up and clean after ceremony
- Oversee transfer of gifts to a secure location after reception

## Duties of the Ushers

- Pay for their own wedding attire and accessories
- Attend the ceremony rehearsal and are invited to the rehearsal dinner party
- Assist with setup
- Seat guests
- Seat the mother of the groom in the front right row and then seat the bride's mother in the left front row
- Unroll the aisle runner
- Straighten up and clean after ceremony
- Oversee transfer of gifts to a secure location after reception

## Other participants

- Person who reads scripture at the ceremony
- Soloist at the ceremony
- Person to hand out ceremony programs
- Person to stand at guest book
- Person in charge of gift table

