



FOR YOUR PHOTOGRAPHER

Photographs and video at your wedding

For most couples the photographs become a treasured record of the day, and we want to help you have a good one. A church wedding is also a service of worship, and what is done with cameras should not detract from that.

The one rule we hold firmly. During the service the photographer works from a fixed position at the back of the centre aisle, unless the minister has agreed otherwise beforehand. A photographer moving around the building during the service is a distraction from it.

Before and after the service

Anyone may take photographs or video, inside or outside the building, with or without flash. The minister or vergers may occasionally ask people not to.

During the service

Only the official photographer and videographer may take photographs or footage, and without flash — from the fixed position above. The same rules apply to video: the camera stays in that position throughout, and the videographer does not move about during the service.

After the registers are signed

The photographer and videographer may come in to photograph a mock signing, and then photograph the couple as they leave down the centre of the church. Further photographs can be taken once the guests have left.

Copyright, for the videographer

The videographer is responsible for the copyright licence covering music performed or sung during the service — see videollicence.co.uk, 01323 436111.

The rehearsal

You are very welcome at the rehearsal in the week before the wedding, and it is the easiest way to settle positions and sightlines — the minister will agree them with you there. Ask the couple when it is.

To the couple: please pass this sheet to your photographer and to your videographer. There are two copies in your pack.