

Questions for meeting with your wedding planner

- 1. Are you available on my wedding date?
- 2. What sorts of services do you offer? Month-of coordination, full-service planning, or à la carte planning
- 3. Do you offer planning services for any additional weekend events such as rehearsal dinner or welcome gathering?
- 4. How many weddings have you planned?
- 5. How many weddings will you be working on at the same time? Day-of and throughout the entire process
- 6. What are your primary areas of expertise?
- 7. Have you planned any other weddings at our site?
- 8. What's your secret for staying calm under pressure, and how do you deal with day-of disasters?
- 9. When things inevitably go slightly awry on my wedding day, what does your process look like to get them back on track?
- 10. Do you have references? (Testimonials from both professionals and recent couples.)
- 11. What will the planning process look like? How many meetings will we have, and how will we be involved?
- 12. How do you prefer to communicate?
- 13. Do you handle professional services, contracts and payment processing?
- 14. Can you walk us through the process of selecting other vendors and how we would be involved?

- 15. Are you willing to step in as our advocate, conveying our visions and desires to pros when we can't?
- 16. Will you handle the invitations, from wording and ordering to the addressing and mailing? What about guest list coordination and RSVPs?
- 17. Do you handle rentals? Will you coordinate delivery, arrival and set up times with the photographer, the florist, the musicians and the caterer/banquet manager?
- 18. How many people on your staff will be at the wedding?
- 19. Can you create a timeline that tells everyone involved in the planning process (other pros, members of the wedding party, to-be-weds and families) what to do and when to do it? How will you make sure everyone sticks to the schedule?
- 20. What happens if you're sick or otherwise unable to be there on the day of our wedding?
- 21. What is the average wedding budget for the couples you serve?
- 22. Can you work within our budget?
- 23. Will you help me build and prioritize my budget?
- 24. How do payments work (a percentage of our budget, a flat fee)?
- 25. Will there be additional expenses on top of your base fee (travel, parking, food)?
- 26. Do you carry personal liability and professional indemnity insurance?
- 27. Can we see some of your past work from real weddings?
- 28. Can you tell me about a past wedding that was a particular favorite for you? Why were they memorable to you?
- 29. What was the most unique wedding you ever planned?
- 30. What are some ideas you have for pulling off our vision?
- 31. What sets you apart from your peers and differentiates your company?
- 32. What are your company's values and why? How do they translate into the work you do?
- 33. Can you tell me more about the structure of your team and business?

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