

The Stegton Regency

Bridal Calendar and Checklist[©]

Planning a formal wedding takes more than twelve months.

Use this list as a guide to help keep your event planning on track.

6-12 months before:

- Determine the type of wedding you want - consider the following: size, setting, degree of formality
- Discuss wedding budget with your parents, fiancée, and perhaps his parents
- Plan a color scheme for the wedding reception
- Choose your dress and headpiece
- Schedule fittings and delivery dates
- Determine the size of the guest list
- Compile names and addresses of your guests
- Select wedding attendants, yours and his
- Select and confirm photographer
- Select and confirm videographer
- Select and confirm florist
- Choose music and musicians and/or soloist for ceremony and reception
- Consult a travel agent for honeymoon ideas
- Complete honeymoon plans with fiancée
- Select and register for china, silver, gifts, etc.

4-6 months before:

- Announce your engagement in the newspaper
- Shop together for wedding rings
- Select and confirm transportation for wedding day
- Select baker and order wedding cake, groom's cake
- Set date to order attendants' dresses, confirm delivery date for your dress
- Begin shopping for men's wedding attire
- Complete your guest list
- Order invitations and announcements
- Contact calligrapher to address invitations, etc.
- Check blood test and marriage licence requirements
- Talk to Realtor

2-3 months before:

- Select hair and cosmetics specialist
- Confirm all details with your selected professionals
- Confirm ceremony details with your officiate/clergy
- Select men's wedding attire. Order correct sizes
- Purchase accessories such as toasting goblets, ring pillow, garter, candles, etc.

- Arrange wedding rehearsal details
- Order balloons and/or special decorations
- Arrange accommodations for out-of-town attendants and guests. Finalize honeymoon plans
- Pick up wedding rings, check engraving
- Mail your invitations
- Write thank-you notes for the gifts
- Plan attendants' parties
- Make appointment with your hairdresser
- Contact limousine company

1 month before:

- Have final dress and headpiece fitted
- Have formal bridal portrait done
- Purchase gifts for wedding participants
- Select floral arrangements for both ceremony and reception
- Have attendants' parties
- Ensure that your accessories are in order - toasting, goblets, garter, candles, ring pillow, etc.
- Finalize rehearsal dinner details
- Draw map to direct guests to ceremony and reception (contact the Stegton for a free map)

1-2 weeks before:

- Give a final guest count to the caterer and baker
- Give and/or attend bridesmaid's party
- Confirm all honeymoon reservations and accommodations
- Pick up tickets and traveler's checks
- Make sure you have your marriage licence
- Pick up wedding attire, make sure everything fits!
- Keep up with gift acknowledgments
- Finish addressing your announcements to mail on your wedding day
- Rehearse wedding ceremony with all participants
- Remind maid of honor, bridesmaid, and others of rehearsal dinner details; present gifts to attendants at rehearsal dinner
- Get a good night's sleep before your wedding

On Your Wedding Day:

- Remain calm and try to relax
- Don't forget to bring your wedding rings and marriage license