

How to Choose the Perfect Wedding Master of Ceremonies: 4 Questions to Ask to Ensure Success

It is well known that an MC will make or break a wedding reception.

Many guests have witnessed a Master of Ceremonies that was not the same standard as the rest of the event. Unfortunately, this has occurred often and can lead to a frustrating reception and a fractured relationship - especially if the MC is a personal acquaintance of the bride and groom.

The traditional of using a friend to act as MC has taken a back seat recently with the arrival of professional wedding MC's.

For the couple hosting the reception, hiring an experienced and well-prepared professional gives them a piece of mind - and is one less thing to worry about.

**You need to ask the following 4 questions to potential MC's.
The answers you receive back will reveal if you are in safe hands:**

1 How many functions have you MC'd before?

Previous corporate experience as a public speaker or business MC is excellent. Otherwise, they need to have MC'd at least 10 weddings to warrant getting paid by you. Experience as a DJ does not count - no matter how many weddings they have worked at.

2 What references that you can show us?

Most professional (i.e getting paid for a service) should have at least 10 to 20 letters of recommendation or testimonials from previous clients.

3 What hotels or venues have you worked at?

Most places are very fussy about who they work with. A list of the previous establishments will quickly tell you what standard the MC is at.

4 What is your fee?

Professional MC's always charge for their talent - not their time. Amateurs will quote an hourly fee. A deposit of one-third with the remaining to be paid one week before hand is the accepted method of transaction.

- * To understand more about the huge difference a professional MC can make, go to <http://weddingmc.com.au> and maybe ask your uncle or talented friend to make a great speech or toast instead.

The rule is: choose your MC carefully - because you only get one chance to get it right.

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