

# TIPPING YOUR VENDORS

## Best Practices and Etiquette

Tipping your wedding vendors is not mandatory. Tips should be given for great service, not just for showing up and doing a basic job. Don't feel obligated to give tips to vendors if you received subpar service.

Another thing to note is that some vendors include a service fee or gratuity in their contracts or invoice, so be sure to keep an eye out for those so you don't double-tip!

### Hair & Makeup Artists:

15 - 25% OF YOUR TOTAL BILL

Tip as you would your regular hair or colorist.

*Delivery: Distribute immediately following the service*

### Photographer & Videographer:

\$100-\$200 + THANK YOU NOTE

Tipping is not expected or required but much appreciated.

*Delivery: Distributed by coordinator at the end of the reception*

### Band Musicians or DJ:

\$40-\$100 PER MUSICIAN OR \$50-\$200 FOR A DJ

While optional, it is common to tip your wedding day entertainment.

*Delivery: Distribute immediately following the service*

### Transportation:

15-20%

Tipping of drivers is expected and typically included within the contract.

### Florist, Cake Artist, Venue Coordinators:

10% CAN BE CUSTOMARY

A nice thank you note and review is perfectly acceptable.

*Delivery: Upon delivery or post-event*

### Ceremony Musicians:

15% OF TOTAL FEE

Optional, however, if they went above and beyond to learn a special song without an added fee, a tip is a kind gesture.

*Delivery: Distribute prior to or after the ceremony*

### Waitstaff & Bartenders:

15 - 20%

Tipping of waitstaff is typically included within the contract. If the tip is not included, 15-20% of the bill is customary.

*Delivery: Distributed by coordinator at the end of the reception*

### Wedding Coordinator/Planner:

15-20%

Wedding planners won't likely expect anything, but if yours provides an exemplary service, a tip is an excellent gesture of appreciation as well as a review.

*Delivery: Upon delivery or post-event*

### Officiant:

\$100+

While some officiants will not accept a tip, considering gifting a personal gift such as a gift card or a donation to their church.

*Delivery: Distribute at rehearsal or rehearsal dinner.*