

EMCEE SCRIPT

PRF-INTRO

"Good evening everyone, welcome to the **(name of venue)**, my name is _____, I will be your Emcee for the (Surnames of couple) reception. I've been informed that the wedding party is on their way... in the meantime, if you could kindly take your seats that would be wonderful. I will be getting back to you in a few minutes."

INTRODUCTIONS

Before you start, get everyone's attention by stopping the cocktail music and saying.... "Ladies and Gentlemen, it looks like our wedding party has arrived...if I could please have everyone's attention." Repeat as many times as necessary until everyone is quiet. (music cue) "Good evening ladies and gentlemen, and welcome to the beautiful (name of facility)." "My name is (your first and last name) and I'll be your Emcee for the evening. "And now... if I could please direct your attention to the entrance way... It is time to introduce our wedding party!!!!!" "First we have.... "Next we have... (bridesmaid / attendant) being escorted by....(groomsman / attendant)...Let's give them a big hand." Repeat with some variation for each couple in the wedding party. It's nice to also include a brief mention of the relationship to the couple, i.e. cousin, college roommate. Continue to prompt for applause at the end of each introduction. (music cue) "And now...here they are...being introduced for the first time as a married couple... please give them a nice standing ovation... (however they've told you they want to be introduced)!!!!!

GROUND RULES

"Before we start tonight's meal, I'd like to go through some ground rules for the evening."

- Bathroom Location
- Smoking Area / Drinking Area
- No drinking and driving/Venue to call taxi's at end of night
- Any Special Announcements, i.e. sign guest book, guest gifts
- Flow of evening
- (Optional) Introduce Kissing Game (note that some venues don't allow the clinking of glasses)

BLESSING / TOAST

(if applicable)

"At this time I would like to ask (name of person giving the blessing) to come to the podium to say our blessing before our meal."... (Find the person)..."Let's give them a nice round of applause." After the blessing..." "Thank you very much (name of person)."

DINNER

"It looks like we are ready for this evening's meal ... Tonight's meal will be (mention dinner style, i.e. plated, buffet etc.). "The bar will remain (mention if it will be closed or open) throughout dinner and you are more than welcome to order a drink directly from your server (if applicable)." "You know folks the only thing we are missing is our couple's first official kiss of the reception... Let's have a volunteer for our kissing game! (Have the couple stand up). Once again my name is (your name). Sit, back, relax, and enjoy your meal!!!"

DURING DINNER

Check on the couple and see if they need anything (drink, announcement etc.). When food is being delivered, find the first two guests that will be speaking and let them know that you'll be introducing them to speak after everyone's received their first course. You can also let the couple know of the approaching events if necessary. Make sure photographer/videographer/venue is informed of approaching events.

FIRST SPEECH

"Ladies and gentlemen, it looks like we are ready for our first speech of the evening. Without further delay, please give our (wedding role) a nice round of applause!" After the speech is finished say... "Let's give our (wedding role) a nice hand for a great speech!!!!"

Repeat this speech process after each course. Most commonly, you'll have two speeches after the first course, two speeches after the second course, and the couple speak after the dessert course.

CUTTING THE CAKE

Make sure you have consulted with the couple and photographer to see if they are ready for this moment. "Ladies and gentlemen, at this time it is time for our newlyweds to cut the wedding cake. You're more than welcome to grab your camera and take pictures for your memories...".

FIRST DANCE

"And now ladies and gentlemen we would like to bring out our newlyweds to dance their first dance as a married couple. Let's give them a hand." (cue music) When finished... "Let's give our newlyweds a nice hand."

FATHER/DAUGHTER DANCE

(if applicable)

"And now I'd like to ask the father of (**Bride's name**) to escort his daughter to the dance floor for the father/daughter dance." When finished... "folks, lets give them a nice round of applause....the (**Bride's Family Surname**) Family!!!!"

MOTHER/SON DANCE

(if applicable)

"We will now have the Mother/Son dance... so, (Groom's name), if you could bring your mom to the dance floor.... (cue music) When finished, "ladies and gentlemen, give the (Groom's Family Surname) Family a nice round of applause!!!!!!"

WEDDING PARTY DANCE

(if applicable)

"Now joining the couple on the dance floor will be the wedding party for... the wedding party dance....here's a song picked out for you from the couple. "At this time, if we could have the entire wedding party out on the floor!" Another way of doing this is calling the wedding party by couple and having them dance. (After) "Let's give the wedding party a big hand for being such good friends to the couple!!!!"

STARTING THE DANCING

"Ladies and gentleman, to open up the dance floor for the evening, I'd like to pass the microphone over to the DJ to get the party started in style! (DJ to introduce themselves and let guests know that requests are welcome)." "It's time to get this party going. My name is _____ and I'll be taking danceable requests throughout the evening. The couple really want to see everyone get out on the dance floor, so let's make this a night to remember for them!!"

OR

"Ladies and gentlemen, that is the end of our formal events. Now we would like to open the dancing to everyone. So, husbands grab your wives, boyfriends grab your girlfriends and join the newlyweds on the dance floor for this open slow dance."