

## **COVID-19 GENERAL INFORMATION**

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#### **OVERVIEW**

We're committed to doing a fantastic job photographing your wedding and having fun with you both! These being unusual times all around, and in the interest of setting clear expectations, this document outlines our approach and addresses important things you need to know, both on things we're responsible for, as well as things you're responsible for. In addition to our commitment to you to do our customary top-quality work, we're equally-committed to keeping you and everyone around you, as well as ourselves, safe to the maximum extent our ability. We have to be able to be there for you and for our other clients, whose weddings come later, during all of this.

As the saying goes, we're in this together, so it'll take all of us to make this work effectively.

#### WHAT WE'RE DOING

While it's not likely any of you whose weddings we're going to photograph could be aware of the differences between our "customary" approach on photographing wedding day and the reality of how we do things under the times of COVID-19, we did want to share some thoughts with you up front as to how we plan to stay safe for you, us, and everyone, on wedding day.

We're totally on your side to be healthy and safe.

## Wearing masks:

To protect you, and those around you, we will be wearing masks to the maximum possible extent.

## Pre-ceremony prep time:

Often, prep for the people being married happens in small, tight rooms, often with many people present. When this is the case, we may not be able to be in the prep room with you.

We will do a significant amount of the detail work we do (shoes, paper suite, rings, maybe also the gown) in a separate area.

Trying to limit the number of people in the prep room by setting expectations ahead of time as to who can be there will be a help.

We appreciate your understanding that in some cases we won't be able to be present in the room with you when we can't do so safely.

## Artistic photo set time:

If our plan is to travel a short way off-site for your artistic photos, please arrange to have someone drive you while following us in our own vehicle.

Once outside at these places, we'll photograph the two of you from always greater than 6' distance, which is largely unchanged from the usual process.



#### **Ceremony:**

We always photograph this from somewhat of a distance using telephoto lenses to reach in, and we will do this at an even greater distance from others as best we can and yet still get the shots we need and you expect.

### On the dance floor (if there is one)...

Customarily, we love being in the midst of the party fun on the dance floor, however, we won't be doing that right now. Under COVID-19, we'll do our best to photograph using telephoto lenses from the sidelines as best we can.

### In general:

We're not allowed to be present (for legal, professional, and insurance reasons, among other) in instances that violate any municipal, county, state, or federal laws.

There are two equally-important reasons we are following all CDC and government guidelines: 1) we care about those around us. And, if that wasn't enough, 2) we are further bound to do so as a legitimate, insured, professional business entity.

### In summary:

Rest assured we'll always do our very best to do our job in the best possible way, as always. We appreciate your flexibility and understanding that these times bring with it the need for special considerations and somewhat unusual approaches.

## THE HELP WE NEED FROM YOU

#### Masks:

Compliance with mask use to the maximum extent practicable. We understand that this is a tough one to follow by the two people being married, but it should be fairly easy to ask attendants and others who'll be close by to wear masks. If they don't, it will impact our ability to be as near to you as would be customary.

### Prep space:

For brides, a good idea will be to set aside a larger space for getting into your gown, and have only either your maid-of-honor or mom with you.

Please avoid all small, tight, cramped indoor spaces whenever possible to help us help you.

## Judicious use of the dance floor (again, if there is one)

We know this is also a tough one, but the larger the space can be, the better people will still be able to have a good time and still maintain social distancing.

# **COVID-19 Policy:**

Understanding and acceptance of our COVID-19 Policy, which follows.



## **COVID-19 POLICY**

# **Definitions**

Photographer: Russell Caron Photography Inc., d/b/a caron&co photography and its subcontracted associates, if any

Client: The party signing the original wedding photography contract.

Event: The wedding or other event as originally contracted.

#### Policy

The Client is hereby notified of the following and agrees that:

- 1.0 The conduct and performance of the services being provided by the Photographer are subject to all of the rules in place at the time and place the photography services are to be provided.
- 2.0 Based upon the scope of the social distancing restrictions in place at the time and place of the photography services, certain aspects of the client/photographer interaction may be altered from the norm as necessary for safety purposes and to comply with all laws in effect at the time and place of the event.
- 3.0 Client and all members of the Client's party agree to abide by the social distancing measures in force at the time of their session or event. Client and members of the Client's party explicitly agree and understand that failure to adhere to such social distancing measures places them at increased risk of COVID-19 exposure or transmission.
- 4.0 Client agrees that their event will not exceed group size limits in place on the date and time and at the place of the event.
- 5.0 The Photographer reserves the right to discontinue service and leave the contracted event without ramification if any part of this policy, or waiver is violated, or not adhered.

#### **Notice and Waiver**

- 6.0 Client and members of the Client's party assume all risks associated with potential COVID-19 transmission or exposure in relation to the photography services being provided and accept sole responsibility for an illness, injury, damages, claims or expenses arising therefrom regardless of the identity of the person alleged to be at fault for such transmission or exposure.
- 7.0 As consideration for this waiver, the Photographer agrees to waive any liability or claim against the Client or members of Client's party for COVID-19 transmission or exposure.
- 8.0 Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Waiver contained in Sections 6 and 7 above shall not be interpreted to prohibit actions or claims against persons who knowingly participate in the photography services while exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms or who knowingly participate while having an active COVID-19 infection.

Client	Date	
Russell Caron Photography, Inc. d/b/a caron&co photography	Date	

COVID-19 General Information and COVID-19 Waiver is Agreed and Accepted