Wedding Photographs - Additional Information

Do I need permission to take photographs at UWA?
Yes. The University of Western Australia is an extremely popular venue for wedding photographs therefore access to the gardens is strictly limited to ticket holders.

The University grounds are patrolled by UWA security; if you do not have a valid ticket, you will be asked to leave the campus.

Where can I take wedding photographs?
Ticket holders may take photographs anywhere on campus excluding the Sunken Garden, Tropical Grove and inside Winthrop Hall.

Please note that access to all areas is subject to university commitments, therefore certain areas may become unavailable due to last minute examinations and other commitments.

When can I take wedding photographs?
Wedding photography is permitted on Saturdays and Sundays only; photography cannot take place during the week or during examination time (certain times during April and November) or the Perth International Arts Festival (February).

What does a photography ticket entitle me to?
A photography ticket entitles you to a ONE HOUR photography session on the university grounds.

What if I need longer than one hour?
You can purchase multiple tickets. For example, if you need 2.5 hours of photography time, then you should purchase three tickets.

How do I buy a photography ticket?
Tickets can be purchased online on the university’s wedding webpage. Payment must be made via Visa or MasterCard after which your ticket will be emailed to you. Please ensure you print out your ticket and bring it with you on your wedding day.

If you don’t have an email address, you can ring 6488 2440 (1200-1600 Monday to Friday) and we can organise a ticket for you.

Please note that there is a charge of $5.00 to order a photography ticket over the telephone.

Please note that you need to select a specific date when you purchase your ticket, and your ticket will only be valid for the day you have selected.

Is there a discount for UWA graduates or staff?
No, photography tickets cost the same for everyone.

What if the date I want is not available?
You can check availability via the link on the university’s wedding webpage. If your chosen date is not available it could be due to several reasons:

The University limits the number of tickets available on any one date, so the maximum number of tickets may already have been reached.

University events take precedence over wedding photography, so there may be an existing university event already taking place.

Dates for photography are only made available once the University calendar has been fixed – some dates may be too far into the future.
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It is forecast rain on my wedding day – can I get a refund?
No, photography tickets are non-refundable.

What happens if the location I want is being used by another wedding party?
Whilst we limit the number of photography tickets issued each day, it is possible that you will encounter another wedding party on the day. We expect all photography ticket holders to work cooperatively around each other. We make no guarantee that a specific location will be available for you. If a location is occupied by another party, you will have to find another location or wait until the other group has finished. You may not intrude on another event.

Why do I have to carry my photography ticket with me?
At any time, you may be approached by a member of staff or University security. If you cannot produce your ticket, you will be escorted from the campus.

Why can’t I take photos in the Sunken Garden or Tropical Grove?
These venues are used for wedding ceremonies on weekends, therefore are not available for wedding photography. If you specifically wish to book these areas for photographs, you can book a two hour ceremony slot ($500.00) which includes a further one hour of photography time elsewhere on campus. For more information, please refer to the wedding ceremony section on the UWA weddings website.

Can I bring alcohol onto the campus for my photo shoot?
The University is subject to WA licencing laws. To consume alcohol on University land, you must first seek permission from the University. For a photo shoot, it’s more convenient to use a soft drink substitute.

Is commercial photography allowed with a photography ticket?
Photography tickets are restricted to private clients, such as wedding parties. Any requests for commercial photography and/or filming such as for TV, film or advertising purposes require special permission.

For more information please visit: http://www.uwa.edu.au/university/filming or contact (08) 6488 7394.