



Wedding Ceremony FAQs

Photography

Here are some of the most frequently asked questions about wedding photography on Sydney Harbour Federation Trust (Harbour Trust) land. We hope this helps with your decision-making and we look forward to seeing you soon.

What does the photography location hire fee include?

The location hire fee allows you to use the specified photography location for a total of 3 hours.

Do I have exclusive use of the site?

No, the Harbour Trust sites are open to the public and other non-related activities and events may be occurring throughout the sites on the day of your booking. The Harbour Trust will endeavour to notify you of other potential activities that may already be known at the time of booking.

Am I able to use props?

Yes, however the Harbour Trust does not permit the attachment of decorations such as bunting, flags, balloons, or any other items to buildings, or any other fixed structures.

The set up and removal of all props and equipment must be carried out within the booked times.

Please be aware that Sydney Ferries limits the amount of baggage you can load onto a ferry trip. It is advised that travellers only board with items they can carry when travelling on a Sydney Ferry to Cockatoo Island.

Is power available at my preferred site?

Power is not available, and generators are not permitted.

Is parking available?

Free and/or paid parking is limited at each site and the Harbour Trust cannot reserve any parking for visitors. There are various public transport options to each site and it is recommended you visit the site prior to booking to ensure it meets your requirements.

Can I shoot photographs on the walkway or circular platform at the Georges Head Lookout?

Yes, however must not restrict public access as the circular platform is maintained as a public viewing point.

What happens if it rains?

If you wish to cancel your booking due to wet weather you are able to change the date or receive a refund (minus \$50 administration fee) until 12pm on the day of your photoshoot. You are required to contact the Harbour Trust Rangers directly using the contact details provided upon confirmation of your booking.

Is there a map available to indicate my photoshoot location?

Yes, you will receive an electronic copy of a map upon confirmation of your booking.

How will my location hire fee be used by the Harbour Trust?

All revenue generated by the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust from venue hire and events will help to preserve and enhance the Harbour Trust's key heritage sites across Sydney Harbour.

How do I make a booking?

Follow these 3 steps to book your location hire for:

1. Download and fill out the Harbour Trust's Wedding Photography Application Form.
2. Submit the completed form together with your booking fee to:
Sydney Harbour Federation Trust
PO Box 607
Mosman NSW 2088
OR
Scan and email to: licensing@harbourtrust.gov.au
3. We will respond to your booking via the email address provided. Please note that your booking is NOT confirmed until you receive the Hire Agreement signed by a Sydney Harbour Federation Trust signatory.

You must be issued with a permit before you can begin your commercial activity.

Can I cancel my booking after it has been confirmed?

Cancellations are only accepted up to 14 days prior to the ceremony date and all refunds are subject to a \$50 administration fee.

How far in advance can I make a booking for my photoshoot?

We accept bookings up to 12 months in advance.

Any other questions?

We're here to help, so don't hesitate to email us at: licensing@harbourtrust.gov.au or phone us on (02) 8969 2100 to check availability or to find out more.