**QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

**THE WEE NEUK**

**How many people can attend a marriage or civil partnership in the room – The Wee Neuk - 8 guests (plus couple standing)**

**Does this maximum number of attendees include children under 12 years of age?**

Yes, children **over** the age of 2 are included in the maximum number of attendees.

**Can I change the wording of the ceremony?** Standard ceremonies only are delivered in the Wee Neuk**.**

**Is there parking at the City Chambers?** Unfortunately there is no parking available.

**Is there access for my disabled guest?**Your guest can be dropped off at the front door within the Quadrangle, the vehicle must then leave the quadrangle.

**What time should my guests arrive?** Guests should arrive just 5 minutes before your ceremony start time.

**I need to book taxis how long will we be?** You will normally be around half an hour. Please ensure you are on time, if you are more than 10 minutes late we may have to reschedule your booking.

**Can my guests throw confetti?**No. Throwing confetti is an offence (Environmental Protection Act 1990).

**Where is the nearest smoking area for my guests?** Smoking is not permitted within the City Chambers or in the Quadrangle.

**Can I play music at my ceremony?**  Yes you can play your own choice of music via our Bluetooth speaker.

**Can a Piper pipe me into the room?** Due to the City Chambers being a working buildingPipers are not permitted within the building. Your piper can stand at the doorway and pipe while you are entering the building.

**Can I be escorted into the marriage suite?** You will both walk into the room together at the beginning of the ceremony**.** Your guests will be in the room.

**Do I have to exchange rings?** No – many couples choose to exchange rings; however, you may want to leave this part out or exchange something other than rings.

**Can I have a photographer?** Yes, you can have a photographer, the registrar will have a quick chat with your photographer just before the ceremony.

**Can I have a videographer?** Yes, again the registrar will speak with the videographer before the ceremony. Cables and obstructions to exits and the aisle are not permitted.

**Can I have a reading/additional element during the ceremony?**  Ceremonies in the Wee Neuk will be the standard ceremony with no enhancements.

**Do I need to provide witnesses?** You are required by law to have two witnesses present at your ceremony. They must be 16 years of age or over and must understand the ceremony in English. The Registration Department is unable to provide witnesses for you. Your witnesses do not need to bring any ID documents on the day – unless your chosen witnesses look under the age of 16.

**What is the dress code for a registrar’s wedding?** There is no dress code, please wear what you feel comfortable in, we have some wedding parties who wear full wedding attire but others who come casual.

**Can we open a bottle of champagne to celebrate. Can we cut a wedding cake?**  No food or drink can be consumed in the Wee Neuk.

**Can I bring my dog**? Unfortunately only assistance dogs are permitted.

Is there flowers in the room? Yes there are vases of flowers around the room.

**Can I use my own pen?** The marriage schedule needs to be signed in black fountain pen – you can of course use your own pen as long as it has black permanent ink.

**Can we open a bottle of champagne to celebrate?** No food or drink can be consumed in any of our ceremony suites.

**Can we cut a wedding cake?** No food or drink can be consumed in any of our ceremony suites.