

Requirements List: Weddings & Events

In order to ensure our service runs as smoothly as possible, please note the following requirements and recommendations:

Access and Set Up

- We will require a minimum of an hour to set up and soundcheck. We understand that timings are
 fluid, particularly at weddings; where less time can be allowed, we will usually be able to set up
 and soundcheck in 40 minutes (assuming simple access) but the subsequent tidying of cabling
 and rigging of any lighting may then need to be done once guests have access to the room.
- Musical equipment is bulky and often heavy. Please ensure we are made aware in advance of any difficulties such as flights of stairs, narrow corridors and doorways, or the need to load in through a space occupied by guests as these may increase the length of time we need to safely set up.

Performance Space

- We will require a minimum total space 2.5m deep x 4m wide (please note that this is a minimum requirement and may still restrict the equipment/instruments we are able to use, reducing the flexibility of the set. An extra metre on these measurements will mean there are no limits).
- For safety reasons, we recommend a minimum 1m space between the front of our performance area and the dancefloor.
- We do not require a raised stage but a stage will enhance your guests' experience.

Power

- We require a constant and safe supply of electricity to perform.
- An absolute minimum of three 13 amp sockets should be available for our sole use between setting up and finishing the last song either at the performance area or in a location suitable for the safe running of extensions.

Changing Space

- We will require a lockable private space to change if you want us to wear smart clothing for your event (suits and dresses are not suitable for loading and unloading equipment).
- Toilets, storerooms etc are not suitable changing spaces.
- We will usually use this space to store cases and valuables whilst performing, and to relax prior to and between performances.

Food

- Where we are required to arrive at a venue before 7pm we kindly ask that food be provided at the venue, ideally before the performance commences.
- Food need not be the same option supplied to your guests.

A note on sound limiters

Sound limiters are devices installed in some venues with the purpose of reducing noise complaints by cutting electrical supply for a few seconds when a certain volume is exceeded. These can be damaging to certain equipment but will always mean – if tripped – that the performance has to stop and various equipment reset before it can resume. Although we are used to working with sound limiters and can play at a lower volume to some degree, certain limiters are set to particularly low levels and can be problematic where real drum kits (as opposed to electronic ones) are used. Venues very often talk down their sound limiter's impact on bands until after couples secure their booking, as admitting to problems can put people off booking their venue if they do want a band as their entertainment. We will liaise with your venue if it has a sound limiter, but it is best that these discussions happen prior to you completing your booking with us so that we can advise you of any potential impact on our performance.

If you have any concerns about anything in this document, please contact us as early as possible. There are a number of work-arounds but these usually need extra planning.