

Wedding Policy - Pemberton Historical Park

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Pemberton Historical Park is primarily a special use park for reflection on our cultural and natural heritage. Therefore, weddings do not fall into the park's primary mission. However, recognizing the public's interest in holding weddings at the park, and many people's love of Pemberton as a special place, the Pemberton Park Board has established the following policy for weddings at the Park:

1. Weddings may be held only with the approval of the Park board and the Wicomico County Department of Recreation, Parks and Tourism.
2. The Department must receive a written request 60 days prior to the desired date.
3. The Park shall remain open to the public during the wedding.
4. Acceptable areas for weddings shall be the picnic area and the pond island.
5. All weddings shall consist of the ceremony only. No receptions shall be allowed in the park. Arrangements for receptions can be made with the Pemberton Hall Foundation or may be hosted within the Environmental Education Center.
6. Ceremonies shall be limited to 1 hour in length.
7. Attendance shall be limited to 30 cars or 100 people.
8. Weddings will be limited to normal park hours. All normal park rules shall apply.
9. No tables, chairs, tents, or other structures will be permitted, except to accommodate for disabilities or for health reasons.
10. No amplified sound or music, or lights, will be permitted.
11. The rental fee shall be \$200 per wedding, plus a charge for a site supervisor at the going hourly rate. A reception at one of the above listed facilities would be an additional \$200.
12. Refunds will be given only in accordance with the Department's established refund policy.
13. The Department of Recreation, Parks and Tourism has sole discretion to decide on any matters not covered under this policy.