

HIDDEN WEDDING COSTS CHECKLIST

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☐ Corkage Fees

Venues may charge £10–£20 per bottle for serving your own alcohol.

☐ Service Charges

10–15% often added to catering or bar bills.

☐ Overtime Fees

Venues and entertainment may charge extra if your event runs late.

☐ Supplier Travel Costs

Extra charges for mileage or accommodation if suppliers travel far.

☐ Chair Covers & Linen Hire

£2–£5 per chair cover or table linen is often charged separately.

☐ Cake Cutting Fee

Venues sometimes charge £1–£2 per guest to slice and serve your cake.

☐ Registry & Legal Fees

Includes giving notice, marriage licence, and certificates (£35–£250+).

☐ Postage for Invitations

Fancy stationery can cost £1–£2 per invite to post.

☐ Insurance

Wedding insurance policies can cost £30–£200 depending on cover.

☐ Sound Equipment Hire

Venues may charge extra for PA systems, microphones, or projectors.

☐ Supplier Meals

Photographers and bands often expect meals during your event.

☐ VAT

Check if quotes are inclusive or exclusive of VAT (adds 20%).