

# HOW TO SURVIVE IF SOMEONE OBJECTS

## 1 Laugh it off.

Smile, laugh, and keep things moving.

## 2 Make a joke.

If the protester persists, loudly exclaim, “Mom, it’s going to be all right,” or “I thought we were serving the liquor after the ceremony!”

## 3 Turn the crowd against the protester.

Say “This is the most important day of our lives, and we ask that you honor it with us.”

## 4 Direct the best man to handle it.

If the guest continues to object, the best man should approach her, tell her quietly that she is disrupting the ceremony, and escort her out or to a side room, giving her the attention she craves.

## 5 Consider the objection in private.

If the protester might have a legitimate objection (the groom is currently married to her), the best man should tell the bride, groom, and officiant, who should all discuss the matter before the ceremony continues.

## Be Aware

The consent of guests is not required for the marriage ceremony to be completed.

