

## FEES

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|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| <b>Single Will</b>                         | <b>£85</b>  |
| <b>Joint Wills (per couple)</b>            | <b>£125</b> |
| Alterations to Wills for existing clients: |             |
| <b>Single</b>                              | <b>£30</b>  |
| <b>Joint</b>                               | <b>£40</b>  |

## OTHER SERVICES

|                                            |               |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>Protective Property Trust (in Will)</b> | <b>£45</b>    |
| <b>Lasting Power of Attorney</b>           | <b>*£120</b>  |
| (or x 2 for £170, or x 4 for £265)         |               |
| <b>Standard Probate Service</b>            | <b>**£295</b> |

\*Depending on your circumstances, a fee of £82 may be payable to the Office of the Public Guardian for each registration.

\*\* For net estates over £5,000, a fee of £273 is payable to the Probate Office.

Find out more at  
[wills-athome.co.uk](http://wills-athome.co.uk)



### FLEXIBLE APPROACH

Increasingly, clients are appreciating the ease with which I can create their Will without the need to meet up.

Email, telephone or video calls can be made on a day, or even weekend, to suit you.

For those preferring a personal visit, this can be arranged for a small, pre-agreed charge.

## Good to know...



### CLEAR PRICING & PROCEDURE

All Wills are produced at a standard rate, with no additional charge for complicated cases. As the language used in wills can be complex, I explain the meaning, avoid jargon and keep the whole process as simple as possible.



### EXECUTORS

Appointing family or friends as Executors avoids additional costs when your estate is distributed. Clients should be aware that when legal advisors offer to be Executors to your Will, they will be able to charge whatever they wish for dealing with the estate after your death.



### ONGOING SUPPORT & AMENDS AS NECESSARY

Typically, every 12 - 18 months, I will check that your Wills still reflect your wishes and circumstances. Amendments are charged at a reduced rate (see fees).

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## INTRODUCTION

Making a Will is the best way to ensure your wishes are carried out after your death. Without a Will, your property passes according to the law of intestacy and guardianship of your minor children could be decided by the courts. The future well-being of your family may depend on you having a legally valid Will.

## ORDER OF ESTATE DISTRIBUTION WITHOUT A WILL

The spouse or civil partner keeps all assets (including property), up to £270,000, and all personal possessions. The remainder of the estate will be shared as follows:

- The spouse or civil partner receives an absolute interest in half of the remainder
- The other half is divided equally between the surviving children
- If a child (or other child where the deceased had a parental role) has already died, their children will inherit in their place.
- To surviving children in equal shares (or to their children if they died while the deceased was still alive)
- To parents (equally if both alive)
- To brothers and sisters (who shared the same two parents as the deceased), or to their children if they died while the deceased was still alive)
- To half brothers or sisters (or to their children if they died while the deceased was still alive)
- To grandparents (equally if more than one)
- To aunts or uncles (or to their children if they died while the deceased was still alive)
- To half uncles or aunts (or to their children if they died while the deceased was still alive)
- To the Crown

Note: Assets held in joint names pass to the surviving co-owner.

## GUARDIANSHIP OF CHILDREN

If you and another person, whether living together or not, have parental responsibility of a child, in the event of your death, he/she will gain sole legal responsibility. If, however, there are valid reasons why you would not want this to happen, you can state these wishes in your Will. When deciding who has parental responsibility, the court does not have to accept your wishes but should take your views into account.

## PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY

This is the legal term used to describe all the rights and duties that parents have towards their children. When a child is born, the mother has parental responsibility. The father also does, but only if he is married to the mother at the time of the birth, or (providing the child was born on or after 1st December 2003) registered as the father on the child's birth certificate. However, later in the child's life, the unmarried biological father can obtain parental responsibility by:

- Marrying the child's mother; or
- Making a Parental Responsibility Agreement with the mother; or
- Obtaining a court order

## DOES YOUR WILL NEED UPDATING?

There is a possibility that bequests written in a Will written many years before your death may be challenged by family or dependents. Consider updating your Will at least every five years to ensure that your wishes are carried out - see my low fees for amends overleaf.

## REASONS TO UPDATE YOUR WILL

- Separation or change of marital status
- Sharing a home with a new partner
- Childbirth
- Death of a beneficiary
- Death or ill health of an executor
- Death, ill health or the change in circumstances of a guardian
- Disagreement with a family member
- Confirmation of deliberate exclusion of a family member
- Removal of solicitors as executor to reduce legal fees

## INCLUSIONS IN OUR WILL SERVICE

- Appointment of executors and trustees, who will ensure that your wishes are carried out
- Appointments of guardians who will take care of your minor children
- Trusts: protection and instructions to trustees for inheritance left to minor children
- Name beneficiaries, who will receive your estate (reserves can also be named)
- Legacies: specific gifts for beneficiaries e.g. money, jewellery
- Funeral wishes

See back of leaflet for fees and  
**reassurances:** 

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