

# Your free will.

Fill it in, then make it legally binding in 4 steps.

On the next page you'll find your will. Complete it by hand and follow the four steps below - once signed correctly, it becomes a legally binding document.

**1. Fill it in, in black ink.**

Print the will on the next pages and complete every blank in pen. Read it carefully and make sure you understand it. Draw a line through any space you don't use, so nothing can be added later. Bind the pages so they can't easily come apart, and don't include this instruction page.

**2. Choose two witnesses.**

Your witnesses must be **over the age of 14, must not be beneficiaries in your will, and must not be married to a beneficiary**. If you are elderly, recently bereaved, or have a serious illness, we recommend asking a medical practitioner to act as one of your witnesses.

**3. Sign every page.**

While both witnesses are watching, sign every page of the will. Each witness must then sign every page in your presence and in the presence of each other. Date the will in the space provided at the end.

**4. Your will is now valid.**

Store the originally signed will somewhere safe and let your executor know where it is. Only the signed original is valid - never a photo or a copy.

**RATHER NOT DO IT BY HAND?**

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This template is the free, do-it-yourself route. 4Will guides you step by step, then keeps your will stored safely and easy to update - no jargon.

**1** Answer › **2** Confirm › **3** Sign › **4** Store



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**Important:** This is a free general template, not legal advice, and suits simple estates only. It has no legal effect until signed in wet ink as described above - electronic signatures are not currently recognised for wills under South African law (section 2 of the Wills Act 7 of 1953). If your situation is more involved - business interests, trusts, offshore assets, or a blended family - speak to a qualified fiduciary practitioner or attorney before signing.

# Last Will and Testament

Will of one person - whether married or unmarried

I, the undersigned,

Full name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Identity number \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Residing at \_\_\_\_\_

Marital status \_\_\_\_\_

being of sound mind and under no undue influence, hereby make and declare this to be my Last Will and Testament.

### 1 - REVOCATION

I revoke all former wills, codicils, and testamentary dispositions previously made by me.

### 2 - APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTOR

I appoint the person named below as the Executor of my estate, with the power of assumption, to serve *without* being required to furnish security to the Master of the High Court.

Full name \_\_\_\_\_

Identity number \_\_\_\_\_ Contact \_\_\_\_\_

### 3 - SPECIFIC GIFTS OPTIONAL

I leave the following specific items or amounts to the people named (give each person's full name and identity number):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Leave blank if you have none. Draw a line through any space you do not use.

#### 4 - THE RESIDUE OF MY ESTATE

I bequeath the residue of my estate - everything that remains after debts, taxes and expenses - as follows:

Name & ID \_\_\_\_\_ Share % \_\_\_\_\_

Name & ID \_\_\_\_\_ Share % \_\_\_\_\_

Name & ID \_\_\_\_\_ Share % \_\_\_\_\_

If a beneficiary dies before me, their share passes to their descendants per stirpes, unless I write otherwise here. If none of the named beneficiaries survive me, my estate devolves under the Intestate Succession Act 81 of 1987.

#### 5 - GUARDIAN FOR MY CHILDREN OPTIONAL

If I am the last surviving parent of any child under 18, I nominate the following person as their guardian:

Full name & ID \_\_\_\_\_

#### 6 - FUNERAL WISHES OPTIONAL

My wishes regarding my funeral and burial are set out below. These are non-binding and impose no legal obligation on my Executor or family.

#### EXECUTION

I sign this Will at

\_\_\_\_\_ on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_

*Signed by me as my Last Will and Testament in the presence of the two witnesses named below, all of us being present together at the same time; and signed by them in my presence and in the presence of each other.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Testator

\_\_\_\_\_  
Full name (print)

#### AS WITNESSES

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness 1 - signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Full name & identity number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness 2 - signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Full name & identity number