

Who can benefit from my Will?

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Single with children	Your children are entitled by law to ¾ of your net movable estate. You have free disposal of the remaining ⅓ of your movable estate.	
Married/civil partner without children	Your Surviving spouse is entitled by law to the household effects plus 2/3 of your net movable estate. You have free disposal of the remainder of your movable estate.	Your Surviving spouse is entitled by law to life enjoyment of 1/3 of your immovable estate.
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	by law to the household effects plus 1/3 of your net movable estate. Your Children - are entitled by law to 1/3 of your net movable estate. You have free disposal of the remainder.	Your Surviving spouse is entitled by law to life enjoyment of 1/3 of your immovable estate.
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'Surviving spouse' includes husbands, wives and civil partners but not unmarried or 'common law' partners.

'Children' includes legitimate, illegitimate and adopted children (but not step-children).

What would happen if I don't leave a Will?

Your heirs (usually your brothers and sisters) will receive your movable estate in equal shares. An unmarried partner will not inherit.	Your heirs (usually your brothers and sisters) will receive your immovable estate in equal shares. An unmarried partner will not inherit.

Your household	
effects plus	Life enjoyment of
personal estate up	the matrimonial
to £30,000.00 will	home will be given
go to your surviving	to your surviving
spouse.	spouse.
The remainder will	Ownership will be
be divided 50	divided equally
percent to your	between your
surviving spouse	surviving spouse
and 50 percent to	and your children.
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