



Why do I need a will?

There are many reasons why, most importantly:

- So that your wishes will be met, writing a will is the only way to make sure your estate goes to the people you care about and the causes close to your heart

What happens if I don't have a will?

- The law determines where your estate will go if you die without a will and it might not be to the people you want to benefit

Am I too young to write a will?

- Not necessarily, if you have young children or other dependents, a will can help to set out your wishes about what happens to them too

It's a lot of bother, how do I start?

- Break the process down
- What have I got?
- Who do I want to have it?
- Who will organise everything for me?

I don't own much, do I still need a will?

- If you own your home and have life insurance and/or savings, you might be surprised by what it all adds up to

Do I need a solicitor?

- It is possible to make a will yourself, but if it's not done properly, it might prove more expensive in the long run.
- There may be doubts or disagreements about your wishes
- Worse even, legal costs might arise
- If the formalities aren't followed, the DIY will may be invalid

What help can Moorfields Eye Charity offer?

- A free, no obligation chat with our legacy team to discuss your will and any questions you may have
- A free, no obligation will writing offer
- Free will writing toolkit including a legacy booklet, will planner, example letter of wishes and more

If I have a will written for free, do I have to include a gift to Moorfields Eye Charity?

- No, it is not obligatory to do so but we would of course be delighted if you do choose to support our work through a gift in your will

Can I add a gift to Moorfields Eye Charity to my existing will?

- It is possible to do this by way of a Codicil but we would suggest you seek professional advice before making any changes to your will
- Please don't write any changes on your existing will as this may render it invalid

Who can I ask to witness my will?

- Your witnesses must be 18 or over and shouldn't be included in the will, or married to anyone in the will

What about reading the will before I sign it?

- If you are affected by severe sight impairment, it's important to make sure you have the right attestation clause in your will – this states that the will was read out to you in the presence of the witnesses, and you knew exactly what you were signing

How do I find out more?

- You can visit our website www.moorfieldseyecharity.org.uk/support-us/leave-a-gift-in-your-will
- Call our legacy team on 020 7521 4697
- Email Jacqueline.birch1@nhs.net