



## Storing your Will

Your Will and associated documents such as Lasting Power of Attorney are among the most important you will ever arrange. Keeping them safe, secure and somewhere that your family and friends know about is absolutely essential.

### 1. A lost Will means No Will

A huge number of Wills are lost each year, often as a result of a house move, a spring clean or even by being eaten by a dog. It happens.

A Will that has been written, signed and witnessed and then lost is the same as having NO Will at all. A probate solicitor can only act for you and your family on your death with the signed and witnessed hardcopy of the original Will.

### 3. Registration on the Will database

By storing with us, your Will will be registered for free onto the UK's largest Will database, [www.certainty.co.uk](http://www.certainty.co.uk). This means that even if your family or executors don't know of its whereabouts, they will be able to find out that we have it stored by simply making a search on their website. Certainty are the first response on Google when searches for 'lost will' and similar terms are input.

We work with Will document specialists National Will Safe, who home our clients' Wills in a fire, water, flood and temperature controlled environment. National Will Safe individually store each Will and associated documents and provide us with a unique barcode specific to each client's file.

Once safely stored, we send you confirmation and instructions on how to obtain your Will once it's needed, which you can keep in a safe place and share with you Executors.

### 2. Free updates to your Will

Should you need to make a change to your Will, a new one is drafted, which of course incurs the cost of a brand new Will. A Will needs to be updated for a host of reasons including a change to an Executor, to your Beneficiaries, to any gifts you are leaving and of course if you marry, get divorced or have a child.

It is estimated that an adult in the UK arranging their first Will at the age of 40, will need to update and amend that Will on average eight times before the age of 75. This incurs the cost of arranging a new Will each time, as well as the confusion of having to find and destroy the previous one and replace with the new one.

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