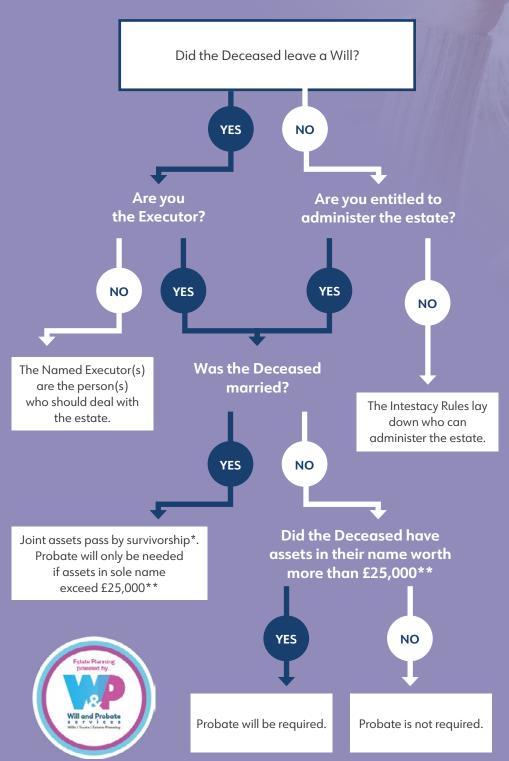
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Do I need Probate?

Probate is the formal legal process that a family has to go through after a death. Around 50% of estates will need to be administered in this way. Follow the flowchart and see if you need to get a grant of probate.



Who is entitled if there is no Will?

Entitlement in descending order:

Surviving Spouse

Children of Deceased

Parents of Deceased

Siblings of Deceased

Grandparents of Deceased

Uncles and Aunts of Deceased

The Treasury Solicitor

"The team at Will & Probate Services have all been so easy to deal with, from the initial conversation and explanation, right through to making convenient appointments for signing the document. I wouldn't hesitate to recommend their services"

Mr & Mrs Bellamy

^{*}Not including share of joint assets held as Tenants in Common - the value of these are treated as sole assets.

^{**} Asset holders holding more than £5,000 are entitled to ask for probate, in practice most accept an indemnity up to £25,000.

Services and Prices

We offer two levels of service, a forms only service or a complete formal estate administration service, and we always work to fixed fees as detailed in the matrix below.

	Forms Only	Estate Administration
Free Initial Consultation	✓	✓
Completion of HMRC Forms	✓	/
Completion of HMCTS Forms*	✓	/
Helpline Access	✓	✓
Valuation of Assets	×	/
Valuation of Debts	×	/
Executors bank account	×	✓
Take on Executor Duties	×	✓
Free regular updates	×	✓
Sell and Transfer Assets	×	✓
Insure Property*	×	✓
Mail Redirection*	×	✓
Deal with Pensions	×	✓
Transfer Utilities	×	✓
Pay Liabilities	×	✓
Settle Tax Bills	×	✓
Deal With DWP	×	✓
Property Security Checks	×	✓
Beneficiary Search*	×	/
Beneficiary Bankruptcy Search*	×	✓
S27 Trustee Act Adverts*	×	✓
Prepare Final Accounts	×	✓
Distribute Assets	×	✓
Receipts and Indemnities	×	✓

Probate and Estate Administration	Forms Only	Estate Administration
Estates up to £150,000	£1,080.00	£1,800.00
Estates £150,001 to £325,000	£1,080.00	£2,500.00
Estates £325,001 to £1,000,000	£2,500.00	£4,200.00
Estates £1,000,001 to £2,000,000	N/A	£7,200.00
Estates over £2,000,001	N/A	£12,000.00