



Sweden

## Finding a will in Sweden

~ Legal professionals, some questions/answers to assist you ~

→ When the existence of a will has been established, who has to be contacted to obtain information about its content?

Information on the content of the will is communicated by the legatees, or by the administrator of the succession in those cases where there is one.

→ Who is entitled to receive the information?

The information contained in the will, and if necessary a copy of the will itself, can be sent to public authorities, legal professionals responsible for settling the succession, wherever they are located, the legal heirs and, more generally, to any person with a legitimate interest. This interest will be assessed by the legatees or the administrator of the succession.

If the will is sent to the tax office, it becomes a public document that can be communicated to anyone.

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→ Is there a particular procedure to be followed? If so, which one?

For the information contained in the will, or a copy of the will itself, to be communicated, the will must have been opened in accordance with Swedish law.

→ By what means must the information be sent?

The information contained in the will and/or a copy of the will itself are sent by post or electronically.

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