



Sweden

Keeping and searching for a will

→ What are the forms of will in Sweden?

* the **witnessed will**, written and signed by the testator in the presence of two witnesses.

* in certain exceptional circumstances, **the holographic will**, written, dated and signed by the testator himself or **the oral will**, communicated in the presence of two witnesses are deemed valid.

→ Does a register of wills exist in Sweden?

No, there is no register of wills.

→ How are wills kept?

The will is kept by the testator in the place of his choice (at home, with his lawyer, in a bank, etc.). There are also private companies which exist which safeguard wills.

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→ How does one find the wills of family members?

In the absence of a register, the testator is advised to disclose the existence of the will to a trusted person as well as the place in which it is kept.

Otherwise, the person in charge of settling the inheritance must search for the will in the deceased's home, with his lawyer, with the bank, with the private companies etc.

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