

Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc

An Introduction to Wills and Estates

**The documents attached provide instructions
and a Will Form that allow you to write a
simple will.**

LAST WILL

This will is made by me, _____,

My Membership Number is _____ and I am of the _____.
(Band Membership Number) (Name of Band of Nation)

My home address is _____
(Address)

Appointment of Executor

I appoint _____ who currently lives at _____
(Full Legal Name) (Address)

_____ to be the executor and trustee of my estate.
(Address)

If he/she does not want to act for any reason or dies before me, or dies within 30 days of my death, then I

Appoint _____ to be executor and trustee of my estate.
(Full Legal Name)

Appointment of Guardian(s)

I appoint _____ who currently lives at _____
(Full Legal Name) (Address)

_____ as Guardian(s) of my minor children.

Funeral Instructions

I want to be _____ and my remains _____
(Buried or Cremated) (Instructions)

Directions to Executor

I want my executor to pay all my debts, funeral expenses and all costs arising from my death. My executor is also to pay any taxes and fees required to be paid to any government office as a result of my death. All these expenses are to be paid from my estate before my estate is divided up and given to my beneficiaries.

Gifts of Specific Items

I distribute my assets as follows:

Remainder

I give the remainder of my estate as follows:

If _____ dies before me, then I give the remainder of my
Estate to _____

Signed by the will-maker on _____ at
(Date)

_____ in the presence of each of us
(Location, Province)

and all of us together at the same time signing as witness to this will.

Witness Signature

Will maker Signature

Print Witness Name

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ESTATE PLANNING LIST of FAMILY and PROPERTY

(Use additional sheets of paper if you need more space)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Birth date and place of birth: _____

Citizenship: _____

Band Membership Number: _____

Marital Status: ___ Married ___ Common Law (living together one year or more)

___ Single ___ Widowed ___ Divorced ___ Separated

Spouse's Name: _____

Spouse's Date of birth: _____

If your spouse has a will, when did they make it? _____

Where is your spouse's will located? _____

Name and address of your previous spouse (married or common law):

PARENTS (biological or step) (if living) Name, address and date of birth:

CHILDREN (identify natural or step or custom-adopted): Names, home address/location, date of birth

Other close family and people named in my will: Names, home address/location

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PERSONAL PROPERTY (only list property worth at least \$1,000)

Address of home or other land in your name on or off reserve: (is it jointly owned? If on reserve, identify Certificate of Possession)

Business or work equipment (e.g. store, fish boat, trap line, mechanic's tools):

Vehicles: _____

Boats: _____

Household goods: _____

Other valuables): _____

Bank accounts (Name of bank, branch location, type of account) _____

Insurance policies, pension funds, RRSP or other: (location/identifying number)(Is there a named beneficiary? Who?): _____

DEBTS

Mortgages and Loans: _____

Credit Cards: _____

Other Debts: Location of your important documents (e.g. marriage certificate, bank and tax records, divorce papers, insurance or mortgage)
