

Intestacy - who inherits if someone dies without a will?

The whole estate goes to the Crown if non of the following inherit first.

For deceased living in England or Wales.

Estate goes to;

A living husband, wife or civil partner?

If not then next to inherit is

Any living children, grandchildren or other direct descendants (eg great-grandchildren)?

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Any living parents?

If not then next to inherit is

Any brothers or sisters?

If not then next to inherit is

Any half-brothers or half-sisters?

If not then next to inherit is

Any living grandparents?

If not then next to inherit is

Any aunts or uncles?

If not then next to inherit is

Any half-aunts or half-uncles?

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