

Draft your will for free during National Wills Week

Members of the public have been urged to take advantage of the opportunity to have their wills drafted for free during National Wills Week.



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During National Wills Week 2019, which takes place from 16 to 20 September, legal practitioners will draft and offer legal advice at no cost to the public.

The services are offered through a partnership with Legal Aid South Africa (Legal Aid SA), the Law Society of South Africa and the Justice and Constitutional Development Department.

“One of the greatest risks of not having a legitimate will in place is the often nasty family in-fighting over the inheritance of assets, particularly family homes.

“Legal Aid SA urges all South African citizens and non-citizens to utilise their over 150 participating attorneys during this week to draft wills at no cost and ensure that their assets are distributed according to their wishes,” Legal Aid SA said in a statement.

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Legal Aid SA legal practitioners will set up information stalls and service desks at various courts, Master's Offices and other community venues in all nine provinces to assist with the drafting and completing of basic wills.

Furthermore, Legal Aid SA legal practitioners will also address community members on the administration of deceased estates and why it is important to have a will.

According to the statistics from the Department of Justice, the 2018 National Wills Week campaign saw free wills drafted and estate advice given to 4,555 people across the country. This was supported by a strong social media awareness campaign which reached 340,754 users nationwide with important information to consider when thinking of estate planning.

The schedule of all the locations where National Wills Week activities will be conducted is as follows:

Province	Date	Time	Venue
Gauteng	16 Sep 2019	09h00 – 14h30	Tsakani Magistrate Court
	17 Sep 2019	09h00 – 14h30	Newlands Magistrate Court
	18 Sep 2019	09h00 – 14h30	Atteridgeville Magistrate Court
	19 Sep 2019	09h00 – 14h30	Westonaria Magistrate Court
	17 Sep 2019	10h00 - 12h30	Department of Minerals, Pretoria
	18 Sep 2019	10h00 - 12h30	DoJ&CD, Pretoria
North West	15 Sep 2019	09:00 – 13h00	Mahikeng Methodist Church
	16 Sep 2019	09:00 – 13h00	Zeerust Masters Office
	17 Sep 2019	09:00 - 15:00	Mogwase Masters Office
	18 Sep 2019	09:00 - 15:00	Rustenburg Masters Office
	19 Sep 2019	09h00 – 15:00	Klerksdorp Magistrate Court
	19 Sep 2019	09:00 - 15:00	Potchefstroom Taxi Rank
	20 Sep 2019	09h00 – 15h00	Mafikeng Masters Office
	20 Sep 2019	09:00 – 15:00	Ganyesa Community Hall
Mpumalanga	16 Sep 2019	09h00 – 13h00	Nelspruit Masters Office
	17 Sep 2019	09h00 – 13h00	Thulamahashe Magistrate court
	18 Sep 2019	09h00 – 13h00	Graskop magistrate court
	19 Sep 2019	09h00 – 13h00	Lydenburg Magistrate court
	19 Sep 2019	09h00 – 13h00	Bushbuckridge Magistrate Court
	20 Sep 2019	10h00 – 13h00	Middleburg Magistrate Office
Limpopo	16 Sep 2019	09h00 – 15h30	Polokwane, Seshego Police station
	17 Sep 2019	10h00 – 13h00	Mahlwelereng Shopping Mall
	18 Sep 2019	10h00 – 13h00	Burgers Fort Taxi Rank
	19 Sep 2019	10h00 – 13h00	Bochum Taxi Rank
	20 Sep 2019	09h00 – 15h30	Thohoyandou, Tswinga Community Hall
Free State	16 Sep 2019	09h00 – 15h30	Warden Magistrate Court
	17 Sep 2019	09h00 – 15h30	Reitz Magistrate Court
	18 Sep 2019	09h00 – 15h30	Fouriesburg Magistrate Court
	19 Sep 2019	09h00 – 15h30	Hoopstad Magistrate Court
	20 Sep 2019	09h00 – 15h30	Odendalsrus Magistrate Court
KwaZulu-Natal	16 Sep 2019	09h00 – 13h00	Pietermaritzburg Masters Office
	16 Sep 2019	09:00 – 15:00	Amajuba District Municipality
	16 Sep 2019	09:00 – 13:00	Durban High Court
Eastern Cape	16 Sep 2019	08h30 – 13h00	Grahamstown Magistrate Court
	16 Sep 2019	09h00 – 14h30	Tsolo Magistrate Court
	16 Sep 2019	09:00 – 13:00	Mthatha Taxi Rank
	17 Sep 2019	10:00 - 14:30	Aliwal North Taxi Rank
	17 Sep 2019	09h00 – 14h30	Comfimvaba Magistrate Court

	17 Sep 2019	08h30 – 13h00	Port Elizabeth, George Both Hall
	18 Sep 2019	08h30 – 13h00	Bethelsdorp, Weiss Memorial Church
	18 Sep 2019	09h00 – 14h30	Aliwal North Magistrate Court
	18 Sep 2019	09h00 – 14h30	Dutywa Magistrate Court
	19 Sep 2019	09h00 – 14h30	Mbunt Frere Magistrate Court
	20 Sep 2019	09h00 – 14h30	Mthatha Magistrate Court
Northern Cape	16 Sep 2019	10h00 – 15h00	Kimberley Magistrate Court
	17 Sep 2019	10h00 – 15h00	Diamond Pavilion Mall
	18 Sep 2019	10h00 – 15h00	Galeshewe Magistrate Mall
	19 Sep 2019	10h00 – 15h00	North Cape Mall
	20 Sep 2019	10h00 – 13h00	Floors, Aldersgate Methodist Church
	20 Sep 2019	10h00 - 12h30	Statistics South Africa Office, Kimberley
Western Cape	16 Sep 2019	09h00 – 15h00	Blue downs Magistrate Court
	17 Sep 2019	09h00 – 15h00	Somerset West Magistrate Court
	18 Sep 2019	09h00 – 15h00	Malmesbury Magistrate Court
	19 Sep 2019	09h00 – 15h00	Athlone Magistrate Court
	20 Sep 2019	09h00 – 15h00	Cape Town Magistrate Court

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