

Estate Planning Document Checklist

Preparing your estate can be a complicated process for both you and your loved ones. Use this checklist to help organize important documents and records. Fill in the blanks and/or add your own unique information.

Copies of Essential Documents

Make copies of the following documents:			
Driver's license			
Social Security card or Passport			
Medicare / Medicaid / health insurance coverage card			
Credit cards			
Mortgage records			

Legal Power of Attorney, Healthcare Proxy, Living Will, Advance Directives

Create a List of Important Contacts & Accounts

You'll need contact information for the following contacts, as appropriate:

Clergy members	
Attorney	
Financial Planner	
Tax Advisor	
Executor and/or beneficiaries	
Loans: contact info for all mortgage, credit card, personal loans or other.	
Condo or continuing care facility contact person	
Insurance agents	



Create a List of Where to Find Original Documents

It may be required to provide original documents instead of copies. Also notate the location of various documentation and other essentials.

Safe-deposit box and key, along with a list of the contents and names of anyone who has access to it.	
Any letter of instruction listing personal property not disposed of by will and wishes for distribution	
Receipts and appraisals for valuables	
Trust, banking and loan information	
Tax returns	
Insurance policies	
Statements & other information about all investment and retirement accounts	
Living will, medical directives or Durable Power of Attorney	
Burial plots and desired funeral arrangements.	

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