Section 2 of the guide: Inheriting property in Dubai: wills, heirs, and what to arrange when you buy

Where to register a will

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There are three main options for non-Muslims. This is a general comparison, not a recommendation of any particular option:

	DIFC Wills Service Centre	Dubai Courts (notary)	ADGM (Abu Dhabi)
What it is	A joint service of the Government of Dubai and the DIFC Courts	The Dubai Courts notary certifies wills of non-Muslims	The ADGM Courts notary registers wills of non-Muslims
Language	English	Check with a lawyer	Check with a lawyer
Do you need to live in the UAE?	No. You can also sign by video call	Check with a lawyer	Check with a lawyer
What it costs	According to Ancova, August 2026. Full will: AED 10,000 per person, AED 15,000 for a couple (mirror wills). Property-only will: AED 7,500 per person, AED 10,000 for a couple	I did not find a current official price	I did not find a current official price

The prices are registration fees only, without the fee of the lawyer who drafts the will. They come from an unofficial source, so check the current price on the DIFC booking page before you book an appointment.

According to the DIFC Courts website, you can register a will if you are not a Muslim and have never been one, are at least 18 years old, and have assets in the UAE or minor children living there.

How it works at the DIFC, in broad terms:

1. **Draft the will:** you can do this yourself, through a will draftsman registered with them, or by using an online template. A will written in another country usually does not meet the DIFC rules and has to be drafted again.
2. **Choose the type of will:** a full will (all your assets in the UAE, including appointing a guardian for minor children), or a will for real estate only (up to five properties in the UAE). There are

also types for bank accounts and for shares in companies.

3. **Appoint an executor:** a person who will carry out the will after your death.
4. **Book an appointment and pay** through the DIFC website.
5. **Sign:** at the appointment, in the office or by video, with two witnesses.
6. **For real estate,** also bring the Title Deed.

The full guide on the site: u810properties.com/en-guide-inheritance

Do you have a question about inheriting property in Dubai?

If you want to arrange a will, I connect you with a lawyer.

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