



# MAKING A CHANGE TO YOUR WILL

## CODICIL FORM

Legacies are an essential element of our income and, over the years, have enabled International Animal Rescue to help thousands of animals and preserve precious habitats. Your gift is invaluable. Thank you for thinking of us.

### WHY USE A CODICIL?

If you want to make a simple amendment to your Will, a Codicil is a convenient way to avoid the necessity of re-writing the whole document. Like a Will, it should be signed, dated, witnessed and kept with (not stapled to) your current Will.

For more complicated changes, it may be more effective to have a solicitor produce a new Will that incorporates the changes you require. If in doubt, always seek professional help from a specialist Will service or solicitor.

### TO LEAVE A PECUNIARY LEGACY

This type of legacy refers to a specific cash amount that will be left in your Will. For this amendment a Codicil can be useful and you can use the template attached.

### TO LEAVE A RESIDUARY LEGACY

This type of legacy refers to a share of your estate, often expressed as a percentage of what's left after the specific (pecuniary) gifts, debts and administrative expenses have been paid.

Residuary gifts are particularly important to charities like International Animal Rescue.

These residuary gifts can be a little more complicated. To change your existing Will might mean amending (or replacing) a specific clause. While this is possible with a Codicil, it does present some risk of introducing inconsistencies between your Will and the Codicil. As such, we suggest you take some legal advice first: it might be that redrafting your existing Will to incorporate the changes is a more effective solution.

If you are amending your Will or drafting a Codicil and thinking of including us, our details are: International Animal Rescue; registered charity number 1118277; Lime House, Regency Close, Uckfield, East Sussex, TN22 1DS

Thank you for considering us in this way. We greatly appreciate your support.

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## Please keep this with (but not stapled to) your Will.

If you have any questions about writing a codicil or updating your Will, you should seek advice from a qualified professional, such as a solicitor.

This is my first/second/third\* Codicil to my last Will (\*delete as appropriate)

which is dated \_\_\_\_\_ of me (name) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

**01** I give to International Animal Rescue, Lime House, Regency Close, Uckfield, East Sussex (Registered charity number 1118277) for its general charitable purposes.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

to be applied to the general purposes of the said charity.

**02** In all other respects I confirm my said will and any existing Codicils thereto.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signed by the above named testator in our joint presence and then by us in his/hers.

### Witness 1

### Witness 2

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Send, or give, a copy of the Will and Codicil (in a sealed envelope, if you prefer) to your executor or other trusted friend, with a note indicating where the original is held.



◀ Insert the date of your will and your full name. Insert your full address and postcode.

◀ Insert here the share of your estate or the amount of money using both words and figures – for example, one thousand pounds (£1,000) – or the description of the item you wish to leave to International Animal Rescue.

◀ Sign and date here in the presence of two independent adult witnesses.

◀ Your witnesses must insert their names, addresses and occupations and sign and date here in your presence.

NB: Your witnesses must be over 18 and must not be beneficiaries in your will or their spouse or civil partner.



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