



# Wills Act 1963

## 1963 CHAPTER 44

An Act to repeal the Wills Act 1861 and make new provision in lieu thereof; and to provide that certain testamentary instruments shall be probative for the purpose of the conveyance of heritable property in Scotland. [31st July 1963]

Whereas a Convention on the conflicts of laws relating to the form of testamentary dispositions was concluded on 5th October 1961 at the ninth session of the Hague Conference on Private International Law and was signed on behalf of the United Kingdom on 13th February 1962:

And whereas, with a view to the ratification by Her Majesty of that Convention and for other purposes, it is expedient to amend the law relating to wills:

.....  
**Modifications etc. (not altering text)**

- C1 Words of enactment omitted under authority of [Statute Law Revision Act 1948 \(c. 62\), s. 3](#)
- C2 Unreliable marginal note.
- C3 Act extended by [S.I. 1972/971, art. 4, Sch. 1](#)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Wills Act 1963, Introductory Text.