



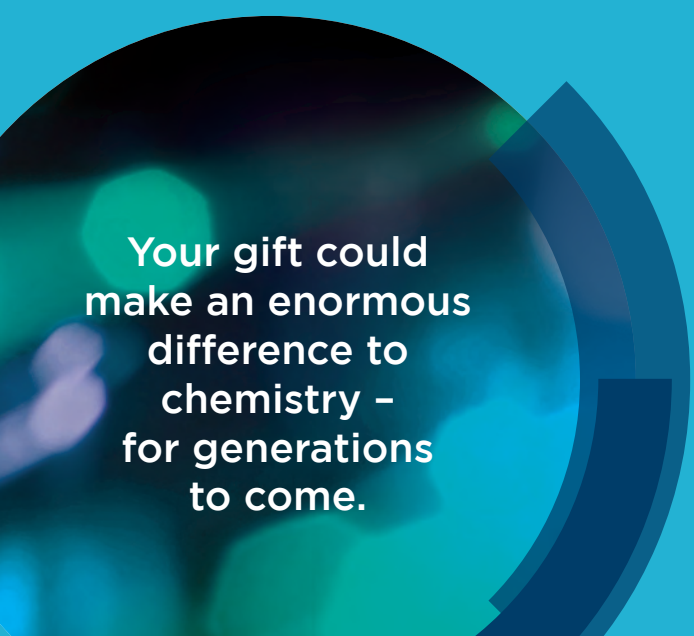
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How to leave a gift in your Will to the Royal Society of Chemistry

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**Your gift could
make an enormous
difference to
chemistry –
for generations
to come.**

The Royal Society of Chemistry strives to tackle global challenges to support bright new talent and to provide an opportunity for everyone to access a rich and inspiring scientific education.

When you choose to leave a gift to the Royal Society of Chemistry, you will be playing an important role in enabling us to continue our mission to support the chemical science community to make the world a better place.

Donations from legacies and bequests have a huge impact on the work we are able to do, and we are grateful for the generosity of our donors. No matter the type or size of your gift, we will ensure it makes an important and lasting contribution to our work and a valuable difference for future generations in chemistry.

This brochure will help you understand the practicalities of leaving a gift to the Royal Society of Chemistry. It includes useful information about the different types of gifts that you can give, as well as legal wording you may wish to use.



We understand how personal this gift will be and we are here to help answer any questions you might have.

So please don't hesitate to get in touch with a member of our team by email: **fundraising@rsc.org**, or by calling **01223 432631**.

A personal gift, in support of the things you believe in

At the Royal Society of Chemistry, we're proud to support all areas of the chemical sciences.

The chemical science community makes an incredible contribution to society and by leaving a gift in your Will, you can help this important work to continue for many years to come.

But if you have a particular area of interest that you would like to support, or any specific requests relating to the gift you would like to leave, we will be happy to talk you through the various options. That way, our team can help you to maximise the impact your gift will have – while ensuring it aligns well with our mission to support the chemical sciences.

A note on seeking independent legal advice

Whether you have a Will already, or you are planning to write your first Will, it is advisable to seek independent legal advice – to make sure your wishes are captured and can be carried out in accordance with your intentions.

If you live outside the UK, we recommend that you seek both legal and financial advice, to ensure that it is possible to include the Royal Society of Chemistry in your Will.

Making a Will, and types of gift you could leave

A Will or Codicil

To leave a gift in your Will, you may need to either create a new Will, or add a Codicil to your present Will. A Codicil is a legal document, which adds to or changes an existing Will.

Types of gift

The most common types of gift you may wish to consider making in your Will are listed below.

- Pecuniary or Specific

The simplest gift is often a straightforward gift of money, the value of which can be protected from inflation by linking it to an inflation index. You can also give specific gifts-in-kind, such as property, jewellery, works of art, collections of books or papers, intellectual property rights, stocks, shares and even share options.

- Residuary

This is a gift of all, or a share of your estate (including your money, property and personal possessions which you own as at the date of your death) following the distribution of any pecuniary, or specific gifts and payment of any debts and expenses.

To ensure that the Royal Society of Chemistry is able to legally accept your gift, and to follow your wishes precisely, you will need to use clear wording in your Will.

On the following pages, you will find some examples of phrasing that you can use or share with your Will writer.

Legacies for general charitable purposes

We ask that gifts to support our general charitable purposes are donated to:

‘The Royal Society of Chemistry of Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1J 0BA, UK (Registered Charity Number 207890)’.

Pecuniary legacy

‘I give free of tax to The Royal Society of Chemistry of Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1J 0BA, UK (Registered Charity Number 207890), the sum of **[enter currency and amount]** for its general purposes and I declare that the receipt of the Chief Executive Officer for the time being, or other duly authorised officer of The Royal Society of Chemistry shall be a full and sufficient discharge to my Executor(s).’



Index-linked Pecuniary legacy

'I give free of tax to The Royal Society of Chemistry of Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1J 0BA, UK (Registered Charity Number 207890) the sum of money produced by dividing the sum of **[enter currency and amount]** by the index figure in the Index of Retail Prices ('the Index') for the month in which this Will is executed and (having made allowance for any re-basing of the Index which may have occurred in the meantime) multiplying it by the index figure in the Index for the month in which my death occurs, for its general purposes and I declare that the receipt of the Chief Executive Officer for the time being or other duly authorised officer of The Royal Society of Chemistry shall be a full and sufficient discharge to my Executor(s).'

Specific item of value

'I give to The Royal Society of Chemistry of Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1J 0BA, UK (Registered Charity Number 207890), free of tax and other fiscal impositions and costs of transfer, my **[item description]** for its general purposes and I declare that the receipt of the Chief Executive Officer for the time being or other duly authorised officer of The Royal Society of Chemistry shall be a full and sufficient discharge to my Executor(s).'

Gift of property

'I give to The Royal Society of Chemistry of Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1J 0BA, UK (Registered Charity Number 207890) free of tax and other fiscal impositions and costs of transfer all my interest in my property known as **[item description]** for its general purposes and I declare that the receipt of the Chief Executive Officer for the time being or other duly authorised officer of The Royal Society of Chemistry shall be a full and sufficient discharge to my Executor(s).

Residuary legacy (all, or a share of your Estate)

'I give **[the whole, or state percentage]** of the residue of my Estate to The Royal Society of Chemistry of Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1J 0BA (Registered Charity Number 207890) for its general purposes and I declare that the receipt of the Chief Executive Officer for the time being, or other duly authorised officer of The Royal Society of Chemistry shall be a full and sufficient discharge to my Executor(s).'

For donations in lieu of floral tributes

Finally, you may wish to request donations be made to The Royal Society of Chemistry in lieu of floral tributes. If this is clearly stated in your Will, your Executors can ensure that your wishes are made known using the following suggested wording:

'I direct my Executor to ensure that in lieu of flowers at my funeral, donations are made to The Royal Society Chemistry of Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1J 0BA, UK (Registered Charity Number 207890).'


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