

Safe-deposit boxes



In general, it's better not to leave items that your family will need soon after you die (such as the original copy of your will) in a safe-deposit box, because organizations holding the safe-deposit box sometimes delay relatives' and friends' access to the box after a death. This problem can be avoided if a trusted family member or friend is an authorized signer and has a key to the safe-deposit box or knows where to locate the key. Otherwise, you could ask your personal representative or attorney to hold the original copy of your will. Or, you could keep it in a home safe that offers protection from fire for a significantly long time. (Some are fireproof for only 15 minutes.) Make sure a trusted friend or family member has the combination or key to the safe.

Location of box: _____

Phone number: _____ Box number: _____

Address: _____

Authorized person(s): _____

Number of keys: _____

Location of keys: _____

Inventory: _____

Location of box: _____

Phone number: _____ Box number: _____

Address: _____

Authorized person(s): _____
