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Patron: 'Wee Jimmy Krankie'

Raising funds for **Kids** who are disabled or severely ill in Torbay and the surrounding area

A codicil is an independent legal document used to explain, modify, or add to an existing will without needing to completely rewrite the original document. It functions much like an amendment or an appendix, allowing you to make small targeted changes—such as adding a beneficiary, updating an executor, or changing funeral wishes.

How a Codicil Works

When a codicil is executed, both the codicil and the original will are read together as a unified set of directives. The codicil must explicitly reference the original will and state that it overrules any previous stipulations it replaces.

Validity and Execution

To be legally binding, a codicil generally must meet the exact same legal formalities as the original will. This requires:

- The document to be in writing.
- The person making the will (the testator) to sign and date it.
- The signature to be witnessed by two independent adults in the same manner as a will.
- Witnesses must not be beneficiaries or the spouses of beneficiaries.

Storage

Once signed, the codicil should be kept in a secure location alongside the original will, such as with a solicitor or in a home safe. However, it should **not** be physically attached or stapled to the will, as doing so might invalidate the original document.

Codicil vs. New Will

While a codicil is a quick and cost-effective way to make minor adjustments, it is usually better to draft a completely new will if you need to make major, complex changes to your estate. Using too many codicils can create ambiguity and cause confusion for executors.

For detailed information on drafting or executing an amendment, you can refer to the official [GOV.UK Update Your Will Guide](https://gov.uk/update-your-will-guide) or review the [Legal & General Codicil Guide](#) for comprehensive insights into when and how to use one.



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Torbay Bikers for Kids is a registered charity comprising of motorcycle enthusiasts whose sole objective is to raise money to purchase essential items that will help improve the lives and/or education of children who are disabled or severely ill, who live in Torbay and the surrounding area.