



Estate investigation and notification of estate

What are they? When must they be done?

Estate investigation

When a person has died, you who are party to the estate must draw up an estate inventory. This means that you review and make a written summary of the deceased person and the spouse's assets and liabilities.

You must normally draw up the estate inventory within three months of the date of death. You must then send it to the Tax Agency within one month of completing it.

An estate inventory form and information pamphlets can be ordered from the Tax Agency on 0771-567 567, or downloaded from the [Tax Agency website](#).

Notification of estate

A notification of estate is a document which in certain cases replaces an estate inventory. You can apply for a notification of estate if the deceased person's assets only cover the funeral costs and other expenses **in connection with the death**.

The deceased person may not have any immovable property or site leasehold rights in Sweden or abroad. If the deceased person has either of these, an estate inventory must be drawn up instead.

For the municipality to examine whether it is possible to make a notification of estate you need to contact the Estate Administration Unit within two months of the date of death.

Make the first contact by phone; call 031-367 90 79.

More information and contact details

The Estate Administration Unit in

Gothenburg can be found at www.goteborg.se/boutredningsenheten. The estate must be left untouched until all the beneficiaries have taken note of what it contains.

What you should do is to:

- 1. Inform all the beneficiaries of the death,**
- 2. Do not pay any bills yet; the funeral has priority over all other bills in the estate,**
- 3. Stop any payments that are on standing order,**
- 4. Find out whether there are any life insurance policies or funeral insurance,**
- 5. Notify a change of address with the Tax Agency to the person administrating the estate,**
- 6. Give notice for the apartment, electricity, telephone, newspaper etc.**

Applying for financial assistance for the funeral

To request financial assistance for the funeral, contact the social services office in the town or district where the deceased person lived.

The social services have information about the current standard funeral costs and can inform you about the investigation process.

You do not have to make a notification of estate to seek financial assistance for the funeral. You can also request assistance by submitting an estate inventory.