

THE CARE MANDATE

Are you concerned you will not be able to manage your assets anymore at a certain moment in life?

The care mandate offers a solution.



You decide what you give a mandate for!



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SIX QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON THE CARE MANDATE

What is a care mandate?

This is a document in which you give consent ("the power of attorney") to specific persons to **manage the property** you designate from **the time you are no longer capable of managing it yourself**.

For whom?

For persons who wish **to anticipate** a future loss of capacity, whereby they can no longer manage their own property and interests. Memory loss due to old age, a medical condition, an accident....it can happen to all of us. You can decide today who will manage what in the future. In sum: decide today what happens to your property tomorrow.

For what?

Managing bank accounts, making a gift, paying all or certain bills... you choose the extent of the mandate and you also decide when it enters into force. This can even

be before the incapacity occurs.



Important!

To draft such a care mandate you need to be fully aware of what it entails to manage your property. It thus implies that you have to be of sound mental health and you realise what the consequences are of your decisions. Do not wait until it is too late...

The role of the notary?

The notary is an **independent legal advisor** who helps you draft the care mandate. Additionally, the notary must **register the care mandate in the Central Register of Mandates fot it to take full effect at the time you become incapacitated**. The notary makes sure everything is clear **to avoid difficult discussions later** on. The notary helps you in drafting a **CARE MANDATE** and registers the mandate in the

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What about the courts?

The courts do not play a role in drafting the care mandate, nor in the exercise of it. You make the decisions. The courts only intervene in case disputes arise in the exercise of the mandate.

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