

First 48 hours - crypto preservation

After a death, when crypto may exist. Print this, keep it with the estate file and work top to bottom.
Never write secrets in it.

- ☐ Leave every device, note, wallet and document exactly as found
- ☐ Do not reset, update, charge or connect devices to the internet
- ☐ Do not guess PINs or passwords - devices lock or wipe
- ☐ Do not photograph, scan, type or send seed words, keys or passwords
- ☐ Note where each item was found, by whom and when
- ☐ Keep hardware wallets with their boxes, cables and accessories
- ☐ Store paper notes and metal plates flat, dry and private
- ☐ Do not throw away or sell old devices
- ☐ Do not log into accounts or move any crypto
- ☐ Establish who is legally authorised before contacting anyone
- ☐ Tell one trusted person that crypto may exist and where the search starts
- ☐ Record findings as facts - never the secrets themselves

Full method: the first steps and preservation checklists on the website: <https://inheritedcrypto.com>. If a line invites you to write words, a key or a password, write the location only.