

2025 Heir Tax Checklist



1. Check Exemption Status

Confirm if your relationship to the decedent qualifies you for an exemption from Maryland's 10% inheritance tax.



2. Request Appraisal

Have the inherited property appraised to determine its fair market value.



3. Calculate Taxable Gain

Subtract the property's tax basis (date-of-death value) from the sale price to find the taxable capital gain.





4. Submit Inheritance Tax Return

File the return and pay any inheritance tax due to the Register of Wills within 9 months of the decedent's passing.



5. Report Capital Gains

Report taxable gains on your tax return. Maryland's maximum tax rate is 5.75%.

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