

ISLAMIC LAW OF INHERITANCE - READY RECKONER

How to use:
 1. Go down the second column among balance heirs list. See who is alive top in the list. They will take the balance.
 2. To find out the fixed heirs go to the third column concentrate only rows attached to the balance heir you found in step1. See the row which suits the deceased person. This is the row and the shares are given on the right hand side.

Now find the shares for those who are alive among fixed heirs. If shares are not given but only a symbol then see the explanation for that symbol. It is recommended to use this chart after fully reading the notes given in separate pages along with the chart,

		Fixed heirs											
Balance heirs	Description	Father	True grand father	Husband	Wife	Mother	True grand mother	Daughter	Son's daughter	Sister full	Sister consanguinous - Paternal Half sister	Sister or brother uterine single (maternal Half brother/sister)	2 or more uterine (maternal half) sisters or together
		Son b	Father	1/6	o	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	b	o	o	o
	No father	#	1/6	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	b	o	o	o	o	o
Son's son b	father +1 daughter	1/6	o	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	1/2	b	o	o	o	o
	Father + 2 or more daughter	1/6	o	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	2/3	b	o	o	o	o
	Father + no daughter	1/6	o	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	b	o	o	o	o
	No father +single daughter	#	1/6	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	1/2	b	o	o	o	o
	No father +2 or more daughters	#	1/6	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	2/3	b	o	o	o	o
	No father +no daughter	#	1/6	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	b	o	o	o	o
Father b	1 daughter	1/6+b	o	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	1/2	1/6	o	o	o	o
	2 or more daughters	1/6+b	o	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	2/3	o	o	o	o	o
	No daughter +1 son's daughter	1/6+b	o	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	1/2	o	o	o	o
	No daughter + 2 or more son's daughters	1/6+b	o	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	2/3	o	o	o	o
	No daughter+ no son's daughter	b	o	1/2	1/4	1/3@1/6	k	#	#	o	o	o	o
True grand father b/p (two opinions if brother and/or sisters are there p-see below)	1 daughter	#	p/1/6+b	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	1/2	1/6	p	p	o	o
	2 or more daughters	#	p/1/6+b	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	2/3	o	p	p	o	o
	No daughter +1 son's daughter	#	p/1/6+b	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	1/2	p	p	o	o
	No daughter + 2 or more son's daughters	#	p/1/6+b	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	2/3	p	p	o	o
	No daughter+ no son's daughter	#	p/b	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	p	p	o	o
Brother full b	1 daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	1/2	1/6	b	o	o	o
	2 or more daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	2/3	o	b	o	o	o
	No daughter +1 son's daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	1/2	b	o	o	o
	No daughter + 2 or more son's daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	2/3	b	o	o	o
	No daughter+ no son's daughter	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	b	o	1/6	1/3
Sister full (only If daughter or son's daughter are present, Sf will take the balance) b	1 daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	1/2	1/6	b	o	o	o
	2 or more daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	2/3	o	b	o	o	o
	No daughter +1 son's daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	1/2	b	o	o	o
	No daughter + 2 or more son's daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	2/3	b	o	o	o
	No daughter+ no son's daughter	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	b	o	1/6	1/3
Brother consanguinous (Paternal Half brother) b	1 daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	1/2	1/6	#	b	o	o
	2 or more daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	2/3	o	#	b	o	o
	No daughter +1 son's daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	1/2	#	b	o	o
	No daughter + 2 or more son's daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	2/3	#	b	o	o
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full single	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/6	k	#	#	1/2	b	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full 2 or more	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/6	k	#	#	2/3	b	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughter+No sister full	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	#	b	1/6	1/3
Sister consanguinous-Paternal Half sister(only If daughter or son's daughter are present Sc will take the balance) b	1 daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	1/2	1/6	#	b	o	o
	2 or more daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	2/3	o	#	b	o	o
	No daughter +1 son's daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	1/2	#	b	o	o
	No daughter + 2 or more son's daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	2/3	#	b	o	o
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full single	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/6	k	#	#	1/2	b	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full 2 or more	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/6	k	#	#	2/3	b	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughter+No sister full	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	#	b	1/6	1/3
Brother full's son b	1 daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	1/2	1/6	#	#	o	o
	2 or more daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	2/3	o	#	#	o	o
	No daughter +1 son's daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	1/2	#	#	o	o
	No daughter + 2 or more son's daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	2/3	#	#	o	o
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full single	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	1/2	1/6	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full 2 or more	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/6	k	#	#	2/3	o	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughters+no sister full+single sister consanguinous	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	#	1/2	1/6	1/3
Brother consanguinous's son b	1 daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	1/2	1/6	#	#	o	o
	2 or more daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	2/3	o	#	#	o	o
	No daughter +1 son's daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	1/2	#	#	o	o
	No daughter + 2 or more son's daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	2/3	#	#	o	o
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full single	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	1/2	1/6	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full 2 or more	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/6	k	#	#	2/3	o	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughters+no sister full+single sister consanguinous	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	#	1/2	1/6	1/3
Brother full's son's son b	1 daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	1/2	1/6	#	#	o	o
	2 or more daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	2/3	o	#	#	o	o
	No daughter +1 son's daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	1/2	#	#	o	o
	No daughter + 2 or more son's daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	2/3	#	#	o	o
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full single	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	1/2	1/6	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full 2 or more	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/6	k	#	#	2/3	o	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughters+no sister full+single sister consanguinous	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	#	1/2	1/6	1/3
Brother consanguinous's son's son b	1 daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	1/2	1/6	#	#	o	o
	2 or more daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	2/3	o	#	#	o	o
	No daughter +1 son's daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	1/2	#	#	o	o
	No daughter + 2 or more son's daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	2/3	#	#	o	o
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full single	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	1/2	1/6	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full 2 or more	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/6	k	#	#	2/3	o	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughters+no sister full+single sister consanguinous	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	#	1/2	1/6	1/3
Brother full's and consang male descendants how low soever b	1 daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	1/2	1/6	#	#	o	o
	2 or more daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	2/3	o	#	#	o	o
	No daughter +1 son's daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	1/2	#	#	o	o
	No daughter + 2 or more son's daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	2/3	#	#	o	o
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full single	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	1/2	1/6	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full 2 or more	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/6	k	#	#	2/3	o	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughters+no sister full+single sister consanguinous	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	#	1/2	1/6	1/3
Paternal uncle full b	1 daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	1/2	1/6	#	#	o	o
	2 or more daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	2/3	o	#	#	o	o
	No daughter +1 son's daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	1/2	#	#	o	o
	No daughter + 2 or more son's daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	2/3	#	#	o	o
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full single	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	1/2	1/6	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full 2 or more	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/6	k	#	#	2/3	o	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughters+no sister full+single sister consanguinous	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	#	1/2	1/6	1/3
Paternal uncle consang's son b.....	1 daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	1/2	1/6	#	#	o	o
	2 or more daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	2/3	o	#	#	o	o
	No daughter +1 son's daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	1/2	#	#	o	o
	No daughter + 2 or more son's daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	2/3	#	#	o	o
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full single	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	1/2	1/6	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full 2 or more	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/6	k	#	#	2/3	o	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughters+no sister full+single sister consanguinous	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	#	1/2	1/6	1/3
Paternal uncle's full and consang male descendants how low soever they may be b	1 daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	1/2	1/6	#	#	o	o
	2 or more daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	2/3	o	#	#	o	o
	No daughter +1 son's daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	1/2	#	#	o	o
	No daughter + 2 or more son's daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6	k	#	2/3	#	#	o	o
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full single	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	1/2	1/6	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full 2 or more	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/6	k	#	#	2/3	o	1/6	1/3
	No daughters+no son's daughters+no sister full+single sister consanguinous	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6	k	#	#	#	1/2	1/6	1/3
R see R. Radd. None from the above. If Fixed heirs are there they will take the balance except Husband/Wife. Persons eligible are M,TGM,D,SD, Sf,Sc,Bu,Su. see b also	1 daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6+b	k+b	1/2+b	1/6+b	#	#	o	o
	2 or more daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6+b	k+b	2/3+b	o	#	#	o	o
	No daughter +1 son's daughter	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6+b	k+b	#	1/2+b	#	#	o	o
	No daughter + 2 or more son's daughters	#	#	1/4	1/8	1/6+b	k+b	#	2/3+b	#	#	o	o
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full single	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/3*1/6+b	k+b	#	#	1/2+b	1/6+b	1/6+b	1/3+b
	No daughters+no son's daughter+sister full 2 or more	#	#	1/2	1/4	1/6+b	k+b	#	#	2/3+b			

p = there are two opinions for grand father with full/consang. brothers and sisters.

1) **Aboobacker R.A.** opines that grand father excludes full or consang. brothers or sisters. Accepted by Imam Aboo Hanifa. Grand father's share is as shown in the chart like father and brothers/sisters get nil.

2) **Zaid bin Thabit R.A.** Balance share is to be divided between grandfather and full and/or consang. brothers & sisters. Three calculations are made.

- a) balance after fixed heir's share is divided between grandfather and brother-sisters, grandfather getting equal to that of brother and double that of sister.
- b) grandfather gets 1/3 of balance and the rest to brother-sister.
- c) grandfather gets 1/6 of the whole property.

After this see in which calculation grandfather gets higher and he goes for that share. If full brothers or sisters are there together with consang, then consang are excluded like any general rule. But they are included for share calculations and after grand father's balance share is given consang brother or sister's share is given to full brother or sister or both as the case may be. This is accepted by Shafei, Maliki and Hambali schools. Most favour second opinion. This is not for uterine brothers or sisters

* = mother's share = 1/6 or 1/3. If the total number of brothers and sisters is 1, mother will get 1/3, if 2 or more mother will get 1/6.

@ = When mother is eligible for 1/3 with father, mother and spouse only as heirs, mother is given 1/3 of balance share after spouse's share is given., not 1/3 of full property. If spouse is not there mother will get 1/3.

k = True Grand mother's share. Mother's mother, father's mother, mother's mother's mother, father's father's mother, father's mother's mother are true grand mothers. Grand mother if single will get 1/6 in the absence of mother. If more than one they divide 1/6 between them. Mother will prevent all grand mothers but father will prevent only father's side grandmothers. Higher grand mothers are excluded by lower grandmothers example : mother's mother's mother is excluded by mother's mother.

R = Radd. When there is nobody among balance heirs to take the balance, fixed heirs are given the balance in proportion to their fixed shares, except husband and wife. So the persons eligible for radd are mother, grandmother, daughter, son's daughter, sister full, half sister through father, half sister through mother, half brother through mother. Imam Malik does not accept radd.

b = balance share. One from the list in column one is eligible for balance with sometimes fixed heirs. If male and females are together for balance males are given double the share of one female.

means person is not alive

** This was not accepted by Shafei and Maliki schools but now in the absence of baithul maal they accept this heirs

*** freeing of a slave is not there in nowadays after abolition of slavery. A successor by contract is a person with whom the deceased had made a contract to inherit his property after death for some consideration. Acknowledged kinsmen means acceptance of a blood relation by the dead person during his lifetime. like one proclaims that such and such a person is my brother. All these have become obsolete in modern times.

This is only Islamic law of inheritance. We do not take any responsibility for any claims made based on this

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This chart does not contain rare cases of son's son's son and daughters. And also distribution among distant relatives. Insha Allah it will be made and published. For updates you can mail to us.

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