

Documents Everyone Must Have

1	Marriage license
2	Divorce papers
3	Personal and family medical history
4	Durable health-care power of attorney
5	Authorization to release health-care information
6	Living will
7	De-not-resuscitate order
8	Housing, land and cemetery deeds
9	Escrow mortgage accounts
10	Proof of loans made and debts owed
11	Vehicle titles
12	Stock certificates. Savings bonds and brokerage accounts
13	Partnership and corporate operating agreements
14	Tax returns
15	Life-insurance policies
16	Individual retirement accounts
17	401(k) accounts
18	Pension documents
19	Annuity contracts
20	List of bank accounts
21	List of all user names and passwords
22	List of safe-deposit boxes
23	Last Will and Testament
24	Letter of instruction
25	Trust documents
26	Written, video or photographic inventory of home. Use a newspaper or other proof of date as part of the pictorial record. Include vehicles and garage.
27	record of home improvements and warranty documents in case of fire or sale of the home. This proves your improvements were made.
28	DD Form 214 for military vets. This is particularly helpful if you choose interment in a national cemetery or apply for other benefits.
29	Pet records and information.