

Royal line of succession

The order of those in line to succeed Queen Elizabeth II to the throne of the United Kingdom and 15 other Commonwealth realms is determined primarily by the Queen herself, although each new monarch must meet a number of conditions set down by Parliamentary statute



1 Prince of Wales: *Prince Charles*, Queen's eldest child and heir apparent since birth

2 Duke of Cambridge: *Prince William*, first son of Charles and late *Diana, Princess of Wales*

3 Prince Henry of Wales
Second son of Charles and Diana



4 Duke of York: *Prince Andrew*, second son and third child of the Queen

5 6 Princess Beatrice and Princess Eugenie of York: Daughters of Prince Andrew and former wife, *Sarah, Duchess of York*

7 Earl of Wessex: *Prince Edward*, third son and youngest child of the Queen



8 9 James, Viscount Severn, and Lady Louise Mountbatten-Windsor: Children of Prince Edward and *Sophie, Countess of Wessex*

10 Princess Royal: *Princess Anne*, daughter and second child of the Queen

11 Mr Peter Phillips: Son of Princess Anne and her first husband, *Captain Mark Phillips*

12 13 Miss Savannah Phillips and Miss Isla Phillips: Peter's daughters

14 Mrs Michael Tindall (*Zara Phillips*): Daughter of Princess Anne

15 David, Viscount Linley: Son of Queen's sister, *Princess Margaret*

16 17 Hon. Charles and Hon. Margarita Armstrong-Jones: David's children

18 Lady Sarah Chatto: Daughter of Princess Margaret

19 20 Mr Samuel and Master Arthur Chatto: Sarah's children

► *Roman Catholics are excluded from succession – nor may sovereign marry a Catholic. Those in line who marry a Catholic give up right to throne*

► *Sovereign must be in communion with Church of England, uphold Protestant succession and preserve Church of England and Church of Scotland*