

## Inheritance of Dowry when Father Dies

Ref: *Sefer Nashim, Hilchot Ishut, Chapter 20*

Dowry is not part of ketubah.

When father is alive and marries off his daughter, he provides her with a 'wardrobe', according to his wealth.

If father not alive, the court can assess the value of dowry or dowry assessed as one tenth of estate.

	Oath	Witnesses	Parties present	Explanation
In event of death of father dowry may be collected from landed property of brothers.	x			Collect from intermediary property.
If brothers die, can collect it from their sons.	✓			Inferior quality. Oath needed because heirs involved.
If man dies and has a wife and daughter, the support of the wife takes priority over the daughter.				