



“When it comes to winding up or dissolving a charity you can only do this with OSCR’s consent. This is to make sure that any remaining assets of the charity will be only be used for charitable purposes, as required by charity law, and that you have followed the rules in your [governing document](#).

If you are a SCIO you need to read the [dissolution section in our SCIO guidance](#) as well as [our top tips to get it right](#).

If you’re thinking about winding up or dissolving your charity you should:

1. assess what assets and liabilities your charity has at the time of making the application.
2. look at what your governing document says you need to do to wind up or dissolve. Does your governing document give you the power to take this action? Does the law governing your charity’s legal form allow you to take this action?
3. decide what should be done with the charity’s assets remaining at the time of dissolution. Does your governing document say how any remaining charitable assets should be distributed?
4. ask for consent to wind up or dissolve your charity before distributing the remaining assets and before taking action to wind up or dissolve.”



This information, along with the graphic and full guide, is from the OSCR guidance, [“Wind Up Or Dissolve the Charity”](#) (linked for your convenience).

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