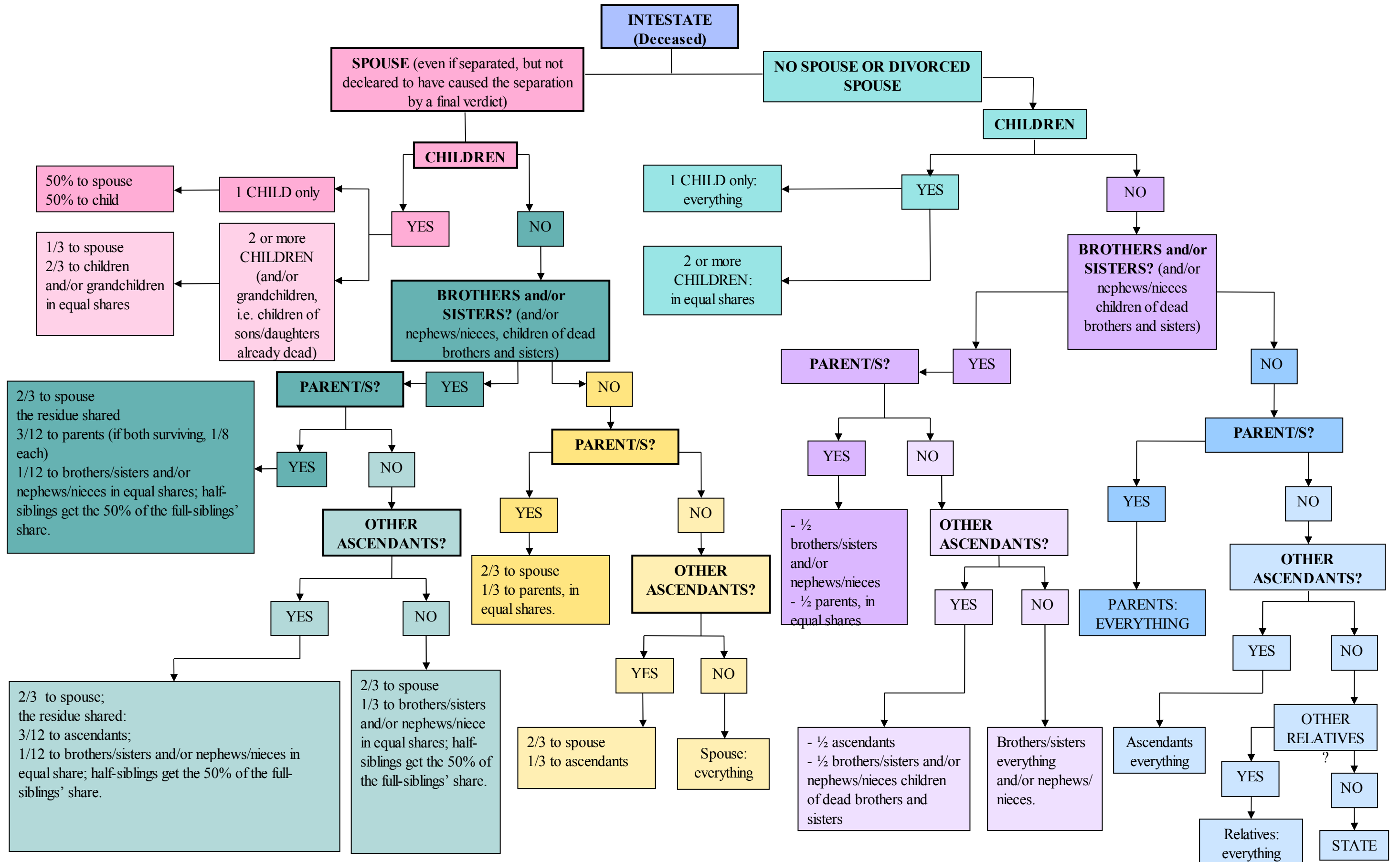


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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- a) **IN CASE OF DECEASE OF SEPARATED SPOUSE DECLARED TO HAVE CAUSED THE SEPARATION** by means of a judgement which cannot be appealed: if at the opening of the intestacy procedure, the surviving spouse was receiving a separation or divorce financial support from the deceased, he or she is entitled to the same support lifetime.
- b) **“RAPPRESENTAZIONE” and Waiver or Release of Right:** if an entitled subject cannot or does not accept the inheritance, the inheritance passes to his descendants under the “*rappresentazione*” rules.
- c) **LEGITIMATE, NATURAL AND ADOPTED CHILDREN:** Legitimate, biological and adopted children succeed in equal shares.
- d) **ART. 569 and ART. 572 c.c.:** if there are no surviving children, parents, siblings or their descendants, the mother’s ascendants and the father’s ascendants succeed in equal shares. Otherwise any relative up to the sixth level.
- e) **STATE:** If there are no relatives who can succeed, the State of Italy gets the inheritance. The State does not pay for the debts exceeding the value of the inheritance.

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GLOSSARY

- 1. INTESTATE:** One who, having lawful power to make a will, has made none, or one which is defective in form. In that case, he is said to die intestate, and his estate descends to his heir at law.
- 2. ASCENDANTS:** One who has preceded another in a direct line of descent; an ancestor. In the common law, the word is understood as well of the immediate parents, as, of these that are higher (i.e. parents, grandparents, etc...).

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