

Alnwick Auctions - Terms and Conditions

When placing a bid on a lot or submitting items for sale, you are confirming that you accept the Terms and Conditions.

Condition of Lots

We make every effort to ensure the accuracy of any statement as to authorship, attribution, origin, date, age, provenance and condition of any lot, whether such a statement forms part of the description of any such lot. Any statement made orally or in the catalogue or via email is an opinion given after careful consideration and research. Condition reports are available upon request for buyers unable to attend viewing in person.

When bidding, you acknowledge that you are fully satisfied with the condition of the lot.

If any damage is done to any lot at the viewing or before, during or after the sale, it shall be made good by the person who caused the damage or the person for whom they are acting. Alnwick Auctions will assess the extent of the damage to be repaired.

Third Party Liability

Every person on Alnwick Auctions premises before, during or after a sale shall be deemed to be there at their own risk and shall have no claim against Alnwick Auctions in respect of any injury they may sustain or any accident which may occur.

Disputes

Any dispute not covered in these terms of business will be settled at the sole discretion of Alnwick Auctions.

The Seller

Alnwick Auctions sell as agents for the seller (except where Alnwick Auctions are stated as wholly or partly to own any lot as principle). As such Alnwick Auctions are not responsible for any default by the seller or the buyer.

Sellers commission rate is 20% which will be deducted from the total hammer price of the lot(s)

Once your buyer's funds have cleared in our account we aim to pay you from the 15th of the following month of the sale. Payments can be collected from Alnwick Auctions **only on production of the Intake Receipt** provided to you on acceptance of your goods for sale.

We act as agents and cannot be held responsible if your buyer does not pay. We cannot pay you until we have received cleared funds.

The Buyer

The highest bidder acknowledged as such by the auctioneer will be the buyer. If any dispute arises, the auctioneer has absolute discretion to settle the matter. The auctioneer reserves the right to refuse any bid. During the Auction, bids made in the room will take priority over conflicting bids made online. The successful bidder is entirely responsible for paying for the lots they have bought. The auctioneer reserves the right to withdraw, pass, consolidate or divide any lot or lots.

Registration

Prospective buyers need to register with us, giving their full name, address, contact telephone number(s) and email address upon which a buyer number will be issued, which is only valid for the current sale. This card may be used to indicate your bids to the Auctioneer during the sale. If successful, the bidder must ensure that their number can be seen by the Auctioneer and that it is their number that is called out. Should there be any doubts as to price or buyer, please let the Auctioneer know immediately.

Buyer's Commission

You will pay a commission of 20% of the hammer price of your purchase on each lot. Buyers must pay in full before their purchases can be removed from the Auction Room. Invoices should be paid within 7 days of the sale. If purchases are not paid for Alnwick Auctions reserves the right to put the items into the following sale.

If buyers are unknown to us, we cannot hand over purchases unless we have adequate references or payment is cleared.

We accept payment by Cash, Debit and credit card (excluding overseas buyers) and Bank Transfer (details on request)

Internet Bidding

The Auction is available live via the-salesroom.com

Internet bidding attracts a 23% buyer's premium in addition to the hammer price.

Internet bidders may place bids on lot(s) up until 30 minutes prior to the start of the sale.

We advise internet bidders to register for the sale prior to 30 minutes prior to the start of the sale to ensure that they are approved. Bidders registering after this time are not guaranteed approval to bid.

Ownership of Purchases

Ownership of lot(s) purchased will remain the property of Alnwick Auctions until payment for the lot(s) is received in full. Goods can only be removed from the Auction room after payment is received in full.

Transfer of Risk

Each lot is the buyer's sole responsibility from the fall of the hammer and is sold with all faults and imperfections.

Alnwick Auctions is not responsible for the correct description, genuineness or authenticity of any lot and makes no warranty whatsoever. The buyer is deemed to have inspected each lot and satisfied himself as to its condition.

Written condition reports are available upon request for buyers unable to attend viewing in person. Refunds cannot be given with regards to condition on items purchased by buyers who have viewed their purchased lots. Refunds will only be considered if a written condition report has been issued and the description of condition is not as described.

Commission Bids

Buyers who cannot come to a sale may leave their bid with our staff after viewing, or make their bid in advance by email. Such bids are placed at the buyer's own risk. Bids must be made at least 30 minutes before the sale starts, bids will not be accepted after this time. When making bids, buyers must provide full name, address, email address, telephone numbers in addition to the number of the lot they wish to buy and their maximum bid amount excluding commission which will be added at the end of sale if the bidder is successful. We will ensure that lots are bought as cheaply as possible depending on the bids made and other reserves. If identical bids are placed, the person who bid first will take precedence.

Whilst every effort is made to execute absentee bidding, Alnwick Auctions cannot be held responsible for any default or neglect with this service. All such arrangements are made entirely at the prospective buyer's risk.