



Selling with Barbara Kirk Auctions...

Low selling commission...

Probably one of the lowest auctioneer rates locally & possibly in the UK. Our seller's commission is only 12.5% of the sold price. This commission is subject to VAT at 20%

Our insurance charge is only 1.5%...

Our charge is lower than most auctioneers. All auctioneers do or should provide insurance cover to protect your items before, during & after the auction whilst they are on the premises. Our charge is only 1.5% of the sold hammer price.

No extra fees or hidden charges...

Unlike some auctioneers we do not charge additional fees. No entry fee... we do not charge a cataloguing fee... we do not impose a charge for any unsold lot & only one commission rate (no higher rate for specialist auctions). So no nasty surprises when you receive payment.

Free collection of entries...

We collect free of charge if & when we can pack & collect ourselves. We do not charge you for an outside carrier to collect your items. For very large consignments such as clearances, we may make a fair charge if there are any special expenses such as van hire.

Prompt payment...

You receive payment as soon as all buyer payments are received. We work to obtain payment for purchases as quickly as possible & pay sellers within 20 working days. You will receive an advice note of what your items fetched. You can choose to receive payment by cheque or BACS transfer straight into your bank account. Note: Rarely, we may have a non-payer & there may be no alternative but to rescind a sale. You will always be contacted to discuss the matter. We never refund a buyer without consulting the seller. We do not release any lots to buyers before payment.

Low photography charges...

Our catalogue photography charges are per lot, not per photograph. We do not charge extra for multiple views of any lot or extra for website or publicity use. Our charges per auction are only £3 per lot up to the first 25 entries, £2 per lot for the next 25 entries & £1 per lot for the next 25. For entries above 75 lots there is no charge. So for large consignments of over 75 lots the maximum photography charge of £150 will apply.

Free, secure storage...

We do not charge for storage. We provide safe & secure storage with strong room & safe facilities within gated premises.

Entry receipts, notice of sale & reserves...

We always supply an Entry Form Receipt for your entries upon collection or delivery. All vendors also will receive, a pre-auction notice of sale Advice Note listing their entries, showing estimates & any reserves. If you require reserves on your entries, we are happy to discuss & advise on reserve prices. We will not sell any of your entries below reserves unless you agree to 'auctioneers discretion' (AD) of minus 10% on any reserve to enable it to sell.

Unsold lots...

We do not charge you commission or a photography fee for any of your lots that fail to sell. There is no unsold lot fee as charged by some auctioneers. We will contact you with our recommendations for any unsold lots.

Our services to buyers that help sell your entries...

We charge buyers a lower than average buying commission rate than most local & UK auctioneers of only 15%. All our auctions are available online with live bidding attracting bidders locally, nationally & worldwide. We hold a register of regular buyers who all receive an email notice of forthcoming auctions. All our auction catalogues are fully illustrated, *not all auctioneers illustrate all lots.* Our in-house postal shipping service encourages bids when potential buyers know they can get their purchases shipped easily & promptly, *not all auctioneers provide a shipping service.* We offer bidders who are unable to follow or attend our auctions a *free commission bidding service* with our Fair Bid Guarantee to buy for them as cheaply as possible. *We supply a free, prompt & detailed condition report service* for enquiries by interested, potential buyers.