

Bidding at the Venduehuis the Hague

Bidding in the sales room

You can personally bid during all of the salesroom auctions. The bidding number needed by you, can be obtained prior to the auction at the secretarial office. If you have not previously put in a bid with us you are obliged to register with us. This can be done both online and at the secretarial office. You should take into account that the buyer's premium is added to the hammer price as well as the resale right (Droit-de-suite if applicable).

Written bid during our salesroom auctions (commission bid or absentee bid)

Online, via e-mail or by means of a commission form giving a maximum amount that you are prepared to pay for a given lot you can bid during the sales room auction without being present. The auctioneer will manage your absentee bid during the auction and take it into account during the bidding process. The auctioneer will handle your bid in the usual bidding process on your behalf as if you were personally in the salesroom. As soon as your maximum bid has been reached and counter bidders are still active, your participation in the auction ceases. However should other bidders during the auction discontinue bidding and your maximum amount has not been reached, there is then the possibility that your chosen lot can be purchased for a lower hammer price than your maximum amount. This partly depends on possibly other written bids with the same maximum amount but which were registered with us earlier. In that case the oldest/first written bid will prevail. Written bids can be registered 30 minutes prior to the commencement of the auction. You should at all times take into account that the buyers' premium will be added to the hammer price, as well as the resale right (Droit-de-suite if applicable).

Telephone bidding during salesroom auctions

Lots with an indication price as of 500 euro can be bid on by telephone. During the auction you will be called by a staff member of our auction house who will bid on your behalf. For telephone bidding you should notify us in writing or by email, at the latest 24 hours prior to the commencement of the auction. You should take into account the possible differences in time zones. You should at all times take into account that the buyers' premium will be added to the hammer price, as well as the resale right (Droit-de-suite fee if applicable).

Online bidding (general)

You should register yourself via our website or at our secretarial office. This registration is necessary to be able to bid online. You should at all times take into account that the buyers' premium will be added to the hammer price, as well as the resale right (Droit-de-suite fee if applicable).

Online bidding during the salesroom auctions

In order to be able to bid online during salesroom auctions you have to log on to our auction system on the day and time of the auction. After you have clicked on LIVE in the menu bar and accepted our terms and conditions, you can register your bid. Your screen will show the auctioneer, the object and the guide price of the lot, and the amount of the highest bidder at that moment. The box 'increment' will show the amount (in euro's) the lot will increase in the next stage of the bidding process. All bidding, including online bidding is binding. At all times you should take into account that the buyers' premium will be added to the hammer price, as well as the resale right (Droit-de-suites fee if applicable).

Online bidding during our online (only) auctions

Online (only) auctions are auctions where a number of lots are continually auctioned at a predetermined starting time via a computer controlled auction programme. However, in the last three minutes before the countdown towards the end time as shown on the monitor, for the relevant lot and other lots, the auction will automatically be extended by a further three minutes in case of a last minute bid comes in. The lot will be closed (hammer) at the moment when there are no further bids. This can mean that bids for one or more lots can take longer, whereas the auction for other lots have closed already.

You can bid from the moment that our online catalogue is placed on our website. However we advise you to log in on the final auction day when the time bar is running out on the online auction and to be alert with possible last-minute counter bids. In that case you can react in time. Moreover there is the possibility to register for a commission (written) or proxy bid. If you do so, our system will automatically bid for you in the event of counter bids. A bid will be placed automatically for you up to and including the maximum amount as given by you. Our auction system will continue to send you alerts as soon as other bidders come in with bids on the same lot. This alert will be sent by email. As long as your maximum amount has not been reached, the bidding system will automatically continue to increase your bid. You should at all times take into account that the buyers' premium will be added to the hammer price, as well as the resale right (Droit-de-suites fee if applicable).

