

Terms and Conditions for Bidding and Payments Online

- All users of the Schokman & Samerawickreme (Hereinafter referred to as S&S) on line Trading facility are offered - (a.) Up Front Purchasing (b.) On Line Bidding . .
- Any item you have committed to buy needs to be paid for. As such you need to satisfy yourself prior to bidding / purchasing as all items are auctioned /sold on **“as it is condition.”** Any item once purchased can not be returned and will not be taken back or payment refunded by S&S.
- In the case of up front purchases, you could purchase, price marked items displayed in the web portal and your Credit card would be debited immediately on confirmation of purchase. “On line Bidding” is similar to the auction process, allowing you to bid on an item within a stipulated time frame. Each bid you make is a binding contract to buy, if you win. The same is true for “Real time live auctions”. Your Credit card would be debited immediately on winning a bid / being declared the purchaser.
- At the absolute discretion of S&S, in the case of high value items being auctioned the specific mode of payment would be stipulated in the listing. (eg: The percentage payable at the fall of the hammer) For this buyers are expected to possess Internationally recognized Credit Cards acceptable to S&S.(Please check for acceptable credit cards in the membership application)
- S&S will not take any responsibility in shipping / Forwarding of any items purchased. Buyers would need to find their own forwarders to carry out their transportation. If requested S&S could put the buyer in contact with a local Freight forwarder or Mover to handle the forwarding / Transportation. However all dealings with the forwarder/ Mover would essentially be between the two parties. S&S will not take any responsibility with regard to service or any other matters with regard to the transactions with the forwarder/Mover.
- If a number of similar items are listed separately and you require only one item ensure that you bid only for one item. Because if you bid for several similar items when your requirement is only one and you are the winning bidder you need to purchase all the items you've won, even if they're the same or similar.
- Ensure that you read the listing description carefully before bidding. For example, some items such as Antique furniture, Artifacts, Items of Historic value can not be exported due to existing Government regulations . Only bid on or buy an item if you can meet the existing export regulations, if you require the item to be exported. S&S will not be responsible for the consequences, if you bid for an item with the intention of exporting and not be able to export due to local regulations. Therefore only bid on or buy items where you can meet the local legal requirements for purchasing / Export.
- In the case of a credit card payment and the card being rejected the item concerned would be re-auctioned and the customer blacklisted.

- If it is found that false information has been provided in the membership form provided by S&S, your membership would be discontinued forthwith.
- You are not allowed to bid for your own items. You can only bid if you really intend purchasing the item.
- Retracting on a bid is not permitted and allowed only under special circumstances where S&S is satisfied, the cause to be a genuine error by the buyer. However your original intended bid would be taken as correct. In the case the bid retraction request is due to having manipulated the bidding process such retractions would not be agreed to. The decision of which would be at the sole discretion of the Management of S&S.
- Bidding by any individual with the intention of increasing the Bid price artificially is not accepted. The membership of any person indulging in such practice would be cancelled and would be debarred from taking part in any future bidding.
- The auctioneer has the option to refuse any bids without giving any explanation / reason.
- As a general rule the highest bidder becomes the purchaser. Should any dispute arise the decision of the auctioneers S&S would be final and conclusive.
- At the time of collection of items purchased the hard copy or the soft copy of the invoice needs to be produced as proof of payment. S&S has to be satisfied that the full payment has been received for the item/s purchased, prior to removal by the buyer. All items purchased and paid for would have to be removed from the auction site on the following working day.
- On request and on the availability of space, Free storage could be considered. However otherwise if required, we could arrange for storage at a charge which would also have an additional levy for transport and handling.
- We confirm that all customer information and any transaction details would be kept confidential.