



Proxy Bidding Policies

- Absentee bidders must agree to and abide by all written and verbal terms and conditions of auction as if they were present and bidding in person. This also includes these absentee bidding policies.
- Absentee bids are accepted by mail, phone, or e-mail. Unless otherwise instructed, A. Cavallo Violins, LLC uses the strictest measures of confidentiality maintaining and executing absentee bids. Only when required by a governing or regulatory body or similar entity will absentee bid information be disclosed.
- Absentee bids are executed in a competitive manner as though the bidder were in attendance and bidding in person. Absentee bids are handled by a designated representative of A. Cavallo Violins, LLC at the auction. This designated agent will attempt to purchase lots with absentee bids up to, but not exceeding, the maximum absentee bid. In compliance with the auctioneers' bidding increments, lots will be bid on until competition stops or the amount of the absentee bid is exceeded. If an absentee bid is submitted that does not comply with the auctioneers' bidding increments, it will be reduced to the next lower increment.
- Absentee bidding will be closed at 5 p.m. two full days prior to the auction. Please have your bids in as early as possible so that we will be able to effectively bid for you.
- If a successful bid is made, the bidder's total bill will include the selling price of the item, plus shipping, handling & insurance and any processing fees. Items will be shipped UPS Ground in the 48 contiguous US States, and Via International Priority for all other locations. Shipping costs for a violin or viola are \$20.00 for 48 States and \$65.00 for all other locations worldwide. If the winning bidder requests expedited services, they are available at an extra charge. Shipping charges cover packaging, delivery and insurance. The item or items will be shipped 2 days after the auction. If you are planning to pick up the items you have won in the auction, please notify us when you submit your bid.
- Unless otherwise directed, bidding will be opened from the floor or gallery for all lots. Once bidding has been opened, an absentee bid on the lot will be executed. In the rare instance that an opening bid from the floor cannot be obtained, the designated agent executing absentee bids may open the bid on behalf of the absentee bidder.
- The bid recognized as winning by the auctioneer will stand
- If two or more absentee bids are the highest and for the same amount the absentee bid received first will hold precedence. Time and date of postmark, phone call or submission of bid via internet will be used to determine precedence.
- Write legibly. If we are unable to read your bids, bidder information or signature, no bids will be executed.
- Domestic payments may be made in the form of credit card or check (checks must be submitted at with written bid form by 5 p.m. two full days prior to the auction). If an international bidder wishes to bid, a PayPal payment must be made for the amount of the highest bid plus shipping. If the bidder does not win the item, the money will be refunded via PayPal within 48 hours of the close of the auction.
- All sales are governed by the "Purchase, Guarantee, and Trade in Policy" published on our web page.