Consignment - 2023

If you consign your books, prints, manuscripts, etc. for one of our auctions, you will undoubtedly have questions about the procedure. This page outlines the course of events from the moment of consignment to the auction.

Valuation

First of all, we would like to view the items you intend to put up for auction. Our auctioneer Vincent Zwiggelaar visits you at home or we make an appointment at our office. We clearly state which items are eligible for auction and which are not.

For more expensive objects, a reserve price is generally agreed, which is a value in euros below which your item may not be sold. In addition, the term 'à toux prix' is also used; no limit is agreed, but your object is sold at a reasonable, market-based price.

Transport

In principle, we collect the item(s) ourselves. However, if the quantities are too large, we will arrange for a moving company to take care of everything professionally and transport them to Amsterdam or to our auction house in Leiden (www.b-n.nl).

Insurance

Your consignment will be insured against calamities. An insured amount is always agreed upon with you. No costs will be charged.

Auction fee

For the service of auctioning, that is to say for describing, cataloguing, and everything else that is needed for the sale, we charge a commission. What percentage is agreed upon depends, among other things, on the value and amount of your consignment. The consignor's percentage (plus VAT) includes all other costs.

The auction and the internet

We organize live auctions with buyers who bid in-person. In addition, the auction can also be followed live through two major international auction platforms (Lot-tissimo and Invaluable), allowing bidders from all over the world to participate.

Payout

After the auction, the proceeds of your consignment will be transferred to your bank account after deduction of the agreed upon consignor's percentage (commission). This happens exactly seven weeks after the auction.

Expertise

Skillful descriptions of the objects you consign are made by experts who provide the most realistic possible picture of what you want to sell.

If you have further questions, do not hesitate to contact us. We are happy to assist you!