

Acceptance & Submission Guidelines

Audio Equipment



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Audio Equipment Unique Positioning

At [Catawiki](#), we auction rare and collectable objects related to Audio Equipment.

We focus on items that are hard to find and appealing to [passionate](#) Audio Equipment [enthusiasts](#).



Because potential buyers come to Catawiki looking for special, interesting objects, our in-house experts select every piece for our auctions. They ensure items are of **premium quality** and are presented in the best possible way.

This expert selection helps keep our bidders excited, because they can find rare, special pieces they're interested in. This also helps our sellers have great selling experiences.



At Catawiki, we're constantly moving forward. We focus on premium products that really get buyers' attention. This opens up opportunities for success for you.

From the 10+ million people who visit Catawiki every month, we gain valuable information on what they're passionate about and what they're looking to buy.

With your help, we want to make sure we meet this high demand and offer the special objects that excite our growing number of bidders.

In these guidelines, we've defined the special pieces that bidders look for in our Audio Equipment auctions. We'll also guide you through what you need to successfully offer your Audio Equipment items for auction.

Our experts and account managers will be available to support and guide you towards success on Catawiki.

Thank you for joining us on this exciting journey!



Product Guidelines

For our Audio Equipment auctions, we're looking for collectable items.



We look for unique and collectable objects such as:

- Professional audio devices (microphones, compressors, mixers, monitors, etc.)
- Integrated Amplifiers
- Tape Decks
- Turntables
- Power and main amplifiers
- Speaker sets
- Audio Testing Equipment
- Cassette decks
- 78 RPM Shellac records
- CD-Player & Recorders
- Equalizers & DSP's
- Noise Reduction Systems, Headphones
- Hi-Fi sets (ideally Pre & Post 90's)
- Blank Tapes from 15 to 26 cm
- Mini Disc Players
- Transistor World Radios
- Portable audio devices

Please note that this list is more extensive in line with the long audio history.



Product Guidelines

Please note, we do not accept speakers with any minor defect in their cones or acoustic suspensions. While these defects may be considered minor, they generate a significant disturbance in the performance of the object.



For our Audio Equipment auctions, we do not accept the following objects:

- Used electron vacuum Tubes/Valves
- Spare parts
- Low standard cartridges for turntable
- Non-functional equipment
- Televisions and video equipment (Except for B&O items)
- Equipment with political propaganda (Tube radios from WW2, etc.)
- Widely available devices
- Karaoke sets
- Non-professional Public address amplification systems
- Car audio
- Replicas or fake objects are not considered by our experts
- Audio equipment that is younger than five years old



Some examples of reputable makers and brands

Accuphase
Acoustical
Akai
Arcam
Ampex
B&O
B&W
Bose
Braun
Brionvega
C.E.C.
Cabasse
Canton
Chario
Dali
Denon
Dual
Elac

Focal
Garrard
Grundig
H.H. Scott
Harman Kardon
H.M.V
Infinity
JBL
Kef
Kenwood
Lenco
Luxman
Magnat
Marantz
MB-Quart
Micro Seiki
Mission
Musical Fidelity

NAD
Nakamichi
Nikko
Onkyo
Opera
Optonica
Panasonic
Pathe
Philips
Pioneer
Quad
Quadral
Revox
Rotel
Neumann
AKG
Universal Audio
Urei

Sansui
Setton
Shure
Sony
Teac
Technics
Telefunken
Tesla
Thorens
Tivoli
Trio Track
Uher
Wega
Wharfedale
Yamaha
Zenith
Acoustic
Research



Condition



Mint: New, boxed, and unused product



Excellent: Used with almost no signs of use



Very Good: Used with signs of use



✗ Untested items, in fair or poor condition. Damaged or defect objects that are not suitable for auction.



Submission Guidelines

Potential buyers are more likely to bid on objects with a good description, with all relevant information displayed clearly.



Object description

To help encourage potential buyers to bid on your object, you should include a detailed description of your object(s). This should be thorough and honest, and should follow the guidelines below.



Submission Guidelines

If you use our website to upload your objects, fields will appear to give you guidance about what information we need to know. The fields you fill in present the information in a way that's easy for the buyer to read and search by.

The required information includes:

- Brand and model name/number and type – without extra descriptions such as “amazingly beautiful – very collectible”, etc.
- Condition: all objects should be in very good and tested condition.
- Specifications and technical highlights are essential and they need to be specified in the “Description” area. Include details such as power handling (Watts), impedance (Ohms), harmonic distortion in (THD%), frequency range (Hz-Khz), and dimensions (WLH).
- Weight and size – please calculate the weight based on the technical specifications and packaging weight. Please remember that a speaker set consists of 2 units, while the technical information will always show the weight of 1 speaker.
- Please provide a serial number, especially for Bang & Olufsen models made after 1990 and for vintage professional audio devices.



Submission Guidelines

To ensure a successful auction, please avoid:

- Reserve price disclosure
- Shipping costs that are higher than advised
- Personal price estimations
- Using photographs from the internet or other sellers
- Adding links to external websites
- Adding copy/paste reviews
- Information that is not relevant

Please consider what you would like to know about the object you're selling.



Submission guidelines

Including strong photographs is key to catching buyers' attention, ensuring they bid on your object.

Buying online means bidders don't get a chance to see your object in person. So detailed and high-quality photographs are very important.

Photographs

To allow our experts, as well as our bidders, to get an accurate impression of your item, we need a minimum of 6 high-quality photos.

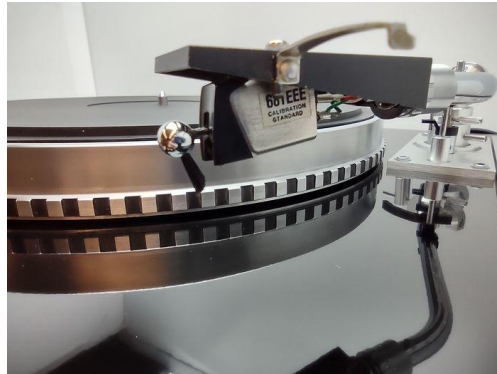


Image Guidelines

- Make sure you avoid any distracting background, such as a shop interior or outdoors.
Photos should show nothing else but the object(s) you want to put up for auction.
- Bidders are interested in seeing as many details as possible. Therefore, please always include images of the back, bottom, top, sides and from the inside where applicable. In case of several items, please photograph all offered objects together as well as every item separately.
- For every item, do not forget to add the following images:
 - Device while powered on (for equipments with displays or any light indicator).
 - Speaker cones and acoustic suspension (for speakers, audio sets, subwoofers, etc).
 - Detailed pictures on audio connections (RCA, DIN, XLR, MIDI, etc)
 - Serial Numbers, specifications such as voltage, version and country of manufacturing.
 - Every visible or technical flaw that the object might have.



Image Guidelines - Example Object





Thank *you.*