

Item Authenticity – Policy and Procedure

Item descriptions are provided by consignors – not Albrecht Auction – and it is the responsibility of the consignor to provide accurate, complete descriptions of his/her items (for more information, read our “**Consigned Item Policy**”). If it is determined by Albrecht Auction that an item description is inaccurate, confusing, and/or possibly misleading, the description may be altered by Albrecht Auction, with or without notice to the consignor.

Signed Sports Memorabilia

CONSIGNORS: If a “signed” item does not come with some form of authentication, it will be listed as **Not Authenticated**. If an item comes with documentation from a company that is not listed on Ebay’s “[Recommended Authentication and Grading Companies](#)” list, **Authentication Not Guaranteed by Albrecht Auction** will be added to the item’s description.

BIDDERS: If you are bidding on an item that is **Not Authenticated** or labeled **Authentication Not Guaranteed by Albrecht Auction**, you are bidding with the understanding that the item may NOT be authentic. It is your responsibility to inspect the item and assess whether or not you think it to be genuine BEFORE placing a bid. A refund will NOT be given for this type of item if it is found to be a fake after an auction has ended. If you are not confident that an item is genuine, do not bid as if it is. You will have no recourse with Albrecht Auction after the fact.

Currency / Precious Metals

CONSIGNORS: We will not list replicas/copies of currency. If you list currency or a piece of precious metal (gold, silver, platinum) that is found to be non-genuine, you may be prohibited from listing similar items in future auctions.

BIDDERS: If you purchase currency, it is your responsibility to verify its authenticity within the auction return period*. If it’s determined by a professional that the currency is not authentic (and you are still within the return period), the item may be returned for a full refund. If you choose to return the item, you must also provide documentation from the professional who found it to be non-authentic.

Jewelry / Watches

CONSIGNORS: A piece of jewelry made up of precious metal(s) must be marked, stamped, or jeweler-certified for it to be listed as such. Non-authentic “marked” items (as with some marked “925”) will NOT be listed as “marked”. A piece of jewelry with precious stones will be labeled **Stone(s) Not Authenticated** (unless it is accompanied with legitimate documentation verifying its authenticity). If you are unsure whether or not a stone is authentic, you may choose to describe it as being “lab-created”.

BIDDERS: If you purchase a marked/stamped piece of jewelry that is said to be made up of precious metal(s), you would be able to return the jewelry within Albrecht Auction’s general return period* if a jeweler provides you with some form of documentation verifying that it is not genuine (or not as stated). If you bid on a piece of jewelry containing non-authenticated stone(s), you are bidding with the understanding that the stone(s) may NOT be authentic. It is your responsibility to inspect the jewelry and assess whether or not you think the stone(s) to be genuine BEFORE placing a bid. A refund will NOT be given for this type of item if it is found to be a fake after an auction has ended. If you are not confident that a stone is genuine, do not bid as if it is. You will have no recourse with Albrecht Auction after the fact.

Other Items

If an item is listed as genuine but can be proven to be fake, a reproduction, etc. within the auction return period*, the item may be returned on the grounds that it is “not as described”. If you have further questions concerning issues of item authenticity, please call us @ 989-823-8835.

*An item may be returned within 10 days of auction close (provided that it is “not as described”).