



**HOBBS · PARKER**

**Car Auctions**

## how do I buy a car?

The Hobbs Parker Group are Kent's largest firm of Auctioneers with over 150 years experience, and we have been selling cars regularly and successfully since 1945. Hobbs Parker Car Auctions LLP run over 100 car auctions each year from our purpose designed auction facilities on Orbital Park just 2 minutes from Junction 10 of the M20.

### When are the Car Auctions held?

Car Auctions are held every Monday and Wednesday evening at 6.30pm. We also hold a light commercial auction every other Thursday afternoon at 3.00pm. We also hold a number of special sales each year for Sports and High Performance Cars and also Four Wheel Drive and Diesel Vehicles. Our sales calendar and further information is available at [www.hobbsparker.co.uk/cars](http://www.hobbsparker.co.uk/cars)

### What do I have to do if I want to buy a car?

We are open from 9.00am for viewing and general enquiries, but new entries arrive throughout the day, so it is best to come about 5.30pm, (2.00pm for the commercial sale) this will give you plenty of time to have a look around before the sale starts. The car auctions usually finish at about 9.30pm, and the commercial sale finishes at about 4.00pm.

### Are the cars / vans open? May I have the keys to start them up and have a look inside?

No. All the vehicles are locked and we do not give the keys out. The vehicles are started just prior to auction when they are driven through the auction hall by our drivers. At this point you may have a look inside, listen to the engine etc. A brief but informative description of each vehicle is displayed on the windscreen.

### How does the auction operate?

The cars are driven into the sale area to be offered for sale. The auctioneer will give a brief description of the vehicle and then start the bidding. To bid, simply attract the auctioneers attention by putting your hand up. If you are the final and successful bidder, you must at this point, promptly, give your name and address to one of our deposit takers, and pay a minimum £200 deposit; this may be paid in cash or by debit / credit card#. If

you do not have the required £200 with you, please do not bid. The balance of payment, can be paid on the evening/ day of the sale, or at the latest by 12.00 noon the following day. The deposit and final balance can be paid either by cash or credit card#. You can also pay the balance by a building society cheque or a bankers draft.

### Do I have to pay any auction fees?

Yes. A small buyers premium (otherwise known as an indemnity fee) will be added to the purchase price. This is not optional. The charges are £80 plus VAT for each vehicle purchased under £1,000 rising to a maximum of £140 plus VAT for each vehicle purchased over £5,000. In specialist sales, such as 4x4 and Sports Car sales, the buyers premium will be a little higher (please refer to our tariff at the time).

### Do I get any type of guarantee?

If the description on the vehicle windscreen states that the vehicle is sold "SOLD AS SEEN" then there is no guarantee and we will not entertain any complaints, of any nature, on that vehicle. If the description on the vehicle windscreen states that the vehicle is sold "NO MAJOR FAULTS", then you have one hour to test drive it, and check it for major mechanical faults and defects. Only complaints of a major mechanical nature will be considered. If you find an undeclared major fault, this must be reported to the office, and the vehicle returned within one hour from the completion of purchase.

### How do I know that the vehicle I buy is not stolen or has outstanding credit (HP) due?

We check all vehicles for theft, damage and outstanding credit before we enter them in a sale.

# - Credit cards payments are subject to an administration fee of 2% (inclusive of VAT).

View sale dates and lists at:

[www.hobbsparker.co.uk/cars](http://www.hobbsparker.co.uk/cars)

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