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Bidding in a Sparks Auction takes place in accordance with our Terms and Conditions and can happen in several ways:

1. Advance Bidding

We accept bids in time-honoured traditions before the auction starts:

- via Philasearch or Stamp Auction Network online.
- by printed bidsheet (included with the print catalogue and also available for download from our site). If you use mail to send us a bid sheet, please call at least the day before the sale begins to confirm that we have received it.
- you can fax us a printed bidsheet (included with the print catalogue and also available for download from our site) to 613-567-2972.
- you can call our office at 613-567-3336 or use our North American toll-free number: 844-252-2032.
- you can email your bids to info@sparksinternational.ca. Simply provide the lot number and your maximum bid in Canadian dollars.

Please use the following **BIDDING INCREMENTS**

\$10 - \$200	\$10	\$7,000 - \$15,000	\$500
\$200 - \$800	\$25	\$15,000 - \$30,000	\$1,000
\$800 - \$1,500	\$50	\$30,000 - \$100,000	\$2,000
\$1,500 - \$3,000	\$100	\$100,000 - \$500,000	\$5,000
\$3,000 - \$7,000	\$200	above \$500,000	\$10,000

Bids not conforming to these increments will be rounded down to the previous increment. If two identical bids are received for a particular lot, the bid received earliest will prevail, regardless of how the bid was received..

2. Telephone Bidding

We can arrange for participation via telephone. Phone bidding must be arranged at least one day in advance so we can assign someone to call you at the appropriate time. Often, phone bidding is best for more expensive items. If phone bidding is not convenient for you, we encourage bidders to engage an agent, or to bid in advance or live via Philasearch or Stamp Auction Network, to be sure bids are executed in the way they would like. See below for more information about live bidding or contact us for more information at 613-567-3336.

Sparks Auctions reserves the right to refuse telephone bidding at any time. Sparks Auctions will not be held responsible in the event that a telephone bidder cannot be contacted or does not have reliable service.

3. Auction Agents

Having an agent act for you is another way to ensure your bidding intentions are well-represented if you cannot participate in person or by bidding in advance or live via Philasearch or Stamp Auction Network. Auction agents can view material, when public viewing is an option. The following agents are knowledgeable, experienced auction buyers known to Sparks Auctions and familiar with our sales. Please contact one of them, or your own existing agent directly to make arrangements suitable to both parties. Sparks Auctions is not responsible for a bidder's relationship with any agent. Agents: please contact our office at least two days before the start of a sale to make arrangements for your clients to be billed and to have their winnings shipped.

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4. Live Internet Bidding

For the most realistic experience next to being on the auction floor, we invite you to participate via live Internet bidding, which allows bidders anywhere in the world to take part in the auction remotely. Sparks Auctions is pleased to make the auction available through either of two bidding platforms: Philasearch and Stamp Auction Network, independent providers of philatelic auction services for auction houses and bidders. We will do everything we can for our customers to make the process simple, trustworthy and fun.

TERMS & CONDITIONS OF SALE
(Updated May 19th, 2026)

1. The property described in the sale catalogue (print and online versions) will be offered at public auction by Sparks Auctions Inc. operating as Sparks International (hereinafter "Sparks Auctions") on behalf of various consignors. By bidding on any lot, whether in person, or through an agent, via Stamp Auction Network, via Philasearch, by mail, email, fax, telephone, website, or any other means, the bidder acknowledges and agrees to all these Terms and Conditions of Sale.

2. The highest bid acknowledged by the auctioneer shall be the winning bid. The term "hammer price" means the last bid acknowledged by the auctioneer. The purchase price payable by the buyer will be the sum of the hammer price plus a commission equal to 20% of the hammer price ("buyer's premium"), together with any applicable tax. See About Bidding for more information about how bidding is conducted in Sparks Auctions' sales.

3. All bids are per lot as numbered in the catalogue. The auctioneer shall regulate the bidding and reserves the right to reject any bid believed by him not to be made in good faith; to withdraw any lot prior to sale; to divide a lot; or to group two or more lots and to act on behalf of the vendor. In the event of any dispute, the auctioneer's decision shall be final. Sparks Auctions reserves the right to prohibit any bidder from participation in its sales for any reason, at its sole discretion. Sparks Auctions will execute bidding instructions on behalf of clients, but will not be responsible for any errors in the execution of such bids.

4. Unless a bidder has established payment terms with Sparks Auctions prior to each sale, Sparks Auctions must receive payment in full before the lots will be delivered. Buyers not known to Sparks Auctions must make payment in full within five days from the date of invoicing, after which time Sparks Auctions reserves the right to cancel any sale for which payment has not been received. All expenses incurred in securing payment from delinquent accounts will be charged to the defaulter. A fee of \$100.00 will be charged for any cheque returned for insufficient funds.

5. All sales are conducted in Canadian Funds. Payment may be made by e-transfer, bank draft, bank wire transfer, cheque drawn on a Canadian or U.S. bank, Canadian or International postal money order, cash or credit card. There is a 3.5% fee to process credit card or PayPal payments. Buyers wishing to pay in U.S. dollars may do so, and the amount owing in U.S. funds will be noted on invoices. Credit cards will be processed in Canadian Funds. Buyers from Canada will be charged the taxes applicable in their home province. Bidders resident outside Canada are not liable for Canadian taxes if purchases are delivered outside of Canada. Buyers outside Canada are responsible for all customs duties, import fees, sales taxes or any other charges assessed by their home country or intermediaries.

6. Until paid for in full, all lots remain the property of Sparks Auctions on behalf of the seller.

7. The buyer assumes all risk for delivery of purchased lots and agrees to pay for prescribed shipping costs and carry appropriate insurance. See Shipping Information below for Sparks Auctions' shipping policies.

8. Because the auction catalogue is available in multiple formats (print, online at sparks-auctions.com, at StampAuctionNetwork.com and Philasearch.com) there is a possibility of technical or other error. In that event the auctioneer's decision will be final. If discovered before the sale, corrections will be posted on sparks-auctions.com. These are only provided as a service to bidders and Sparks Auctions does not guarantee their completeness or accuracy. See Valuation of Lots for an overview of Sparks Auctions' use of catalogue values and estimates.

9. Any lot, the description of which is obviously incorrect, is returnable, but only if the lot is returned to us within 14 days of receipt. All disputed lots must be returned intact with the original packing material. The following lots may not be returned for any reason:

- a) Lots containing five or more items;
- b) Any lot described with "faults", "flaws", or "defects" may not be returned because of any fault, flaw or defect;

c) Lots illustrated in our printed catalogue or online may be returned because of centering, margins or other factors shown in the illustrations, including easily visible flaws. It is the bidder's responsibility to view lot images online before bidding;

d) Any lot that was viewed in advance of the auction by the buyer or his/her agent;

e) Any lot sent for expertization by Sparks Auctions that receives numerical grading unless the graded certificate describes faults not already described by us;

f) It is normal for postal history items to have small faults including but not limited to minor nicks, pencil notations on back, edge and back flap tears, and slight reductions consistent with commercial usage. Folded letters should be expected to have at least one file fold. While we strive to mention more significant flaws, condition issues such as the aforementioned are not grounds for return. Items being offered primarily on the basis of the postmark are not returnable on the basis of flaws to the underlying item.

10. All lots are sold as genuine, unless otherwise noted. If a purchaser wishes to obtain an expert opinion on a lot, an extension for expertization may be granted provided that the following conditions are met:

a) Notice of this intent is given prior to finalizing the purchase;

b) All lots to be sent out on extension must be paid in advance, including the expertizing fee(s), and shall be submitted by Sparks, directly. Sparks will use one of the following expertizing services:

i) Vincent Graves Greene Foundation (Canada and BNA); or

ii) BPA or RPSL (British Commonwealth); or

iii) Philatelic Foundation or PSE (USA and territories); or

iv) Another authority mutually agreeable to both parties.

c) Extensions are granted for the reasonable period of time required by the expertizing authority;

d) If in the opinion of the authority the lot is not genuine or was grossly misdescribed, the purchaser shall receive a full reimbursement of the purchase price including the expertization fee;

e) If a purchased item has a recognized certificate dated within the last seven years, extensions will not usually be granted.

11. All lots are subject to a minimum bid (reserve), below which the lot will not be sold. Any lots which do not meet this minimum bid will be declared to have been "passed."

12. Sparks Auctions, its shareholders, directors, employees, and contractors reserve the right to bid on and purchase lots as principal.

13. Should any dispute arise over these Terms and Conditions, such dispute will be settled according to the laws and regulations of the Province of Ontario, Canada, with options for resolution being negotiation between the parties, followed by mediation, followed by action in the most appropriate legal venue in Ontario.

Shipping Information

Local residents may arrange for pick-up from our office by appointment only.

Items will be shipped using the most economical method, including tracking and/or signature upon delivery, unless alternate arrangements are made with Sparks Auctions before shipping. Items \$1,500 and over will be shipped to the U.S.A. by FedEx only. Buyers are solely responsible for insuring shipped items. Bidders residing outside Canada are responsible for all customs duties, import fees, sales taxes or any other charges assessed by their home country or any intermediaries.

Shipping methods are subject to the current regulations and protocols of the shipping provider, which may change over time due to external factors beyond Sparks Auctions' control. Single or multiple smaller lots will be shipped with no additional handling and packaging fees. However, cartons and larger lots may incur extra handling or packaging charges.

To improve shipping efficiency and reduce costs for buyers, some lots may be shipped without multi-ring binders or other bulky housing mentioned in their descriptions. In some cases, the contents of multiple housings may be consolidated into fewer containers.