

Small Business Policy for High-Risk Art Transactions

Effective Date: 18 October 2025

1. Purpose

This policy has been established to ensure transparency, accountability, and fair compensation in all collaborative and transactional relationships involving Gabriel Fine Arts. It is specifically designed to address the challenges of high-risk art transactions — particularly those involving artwork purchases or enquiries exceeding £100,000 GBP — and to safeguard the time, effort, and integrity of our business operations.

2. Policy Statement

In order to collaborate with Gabriel Fine Arts, any company, agent, or individual must complete a verified purchase through our gallery. This requirement serves as both a means of verification and a demonstration of genuine intent to engage in a professional transaction.

A minimum confirmed artwork purchase or commitment deposit of £10,000 GBP is required to initiate any collaboration, ensuring mutual trust and accountability.

3. Purchase Requirement

- All collaborations or partnerships must begin with a direct purchase of artwork from Gabriel Fine Arts.
- The purchase must be made directly by the buyer or their authorized representative/company.
- A minimum purchase value of £10,000 GBP (or a non-refundable deposit of £10,000 GBP) is required to initiate any collaboration or engagement.
- This transaction functions as a commitment fee to confirm genuine interest and compensate for prior consultation, negotiation, or curatorial time invested.
- This policy primarily applies to artwork transactions and enquiries valued over £100,000 GBP, reflecting the higher risk and resource investment associated with such dealings.

4. Rationale

This policy has been introduced following extensive experiences in which considerable time and resources were expended without tangible outcomes. To maintain sustainable and ethical practices within the art market, Gabriel Fine Arts has adopted this measure to ensure that all professional engagements are mutually beneficial, transparent, and fair.

5. No Exceptions

Unfortunately, no exceptions can be made to this policy. While we appreciate all inquiries and expressions of interest, Gabriel Fine Arts must prioritize working relationships that align with this verified purchase framework.

We recognize that this approach may seem unconventional; however, it reflects a necessary adaptation to evolving conditions within the global art market. The industry must undergo responsible realignment to preserve its integrity and sustainability.

6. Acknowledgment

By engaging with Gabriel Fine Arts, all potential partners, agents, and clients acknowledge and agree to abide by this Small Business Policy for High-Risk Art Transactions.

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