

# Internet Auctions

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Unless you've been hiding under a rock for the past decade or more, you've surely encountered the Internet. You've probably even toyed with it a little, surfed the web a bit, or you're like most of us who spend a portion of our daily lives on the mysterious highway of circuits and computer chips. Well, if you are like most of us, you certainly know about Internet auctions; the primary one being Ebay.com.

Internet auctions are a gift and a curse. Just take a trip through the chaos of goods for sale and you'll see. While we can fortunately find anything we desire at our fingertips, we are also tortured by the abundance of goodies, which we can't always afford. The plus side is the price. We can pop up an auction and bam; we are presented with the desired products for prices that typically can't be beat. One of the great things about Internet auctions is without a doubt, the availability. Things we never knew like my cat's stuff, existed, are now online. We are no longer limited to our immediate surroundings, or even our country for that matter. It really doesn't matter where you reside. If you can find it online and you have the cash, you can probably get it. Malls and retailers must have taken a hit when this whole new way of shopping began. Even car dealerships had to have suffered the wrath of the Internet auctions. Vehicles can actually be purchased and sold with the click of a button. It's crazy! Sometimes I wonder if these auctions have made us lazier, or simply aided us in avoiding the chaos and crowds of the malls and outlets. Either way, Internet auctions certainly aren't going anywhere any time soon. They're far too convenient. A definite plus to online auctions is getting rid of stuff we don't use. You don't want it, toss it on an auction and sell it to the highest bidder. Clean out your garage or the clutter in your basement. It's as simple as posting a description and setting a price. I've made use of sites such as Ebay.com on numerous occasions. Whether I was trying to get rid of something, or find something for a cheaper price. No matter what it is you're looking for, just punch in the keywords and you'll find it. Internet auctions really make it that easy and save you some legwork.