



Multiple Buyers for a Basket

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Applies to: *Auction! V3*

Background: *Auction! V3* does not permit multiple buyers for a basket, as the normal use of this function implies multiples of all components. In some case the basket does lend itself to multiple buyers sharing the contents. Here is a workaround to handle this case.

Step by Step in Auction! V3

1. **Create** the basket as usual, **assembling** its components from individual donations.
2. **Print** the catalog and bid sheets, so that the donor list and total donor value reflect the correct assembly of items.
3. **After** the catalog and bid sheets are printed, click **Settings, Enable Item Number Changes**.
4. **Edit** the Basket in question, **revising its Item number**. For instance, if its number was **188**, make it **3188**. You may also want to revise the short description to add "former 188" to the title.
5. **Create a new Item 188**. Give the new item the same Short Description (title) as the original 188. Set the Donor Value equal to the value of the real basket, **UNLESS** you know that you will split it evenly, say four ways. In that case, it may be appropriate to set the value to $\frac{1}{4}$ of the original value.
6. **Check the Pledge/Multiple Buyer** box.
7. Leave donor blank.
8. **Sell** shares of the new item 188 to your group of buyers as needed. Leave item 3188 unsold.

Workaround nuances: The value of donated items to your event will be overstated by the value set on the new item. After the event, you might decide to revise that value to zero.