

Wifi Guidelines for In-Person Events

High-Speed internet is a must for in-person events using Auction Frogs. This checklist will help you assess the wireless connectivity at any potential venue, and allow you to make a more informed decision about which option is right for your event.

Know Your Venue

Wifi Offered?

These days, many venues offer WIFI, but not all of them do. Make sure your venue has WIFI and that your event pricing **INCLUDES** it.

How's the Speed?

Many venues charge for speed. Make sure the package you are paying for includes what the industry considers to be **"HIGH-SPEED" internet**. (100mbps)

Private or Public?

Some venues only offer a public WIFI network option. This means you will share your speed with others not attending your event. If they have a private network option, **USE IT!**

Connections?

You will have multiple devices sharing that speed. Make sure your venue knows how many devices will be accessing the network for your event. It can make a **BIG** difference!

REMEMBER: FAST, CONSISTENT & WELL SUPPORTED INTERNET IS THE KEY TO YOUR SUCCESS!

Recommendations

WIFI Access

- Get A Private (closed) Network if available.
- Get the network name and password as soon as you can so you are not looking for the IT when you arrive on site.
- Most laptops do not have LAN or Ethernet ports anymore, so hardwired networks may not work for you.
- A Network that does not time out is also a MUST.

Internet Speeds

- MORE SPEED = MORE BETTER!
- 50mbps is the MINIMUM Speed for a standard auction event with check-in. Large events (over 250 guests) may need more to run effectively.
- Always perform a speed test on the venue WIFI, using a site like fast.com.
- You may need more for mobile bidding guests when cell carriers do not have good signal.

Internet Hardware

- Ask if the WIFI is strong enough to reach the whole room. You may need a booster.
- If your venue does not have WIFI, you will need to use another internet source.
(Hot Spots are NOT recommended)
- We recommend using access points that can support at least 50-100 connections for mobile bidding events.

Cellular Carrier Connectivity

- Consistent coverage is KEY! You want a good, strong signal per device.
- Mobile Bidding is intended to functions off of your guests' own cellular data, not wireless internet. This allows a broader range of venue options & less dependance on venue networks
- Make sure you check all the major carrier network connections.
- Be aware of dead spots within the venue.