



**DOERR DALLAS
VALUATIONS**

PROFESSIONAL
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Market Leader in
Asset Valuations



Welcome to Doerr Dallas Valuations and the team

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Our valuation team includes some of the most renowned and internationally recognised valuations specialists working throughout the UK, Europe and worldwide covering all aspects of Art, Antiques, Silver, Jewellery, Watches, Classic Cars, Wine, Books and Manuscripts and other valuable collectables.

We provide a personal, professional, friendly, discreet and completely confidential service. We are working closely with many leading firms of insurance brokers, insurers, solicitors, wealth managers, private banks and professional advisers to provide an efficient and timely valuation service.



**Guided us
through the
valuation
process and
provided us
with a wealth
of professional
knowledge.**

We providing independent valuations for insurance, inheritance tax purposes, divorce and family division and providing independent advice on buying and selling assets.

Our clients range from the chief executives of major corporations, authors, celebrities, a former Prime Minister, actors, sporting professionals, fund managers, financial organisations, doctors and surgeons, MPs, business owners and entrepreneurs to the RAC, Travellers' Club, National Trust for Scotland, many of the Livery Companies, Embassies, The Law Society and Mrs Jones at No. 3.



For more information please visit our website.

VALUATIONS FOR INSURANCE

Many years of valuation experience have shown us that more than 78 per cent of the clients we visit are under-insured with the consequent risk that any claims for damage or loss is likely be only partially paid. An accurate and up-to-date valuation by an independent specialist provides the comfort of knowing that valuable possessions and household items are correctly insured and that any settlement would accurately reflect loss or damage.

A valuation report can also expedite settlement of any a claim.

Full Insurance Valuations

We tailor our valuation to your needs; once we have a full understanding of your requirements, and following agreement, we will place the correct team of specialists into your home.

We provide a confidential and discreet service. Our team of specialists will produce a detailed report providing a photograph of each item for identification purposes and will provide a detailed description/contents inventory of your personal possessions, all produced within a bound document containing notes of provenance and relevant Exhibitions detailed within, together with a summary by category. A yearly review is also available.



Walk Through Validation

An informal yet detailed inspection of your home is made by one of our senior valuers, taking approximately three hours to complete, depending on property size. The appraisal is completed room by room, categorising items correctly and assigning values for replacement purposes. We will provide you/your insurer with a detailed report showing total value by category. Items over £10,000 will be identified and listed separately (max 10 at our set fee) including illustrations. Any areas of concern will be discussed with you. This is a service which is recognised by the insurance industry.

Potential Premium Reduction

Accurate valuation and regular review can reduce your premium as well as give you peace of mind. If you have never had a valuation or validation completed, we would strongly advise this.

An up-to-date valuation may not necessarily result in higher premiums. Fine Art and Antiques are classed as 'low risk' and so have a lower percentage premium. Separating them from 'General Contents' may even attract lower premiums. A full Insurance valuation may also lead to a discount on an existing premium and fulfil all requirements a broker needs to do to comply with the Insurance Act 2016.

Should you find yourself under-insured when making a claim, this can have a devastating effect if your insurers apply averages or you are seen as deliberately under-insuring.

PROBATE & TAXATION VALUATIONS

We undertake valuations for all purposes related to the assessment and calculation of taxation and customs duties. With the ever-increasing complexities of taxation, trust and domicile regimes, accurate and up-to-date valuations have become increasingly important.

Inheritance Tax and Probate Valuations

Often referred to by lawyers as a valuation of the Chattels of the deceased. This includes such assets as furniture, paintings, works of art, jewellery, and personal possessions.

The process of probate valuation is to ascertain the total value of the assets held in the estate, so that your solicitor can decide if the estate is liable for Inheritance Tax (IHT).

Where IHT must be paid, however, a realistic and justifiable open market valuation must be ascertained – the value for which they could be sold if a bargain were made between a willing buyer and a willing seller – and in accordance with Section 160 of the Inheritance Tax Act of 1984.

At Doerr Dallas Valuations our team of qualified specialists would attend the property to conduct the appraisal. We charge purely on a time basis, a quotation will be discussed and agreed with you together with our terms and conditions of business.



Probate valuations should not be charged as a percentage of the value of the estate, which can inflate the fee unnecessarily.

Our probate valuation department deals directly with solicitors, administrators and executors to ensure the estate valuation process is dealt with smoothly and professionally and that all high value chattels are correctly valued by our specialist team.

In fact, all chattels will be accurately assessed which prevents executors accidentally throwing items of value away and ensures that a distribution amongst family members is equitable. We are always happy to value assets/chattels even when there is no legal requirement to do so.

We are happy to provide professional advice in relation to values for estate administration and other related areas such as Condition Exemption, Acceptance in Lieu, Rental Agreements and Valuations for Capital Gains Tax.

Our report will list the relevant chattels at market value and will include a final statement summary and inheritance tax valuation certificate. Photographs will be included of any high value items. The document will be professionally bound ready for presentation to HMRC together with a PDF copy.

Our team is also available to provide support and assistance, after probate has been granted, with any sales from the estate. We have an extensive network of contacts with the leading London and provincial firms of auctioneers and can place art and antiques and other items in the most appropriate market places for best net returns.

For more details please speak to us.

DIVORCE & FAMILY DIVISION

Divorce and Dissolution of Civil Partnership

The division of chattels on breakdown of marriage or civil partnership often brings particular problems.

Valuation issues can arise in relation to separately acquired property, for example, property acquired by an individual partner before the marriage or through inheritance. Due to market activity, the value of some jointly owned items may have risen out of all proportion to others.

By instructing an independent valuer, the assets owned can be accurately and properly documented and a true market value given. An insurance value is not appropriate on the division of assets.

Valuations are clearly of the utmost importance in these circumstances. A prenuptial agreement can help with the division of a joint estate where too it will be important to include accurate valuations.

Increasingly, a prenuptial agreement and a post nuptial agreement containing accurate valuations can help with a division of an estate. Over the lifetime of the agreement, the valuations benefit from a periodic review.



COLLECTIONS MANAGEMENT

We recognise that many of our clients do not have the time that they would wish to devote to their collections of art and antiques. We have developed a first class support and advisory service to help clients manage all such collections and to ensure that they can enjoy not only the items themselves, but the confidence that they are taking care of them to the best of their abilities, economically and efficiently. We can provide overall curatorial support or create a bespoke package; for more details call us to arrange an appointment.



I found Rachel and the company to be professional, helpful and efficient. They answered all questions promptly and communicated very well. A team of specialists came to the site and performed the valuation on an agreed date. A final report was then submitted. The knowledge and expertise of the specialists was absolutely clear when reading the report. I was delighted with the result and was able to submit the findings as a credible document to our insurers.





MEET THE TEAM

By talking to us, we will recommend the best way to achieve your needs and advise how we can work together in the future to keep your values up to date.

As part of our proposal process, you will be provided with a detailed biography of the specialist visiting you together with their experience in their chosen subject, so you know who you will be seeing. For more information on our team, please visit our website where you can see a video of them and articles they have written.

Our specialists bring a wealth of extensive knowledge from years of experience in the auction, art, antique and jewellery industries. From probate to insurance valuations and everything in between, our team of qualified valuers will attend the property, whether it be a home, an office, a safe or even a yacht, to conduct the appraisal on-site.

Additionally, the administration team provides a fast and efficient service. We ensure that from the point of initial contact to delivery of the valuation, the client's expectations are met for the agreed fee.

To read more about our industry leading valuers, visit our website.



By having a professional valuation completed, HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC) can expedite Probate more speedily.



OUR REVIEWS

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'The service offered by Doerr Dallas was excellent. The team involved were unobtrusive, meticulous and provided a clear and concise valuation to everything being valued. I would highly recommend Rachel's company to anyone.'

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'I could not rate Doerr Valuations highly enough; they were exceptional in their whole service from initial contact to final valuation report. I will definitely use Rachel and her team again and I would fully recommend them to anyone else seeking this kind of service. Top marks from us.'

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'A very comprehensive and thorough valuation of what seemed a very difficult subject – a large archive. An expert report, excellent service, communication and security throughout.'

★★★★★

'Specialist service from highly qualified individuals whose work is exemplary.'

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'Professional and knowledgeable team of valuers with a wide and deep level of expertise. Valuation report was clear and well presented. Would recommend to anyone seeking an independent valuation of personal items.'

Visit our Google reviews for more...



Charges

As part of our proposal process, you will receive a bespoke proposal and costing for you personally, detailing everything you require, so you know exactly what the costs will be. At Doerr Dallas Valuations, we have been doing this for over 25+ years for our clients and continue today working with them.

Our fees are charged on an hourly basis (minimum of three hours) per specialist and not by the value of the item. For a quotation, please contact us today.

Standards

Working with most of the leading insurance companies, Doerr Dallas Valuations has come to be known as one of the most highly regarded specialist valuation businesses in the UK. We always try to work with the minimum of disruption to our clients. We pride ourselves on a reputation for integrity, knowledge, courtesy and professionalism and work to Service Standards. For more details of a copy of our standards, please let us know.

Security

We appreciate that Security issues are likely to be a concern to our clients.

Valuation documents are treated with the highest security. Our IT systems are robust and operate to the highest Industry standards with regular reviews.

Doerr Dallas are proud to announce that we are FSQS Qualified which means we have met all requirements in becoming fully registered within the Financial Supplier Qualification System (FSQS), a standard used by major UK banks and financial organisations when selecting suppliers.



WHAT WE VALUE

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| Antiquarian Books | Jewellery |
| Arms and Armour | Lighting |
| Art and Sculpture | Medals, Order & Decorations |
| Asian and Chinese Art | Objects of Virtue |
| Carpets and Rugs | Old Masters |
| Ceramics and Glass | Pictures and Photography |
| Classic and Collector Cars | Manuscripts and Archives |
| Clocks | Music / Film Memorabilia |
| Clothing and Handbags | Russian Art and Fabergé |
| Coins and Bank Notes | Silver |
| Collectible Comics | Sporting Memorabilia |
| Collectables | Tapestries and Textiles |
| Contemporary Art | Watches |
| Furniture | Whisky and Spirits |
| General Household Contents | Wine |

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