# **Christ's College May Ball 2016 – Terms and Conditions**

This document lays out the Terms and Conditions for the purchase of tickets to the Christ's College May Ball 2016. The May Ball will, subject to the conditions laid out below, take place on 14th June 2016.

By purchasing tickets for Christ's College May Ball 2016 (hereafter referred to as 'the Ball'), 'the applicant', until the application is successful and 'ticket holder' thereafter, agrees to the following terms and conditions. If the principal applicant is purchasing tickets for guests as well then they also submit to this agreement on behalf of the guests on their application:

Failure to adhere to these terms and conditions can lead to, amongst other things, an application being refused or voided, tickets being cancelled, entry to the Ball refused or the guest being ejected from the Ball.

All rules are subject to change by Christ's College May Ball Committee ('the Committee') without notification.

#### 1. Eligibility for Ticket Purchase and Admission to the Ball

- **a.** Tickets may only be purchased by members of the University of Cambridge and Alumni of Christ's College and will only be honoured with proof of identification to them and their bona fide guests. Guests need not be connected with the University of Cambridge.
- **b.** The principal ticket applicant must be either a current member of the University, Christ's College Staff/Fellow or an alumnus of Christ's College.
- **c.** Admission is by valid ticket only, plus valid photographic ID (driving license or passport). University members are also required to present their University Card for admission to the ball.
- **d.** All guests at the Ball must be over the age of 18. Proof of age may be required.

# 2. Ticket Types

- **a.** There are 4 categories of ticket available: Standard, Queue Jump, Dining and Christ's Staff/Fellow. Other than the differences laid out below all tickets are subject to these terms and conditions.
- **b.** All ticket types only allow entry into the Ball site proper exclusively between 9pm and 11pm.
- c. Standard tickets cost £140 per person and entitle holders to enter the Ball at 9pm.
- **d.** Queue Jump tickets cost £155 per person and entitle holders to join a separate queue and enter the Ball first at 9pm.
- e. Dining tickets cost £185 per person and entitle holders to arrive at 6.30pm. If you are a Dining ticket holder and arrive between 6.30pm and 9.00pm on the evening of the Ball, the sitting having commenced, then you will be permitted to join the other dining guests late at the discretion of the Committee.
- **f.** Christ's College Staff/Fellow Half tickets cost £70 per person and entitle holders to enjoy the Ball between 9pm and 1.30am. The option to purchase a Standard ticket (£140) or Dining ticket (£185) is also available.
- g. Each ticket has an optional £2 charitable donation.

### 3. Ticket Applications

- **a.** All ticket applications must be made online.
- **b.** By submitting an application, the applicant agrees that the personal details submitted in their application be stored electronically. These details shall not be shared with third parties and will only be used for the purposes relating to the Ball. However, the Ticketing Officer of the Committee reserves the right to disclose details to Law Enforcement in fulfilling any obligations under English law or where an applicant may have committed or be about to commit a criminal offence on college premises.
- **c.** All members of the University, Christ's College Staff/Fellows and Alumni will be able to make applications from midday Friday 22nd January.
- **d.** Christ's College students will have priority for their own and first guest ticket for the first 24 hours.
- e. All members of the University, Christ's College Staff/Fellows and Alumni can apply to purchase a ticket for themselves and up to 3 guests; guests must be bona fide acquaintances of the principal ticket applicant, but need not be connected with the University of Cambridge

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- **f.** The applicant is responsible for the guests on their application under this agreement and submits to this agreement on their behalf.
- g. Tickets are non-transferable and non-refundable. However, in cases where the Presidents or Ticketing Officer deems the circumstances appropriate the ticket can be transferred to another name subject to the conditions on the website and the transferee fulfilling the conditions laid out above for eligibility. Immediately after application there will be no charge for this transfer. This charge will increase to £10 at 00:00 on 1st March 2016 and to £20 at 00:00 on 1st April 2016. Transfers will not be accepted after 00:00 on 4th June 2016. The administration fee wil be donated to the charities which the Committee is supporting this year.

# 4. Ticket Payment

- **a.** Payment is, in the first instance, to be made by debit/credit card (subject to a fee) using a secure payment facility.
- **b.** Alternatively, payment can be made by BACS transfer as detailed within the ticketing system. Should this pose a difficulty, please contact Dan Karaj (ticketing@christsmayball.com) at the first possible opportunity.
- **c.** Payment by Cheque may be accepted at the discretion of the Ticketing Officer.
- **d.** For the initial release, payments must be received by the Treasurer by 5pm 31st January 2016.
- **e.** After this period, payment must be received by the Treasurer no later than 168 hours (7 days) after completion of online ticket application.
- **f.** Payment received after this period shall not qualify as payment for the tickets reserved and the application will be rendered void, subjection to the discretion of the Presidents.

### 5. Ticket Distribution

- **a.** Current Members of Cambridge University will not receive paper tickets. Access to the ball will be controlled using your University Card and Photographic ID
- **b.** Tickets belonging to non-Cambridge guests and alumni will be available for collection or delivered at a date to be decided. Photographic identification will be required.

### 6. Entry to the Ball

- **a.** University Members are to be admitted to the Ball by their University of Cambridge contactless cards.
- **b.** Non-University members, or members without a valid University Card, shall be issued with barcoded Tickets.
- **c.** No guest will be admitted unless the name on their ticket matches that on the ID presented at the door. Tickets will be delivered to the address specified in the application.
- **d.** Guests arriving without a ticket or University card will only be admitted at the discretion of the Ticketing Officer, once satisfied beyond all reasonable doubt of the age and ticket status of the guest.
- **e.** Any form of ticket 'touting' or trading, and the resale of tickets, is strictly prohibited. The committee reserves the right to cancel, without refund, tickets which are the subject of attempted resale for personal gain, financial or otherwise.

#### 7. Dress Code

- **a.** The dress code for men and women is black tie or smart regional/cultural dress. No patterned suits or sports blazers.
- **b.** The Committee reserve the right to refuse entry to anyone they deem not suitably attired.

#### 8. Safety and Security

- **a.** The Committee request and requires that guests maintain a high standard of responsible behaviour throughout the Ball.
- **b.** Rights of admission to the Ball are reserved.
- **c.** Ticket holders will not be permitted to leave and re-enter the ball.
- **d.** Ticket holders are reminded that smoking is only permitted in designated smoking areas.
- e. The Committee and their appointed security personnel reserve the right to refuse entry or eject any ticket holder where it has reasonable grounds to believe that that ticket holder may have committed or be about to commit a criminal offence or for unsuitable behaviour including being under the influence of excessive alcohol or illegal drugs.
- **f.** The decision of what constitutes unsuitable behaviour will be made at the absolute discretion of the Committee.
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- **h.** Any guest found during the Ball to be in possession of illegal drugs will have them confiscated and will be ejected from the Ball. Ticket holders believed to be involved in any illegal activity will be reported to the Police.
- **i.** The Committee shall not compensate a ticket holder if he or she is ejected from the Ball for breach of these Terms and Conditions.
- **j.** The Committee neither undertakes nor accepts any responsibility or liability for any loss or damage to the property of any person attending the Ball, caused by negligence on the part of the Committee, its workers, sub-contractors or any independent contractor, or any attendees of the Ball. Attendees are strongly advised to take care of all personal items and to make their own arrangements to insure all items of value.
- **k.** Under no circumstances shall the Committee be held liable for any act causing death or personal injury, committed by themselves, its workers, sub-contractors, independent contractors or attendees of the Ball, except where caused by a lack of due diligence and care on the part of the Committee.
- **1.** The Committee reserves the right to photograph and record CCTV footage of the Ball site, its immediate surroundings, the grounds of Christ's College, and those entering, present in and leaving it, in order to document the event in case of later legal action.

#### 9. Other

- **a.** The Committee reserves the right to change the content and advertised schedule of the Ball at any time.
- **b.** The Committee reserves the right to cancel the ball at its discretion at any time
- c. The Committee shall not be held liable in the event of cancellation or curtailment of the Ball due to, but not limited to, an Act of God, national or local emergency, terrorist attack, outbreak of a healthcare pandemic, period of national mourning, acts or omissions of Government, acts or omissions of a local or other competent authority, the police, industrial disputes of any kind, fire, risks to health and safety caused by the state of repair of the venue or severely adverse or inclement weather conditions such as to make the holding of the Ball impossible, a danger to attendees, prohibitively expensive or otherwise impossible to operate or continue.
- **d.** All decisions of the Committee are final. Queries should be made either by post to Christ's College May Ball Committee, St Andrew's Street, Cambridge, CB2 3BU, or by email to presidents@christsmayball.com or ticketing@christsmayball.com