

Retracting a bid

If you've made a mistake when bidding on an item, you can retract your bid in certain circumstances.

Are you a seller looking to cancel a bid? Read our article on [canceling bids and managing buyers](https://www.ebay.com/help/selling/listings/selling-auctions/cancelling-bid?id=4140)

Whenever you place a bid, you're agreeing to buy the item if you win the auction. However, in some situations you can retract your bid.

[Retract a bid](https://www.ebay.com/help/action?topicid=4013) Keep in mind that you can't always retract a bid once it's made. Bids on items listed in Trading Cards

categories, for example, can't be retracted. If you're not able to retract your bid, you can also

[try](https://www.ebay.com/help/buying/resolving-issues-sellers/contacting-seller?id=4021) contacting the seller to see if they'll cancel your bid for you. The decision to cancel is at

the discretion of the seller.

You can retract a bid if (Note: these options are only applicable for up to 1 hour after making the bid when the listing is ending in less than 12 hours):

- The seller significantly changed the description of the item
- You accidentally bid the wrong amount. For example, you meant to bid \$20, not \$200. In this case, enter the price you intended to bid as soon as you've retracted the incorrect bid

Any other bids can't be retracted, but you can still [contact the seller](https://www.ebay.com/help/buying/resolving-issues-sellers/contacting-seller?id=4021) to see if they'll agree to cancel a bid for you. Remember, the seller isn't obligated to cancel the bid so they may not agree.

Tip When bidding, always double-check that you've entered the correct amount — especially when making a last minute

bid.</h2>

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