

# Event Ticket Booking & Entry Management System (T.B.E.M.S.)

## 1) Story

A regional events company, CityFest Live, runs multiple concerts, workshops, and stand-up shows every week. They currently manage:

- Event catalog and ticket pricing in spreadsheets
- Ticket availability manually (often oversold)
- Customer details in WhatsApp / notes
- Payments and refunds without a unified audit trail
- Daily revenue and top-selling event reports via manual calculations

This causes issues:

- Overselling due to incorrect ticket counts
- No reliable record of who changed ticket availability and why
- Payment mismatches and missing receipts
- No quick way to view low-availability events or daily sales summary
- Poor visibility into event-wise performance

CityFest Live wants a Java-based Ticket Booking & Entry Management System that uses a relational DB, supports role-based actions (Admin vs Sales Agent), logs all operations, and produces business reports. You are hired as the backend team to build the first working version.

## 2) What You Will Build

A console-based Java application (no UI frameworks required) that:

- Manages Events, Ticket Types, Ticket Inventory, Customers, Bookings, Payments, and Check-ins
- Persists data in MySQL / PostgreSQL using SQL + JDBC
- Uses layered architecture
- Has JUnit tests for core services/validations
- Uses Log4j logging for audit/debug
- Uses Git with proper branching + commit discipline

## 3) Mandatory Tech / Concept Coverage

Core Java (must use)

- OOP (encapsulation, abstraction, interfaces)
- Collections (List/Map usage in service layer + validations)
- Enums (roles, booking status, payment mode/status, check-in status)
- Java Time API (LocalDateTime / LocalDate for timestamps and event schedule)
- Custom exceptions + proper handling
- Input validation and defensive programming

SQL + JDBC (must use)

- Normalized schema (min 3NF where reasonable)
- CRUD using PreparedStatement
- Transactions (commit/rollback) in booking checkout + payment
- Joins & aggregations for reporting queries
- Constraints: PK, FK, UNIQUE, NOT NULL, CHECK (if supported)

Git (must use)

- Feature branches

- Meaningful commits
- PR-style workflow even if solo (merge feature branch to main)

JUnit (must use)

- Unit tests for service-layer logic
- DAO tests optional (bonus)
- Assertions verifying behavior + edge cases

Log4j (must use)

- Separate loggers for app flow + DB errors (or separate categories)
- Levels: INFO/WARN/ERROR/DEBUG
- Log file output + console output
- No System.out.println() for application flow (only menu prompts / final display outputs)

Architecture + Quality (must use)

- Layered design + clean separation
- Centralized exception strategy
- No SQL inside service classes (DAO only)
- Config via properties file
- Code quality: naming, SRP, no massive classes

## 4) Functional Requirements

### A) User Roles

ADMIN

- Add/update/deactivate events
- Add/update ticket types (e.g., REGULAR/VIP) and base prices
- Adjust ticket inventory (+/- with reason)
- View reports

SALES\_AGENT

- Register customer (optional)
- Search events and ticket availability
- Create booking + payment
- Print booking receipt (console output)
- Mark check-in at entry gate (by bookingId)

Authentication can be simple: username + role input (not full security). Role gating: show/hide menu actions based on role.

### B) Event Management

Each event must have:

- eventId (auto)
- eventCode (unique)
- title
- category (Concert/Workshop/Comedy/etc.)
- venue
- eventDateTime
- active (true/false)
- createdAt, updatedAt

Operations:

- Create event
- Update event details (venue/time/title/category)
- Deactivate event (soft delete)
- Search event by title/category/venue/date range

## C) Ticket Types & Pricing

Ticket Type must have:

- ticketTypeId (auto)
- code (unique) e.g., REG, VIP
- displayName
- basePrice
- active (true/false)

Operations:

- Create/update/deactivate ticket types
- Ticket price used in booking must be stored as unitPriceAtSale to preserve history

## D) Ticket Inventory

Track ticket availability per event and ticket type:

- eventId FK
- ticketTypeId FK
- availableQuantity
- reorderLevel (low availability threshold)

Operations:

- Increase/decrease inventory (admin) with reason
- Low availability report: availableQuantity <= reorderLevel

Audit requirement: every admin inventory change must insert a row in ticket\_adjustments with deltaQty and reason.

## E) Booking + Payment (Core Transaction)

A booking includes:

- bookingId
- customer info (name + phone OR anonymous)
- eventId
- items (ticketTypeId, quantity, unitPriceAtSale)
- totalAmount
- status (CREATED, PAID, CANCELLED)
- createdAt

Rules:

- Cannot book inactive events
- Cannot book inactive ticket types
- Cannot book quantity > available tickets for that event+type
- Payment marks booking as PAID
- Must be transactional: if any step fails -> rollback everything

Design rule (to avoid inconsistent implementations):

- Ticket inventory is decremented only after payment is SUCCESS.

If payment fails -> booking remains CREATED and inventory remains unchanged.

## F) Check-in (Entry Gate)

Check-in captures entry validation:

- checkInId
- bookingId FK (unique in v1: one check-in per booking)
- status (CHECKED\_IN, REJECTED)
- checkedInAt
- notes (optional)

Rules:

- Only PAID bookings can be checked in
- Cannot check-in CANCELLED bookings
- Cannot check-in the same booking twice

## G) Reporting Requirements (SQL-heavy)

Implement as menu options:

- Daily Sales Summary: date -> total bookings paid, total revenue, top 3 events by revenue
- Event Ticket Sales Report: event-wise tickets sold + revenue (date range)
- Low Availability Report: events/ticket types where availableQuantity <= reorderLevel
- Inactive Events List
- Booking Lookup: by bookingId OR by customer phone (sorted by created\_at DESC)
- Check-in Summary: event -> checked-in count vs paid bookings (date)

Reports must use SQL joins/aggregations.

## 5) Exception Handling Rules (Non-negotiable)

Create custom exceptions such as:

- ValidationException
- EntityNotFoundException
- InsufficientStockException
- InactiveEntityException
- AlreadyCheckedInException
- DatabaseOperationException

Guidelines:

- Validate early in service layer
- Catch SQLExceptions in DAO and wrap into DatabaseOperationException
- Log errors with stack traces at ERROR level
- Show user-friendly message in console (no stack trace in UI)

## 6) JUnit Testing Requirements (Must Have)

You must include at least 12 meaningful tests, including these minimum required tests:

1. shouldRejectInactiveEventBooking()
2. shouldRejectInactiveTicketTypeBooking()
3. shouldRejectBookingWithZeroItems()
4. shouldRejectBookingItemWithNonPositiveQty()
5. shouldThrowInsufficientStockWhenQtyExceedsAvailable()

6. shouldComputeBookingTotalUsingUnitPriceAtSale()
7. shouldFailPaymentWhenAmountMismatch()
8. shouldNotDecrementInventoryWhenPaymentFails()
9. shouldRollbackWhenAnyStepFailsDuringCheckout() (bonus with fake DAO / controlled failure)
10. shouldRejectCheckInForUnpaidBooking()
11. shouldPreventDuplicateCheckIn()
12. shouldReturnDailySalesSummaryAggregatedCorrectly()

Clear naming example: shouldThrowInsufficientStockWhenQtyExceedsAvailable()

## 7) Evaluation Rubric

- Architecture & separation of concerns: 25%
- SQL schema + query quality + JDBC correctness: 20%
- Checkout transaction correctness + rollback safety: 15%
- Testing quality (JUnit): 15%
- Logging & exception handling: 10%
- Git hygiene + README quality: 10%
- Code cleanliness (naming, SRP, duplication): 5%

# Starter Kit

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None

```
cityfest-tbems/
├── README.md
|   └── HINT: Setup, DB steps, how to run, sample menu flows, and design decisions (esp. checkout timing + inventory update).
|
└── schema.sql
    └── HINT: Tables + constraints + seed data (5+ events, 3+ ticket types). Normalize and enforce FK/UNIQUE/NOT NULL.
|
└── pom.xml (or build.gradle)
    └── HINT: Dependencies: JDBC driver (MySQL/Postgres), Log4j2, JUnit5 + Surefire plugin.
|
└── src/
    ├── main/
    |   ├── java/com/cityfest/tbems/
    |   |   ├── App.java
    |   |   |   └── HINT: Entry point. Show main menu, route to controllers, handle global errors.
    |   |   |
    |   |   ├── config/
    |   |   |   ├── AppConfig.java
    |   |   |   |   └── HINT: Manual wiring of services + DAOs (simple DI). Keep object creation here.
    |   |   |   └── DbConfig.java
    |   |   |       └── HINT: Read db.properties and expose DB connection settings. No hardcoded credentials.
    |   |   |
    |   |   ├── controller/
    |   |   |   ├── EventController.java
```





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|   └ HINT: Test paid-only check-in and duplicate check-in prevention.  
|   EventServiceTest.java  
|   └ HINT: Test event validations and uniqueness.  
└ ValidationUtilTest.java  
   └ HINT: Test phone normalization, quantity validation, code formats.
```

## Minimal bootstrap classes (copy/paste)

Java

### App.java

```
package com.cityfest.tbems;  
  
import com.cityfest.tbems.controller.BookingController;  
import com.cityfest.tbems.controller.CheckInController;  
import com.cityfest.tbems.controller.EventController;  
import com.cityfest.tbems.controller.InventoryController;  
import com.cityfest.tbems.controller.ReportController;  
import com.cityfest.tbems.controller.TicketTypeController;  
import com.cityfest.tbems.util.InputUtil;  
import org.apache.logging.log4j.LogManager;  
import org.apache.logging.log4j.Logger;  
  
public class App {  
    private static final Logger log = LogManager.getLogger(App.class);  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        log.info("CityFest T.B.E.M.S. started");  
  
        EventController eventController = new EventController();  
        TicketTypeController ticketTypeController = new TicketTypeController();  
        InventoryController inventoryController = new InventoryController();  
        BookingController bookingController = new BookingController();  
        CheckInController checkInController = new CheckInController();  
        ReportController reportController = new ReportController();  
  
        while (true) {  
            System.out.println("\n==== CityFest T.B.E.M.S. ===");  
            System.out.println("1. Events (Admin)");  
            System.out.println("2. Ticket Types (Admin)");  
            System.out.println("3. Inventory (Admin)");  
            System.out.println("4. Bookings");  
            System.out.println("5. Check-in");  
            System.out.println("6. Reports");  
            System.out.println("0. Exit");  
  
            int choice = InputUtil.readInt("Choose: ");  
            switch (choice) {  
                case 1 -> eventController.menu();  
                case 2 -> ticketTypeController.menu();  
            }  
        }  
    }  
}
```

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        case 3 -> inventoryController.menu();
        case 4 -> bookingController.menu();
        case 5 -> checkInController.menu();
        case 6 -> reportController.menu();
        case 0 -> {
            log.info("CityFest T.B.E.M.S. stopped");
            System.out.println("Bye!");
            return;
        }
        default -> System.out.println("Invalid option.");
    }
}
```

## **DbConnectionFactory.java** (single place for connections)

```
Java
package com.cityfest.tbems.util;

import java.io.InputStream;
import java.sql.Connection;
import java.sql.DriverManager;
import java.util.Properties;

public final class DbConnectionFactory {
    private static final Properties props = new Properties();

    static {
        try (InputStream in =
DbConnectionFactory.class.getClassLoader().getResourceAsStream("db.properties")) {
            if (in == null) throw new IllegalStateException("db.properties not found in
resources/");
            props.load(in);
        } catch (Exception e) {
            throw new ExceptionInInitializerError("Failed to load db.properties: " +
e.getMessage());
        }
    }

    private DbConnectionFactory() {}

    public static Connection getConnection() {
        try {
            return DriverManager.getConnection(
                props.getProperty("db.url"),
                props.getProperty("db.username"),
                props.getProperty("db.password")
            );
        } catch (Exception e) {
            throw new RuntimeException("DB connection failed: " + e.getMessage(), e);
        }
    }
}
```

```
    }
}
```

## DB Schema

None

```
-- =====
-- CityFest T.B.E.M.S. - Database Schema (MySQL 8+)
-- =====

CREATE DATABASE IF NOT EXISTS cityfest_tbems;
USE cityfest_tbems;

-- =====
-- Customers (optional: booking can be anonymous)
-- =====
CREATE TABLE customers (
    customer_id BIGINT PRIMARY KEY AUTO_INCREMENT,
    name        VARCHAR(128) NOT NULL,
    phone       VARCHAR(20) NOT NULL UNIQUE,
    created_at  DATETIME NOT NULL DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP
);

-- =====
-- Events
-- =====
CREATE TABLE events (
    event_id      BIGINT PRIMARY KEY AUTO_INCREMENT,
    event_code    VARCHAR(40) NOT NULL UNIQUE,
    title         VARCHAR(160) NOT NULL,
    category      VARCHAR(60) NOT NULL,
    venue         VARCHAR(120) NOT NULL,
    event_datetime DATETIME NOT NULL,
    active        BOOLEAN NOT NULL DEFAULT TRUE,
    created_at    DATETIME NOT NULL DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP,
    updated_at    DATETIME NOT NULL DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP ON UPDATE CURRENT_TIMESTAMP
);

-- =====
-- Ticket Types (master)
-- =====
CREATE TABLE ticket_types (
    ticket_type_id BIGINT PRIMARY KEY AUTO_INCREMENT,
    code           VARCHAR(20) NOT NULL UNIQUE, -- REG, VIP, EARLYBIRD
    display_name   VARCHAR(60) NOT NULL,
    base_price     DECIMAL(10,2) NOT NULL,
    active         BOOLEAN NOT NULL DEFAULT TRUE,
    created_at     DATETIME NOT NULL DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP,
    updated_at     DATETIME NOT NULL DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP ON UPDATE CURRENT_TIMESTAMP
);

-- =====
-- Ticket Inventory (per event + type)
```

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-- =====
CREATE TABLE ticket_inventory (
    event_id          BIGINT NOT NULL,
    ticket_type_id   BIGINT NOT NULL,
    available_quantity INT NOT NULL,
    reorder_level     INT NOT NULL DEFAULT 20,
    updated_at        DATETIME NOT NULL DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP ON UPDATE CURRENT_TIMESTAMP,
    PRIMARY KEY (event_id, ticket_type_id),
    CONSTRAINT fk_inv_event FOREIGN KEY (event_id) REFERENCES events(event_id) ON DELETE RESTRICT,
    CONSTRAINT fk_inv_type  FOREIGN KEY (ticket_type_id) REFERENCES ticket_types(ticket_type_id) ON
DELETE RESTRICT
);

-- =====
-- Bookings (1 booking per checkout)
-- =====
CREATE TABLE bookings (
    booking_id      BIGINT PRIMARY KEY AUTO_INCREMENT,
    customer_id     BIGINT NULL,
    event_id        BIGINT NOT NULL,
    total_amount    DECIMAL(12,2) NOT NULL,
    status          VARCHAR(20) NOT NULL, -- CREATED, PAID, CANCELLED
    created_at      DATETIME NOT NULL DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP,
    CONSTRAINT fk_booking_customer FOREIGN KEY (customer_id) REFERENCES customers(customer_id) ON
DELETE SET NULL,
    CONSTRAINT fk_booking_event   FOREIGN KEY (event_id) REFERENCES events(event_id) ON DELETE
RESTRICT
);

-- =====
-- Booking Items (ticket lines)
-- =====
CREATE TABLE booking_items (
    booking_item_id  BIGINT PRIMARY KEY AUTO_INCREMENT,
    booking_id       BIGINT NOT NULL,
    ticket_type_id  BIGINT NOT NULL,
    quantity         INT NOT NULL,
    unit_price_at_sale DECIMAL(10,2) NOT NULL,
    line_total       DECIMAL(12,2) NOT NULL,
    CONSTRAINT fk_bi_booking FOREIGN KEY (booking_id) REFERENCES bookings(booking_id) ON DELETE
CASCADE,
    CONSTRAINT fk_bi_type   FOREIGN KEY (ticket_type_id) REFERENCES ticket_types(ticket_type_id) ON
DELETE RESTRICT
);

-- =====
-- Payments (1 payment per booking in v1)
-- =====
CREATE TABLE payments (
    payment_id      BIGINT PRIMARY KEY AUTO_INCREMENT,
    booking_id      BIGINT NOT NULL UNIQUE,
    mode            VARCHAR(20) NOT NULL, -- CASH, CARD, UPI
    amount          DECIMAL(12,2) NOT NULL,
    status          VARCHAR(20) NOT NULL, -- SUCCESS, FAILED
    paid_at         DATETIME NULL,
    CONSTRAINT fk_pay_booking FOREIGN KEY (booking_id) REFERENCES bookings(booking_id) ON DELETE
CASCADE
);

-- =====
-- Ticket inventory adjustments (admin audit)

```

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-- =====
CREATE TABLE ticket_adjustments (
    adjustment_id BIGINT PRIMARY KEY AUTO_INCREMENT,
    event_id      BIGINT NOT NULL,
    ticket_type_id BIGINT NOT NULL,
    delta_qty     INT NOT NULL, -- + add, - reduce
    reason        VARCHAR(200) NOT NULL,
    created_at    DATETIME NOT NULL DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP,
    CONSTRAINT fk_adj_event FOREIGN KEY (event_id) REFERENCES events(event_id) ON DELETE RESTRICT,
    CONSTRAINT fk_adj_type  FOREIGN KEY (ticket_type_id) REFERENCES ticket_types(ticket_type_id) ON
DELETE RESTRICT
);

-- =====
-- Check-ins (one per booking in v1)
-- =====
CREATE TABLE check_ins (
    check_in_id  BIGINT PRIMARY KEY AUTO_INCREMENT,
    booking_id   BIGINT NOT NULL UNIQUE,
    status        VARCHAR(20) NOT NULL, -- CHECKED_IN, REJECTED
    checked_in_at DATETIME NOT NULL DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP,
    notes         VARCHAR(200) NULL,
    CONSTRAINT fk_ci_booking FOREIGN KEY (booking_id) REFERENCES bookings(booking_id) ON DELETE
CASCADE
);

-- =====
-- CHECK constraints (MySQL 8+ enforces CHECK)
-- =====
ALTER TABLE ticket_types
    ADD CONSTRAINT chk_tt_price CHECK (base_price > 0);

ALTER TABLE ticket_inventory
    ADD CONSTRAINT chk_inv_qty CHECK (available_quantity >= 0),
    ADD CONSTRAINT chk_inv_reorder CHECK (reorder_level >= 0);

ALTER TABLE booking_items
    ADD CONSTRAINT chk_bi_qty CHECK (quantity > 0),
    ADD CONSTRAINT chk_bi_line CHECK (line_total >= 0);

ALTER TABLE ticket_adjustments
    ADD CONSTRAINT chk_adj_delta CHECK (delta_qty <> 0);

-- =====
-- Seed Data (5 events, 3 ticket types, inventory)
-- =====
INSERT INTO events (event_code, title, category, venue, event_datetime, active) VALUES
('EVT-1001', 'CityFest Rock Night', 'Concert', 'Arena Hall', '2026-03-10 19:00:00', TRUE),
('EVT-1002', 'Stand-up Special: Laugh Riot', 'Comedy', 'Downtown Theatre', '2026-03-12 20:00:00',
TRUE),
('EVT-1003', 'Photography Workshop', 'Workshop', 'Studio 5', '2026-03-15 10:00:00', TRUE),
('EVT-1004', 'Tech Talk: AI for Builders', 'Talk', 'Innovation Hub', '2026-03-18 18:30:00', TRUE),
('EVT-1005', 'Acoustic Evening', 'Concert', 'Riverside Stage', '2026-03-20 19:30:00', TRUE);

INSERT INTO ticket_types (code, display_name, base_price, active) VALUES
('REG', 'Regular', 499.00, TRUE),
('VIP', 'VIP', 1299.00, TRUE),
('EB', 'Early Bird', 399.00, TRUE);

-- Inventory for each event + type
INSERT INTO ticket_inventory (event_id, ticket_type_id, available_quantity, reorder_level)

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```
SELECT e.event_id, t.ticket_type_id,
       CASE t.code WHEN 'VIP' THEN 50 WHEN 'EB' THEN 100 ELSE 300 END AS available_quantity,
       20
  FROM events e
CROSS JOIN ticket_types t;
```

## db.properties (template)

```
db.url=jdbc:mysql://localhost:3306/cityfest
```

```
db.username=root
```

```
db.password=YOUR_PASSWORD
```

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## Sample menu flow (console UX)

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#### Main Menu

```
==== CityFest T.B.E.M.S. ====
1. Events (Admin)
2. Ticket Types (Admin)
3. Inventory (Admin)
4. Bookings
5. Check-in
6. Reports
0. Exit
```

#### Events Menu (Admin)

```
--- Events (Admin) ---
1. Add event
2. Update event
3. Deactivate event
4. Search events (title/category/venue/date range)
0. Back
```

#### Ticket Types Menu (Admin)

```
--- Ticket Types (Admin) ---
1. Add ticket type
2. Update base price
3. Deactivate ticket type
4. List active ticket types
0. Back
```

#### Inventory Menu (Admin)

```
--- Inventory (Admin) ---
1. Adjust ticket inventory (+/- with reason)
2. View availability for an event
3. Low availability report
0. Back
```

#### Bookings Menu (Sales Agent)

```
--- Bookings ---
1. Create booking
2. Add ticket item (during creation)
3. Checkout + payment
4. Find booking by ID
5. Find bookings by customer phone
6. Print booking receipt (by booking ID)
0. Back
```

#### Recommended flow for “Create booking”

- Ask customer phone (or choose 'anonymous') -> fetch/create customer
- Search/select event (only active events)
- Add ticket items in a loop: ticketTypeCode + qty
- Show cart preview + total
- Select payment mode + confirm
- Checkout transactionally (insert booking + items + payment; decrement inventory only on SUCCESS; update booking status; commit)

#### Check-in Menu (Entry Gate)

```
--- Check-in ---
1. Check-in booking by ID
2. View check-in status by booking ID
0. Back
```

#### Reports Menu (SQL-heavy)

```
--- Reports ---
1. Daily sales summary (date)
2. Event sales report (date range)
3. Low availability report
4. Inactive events list
5. Check-in summary (date)
0. Back
```