



Terms and Conditions for Fischy Music Events

Technical Requirements

For many events, Fischy Music will bring their own sound system, which is sufficient for most small to medium venues such as school halls and churches.

If the host has agreed to provide a sound system, the specifications should be as follows. All equipment is expected to be in good working order. Collection and return of the equipment should be agreed in advance with the Fischy Music events manager.

SOUND

- Mixing desk/amplifier: minimum 300 watts per stereo output
- *(Mixing desk and amplifier may be separate units, or combined as available)*
- Stereo Speakers: compatible with mixer/amp, with adjustable stands **Avoid 'Bose' speakers please!**
- Mixer inputs: ideally an 8-channel desk: minimum 4 x XLR (canon) inputs, 4 x jack inputs
- Microphones: Fischy Music will provide their own head-worn wireless microphone units. The host must provide 2 x vocal microphones (Shure SM58 or equivalent) with boom-type stands.
- Cables: all cables must be provided, i.e. speakers, canonXLR (x 4), jack leads (x 4), amp/mixer power cables and connectors.
- Power extension reel: must be at least 20 metres long
- Power block with at least 4 sockets
- Guitar stand for acoustic guitar (if possible)

For larger events involving full band (500 audience or more), the sound system requirements must be discussed and agreed in advance with the Fischy Music events manager. It is expected that a local professional sound hire company will be employed by the host, with an operator present at all times for set-up, sound checking and performance.

LIGHTS

Fischy Music can provide a small lighting system (6 x parcams with basic control desk). This is sufficient for small/medium venues only. For larger concerts, lighting should be discussed with the Fischy Music events manager. For large events (1000+ audience), it is expected that a professional lighting company will be employed by the host, with an operator present at all times for set-up, rehearsal and performance.

HOSPITALITY

The Fischy team do not have complex requirements, but a few simple provisions are appreciated to help them give of their best. See below for details...

Meals

- For single events, the team would ask for food and drinks to be provided at the normal times (e.g., lunches prior to an afternoon concert, or a light late-afternoon meal prior to an evening concert). The Fischy Music events manager will indicate any special dietary requirements in advance.
- For multiple-event trips and tours, the Fischy team will generally provide their own meals, though hospitality is often appreciated where hosts are providing accommodation, or where time to eat is limited due to the proximity of different events.

2 small bottles of mineral water per person should be provided to all Fischy performers for each event.

Typical lunch: sandwiches/light buffet/soup, fruit, yoghurt, selection of biscuits, fruit juice, bottled mineral water, tea/coffee

NB No fish please!

Typical light dinner: pasta/baked potatoes/quiche/salad, fruit, chocolate, fruit juice, bottled mineral water, tea/coffee

NB No fish please!

FACILITIES

A private back-stage dressing/green room should be made available for members of the Fischy team. The room should be well lit, warm, clean and should contain sufficient chairs for every Fischy team member. There should also be a toilet back-stage with soap, towels and mirror, set aside from the public for use of the Fischy team before, during and after the performance. If any of these requests are not possible, the events manager should be contacted in advance to discuss alternative arrangements.

TRANSPORT

The Fischy team will provide their own transport for UK-based events – either driving their own vehicle, or flying to the nearest airport and hiring a car. Hosts are expected to pay all travel costs. When providing their own vehicles, Fischy mileage expenses are charged at the standard rate of 40p per mile.

PARKING: Please ensure that a car parking space adjacent to the venue has been set aside prior to the arrival of the Fischy team.

DIRECTIONS: It is the hosts' responsibility to provide clear and accurate directions to the venue (including mileages and helpful local landmarks) to the team prior to their departure.

For non-UK events, hosts must arrange transport for the Fischy team at all times from their point of arrival to departure. This should generally be in the form of a car/van/MPV with driver, and sufficient capacity for every Fischy team member and their luggage/equipment. Any alternative arrangements should be discussed and agreed with the Fischy events manager in advance.

EVENT MANAGEMENT/LIAISON

It is expected that a representative of the host and/or venue be present at all times for concert events, from when the Fischy team arrive to when they leave after the performance. This representative should be fully briefed on the planning and execution of the event, and able to provide practical assistance and information to the Fischy team as required.

For multiple-event trips and tours, particularly where school day visits are involved, it is not expected that a representative be present at all times. However, it is important that the Fischy team are provided with full contact details for everyone involved in hosting and organising each stage of the trip.

Merchandising

The host/venue should provide a medium-sized table in a safe and convenient location for Fischy merchandising purposes prior to and after the event. **This must be under adult supervision throughout.** We would therefore ask that a responsible person, preferably with some cash-handling experience, be provided to run the merchandising stall on behalf of the Fischy team before, during, and after the performance. For events with 200+ audiences there should be two people provided to manage the stall.

Fischy Music will provide stock, price lists, a float, and clear printed guidelines for the person in charge: it is important that these guidelines are followed. When the audience has left the merchandising volunteers should pack away the stock in the box provided and ensure all items are returned to the Fischy team.