Kent Fraud Alert System

Ticket Fraud



Stay safe this summer from ticket fraud. Follow our top tips to avoid falling victim to these types of scams. According to new data, £6.7 million was lost to ticket fraud in 2023 in the UK.

How to protect yourself from ticket fraud:

- Only buy tickets from the venue's box office, official promoter or agent, or a well-known ticketing website.
- Avoid paying for tickets by bank transfer, especially if buying from someone unknown. Credit card or payment services such as PayPal give you a better chance of recovering the money if you become a victim of fraud.
- The password you use for your email account, as well as any other accounts you use to purchase tickets, should be different from all your other passwords. Use three random words to create a strong and memorable password and enable 2-step verification (2SV).
- Be wary of unsolicited emails, texts or adverts offering unbelievably good deals on tickets.
- Is the vendor a member of STAR? If they are, the company has signed up to their strict governing standards. STAR also offers an approved Alternative Dispute Resolution service to help customers with outstanding complaints. For more information visit star.org.uk/buy_safe.



For further information go to the Kent Police website at - <u>Dating, holiday</u> and ticketing fraud | <u>Kent Police</u>



If you think that you may have been a victim of this or any other type of scam, then contact your Bank immediately, which you can do by calling 159 and report it to Action Fraud at www.actionfraud.police.uk or call 0300 123 2040.



Report a non-urgent crime online **www.kent.police.uk/report** Talk to us on LiveChat – available 24/7 **www.kent.police.uk/contact** In an emergency, if crime is in progress or life is in danger call **999** If you have a hearing or speech impairment, use our textphone service **18000**. Or text us on 999 if you've pre-registered with the emergency SMS service.

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