## Ford Motor Company

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Ford Motor Company ("Ford") owns valuable intellectual property rights such as copyright and trademark rights.

There are many trade marks that are registered to Ford, including but not limited to marks such as:

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It is an offence under applicable civil and criminal law for an unauthorised reproduction or application of a registered trade mark. For example, adding the Ford in script in Logo to an item make the item counterfeit and also infringes on Ford Motor Company's rights in relation to trade mark.

Ford Motor Company has an active Brand Protection team whom, amongst other things, police the use of our trade marks. This includes monitoring the internet and auction sites to ensure that these trade marks are not being used without our authority.

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