



DRUM LESSON TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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1. FEES AND PAYMENT METHODS

The fees for 1-to-1 drum lessons are as follows:

Monthly Membership:

30 min lessons - £85 p/m

60 min lessons - £137 p/m

Block of 4 Lessons:

30min lessons - £102

60min lessons - £160

Single Lessons:

30min lesson - £26

60min lesson - £41

Monthly memberships are set up via GoCardless/Xero, and are paid via direct debit on the 1st of each month for that months lessons. 4 lesson blocks and single lessons can be paid via electronic transfer or cash. Failure to meet payments on time may result in the termination of your lesson plan agreement.

All prices are subject to change.

2. ADDITIONAL FEES

Additional fees can be added to lessons costs in the form of an additional fuel fee or a kit hire fee.

Kit hire - for £5 per lesson, Simon can provide a electronic drum kit bundle for each lesson. This includes a Yamaha DTX-432k electronic drumkit, a JBL speaker, drumstool, drumsticks, and all cables and leads.

Fuel fee - where necessary, Simon may need to add a further fuel fee to your payment plan, dependant on location or driving distance from his home.

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3. LESSON STRUCTURE

Monthly Membership:

Monthly payments cover the cost of 42 lessons over a 12 month period (average of 3.5 lessons per month).

Block of 4 Lessons:

4 lessons booked over a 4 week period

For these two lesson plans, please assume that your lesson day, time and lesson length are the same each week, unless arranged otherwise with Simon. Single lessons can be booked on an ad-hoc basis

4. CANCELLATIONS AND RESCHEDULING

For all lesson plans, any lessons cancelled by student/parent/guardian **with less than 48 hours notice** will still be charged. This is because timing and location constraints make it very difficult to find a replacement student for that lesson slot at short notice. If you know in advance that you will not be able to attend lessons for whatever reason (holiday etc), please let Simon know as soon as possible.

If Simon is unavailable to teach a lesson (illness, gigs etc). He will endeavour to arrange a catch-up lesson at your earliest convenience. No fee will be charged if Simon has to cancel a lesson at short notice.

Monthly Membership payment plans require a 6-week notice period should you wish to cancel lessons and terminate your payment plan.

5. TEACHING METHOD

Simon will tailor lessons to students individually based on their Age, Ability and Learning Style.

Lessons can consist of:

- Preparing for drum exams
- Learning how to read drum music
- Playing along to popular songs, with and without charts
- Various drumming techniques
- Different genres of music
- Exploring different aspects of the kit.

Simon is happy teaching all ages and abilities, though the recommended minimum age for lessons is 6 year old. Simon is very experienced in teaching both the Rockschoool and Trinity drum exam syllabus, and all his students to date have achieved either a Distinction or Merit in their drum exams.

6. SAFETY

For any students under 18, it is of paramount importance that a parent/guardian is present in the house for the duration of the lesson. Under no circumstances is Simon deemed responsible for, not caretaker of anyone under the age of 18. Simon's role is Drum tutor, only.

The teaching environment for both tutor and student must be safe and free of hazards. Under no circumstances does Simon take responsibility for any injuries to the student during lesson time.

Parents/Guardians are welcome to sit in on lessons with younger students if they wish.

7. STUDENT REQUIREMENTS

It is extremely important that students regularly practice each week. This will make lessons more productive and will enable quicker progression and achievement.

Students should have the following equipment to get the most out of their lessons and practice:

- Drum Kit (acoustic or electronic), plus sticks
- Speaker which is able to play music from phone or laptop source (not just Alexa)
- Relevant sheets or books (Simon can normally provide sheets for individual songs, but students must have their own books if following a particular syllabus eg Rockscool or Trinity Drum exams)

8. SOCIAL MEDIA

From time to time, Simon may wish to use images, videos or testimonials from his students on his website or social media.

Simon will always ask for permission before taking or using a photo with/of students, or a testimonial from a student/parent/guardian.

If you grant Simon permission to use any of these, you may ask to have this removed from Simons social media or website at any time.

9. CONTACT

If you have any questions or problems regarding this document, please speak to Simon as soon as possible. If you have read this document, have no problems, and continue with the drum tuition service, you automatically agree to the terms set out in this document.

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