

GARAGE SALE RULES AND REGULATIONS



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This document is designed to assist citizens that are planning to have a garage sale to comply with the requirements set forth by local ordinances. Your compliance with these rules and regulations is necessary in avoiding the disruption of the environment within residential areas that garage sales might cause.



WHAT MUST I DO FIRST IF I WANT TO HAVE A GARAGE SALE?

You must first obtain a permit from the City Clerk's Office for \$6.00. Your application for the permit will include:

- *Your name and address
- *Location of Sale
- *Number of day's the sale is to be conducted
- *General description of items
- *The date of your last sale

Your permit should be displayed in a prominent place at the sale location and be visible from the street.

HOW OFTEN MAY I HAVE A GARAGE SALE?

Under normal circumstances no more than two (2) permits will be issued within any 12-month calendar year. The Clerk can issue one (1) additional permit if the applicant is moving. However, more than three (3) permits cannot be issued.

HOW LONG MAY MY GARAGE SALE LAST?

No More than three (3) days.

WHERE CAN I DISPLAY ITEMS TO SELL?

It is required that sale items are not to be displayed in the front yard of the sale location. It is best to keep sale items in or around the garage or backyard. In this way, the appearance of the neighborhood can be maintained.

HOW MANY AND WHAT KIND OF SIGNS AM I ALLOWED TO USE WHILE ADVERTISING?

One sign is permitted to be erected on the premises of the sale. This sign should not exceed four (4) square feet or be artificially illuminated. Two (2) other signs (4 square feet maximum) may be placed in the City rights-of-way by main roads within ½ mile of the sale. These signs must be freestanding and not attached to trees, poles, etc. **In addition, they should include the garage sale permit number (located in the top right corner of the application) and the dates of the sale.**

On occasion it is necessary for the City crews to pull the signs out of the ground to cut the grassy areas. The signs will be placed nearby. It is not the City's obligation to set the sign back in an upright position. It is, however, your responsibility to remove the signs within 24 hours after the end of your sale.

GARAGE SALE PERMITS ARE NOT REFUNDABLE or TRANSFERRABLE:

In the event of rain, you will be granted one additional sale date, to be held within 10 days of the original sale.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact the City Clerk's office at (734) 793-1620.

The City of Garden City thanks you for your cooperation and hopes that your garage sale is a prosperous one.