



## **GARAGE SALES RULES & REGULATIONS**

**WHAT IS A GARAGE SALE?** All general sales, open to the public, conducted from a residential premises, for the purposes of disposing of personal property including, but not limited to, all sales entitled "garage", "lawn", "yard", "attic", "porch", "room", "backyard", "patio", "flea market", "moving", "estate" and "rummage sale". A garage sale does not include a sale at which no more than five (5) specific items are held out for sale and all advertisement of such sale specifically names those items to be sold.

**WHAT IS PERSONAL PROPERTY?** Property, which is owned, utilized, and maintained by an individual or members of his or her household and has been acquired in the normal course of living or in maintaining a residence. Personal Property does not include real estate or merchandise, which was purchased for resale.

**IS A PERMIT REQUIRED?** Yes, it is unlawful for any person to engage in or conduct a garage, attic, basement, yard or house sale from a residence in the City, without first having obtained a garage sale permit (the "permit") from City Hall.

### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF GARAGE SALES AND PERMITS**

- A. The applicant-permittee must be an owner or renter of the premises where a sale is to be held
- B. It shall be unlawful for any person to sell or offer for sale any property other than personal property as defined above.
- C. Sales are limited to two (2) per year per application or location.
- D. No sale items shall be located, and no sales activities shall be conducted on a public right-of-way, sidewalk, or other public property.
- E. Only two (2) signs advertising the garage sale are permitted on the premises where such sale is taking place. Up to three (3) additional signs are permitted on other private property, provided that prior permission has been obtained from the owner of the other property. The advertising signs must not exceed four (4) square feet in area. Signs cannot be erected on the public right-of-way or other public property. Signs cannot be attached to a utility pole or street sign. Signs cannot be displayed on or within vehicles or be placed in a location, which would cause an obstruction to the clear view of traffic. Any other advertising devices intended to draw attention to a garage sale, including, but not limited to, banners, streamers, and loudspeakers are hereby prohibited.

- F. Sales are limited to a period of not more than two (2) consecutive days for each sale, and can only be conducted between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- G. During your sale, you cannot use outdoor speakers or other amplification equipment.
- H. You, as the owner or tenant of the premises on which your sale or activity is conducted, are responsible for the maintenance of good order on the premises during such sale. In the event good order is not maintained or the sale shall violate any of the City's restrictions, you may be subject to the penalties mentioned below.
- I. The sale needs to be conducted in accordance with all other laws or ordinances in effect in the City.
- J. The permit is non-transferable, is valid only for the specific sale dates and premises from which you applied and shall be posted in the front yard or attached to a building or structure facing the street, so as to be easily seen by the general public and police patrol officers.
- K. All signs authorized by these rules must be removed no later than three (3) hours after the inclusion of the garage sale.

**IS THERE A CHARGE FOR A GARAGE SALE PERMIT?**

There shall be no charge for a garage sale permit.

**IS THERE A PENALTY FOR A VIOLATION OF THESE RULES?**

Any person who violates any of the Garage Sale restrictions, can be fined not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor more than seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00) for each offense. Each day a violation is found to exist shall constitute a separate offense. The owner of any property for which a garage sale is advertised is responsible for all posting of any signs advertising such garage sale and is also responsible for any illegal posting.

The City of Oakbrook Terrace hereby certifies that permission has been granted to:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

To conduct a Garage Sale on \_\_\_\_\_, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

First Day of Sale

This permit expires at 6:00 p.m. on \_\_\_\_\_.

Last Day of Sale

\_\_\_\_\_  
Administrative Signature