



# CITY OF RICHLAND HILLS, TEXAS

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NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

## Garage Sale Regulations

Read carefully, failure to follow regulations will result in a citation with each day constituting a separate offense.

### ARTICLE III. GARAGE SALES

#### **Sec. 58-83. Personal property to be displayed on premises of seller.**

All such used personal property so offered for sale shall be displayed to possible purchasers only on premises belonging to, or under the control of, the person offering such personal property for sale.

#### **Sec. 58-84. No new personal property to be sold.**

No new personal property except art and handicraft items may be so displayed, offered for sale or sold.

#### **Sec. 58-85. Consignment of used personal property prohibited.**

No used personal property owned by others and consigned to the person offering such property for sale may be displayed, offered for sale or sold, except that any three persons, each of whom must be a resident of the city, may combine their property for sale at a single garage sale.

#### **Sec. 58-86. Advertising of garage sale.**

The advertising of a garage sale shall be as provided in section 62-198.

#### **Sec. 62-198. Garage sale signs.**

All garage sale signs must comply with the following requirements:

- (1) Signs cannot be attached to or posted on any tree, utility pole or curb.
- (2) Signs cannot be located within any street right-of-way or on any public property.
- (3) Signs can be located on private property provided that permission is granted by the property owner to locate the sign on the property.
- (4) A maximum of five signs may be posted throughout the city for each sale. Signs shall not be posted earlier than three days prior to the sale and must be removed within 24 hours after the close of the sale.



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## **Sec. 58-87. Duration of sale.**

(a) No such used personal property shall be displayed, offered for sale or sold before 8:00 a.m. or after 9:00 p.m. on the days authorized by the permit. Permits issued shall not exceed a period of three consecutive days.

(b) Only one permit may be issued at a time. Persons wishing to conduct sales on two consecutive weekends must obtain a new permit after the first sale is completed.

## **Sec. 58-88. Number of sales allowed per year.**

(a) Single-family and two-family residential property. The owner or lessor of any single-family residential or two-family residential lot in the city, upon obtaining the permit required by section 58-89, and subject to the other restrictions of this article and other ordinances of the city, may display, offer for sale, and sell, used personal property, by conducting a garage sale, patio sale, lawn sale or similar sale, as many as four times in any calendar year.

(b) Churches, synagogues, temples, mosques and other religious organizations. Churches, synagogues, temples, mosques and other religious organizations which own or lease a facility in the city, upon obtaining the permit required by section 58-89, and subject to the other restrictions of this article and other ordinances of the city, may display, offer for sale, and sell, used personal property, by conducting a garage sale, patio sale, lawn sale or similar sale at its facility, as frequently as such organization deems necessary, provided that such organization has at its facility at least 25 off-street parking spaces open and available for the operation of such sale.

## **Sec. 58-89. Permit required.**

No person shall display, offer to sell or sell such personal property in the city without first procuring a permit from the city for each sale, at a cost as provided in appendix A, at least 24 hours before the beginning of the display offering to sell or selling of such used personal property. Such permit shall be posted upon the sale premises during the sale.

## **Sec. 58-90. Limitation on number of sales per block at one time.**

No permit may be issued by the city, to any person for the purpose of displaying, offering for sale or selling such used personal property, during the same times that another person on either side of the street on the same block has already been issued a permit for such a sale.



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**Sec. 58-91. Penalties for violation.**

Any person violating any of the provisions of this article shall be fined as provided for in section 1-14, and each day of violation thereof shall constitute a separate offense.

**Sec. 58-92. Commercial garage sales permitted twice each year.**

It shall be a violation of this article for any business or any commercial enterprise which regularly offers goods or services for sale to the public, or a segment thereof, whether wholesale or retail, to conduct a garage sale, patio sale, lawn sale or similar sale in the city, more than twice in any calendar year, except to the extent, if any, expressly permitted otherwise by other ordinance of the city.