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Garage or Yard Sale Regulations in Residential Districts

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How Often Sale Events Allowed:

Section 18-24 of the Code of Ordinances states the following:

Yard sales, garage sales, bake sales.

A private individual or group may conduct, not more than once in any six-month period, a sale of used items, baked goods or other food items, and which shall not be subject to the provisions of this chapter except as herein provided. Such events shall be limited to three consecutive days per event and subject to any health, zoning or other regulatory ordinances as may be in effect."

Section 18-2 (b) of the Code defines Yard Sales, Garage Sales and Bake Sales as follows: "*Yard sales, garage sales, bake sales* shall mean events that occur not as a part of any business enterprise or profession, but instead are sponsored and operated by a private individual or group, normally for purposes of financially supporting special events or endeavors for nonprofit or charitable groups."

Signage Prohibited:

The Sign Ordinance prohibits signs to be placed in the street right-of-way (Section 86-108.6). This area is generally 12 feet from the curb or pavement edge. Signs are also prohibited from being placed on trees, utility poles, and traffic control signs or devices (Section 86-108.7).

Signage Allowed:

The Sign Ordinance allows up to four (4) signs with each sign limited to 4 square feet in area per lot or one (1) single sign limited to 16 square feet in area per lot (Section 86-111). A Sign Permit is not required for these signs provided they are not banners (Section 86-109).

Additional Information:

For more information, please contact the Code Enforcement Section at 770.338.4170 between the hours of 7 am and 4 pm, Monday through Friday, except holidays.