



Garage Sales During the COVID-19 Pandemic

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While garage sales are not prohibited at this time, CG Public Health is advising those interested in having a sale to consider waiting until a later time or to consider other ways of selling goods, such as online. Garage sales are non-essential services and pose a health and safety risk to the public by encouraging public gatherings, physical closeness in confined spaces, and the opportunity for surface disease transfer with the exchange of money and handling of goods for sale.

If you do decide to have a garage sale, CG Public Health is strongly recommending you adhere to the following guidance:

- Have the sale outside rather than in an enclosed area such as a garage.
- Place posters throughout the sale encouraging social distancing and the use of a mask by all customers.
- Limit the number of customers at one time to ensure proper social distancing can be maintained.
- Always wear a mask.
- Set up tables 6 feet apart.
- Use heavy duty tape to form a direction/flow for customers to follow throughout the sale.
- Ensure all merchandise is washed and dried and/or wiped down with a disinfectant product before placing on the table for sale.
- Clean all tables several times throughout the day with a disinfectant product.
- Wipe down all tables and chairs using a disinfectant at the end of the day and again in the morning before the next sale starts.
- Have hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol on tables for customers to use.

CG Public Health understands these are difficult times for all and putting limitations on activities we enjoy can be hard. With your consideration and patience, we will get through this together while keeping our community safe.

Please contact CG Public Health at 641-421-9300 with any questions or concerns.