

Chapter 5.49**GARAGE SALES**

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Section 5.49.010 Findings.

The City Council finds and declares that the City of Riverside has a substantial interest in preserving and maintaining the aesthetics and tranquility of neighborhoods, including traffic flow through the neighborhoods. These regulations directly advance the City's interest in preserving the residential character of its neighborhoods. (Ord. 7033 § 1, 2009; Ord. 4067 § 1 (part), 1973)

Section 5.49.020 Definitions.

For the purposes of this Chapter,

"Garage sale" means the sale of personal property owned or maintained by occupants of the premises in, at, or upon any residentially zoned or residentially occupied property. Garage sales shall include, but not be limited to, any yard sale, estate sale, multi-family sale, home sale, patio sale, or any other sale similarly conducted on any residentially zoned or residentially occupied property.

"Estate sale" is further defined as a sale performed or and managed by a third party who is experienced in conducting such sales and who maintains a current City Business Tax Certificate as an estate sale business. (Ord. 7033 § 1, 2009; Ord. 4067 § 1 (part), 1973)

Section 5.49.030 Sales prohibited.

It is unlawful for any person to sell or participate in the sale of personal property to the general public by means of a garage sale on any residentially zoned or residentially occupied property except as permitted by this Chapter. (Ord. 7033 § 1, 2009; Ord. 4067 § 1 (part), 1973)

Section 5.49.040 Exemption.

The provisions of this Chapter shall not apply to sales conducted pursuant to process or order of any court of competent jurisdiction. (Ord. 7033 § 1, 2009; Ord. 4067 § 1 (part), 1973)

Section 5.49.050 Garage sale exempted.

No business tax as provided for in Chapter 5.04 shall be required for any garage sale lawfully conducted in accordance with the provisions of this Chapter. (Ord. 7033 § 1, 2009; Ord. 4067 § 1 (part), 1973)

Section 5.49.060 Sales limited--Frequency and time.

~~Not more than four garage sales may be conducted by any person upon a lot or parcel of land within any one calendar year. Garage sales may be held on the first full weekend of odd numbered months (January, March, May, July, September, and November). For purposes of this section, a single garage sale weekend shall mean Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Such garage sale shall not be conducted for longer than two consecutive days, but an estate sale may be conducted for up to three consecutive days.~~ Garage sale operations are limited to the hours between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (Ord. 7033 § 1, 2009; Ord. 4067 § 1 (part), 1973)

Section 5.49.070 Display.

All personal property to be sold shall be arranged so that fire, police, health and other officials may have access for inspection at all times during the sale. Personal property offered for sale shall not be displayed or stored on adjoining public sidewalks or streets or rights-of-way. Only personal property owned or maintained by the occupant of the premises may be sold. New merchandise or items acquired for resale or consignment are prohibited. (Ord. 7033 § 1, 2009; Ord. 4067 § 1 (part), 1973)

Section 5.49.080 Signs.

All signs advertising garage sales shall conform to the City's Sign Code as set forth in Chapters 19.620 and 19.625 of the Riverside Municipal Code. (Ord. 7033 § 1, 2009; Ord. 5258 § 4, 1985; Ord. 4067 § 1 (part), 1973)