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BOARD OF SELECTMEN POLICY #: 2502 YARD SALE PERMITS

Adopted: April 19, 1994

Amended: July 02, 2002, October 29, 2003, September 27, 2005, May 01, 2012, May 12, 2022

Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to establish the regulation of yard sales within Oxford and provide a process for which to apply for a yard sale permit. Yard Sale permits shall be issued under Section 2, Chapter Thirty-Three of the General By-Laws of the Town. A person does not necessarily have to appear before the Board of Selectmen to receive permission, but may be requested to do so.

Policy:

1. All permits must be obtained through the Board of Selectmen office. You will receive notification from the Board of Selectmen Office with an approval or disapproval of your permit. To obtain a permit, fill out the application available on www.oxfordma.us/board-selectmen or visit the Board of Selectmen's Office during normal business hours. There is no cost to obtain a yard sale permit*.
2. Yard sales canceled due to weather will follow the process for a new permit.
3. No permits shall be issued on the day in which Memorial Day is observed.
4. Yard sales permits may be requested for a maximum of 2 consecutive days. All items must be removed by the day following the yard sale.
5. Yard sales shall not begin before 8:00 am and shall not continue past 3:00 pm.
6. No signs will be permitted on town property, land, trees, sign poles or any utility poles.
7. All signs promoting and/or advertising the yard sale and the mechanism of attachment (nails, tacks, staples, etc.) shall be removed within 24 hours of said yard sale. Failure to remove sign may result in denial of future permits.
8. It is the responsibility of the person acquiring the yard sale permit to ensure that all patrons' vehicles be parked in a manner that does not interfere with public safety, or with the ability of other vehicles to travel without obstruction. Should there be a problem the Police Department will be notified and all illegally parked vehicles may be ticketed and the individual yard sale permit may be revoked by the Police Department shift commander.
9. Yard sale permits shall not be issued in a manner that would allow for the operation of an outdoor business, as defined in Section 8, Chapter Thirty-three, "any sale or exhibition for sale of flowers, fruits, vegetables or other goods, wares or merchandise which is conducted outdoors and not in any tent, booth, building or other structure; and shall not include a "temporary or transient" business as that term is defined in General Laws Chapter 101, Section 1: the business of a "hawker" or "peddler" as these words are defined in said Chapter 101, Section 13: or any sale within the scope of Section 2 of this Chapter."
10. Acceptance of the yard sale permit constitutes agreement by the permit holder to adhere to all the items contained within this policy.

*The fee collected for all yard sale permits issued in calendar year 2022 prior to the adoption of this policy shall be refunded.