



SecondHand Garage Sale is a fantastic event that not only brings together the community but assists in reducing the amount of clean-up material going to landfill. Garage sales promote the reuse of items no longer needed, benefiting our environment by reutilising resources and being economically resourceful.

By registering your garage sale with City of Ryde, you will receive free publicity in the 'Event Listing' section on the City of Ryde website and in the Northern District Times newspaper on the Wednesday before your SecondHand Garage Sale.

There are a range of resources available to assist you in holding a successful garage sale, including a poster, price tags and hints and tips included in this information sheet.

Schedule for the day

Garage Sales are advertised as commencing at 9.00am with the end time entirely up to you. Please note that people may turn up earlier so it always pays to be prepared. Be sure that your garage sale is held within the confines of your property and does not obstruct the footpath or any public areas.

At the conclusion of your garage sale, all left-over items must be brought back inside your property. Items that cannot be donated or sold by other means, can be disposed of responsibly through numerous at-call and drop off disposal services offered by Council, including Councils At-Call Household CleanUp Collection Service, which must be booked online or through Customer Service. Please ensure you are aware of Household CleanUp conditions and restrictions.

Most importantly, enjoy the day! Garage sales are a great way to meet the neighbours, claim back some much needed space in your home and turn your unwanted items into money in your pocket.

What do I do with items that I do not sell?

Council offers many at-call and drop-off disposal services for unwanted items. You can also look up 'second hand' in the Yellow Pages or on the internet; there are all sorts of organisations who deal with second hand materials including furniture, books, building materials and clothing. They might even pick them up for free!

Alternatively, there are many charities that can benefit from your generous donation, such as:

- The Bower Group - 02 9568 6280
- Saint Vincent de Paul - 02 9560 8666
- Salvation Army - 131 640

You may also like to try list your items as freebies online, try:

- www.gumtree.com.au
- www.freecycle.org.au
- www.e-cycled.com

Tips for a successful SecondHand Garage Sale

- Make sure you download the SecondHand Garage Sale posters from our website and be sure to put them up out the front of your property to clearly advertise your event. Your garage sale is advertised to start at 9.00am
- Think about your pricing; ensure that your items are reasonably priced and clearly labelled with the price tags provided. Remember, people come to garage sales looking for a bargain, be prepared to be flexible and consider reducing prices as the day goes on to increase sales
- Group items together such as books, records, clothing, furniture etc.
- Make sure you have plenty of change (coins and notes) and keep your money in a secure place - maybe a bag that you can wear on the day
- Enlist the help of friends, especially if you have a lot of items spread out
- It is your responsibility to ensure that you supervise your property at all times, prevent unwanted access by securing your home appropriately
- All items are to be situated within your private property and are not to be placed on the public footpath or roadway
- If you live in a unit, be sure that you have sought permission from the body corporate, especially if your event will impede access to and from the complex
- Consider the weather; if you are going ahead rain, hail or shine perhaps provide a pop-up gazebo or covering to keep your goods, and your customers dry.

Household CleanUp Collection Guidelines

If you are intending to utilise the Council Household CleanUp Collection Service to dispose of the items you did not sell, please consider the following guidelines:

- Book in an At-Call Household CleanUp over the phone 9952 8222 or online www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/cleanup

- Only place items on the nature strip 1 day before your booked CleanUp
- Each household is entitled to no more than 1.5 cubic metres of material or equivalent to one box trailer load per collection
- Items are to be presented neatly and must be contained in bags or boxes. Garden organics, carpet, linoleum and other rolled materials must be tied
- Items must be no longer than 2 metres and able to be lifted by two people
- Items are to be stacked in neat piles separated into:
 - Garden organics
 - Metals
 - General household items
- **Accepted CleanUp Items:**

Broken or unwanted furniture, mattresses, carpet and linoleum, metal/white goods (doors removed), bundled and tied fence palings (excluding posts, nails removed), general household items, tins (emptied), large plastic containers, roof guttering, hot water systems (provided two people can lift it).

Garden organics - subject to the following:

Nothing with spikes such as rosebushes, bougainvillea etc

Must not be longer than 2 metres in length

MUST be bundled and tied - items not tied will not be taken
- **Not Accepted CleanUp Items:**

Televisions or computers, engine blocks, car bodies, decaying matter, paint/chemicals/solvents, batteries, trade waste, car tyres, glass items (such as mirrors, shower screens, window panes), gas bottles, dirt/sand/stones/concrete, commercial/trade quantities of building and demolition material, fibro sheeting.

Visit the City of Ryde website for alternative at-call and drop off disposal options for televisions, computers, clothing, chemicals, paint, solvents, gas bottles, batteries and light globes.

www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/waste



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