Informational Handout
Garage Sales and Garage Sale Signs

Note to applicants:
This handout is intended to provide information regarding the requirements for garage sales and garage sale signs in the Village of Carol Stream. Please note that a permit is not required to hold a garage sale or to post garage sale signs; however, there are requirements for garage sales and garage sale signs that are enforced by the Village.

Requirements for Garage Sales:

☐ A maximum of three garage sales may be conducted at a residential property annually.

☐ A property may not participate in more than five multi-home garage sales per year.

☐ An individual or multi-home garage sale may not exceed four days in duration.

Requirements for Garage Sale Signs:

☐ Garage Sale signs may not exceed six square feet in area (per side) or four feet in height. Signs may be installed within the public right-of-way (parkway) provided that they comply with the following requirements:

  ✓ Signs may be in place on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays between the hours of 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.
  ✓ Signs must be free-standing and may not be attached to any utility pole, utility structure, tree, or traffic control sign.
  ✓ Attention-attracting devices such as pennants, streamers, balloons, inflatable shapes, banners, flashing lights or other illumination may not be attached to a garage sale sign or placed in the public right-of-way.
  ✓ A maximum of four signs may be placed in the public right-of-way for a garage sale.
  ✓ No sign greater than 30 inches in height may be placed within any portion of the 25-foot sight triangle at a street intersection.
  ✓ Only one garage sale sign may be installed per street intersection, with the exception that no garage sale signs may be installed at the intersection of Gary Avenue and Lies Road.
  ✓ Signs found to be in violation of the regulations will be removed and stored in the dumpster area at the Village Hall prior to disposal.