



Guidance for Garage Sales in Phase 1 & 2 Reopening

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We have received many requests for guidance for planning garage and yard sales. A directive issued by the governor on April 22 specifically allows for resumption of retail business with strict physical distancing protocols in place. Please note the following **requirements** for Phase One & Two:

1. **Assess the health** of all individuals who will be working at the sale. If anyone has symptoms of COVID-19, cancel the sale and postpone to another time.
2. **Provide for physical distancing.** Keep customers at least 6 feet apart – including lines to pay for items. This could be accomplished by:
 - a. Spreading tables out to maximize space.
 - b. Providing separation between the cashier and customer.
 - c. Using chalk or other means to identify 6-foot separation.
3. **Discourage handling of items** to prevent potential virus transmission.
4. **Support respiratory etiquette and hand hygiene.**
 - a. **Encourage the use of cloth face masks** that fully cover the mouth and nose.
 - i. A cloth face covering will help contain any respiratory droplets from the wearer and protect other people. You could spread COVID-19 to others even if you do not feel sick.
 - ii. The cloth face cover is not a substitute for social distancing and good personal hygiene.
 - iii. You can make cloth face coverings at home or purchase them. If you want to make your own face mask, links to reliable sources for patterns can be found on our web page. www.lccountymt.gov/covid-19
 - b. Provide tissues and no-touch disposal receptacles throughout the sale facility.
 - c. Place hand sanitizers with at least 60% alcohol in several locations to encourage hand hygiene, especially after money transactions.
5. **Routinely clean** all surfaces touched by customers. A list of sanitizers effective for COVID-19 is located on the EPA website: <https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2>. Be sure to **strictly follow specified contact times and mix rates.**

If you have questions or need technical assistance, please call Lewis and Clark Public Health at 457-8900. Thank you for protecting our community from COVID-19.

If you suspect Coronavirus, contact your medical provider.

For a link to this document and other local information: www.lccountymt.gov/covid-19