



GARAGE SALE TIPS

Below are a few tips to assist you in having a safe and successful sale:

- Do not reveal personal information such as names, phone numbers or ages and number of residents.
- Secure your home by locking all doors and windows.
- Do not advertise the contents of your home and/or garage. Close your drapes and/or blinds and close and lock your garage doors into the house.
- To prevent theft, keep your most valuable sale items difficult to access.
- Keep money out of sight. Cash boxes present an invitation to be stolen so it might be a good idea to use a fanny pack. Ensure you transfer dollar bills and large amounts of coins to your pockets or another safe location.
- Keep an eye on the kids. Review your family safety rules and keep all children away from vehicles.
- Provide a written receipt for any purchase that you may have engraved with your Washington State Driver's License. This is the new owner's proof of purchase.
- Do not allow any access to your home for the use of the telephone or bathroom - redirect them to a phone booth or a service station. Remember, if you let someone use your home or cellular phone to make a call, that number may be recorded on someone else's caller ID. Don't be afraid to tell someone 'no' if they want to use any of your phones.

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