

# **TOWN OF MEXICO, MAINE YARD SALE ORDINANCE**

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## **Town of Mexico, Maine Yard Sale Ordinance**

The Town of Mexico hereby ordains:

### **A. Permit Required**

No person, firm, corporation, or other entity shall conduct a yard sale in the Town of Mexico without first obtaining a yard sale permit from the town clerk or designee.

1. **Permit Fee:** The fee for such a permit shall be paid in accordance with the fee schedule. Civic groups, school groups, church groups, charitable, or fraternal organizations shall be issued a yard sale permit free of charge.
2. **Permit to be Posted:** Yard sale permits issued under this ordinance shall be posted at the yard sale location which is easily visible from the street.

### **B. Definitions**

1. **Words and terms** shall have their customary dictionary definitions.
2. **Yard sale.** The sale of goods from a residential premises, whether advertised in local media, by signs, or otherwise as a yard sale, barn sale, garage sale, household sale, moving sale, or other sale, whether accomplished by direct sale or auction, or the sale, at the seller's place of residence, of all or part of the household goods, whether accomplished by direct sale or auction; or sales conducted by civic groups, school groups, church groups, charitable, or fraternal organizations and other nonprofit organizations if such sale is held on the organization's premises or within Town of Mexico's business district.
3. **Residential premises.** A building or structure having at least one dwelling unit and lot of land associated therewith.

C. Requirements

1. No yard sale may be conducted for more than three (3) consecutive days, at the end of such time all sale items are to be removed from the exterior. No person, firm, corporation, or other entity shall conduct more than four (4) yard sales from any residential premises or location in any one (1) calendar year.
2. All such sales from non-residential properties shall comply with the Land Use Regulation Ordinance of the Town of Mexico except yard sales conducted by civic groups, school groups, church groups, charitable, or fraternal organizations and other nonprofit organizations, which shall be governed by this ordinance.
3. Signs designating yard sales shall not exceed four (4) square feet and shall bear the name, address, telephone number, and permit number of the permittee.
4. Selectmen to supply permit signs for the public. The sign shall also include the start and end date of the sale.
5. Signs shall not obstruct traffic views and shall be removed immediately after the sale has ended.

D. Enforcement

This ordinance shall be enforced by the police department and/or the code enforcement officer of the Town of Mexico.

E. Violation

Any person who violates any provision of the section, or fails to comply with any of its requirements, shall upon conviction thereof, be fined not less than ten dollars (\$10) or more than one hundred dollars (\$100) each day such violations continues shall constitute a separate offense. Anyone that violates any provision of the ordinance shall not be issued another permit for that address for the remainder of the year.

Date adopted: June 10, 2008

Attest: Penny S. Duguay  
Town Clerk