

Newtown Township Community Yard Sale - Vendor Rules & Regulations

Thank you for participating in the Newtown Township Parks & Recreation Community Yard Sale! These rules are intended to ensure a safe, organized, and enjoyable event for vendors and shoppers.

By registering, vendors agree to follow these rules and all reasonable directions from Parks & Recreation staff.

1. Registration

- Vendors must register and pay the applicable fee by the deadline.
- Vendor spaces are not confirmed until registration and payment are received.
- Vendors may only sell items from their assigned space.
- Parks & Recreation reserves the right to refuse or revoke participation for violations of these rules.

2. Vendor Space & Setup

- Each vendor receives **one 10' x 10' space**.
- Vendors must provide their own tables, chairs, tents, displays, and supplies unless otherwise specified.
- All merchandise and equipment must remain within the assigned space.
- Aisles, walkways, exits, fire lanes, driveways, and neighboring spaces must remain clear.
- Setup will not start until **7:00 am** and must be completed by **8:00 am**. Vendors may not sell before the official start time.

3. Tables, Tents & Displays

- Tents, canopies, and umbrellas must be properly secured; weights may be required.
- Stakes or anchors may not damage Township property.
- Displays must be stable and must not create a safety or tripping hazard.
- Nothing may be attached to Township buildings, trees, fences, light poles, or other property.
- Vendors are responsible for damage caused by their equipment.

4. Parking & Loading

- Vehicles may use designated loading areas only during setup and breakdown.
- Vehicles must be moved to designated vendor parking after unloading.
- Vehicles may not block aisles, fire lanes, entrances, or emergency access.
- Vehicles are prohibited on grass, athletic fields, sidewalks, or other unauthorized areas.

5. Sales & Pricing

- Vendors set their own prices and are responsible for all transactions.
- Vendors must provide their own cash, change, payment processing, bags, and supplies.
- Prices should be clearly displayed when possible.
- Vendors are responsible for accurately representing the condition and authenticity of merchandise.
- Vendors may not knowingly sell defective, recalled, stolen, counterfeit, or unsafe items.

6. Prohibited Items

The following may **not** be sold, displayed, distributed, or exchanged:

- **Weapons & Dangerous Items**
 - Firearms, ammunition, BB/pellet/airsoft guns
 - Bows, crossbows, swords, machetes, and similar weapons
 - Tasers, stun guns, brass knuckles, and similar items
 - Explosives, fireworks, or pyrotechnics
- **Alcohol, Tobacco & Drugs**
 - Alcohol
 - Tobacco, cigarettes, cigars, vaping products, or e-cigarettes
 - Marijuana/THC products
 - Illegal drugs or drug paraphernalia
- **Hazardous Materials**
 - Fuel, propane, pesticides, herbicides, solvents, paint thinner, or other hazardous/flammable materials
- **Unsafe or Recalled Products**
 - Recalled, defective, or unsafe merchandise
 - Used car seats, booster seats, cribs, or other used child safety equipment
 - Products missing required safety components
- **Adult or Inappropriate Merchandise**
 - Pornographic or sexually explicit material
 - Sex toys or adult-oriented merchandise
 - Other merchandise deemed inappropriate for a family-friendly event
- **Illegal or Restricted Merchandise**
 - Counterfeit or stolen merchandise
 - Items the vendor does not have the legal right to sell
 - Any item prohibited by federal, state, or local law
- **Food & Animals**
 - Homemade or prepared food
 - Opened, expired, or recalled food

- Live animals

Parks & Recreation reserves the right to prohibit any item deemed unsafe or inconsistent with the family-friendly nature of the event.

7. Large Items

- Vendors should notify Parks & Recreation in advance about unusually large items.
- Large items may not be placed in aisles, walkways, parking areas, or other common areas.
- Vendors are responsible for safely loading and removing large items.

8. Vendor Conduct

Vendors must behave courteously and respectfully. The following are prohibited:

- Harassment, threats, fighting, or abusive conduct
- Profanity directed at staff, vendors, or customers
- Discriminatory or offensive behavior
- Excessive noise
- Soliciting outside the assigned space
- Interfering with another vendor's business
- Conduct that creates a safety concern or disrupts the event

9. Cleanup & Breakdown

- Vendors must completely clean their assigned space before leaving.
- All merchandise, boxes, trash, signs, tables, tents, and personal belongings must be removed.
- Vendors may not leave unsold merchandise or large amounts of trash behind.
- Vendors may not begin breakdown before the designated closing time.
- Vendors are responsible for damage to Township property and may be charged for removal or disposal of abandoned items.

10. Weather

The event will be held rain or shine unless Parks & Recreation determines conditions are unsafe. Parks & Recreation may delay, cancel, postpone, or end the event due to severe weather, emergencies, or other unsafe conditions.

11. Cancellations & Refunds

Vendor fees are **non-refundable**. No refunds will be issued for no-shows or weather unless the event is officially canceled. If the event is canceled before it begins due to severe weather or

other circumstances beyond the Township's control, one rain date will be offered for the following day. The Township is not responsible for lost sales, travel expenses, merchandise damage, or other vendor losses.

12. Liability

Vendors participate at their own risk. Newtown Township and Parks & Recreation are not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged property, vehicle damage, injuries related to vendor activities or equipment, or losses resulting from weather or cancellation.

Vendors are responsible for damage or injury caused by their negligence or by their equipment, merchandise, employees, volunteers, or representatives, to the extent permitted by law.

13. Accessibility & Aisles

All aisles, walkways, accessible routes, and emergency access areas must remain clear. Vendors must follow staff directions regarding accessibility and pedestrian traffic.

14. Signage & Solicitation

- Signs must remain within the vendor's assigned space.
- Vendors may not attach signs to Township property without permission.
- Unrelated political, commercial, or promotional signage may be prohibited.
- Vendors may not use Township names, logos, or branding to imply endorsement without authorization.
- Vendors may not distribute promotional materials or solicit customers outside their assigned space.

15. Enforcement

Parks & Recreation staff may enforce these rules throughout the event. Depending on the violation, a vendor may be required to correct the issue, remove an item or equipment, leave the event, or be prohibited from future Township-sponsored events. **No refund will be provided to vendors removed for violating these rules.**