

County Website at <http://www.lakecountyil.gov/planning/publications/links.htm> or by calling the Zoning Administration at (847) 377-2875.

## Other Frequently Asked Questions

- **Are temporary fireworks sales permitted in unincorporated Lake County?**  
Temporary fireworks, furniture sales, and other outdoor sales (conducted outdoors or in a temporary structure) are not permitted in unincorporated Lake County, unless otherwise specifically listed in this brochure.
- **Can I erect a sign in conjunction with my temporary sale?**  
One temporary sign, up to 16 square feet in area, is permitted per entrance or per road frontage for temporary uses and special events for which a temporary use permit has been issued. In any event, the total number of signs for a temporary use or a special event cannot exceed 2. Such signs are allowed for the duration of the temporary use permit.
- **How much does it cost to obtain a temporary use permit?**  
Current fee schedules are available on the Lake County Website at <http://www.lakecountyil.gov/planning/publications/links.htm> and at the Lake County Planning, Building and Development Department.
- **How do I obtain a copy of the UDO and zoning maps to determine whether my property is properly zoned for a temporary sale?**  
A copy of the text and maps may be downloaded for no charge from the Lake County Website at <http://www.lakecountyil.gov/planning/publications/links.htm>. Full-size zoning maps for each township are available for a fee at the 5th Floor Counter. Copies of the UDO are available for a fee on the 6th Floor.

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## What is a Temporary Sale?

The term “temporary sales” refers to temporary farm produce sales, Christmas tree sales, garage sales and food sales, all of which are conducted either in a temporary structure or outdoors. Such sales are subject to temporary use requirements of the Lake County Unified Development Ordinance (UDO). An application for Temporary Sales must be filled out and submitted to the Lake County Planning, Building and Development Department prior to issuance of a Temporary Use Permit. An application form for Temporary Sales is available on the Lake County Website at <http://lakecountyil.gov/planning/publications/Forms.htm>

## Where are Temporary Sales allowed in Unincorporated Lake County?

Seasonal Sales of Farm Produce, Christmas Tree Sales Lots and Garage Sales are permitted by right in all Zoning Districts, subject to certain specific standards. Food Sales are permitted by right only in the General Commercial (GC) Zoning District, subject to certain specific standards.

## What are the Specific Zoning Requirements for Temporary Sales?

All temporary sales are subject to the following general standards:

- Applications for temporary uses must be submitted at least 30 days before the start of the temporary use, to allow sufficient application processing time in advance of the temporary use.

- The property must be of sufficient size to provide adequate off-street parking in addition to required parking for any existing use on the property.
- Access approval from the highway authority having jurisdiction over the subject road is required.
- All sales must be conducted at least 30 feet from the right-of-way of any street and at least 30 feet from property used or zoned for residential purpose.
- The access drive to the site must be located at least 150 feet from the right-of-way of any public road intersection or other major access drive.

Farm Produce Sales are subject to the following specific standards:

- Seasonal Sales of farm produce may be allowed in all zoning districts for a period not to exceed 6 months per calendar year. In residential zoning districts, seasonal sales of farm produce are only allowed on parcels having a minimum area of 80,000 square feet and a minimum road frontage of 190 feet.
- Farm Produce sales are allowed only during daylight hours.
- Christmas Tree Sales are subject to the following specific standards, including but not limited to the following:
- Christmas Tree Sales may be allowed by Temporary Use Permit in all zoning districts for a period not to exceed 45 days per calendar year. Christmas Tree Sales are allowed in residential zoning districts only when located on the site of a permitted nonresidential use. If the principal use of the property is a retail greenhouse/nursery or garden center, no temporary use permit is required.

- On parcels that abut residential zoning or uses, temporary sales are allowed only during daylight hours.

Garage Sales are subject to specific standards, including but not limited to the following:

- Garage sales are allowed in all zoning districts without a permit, provided that no more than 2 garage sales shall be conducted on a zoning lot in any calendar year.
- No garage sale may be conducted for longer than 3 consecutive days duration.
- Sales may be conducted during daylight hours only.
- No more than 2 signs may be used to advertise a permitted garage sale event. Such sign cannot exceed 4 square feet in area and must be located within the boundaries of the zoning lot on which the sale takes place or on other private property, with the consent of the owner.

Food Sales are subject to specific standards, including but not limited to the following:

- Temporary Food Stands may be allowed by Temporary Use Permit in the General Commercial (GC) Zoning District for a period not to exceed 6 months per calendar year.
- Temporary food sales are allowed only during daylight hours.
- Either a “Temporary Food Service Permit” or a “Seasonal Food Service Permit” must be obtained from the Lake County Health Department prior to the issuance of a Temporary Use Permit.

***Further information about the regulations pertaining specifically to Farm Produce Sales, Christmas Tree Sales, Garage Sales and Food Sales can be obtained by accessing the Lake***