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# PUMPKIN AND CHRISTMAS TREE SALES

The annual retail sale, including sales by philanthropic, political, patriotic, and charitable associations, of pumpkins and Christmas trees and ornaments shall be permitted in all zones, except the RE, RS, R1, RU, RZ, RMP, PF, and OS Zones. The necessary business tax and clean up deposit must be obtained from the City's Office of Finance and a Use of Land Permit from the Department of Building and Safety may be issued provided that:

- (a) Pumpkin Sales: Use, including construction or preparation of the lot, fencing, trailers, tents, storage, equipment, installations, and sales is permitted between October 15<sup>th</sup> and October 31<sup>st</sup> inclusive. The lot must be cleaned and restored to its original condition by November 14<sup>th</sup>. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of the clean-up deposit.
- (b) Christmas Tree Sales: Use, including construction or preparation of the lot, fencing, trailers, tents with aggregate area up to 600 sq. ft., storage, equipment, installations, and sales is permitted between December 1<sup>st</sup> and December 25<sup>th</sup> inclusive. The lot must be cleaned and restored to its original condition by January 8<sup>th</sup>. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of the clean-up deposit.
- (c) Pumpkin/Christmas Tree Sales: Use, including construction or preparation of the lot, fencing, trailers, tents, storage, equipment, installations, and sales of pumpkins is permitted between October 15<sup>th</sup> and October 31<sup>st</sup> inclusive. The lot must be cleaned of pumpkins and accessory materials by November 7<sup>th</sup>. Thereafter, the lot must be maintained secure, clean and not utilized. Existing fencing, trailers and equipment may be maintained on the lot until the sale of Christmas Trees commencing on December 1<sup>st</sup> through December 25<sup>th</sup> inclusive. The lot must be cleaned and restored to its original condition by January 8<sup>th</sup>. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of the clean-up deposit.
- (d) Any lights to illuminate the site shall be arranged to reflect the light away from any adjacent residentially-zoned property except that this restriction does not apply to frosted light bulbs of 100 watts or less; and
- (e) There shall be no use of any sound equipment in any residential zone in conjunction with the retail sale of pumpkins and Christmas trees; and
- (f) The operator of such sale of pumpkins and/or Christmas trees shall pay a business tax and post a \$200 clean-up deposit with the City's Office of Finance prior to any lot preparation or sales; and
- (g) A Los Angeles County Health Department approved chemical toilet shall be provided on the premises; and
- (h) The operator of such sale of pumpkins and/or Christmas trees shall comply with all other

applicable provisions of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

- (i) As per Ordinance #170,060 of the Fire Code, approved tags shall be securely affixed to all natural Christmas trees greater than 2 feet tall with base greater than one inch in diameter. Each tag shall have a hole at the top to receive a wire or plastic tie.