

# ESTATE/DOWNSIZING GUIDELINES

Dealing with a house full of items? The guide below will help you sort through what works at auction and what doesn't. For estates, we are looking for a cumulative auction value of \$500 or more.

<u>YES</u>	<u>Kitchen</u>	<u>NO</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Like new, high quality cookware</li> <li>Complete dish sets</li> <li>New or like new small appliances</li> <li>Complete sets of flatware incl stainless</li> <li>High quality Pyrex, Fleking, Corning</li> <li>High quality, clean cookware and bakeware</li> <li>Unopened wine and alcohol (estate only)</li> <li>New and clean vintage linens</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Used pots and pans that are mismatched or worn</li> <li>Mismatched dishes</li> <li>Coffee mugs</li> <li>Older used appliances</li> <li>Mismatched utensils including serving pieces</li> <li>Tupperware or other storage containers</li> <li>Food</li> <li>Cleaning supplies</li> <li>Paper goods</li> <li>Linens including dish towels and washcloths</li> </ul>	

<u>YES</u>	<u>Living Room</u>	<u>NO</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Upholstered furniture: new or like new</li> <li>Rugs: new or like new, clean</li> <li>Table and floor lamps</li> <li>Wood furniture: lightly used—real wood, contemporary, vintage, antique</li> <li>Mirrors</li> <li>Wall, mantle, and tall case clocks</li> <li>Framed art: original art, quality prints</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Upholstered furniture: soiled, worn, damaged, pet odors</li> <li>Rugs: Ripped, worn, soiled, pet odors</li> <li>Throw pillows</li> <li>Wood furniture: damaged, broken incl pet damage, particle board, stained, sun-bleached</li> <li>Curtains or window treatments</li> <li>Textiles incl throws, afghans</li> <li>Framed puzzles, poor quality prints</li> </ul>	

<u>YES</u>	<u>Bedroom</u>	<u>NO</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New mattress sets</li> <li>Vintage quilts and coverlets</li> <li>Vintage clothing and accessories in good condition</li> <li>Costume jewelry</li> <li>New, high quality bedding</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Used mattress sets</li> <li>Used bedding incl comforters</li> <li>Used clothing</li> <li>Vintage clothing that is stained or damaged</li> <li>Pillows</li> </ul>	

<u>YES</u>	<u>Garage and Outdoors</u>	<u>NO</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New or like new tools</li> <li>Antique tools</li> <li>Tool chests</li> <li>Work benches</li> <li>Working snow blowers</li> <li>Working riding and lawn mowers</li> <li>Shelving systems in good condition</li> <li>Quality outdoor furniture, décor incl concrete urns, planters, sculpture</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Older, corroded , or dirty tools</li> <li>Hardware</li> <li>Work benches attached to walls</li> <li>Older lawn equipment that is not working</li> <li>Shelving systems attached to walls</li> <li>Plastic outdoor décor and planters</li> </ul>	

<u>YES</u>	<u>General</u>	<u>NO</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quality office furniture</li> <li>Modern, functional office equipment</li> <li>Vinyl records from prior to 1960 in rock, jazz, or country</li> <li>Stereo equipment</li> <li>Cameras</li> <li>Flat screen televisions</li> <li>New or like new washers or dryers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Particleboard office furniture, metal file cabinets</li> <li>Outdated or non-functioning office equipment</li> <li>Vinyl records incl big band, orchestral, or recent</li> <li>Excercise equipment</li> <li>VHS and cassette tapes</li> <li>Pre-digital televisions</li> </ul>	

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# Items of Interest

Below is a list of items often found in estates or downsizings that may do better at auction

**Real Estate:** Residential and Commercial. Land, Farms, Historic Properties, Building Lots

**Asian:** Porcelain, ceramics, scrolls, art, sculpture, ivory, jade, cinnabar

**Books and Documents:** Old books and Bibles, old letters, birth certificates, book sets, personal papers, documents, autographs

**Coins & Currency:** US & Foreign. All periods

**Fine Art:** Paintings, prints, bronzes, photography

**Firearms:** Antique and modern hand and long guns, military, sporting

**Folk Art:** Weathervanes, stoneware, decoys, fraktur

**Furniture:** American, Asian, European. All periods

**Glass:** Art glass, early American, cut, paperweights

**Jewelry:** Gold, silver, diamonds, gems, semi-precious stones, costume. All kinds, any condition.

**Lighting:** Chandeliers, lamps

**Midcentury Modern:** Furniture, decorative

**Militaria:** Uniforms, helmets, medals, flags, knives and swords, books & ephemera

**Native American:** Pottery, jewelry, blankets, rugs

**Pottery & Porcelain:** Art pottery, figurines, tiles, vases, bowls, crocks, jugs, planters, dishes

**Rugs:** Antique, semi-antique, Persian, Chinese, Indian

**Silver:** Sterling, tea sets, flatware, fancy plate

**Sporting:** Archery, fishing, taxidermy, reloading equipment, books, advertising, tools, traps, duck calls, decoys

**Textiles:** Quilts, linens

**Toys & Trains:** Cast iron and tin toys, dolls, wind-ups, cars, trucks, trains, games, banks

**Watches & Clocks:** Tall case, wall and mantle, wrist and pocketwatches

Advertising

Airline

Apothecary

Arcade

Autographs

Auto Related

Sports

Beer Steins

Bottles

Cameras

Cash Registers

Christmas

Civil War

Coin-Op

Drug Store

Ephemera

Firefighting

Fountain Pens

Fraternal Orders

Gas Station

Halloween

Hummels

Jukeboxes

Limited Editions

Magazines (pre 1945)

Marbles

Masonic

Medallions

Medals

Medical

Microscopes

Models

Music Boxes

Musical instruments

Nautical

Ocean Liner

Old Buttons

Eyeglasses

Pharmacy

Photographs

Police

Political Items

Postcards

Promotional

Radios

Railroad

Scientific

Scrimshaw

Signs

Telescopes

Vending

Walking Canes