

Frequently asked questions about Manufactured / Mobile Home Distraint Sales

My property is in a Distraint Sale

Taxpayers have until 4:00pm the workday (weekends and holidays excluded) before the sale to redeem the manufactured / mobile home from the distraint sale. For the 2019 distraint year, that sale date is September 16, 2019.

Please contact the Pierce County Finance Department at (253) 798-7458 with your 10 digit parcel number for current redemption amounts. All amounts due and owing must be paid by cash or cashier's check. There is no right of redemption for parcels sold.

If you have a mortgage company, please notify them of the impending distraint sale. They may pay to protect their interest. Mortgage company liens are subordinate to county liens.

If you are senior citizen 61 years of age or older or are disabled you should immediately call the Senior / Disable Department at (253) 798-2169 to ask about exemptions and/or deferral of your property tax.

Do you have to be present to bid?

Only bids submitted via the Internet will be accepted. Pre-registration is required. **Bidders wanting the Title issued in their business/company name MUST register as a company. No changes will be made after award.** A single \$250.00 deposit & \$35.00 processing fee is required to bid on all property in this auction. All deposits must be received by Bid4Assets no later than September 9, 2019 (4:00 PM ET/1:00PM PT). Bidders

must register BEFORE they post their deposit in order to insure that the deposit process completes correctly. Please finalize your deposit well in advance of the auction to insure your eligibility to bid. All deposits will be accepted via wire transfer or by mailing a certified check to Bid4Assets. Register on-line at www.Bid4Assets.com. Pierce County Finance Department will not be registering bidders, accepting deposits, or accepting bids and all questions regarding registration will be directed to Bid4Assets.com.

What forms of payments do you accept?

We accept only Cash, Bank Wires and Cashier's Check. Absolutely no money orders, personal or business checks will be accepted.

What happens to liens if I am the successful bidder?

The bidder is solely responsible for determining the extent, if any, to which the item will or may be subject to liens. It is the buyer's responsibility to determine to his/her satisfaction, before sale, any liens, encumbrances and conditions to which the item will be subject in the hands of the buyer. Pierce County Finance Department makes no representation or warranty as to the existence or non-existence of any interest, liens, encumbrances or condition, which may survive the sale under applicable law, whether known or unknown.

What happens to the mobile homes that do not sell?

The manufactured / mobile home will be put up for sale at a later date or released of the distraint action.

When is your next Distraint Sale?

The sales occur every September (subject to change), held online and facilitated by **Bid4Assets**. You will need to contact us for the specific date, which is determined in April.

Where do you advertise for the sale?

We will advertise in the local paper awarded the inclusive bid for publication of Pierce County legal/public notices and any other newspaper deemed necessary. We also evaluate the need to publish on Craig's List.

Can I make a bid offline?

Bidders interested in offline bidding options should call Bid4Assets at 1-877-427-7387. There are certain deadlines to meet, so it is important to call at least 15 days prior to the sale.