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2025 Tax Holidays

Florida has implemented a simplified approach to sales tax holidays for 2025, moving away from multiple short periods to two main events and several permanent exemptions. Here's a breakdown of the 2025 tax holidays and exemptions:

1. **Back-to-School Sales Tax Holiday** (August 1 - August 31, 2025)

This holiday is now permanent and extended for the entire month of August. It applies to clothing, footwear, and accessories up to \$100 per item and school supplies up to \$50 per item.

2. **Hunting, Fishing & Camping Sales Tax Holiday** (September 8 - December 31, 2025)

This new, extended holiday for outdoor gear lasts nearly four months. Eligible items include tents up to \$200 and sleeping bags, hammocks, collapsible chairs, and stoves up to \$50 each.

3. **Permanent sales tax exemptions** (effective July 1, 2025, or as noted)

Permanent exemptions include disaster preparedness items (batteries, generators, fuel containers, tarps, and tie-down kits), safety-related products (fire extinguishers, smoke detectors, life jackets, bicycle helmets, sunscreen, and insect repellent), and access to Florida State Parks. Sales of gold, silver, or platinum bullion are also permanently exempt starting August 1, 2025.

Need Assistance?

HOA Office Hours are Tuesdays from 10am-1pm & Thursdays from 3:30-6:30pm

Office Phone Number: 352-708-6090

Email: GreaterGrovesHOA@gmail.com

Website: www.GreaterGrovesHOA.com

Community Reminders

- Please close the pool umbrellas when you are finished. This will cut down on wear and tear.
- If you let someone into the pool or any other amenity area you are responsible for their actions and any damage they may cause.
- Before making any changes to the exterior of your home, you need to fill out an Architectural Review Board Application. Visit the HOA website or reach out to the office for more information.
- You must call Waste Pro to set up a pickup date before putting bulk trash out by the street. Bulk trash should not sit by the curb for days at a time. It should be stored inside until the night before your scheduled pick up.
- Please do not place your trash cans in the street on collection day. Our streets are not wide enough to accommodate them, especially on the side streets.
- We've seen an increase in residents not mowing their grass this summer. The county rule is that anything over 10 inches is considered overgrown.



To stay up to date on any community announcements added to our website scan this QR code or visit <https://www.greatergroveshoa.com/join-our-mailing-list.html> to join the HOA mailing list. There has been some confusion regarding our website and other websites pretending to be our community website. Please remember, there is only one official Greater Groves HOA website. The only way to make sure you are visiting the official website is to type the website listed in this newsletter into your search browser.



GREATER GROVES
Fall Newsletter



Turn that trash into cash! The Fall Greater Groves Community Garage sale will be held on Saturday, October 11th from 8am-2pm. Large signs will be placed in front of our community the week before and an advertisement will run in three local newspapers as well. Good luck!

Waste Pro 2025 Schedule

In observance of these holidays, Waste Pro will not be collecting solid waste and recycling.

- New Year's Day
- Memorial Day
- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Day

For the remainder of the week, service will occur the next day. Thursday service will move to Friday and Friday yard waste service will move to Saturday.



- August 8th HOA Board Meeting
- September 25th All HOA Letters of Intent to Run for the Board are Due by 5PM
- October 10th HOA Board Meeting
- October 11th Community Garage Sale
- November 14th HOA Elections/Annual Meeting
- December 13th Community Christmas Party

*All HOA Meetings are Held at 7PM by the Pool.
Board meetings are open to everyone.

Pam Rock Act

If you're a dog owner in Florida, you need to be aware of a new Florida law called the Pam Rock Act. It targets dogs that exhibit aggressive or dangerous behavior such as attacking someone, chasing someone, or killing another animal regardless of breed.

Should your dog be classified as dangerous, you will need to do the following:

- Make sure your dog is confined to a secure enclosure
- Have your dog microchipped
- Have the dog spayed or neutered if they have not been already
- Purchase and maintain a \$100,000 liability insurance policy
- Register your dog annually with your local animal control authority

Failure to follow these laws could lead to fines of up to \$1,000 or even jail time for the owner of the dog. If you experience an attack by a dog in the neighborhood you must call an Animal Control Officer at (352) 742-4640 to report and document the incident.



If you have paid your \$10 membership dues for 2025 a ballot will be mailed to you by the 2nd week of October. If five or fewer residents express interest in running there will be no need to hold an election as there are only 5 spots available on the HOA Board. If you haven't paid your membership dues and are interested in voting in the upcoming election, please stop by the HOA office to pay by check or cash. The office is open on Tuesdays from 10am-1pm and Thursdays from 3:30-6:30pm. You can also pay at any HOA Board Meeting.

Our annual meeting and elections will be held on November 14, 2025 under the screen room, by the pool.