

SHERIFF SALE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

Do Sheriff Sales differ from Tax Sales or Judicial Sales?

Yes, there are significant differences. For information regarding tax sales or judicial sales, contact the Lycoming County Tax Claim Bureau at 570-327-2269.

If I see a property I am interested in bidding on, can I inspect it before the sale?

No, the properties are not available for inspection. They remain the property of the debtors until they are sold the day of the sale. Additionally, the Sheriff makes no guarantee on the condition of any property sold at Sheriff Sale.

How do I buy a property at Sheriff Sale?

You need to attend the sale on the scheduled date and time. No registration is required. It is a public auction. Therefore, you will have to bid on properties and must be present at the time of bidding.

Will the deed be clear of all liens and mortgages?

The Sheriff's Office does not guarantee that properties are free and clear. It is solely the potential buyer's responsibility to do any and all research regarding liens and mortgages on the property.

How soon after the purchase of a property will the deed be recorded?

Deeds are recorded approximately 20 days after the sale.

What type of payment is accepted?

Only personal check, certified check, and or money order are accepted.

When will I receive the keys?

The Sheriff's Office does not have access to keys for the property to be sold before or after the Sheriff Sale.

If you have any additional questions please feel free to contact the Real Estate Division at 570-327-2220.