

Introduction to Used.ca Victoria

What is Used.ca?

- Your free LOCAL classified site that provides opportunity to buy, sell and trade in a safe environment
- Our mission is to keep stuff out of landfills and lower the cost of purchasing goods and services
- Over 30 million pageviews per month and 100,000 ad listings

What makes us different (and better)?

- A live Moderation Team
- 100 per cent family-friendly
- Community Coordinators
- Alerts
- Favourites
- Maps
- #UsedHelps
- Local flyers
- Trending ads

How to create an account

- Let's watch a movie!
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?

t=52&v=vqqzWTttRDI

Let's create an account!

- Enter your username and email
- You can add your name for authenticity and photo
- Include your location and postal code
- Add a password and click "save settings"
- Activate your account by clicking link in confirmation email
- Log in with your username and password

Benefits of creating an account

- Convenience all your ads listed under "my ads" tab
- Manage all the items you are selling in one place - selling, holds and expired
- Access your *favourites*
- Sign up for *alerts*
- Validates you as a seller to potential buyers

How to place an ad

- It's movie time again!
- https://www.youtube.com/watch?

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Placing an ad - let's review!

- Choose the category and subcategory
- Include your asking price; is your item free, for sale or for trade?
- Enter a descriptive title and a concise description of your item

Placing an ad - let's review!

- Include your preferred contact info
- Include your postal code so potential buyers can identify your location
- Upload photographs
- Choose an ad upgrade (optional)

Terms of Use

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Terms of Use	Posting Policy		
Introduction	Business Services		
Application of Agreement	Commercial Sellers		
License	Free Category		
Included Policies	Job Category		
Using Our Services	MLM Ads		
Privacy	Pet Category Posting		
Services and Fees	Real Estate Category		
Content	Wanted Ads		

Prohibited Items & Services Policy

Prohibited Weapons and Related Items

Prohibited Tobacco and Related Items

Cribs That Do Not Meet Health Canada Standards

Car Seats That Do Not Meet Health Canada Standards

Terms of use and Help

- Prohibited items
- Pet policy
- Car seat policy
- Help for buyer and sellers
- Search the site
- Safety first

Tips on creating a trending ad

Trending Ads







Learn how to get your ad **here**

Tips on creating a trending ad

- Trending ads showcase the most popular ads on our site
- Measured by # of views, # of times users *favourite* an item and # of times the ad is shared

Tips on creating a trending ad

- Seasonal ads: boats in summer, Halloween costumes in October
- The price is always right
- Great pictures
- A smart write up: make it funny!



Dude... we found your car!!



SHARE

REPORT AD

"We weren't looking for a smashed up Thunderbird when we went looking for a leisurely drive to Bear Creek today, but lucky for you we found it!! At first we were worried about how we could return it to its rightful owner, but then we found some insurance papers with your name on them. I'm not good at tracking people down, so I passed the info on to the Sooke RCMP (I hear they're good at that sort of thing). It'll probably be super easy for them to find you too since your Facebook profile has multiple pictures of you with the car. Thanks for the added comment about "bringing it up to the woods to give it a redneck funeral"... That makes it easier to identify you as the rightful owner. So... You should be contacted shortly on how to get your car back. No need to thank me. Just being a good citizen. ;)"

Photos! Photos! Photos!

• Great images will draw more people to your ad, so your item will sell faster

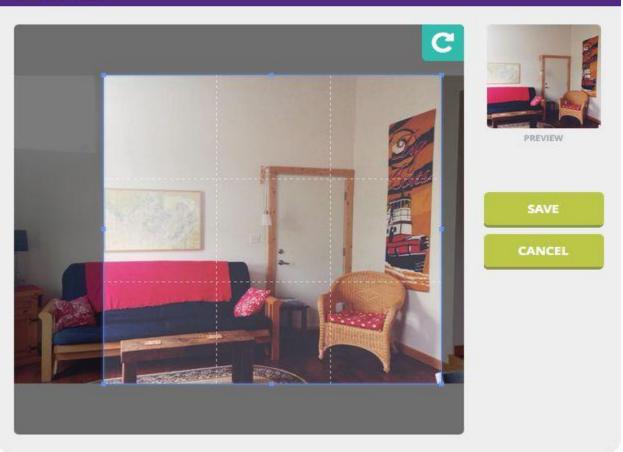


• Create a backdrop for your item



• Edit your photo: sizing and cropping

Edit Photo



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Use multiple photos



Tips on selling an item quickly

- Price it right
 - search the site for similar items
- Great photos
- Measurements
- Share ad with friends
- Ad upgrades

Safety tips when selling an item

- Always meet in person
- Choose a public place to meet
- Make sure someone knows where and whom you are meeting if in public

Safety tips when selling an item

- Make sure someone is home with you
- Only accept cash never accept

 a cheque or bank draft and then
 provide the difference back.

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Locals buy, sell and support here

Buyer & Sellers learn more

Charities learn more

Place ad

Help directly support registered Canadian charities by buying and selling with #UsedHelps. Proceeds from sales will go directly to the charity of the seller's choice through a secure credit card payment. If applicable, sellers receive tax receipts on items valued over \$20.

If you have any questions, please contact our customer support for assistance.

View ads for:

Select your charity



- Post an item and click "Yes" when asked "Donate proceeds to charity"
- Choose your favourite registered charity or non-profit - over 45 to choose from
- When a buyer emails and confirms they are interested, ask them to go to the ad and click "Reserve Now" button



- Both buyer and seller will receive a confirmation email for payment
- When buyer picks up the item, they click the link on the email to pay using mobile device
- Funds are directly transferred to charity
- Buyers will receipt a tax receipt for items over \$20

Why buy used?

- Saves you A LOT of money
 - 50% to 100% off retail price
- Helps the planet
 - recycle, reuse and upcycle
- It keeps things local
 Used.ca is all about local community, our HQ is in Victoria
- Once you've bought an item on Used.ca and no longer need it, repost it to the site

Tips on buying used

- Negotiate price but be reasonable
 don't low-ball
- Be polite "Please" and "Thank you" go a long way
- Set a limit of how much you'll spend
- Use *Email alerts* to find specific items
- Check our *ads on a map*
 - will it cost more for the gas?

Tips on searching

 Use "Filter" to narrow price, location, offered only, etc.

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▼ Filter (price	e, locatio	n, etc)			
Price from \$	10	to \$	25		
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of this postal o	code:				
Seller's location	n:				
All Locations					-
Victoria City					-
Oak Bay Esquimalt &	View Roy	al			•
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Tips on searching

- Search the whole site from the homepage top right-hand corner
- Search specific categories -Antiques, Household, Clothing
- Using logical operators & ("and"),
 | ("or"), ! ("not") to narrow your
 search
- Example: "honda & civic & !parts"
 = honda and civic and not parts.

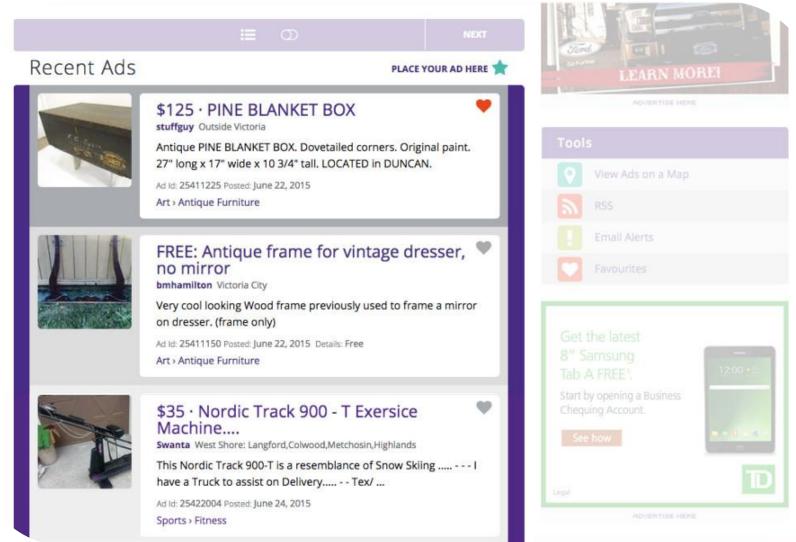
Tips on search

 Quick Search – use this function to find quick links to a selection of categories

Quick Search Search Ads 6. You can suggest a new quicklink. Free offered For trade Best offer Wanted items only Offered items only (no wanted ads) Local private sellers only Jobs Offered Seasonal items (Christmas, Halloween, etc.) Cars under \$10,000 Cars under \$5,000 Cars under \$2,500 Cars under \$1,000 Cars wanted

Apartment rentals offered under \$1,000 Apartment rentals offered under \$750 Apartment rentals offered under \$500 Apartment rentals wanted





Favourites as a tool

- Save items found on the site to view later
- Click the heart icon to the right of the listing (left if you're in the ad)
- Make sure to sign in to your profile to save your *Favourites*
- Can have unlimited *Favourites* under your profile
- Great tool to compare items



- Great tool when looking for a specific item
- Benefit of creating a profile
- Saves time does the searching for you
- Be the first to know when an item you want is available

Email alerts - how to use

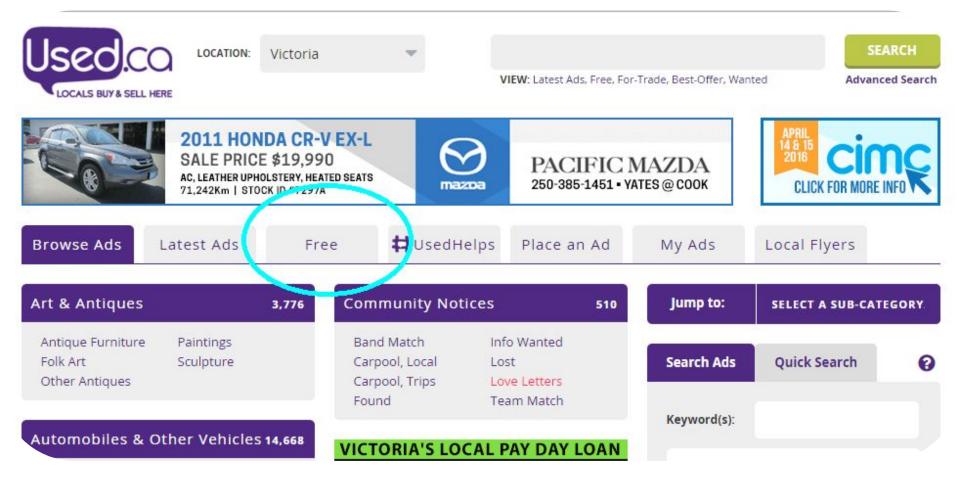
- Search for your item using the Search function in the top right hand corner
- Click the arrow next to *Filter* to add specifics to your search
 price, location, etc.
- To set up *Email alerts* click *Tools* located next to search results top of the page and choose *Email Alerts*



• Click submit- your email address is prepopulated

Email Alert Setup		
Alert Name:	Mirror, price between \$20 and \$85, offered ads only	
Email:	YOUR EMAIL ADDRESSS	
	SUBMIT	

The FREE tab!



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Why the FREE page is amazing!

- You don't pay any money!
- Helps the planet freecycle!
- When posting, helps you declutter
- Saves you time
- Save you money at the landfill
- It makes people happy
- Leave items outside



Questions!





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