

## COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

# Renville County

Minnesota · Olivia · FIPS 27129 · Population 14,453 · Crosodo  
Index #2643\*

STATE BASELINE

Minn. Stat. §28A.152

STATE TIER

Great

ANNUAL SALES CAP (STATE)

78000

CONFIDENCE

MEDIUM

LAST VERIFIED

2026-05-06

**IMPORTANT — NOT LEGAL ADVICE**

This report compiles publicly-available statutes, regulations, and county zoning rules into a research reference. It is **not legal advice** and is provided **without warranty** as to accuracy, completeness, or current applicability.

Cottage food law changes frequently. Counties may amend zoning, health departments may issue new permits, and state legislatures may update statutes after the publication date shown above.

**Always verify rules directly with your state department of health/agriculture and your county health and planning offices before relying on them for any business or regulatory decision.** Consult a licensed attorney for advice specific to your situation.

## How to start — 60-second path

Renville County, Minnesota — permit, pickup, and label steps before the full county rules.

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

**Conditional**

STATE SALES CAP

**78000**

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

**Varies**

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

**Conditional**

INSPECTION

**No**

PETS

**No specific state prohibition; standard food safety practices apply.**

### BEFORE YOU SELL FROM THIS ADDRESS

- ☐ **1. Menu** — Confirm each product under Minnesota cottage food rules (county cannot expand a state ban).
- ☐ **2. Pickup & zoning** — Home occupation and porch pickup cells above; HOA/lease may still block customer traffic.
- ☐ **3. Local tax / license** — Business license or sales tax certificate if your city/parish requires it (common even with no state food permit).
- ☐ **4. Training** — Food handler or state registration before market day.
- ☐ **5. Labels** — Disclaimer, allergens, ingredients, net quantity, producer info.
- ☐ **6. Call if unclear** — County health and planning for your exact address.

### LABEL FIELDS TO INCLUDE

- ☐ Product name · producer name · address (or allowed alternative)
- ☐ Ingredients by weight · major allergens · net weight/quantity
- ☐ Minnesota home-kitchen disclaimer (see live label one-pager)

### CONTINUE ONLINE

[Open the live county page →](#)

[Minnesota label one-pager →](#)

[Local notes & questions →](#)

Planning path only — not legal advice. Rules change. Always verify with state and local offices before selling.

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QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Conditional (Minnesota two-tier system: Tier 1 (up to ~\$7,665/year) requires free MDA Cottage Food Producer Registration Training. Tier 2 (up to \$78,000/year, CPI-indexed from July 2025) requires \$50 Cottage Food Producer Training Course renewed every 3 years plus \$30 annual registration fee. Allowed foods: non-potentially hazardous items. Local ordinances are not preempted; producers must verify Renville County and Olivia city zoning for home occupation rules.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No specific state prohibition; standard food safety practices apply.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (Renville County may require a home occupation permit under local zoning. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified. Producers should verify with Renville County and Olivia city planning.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Conditional

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (No routine inspection. Complaint-based enforcement possible by MDA.)

Home kitchen rules

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| SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| PET RESTRICTIONS           | No specific state prohibition; standard food safety practices apply.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| WATER SUPPLY               | No specific requirement under state cottage food law.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| HANDWASHING                | Standard food safety sanitation practices apply.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| FOOD STORAGE               | Non-PHF products only; proper storage to prevent contamination required.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

Inspection & permitting

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|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| INSPECTION REQUIRED    | No — No routine inspection. Complaint-based enforcement possible by MDA.                                                                                                                                     |
| HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT | Varies — Renville County may require a home occupation permit under local zoning. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified. Producers should verify with Renville County and Olivia city planning. |
| LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE | Varies                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

**Customer-facing rules**

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|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP | Conditional                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| ON-SITE SIGNAGE         | Conditional                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES | Direct sales to consumers in person, at farmers markets, roadside stands, on-farm, community events, online (within MN only). No interstate sales for home-canned category. No third-party retail distribution. |
| MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME   | Not specified by state law; local home occupation rules may apply.                                                                                                                                              |

**Relevant county code**

Renville County Zoning Ordinance; Minn. Stat. §28A.152 Subd. 6

**RESEARCH NOTES**

Rural south-central Minnesota county. State baseline governs; no Renville County-specific cottage food ordinance found. MDA administers registration. The 2025 amendment raised the cap to \$78,000 (CPI-indexed). Local zoning compliance required.

**SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME**

<https://www.renvillecountymn.com>

<https://www.mda.state.mn.us/food-feed/cottage-food-law-guidance>

<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/28A.152>

**Questions about this county?** Local notes and a place to leave a question: [crosodo.com/nb/minnesota/renville-county-discuss](https://crosodo.com/nb/minnesota/renville-county-discuss)

## Bordering counties — cottage food law

| Regulation                 | Renville County                                                                                                                                        | Brown County                                                                                                                                    | Chippewa County                                                                                                                                 |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED       | Conditional                                                                                                                                            | Yes                                                                                                                                             | Yes                                                                                                                                             |
| SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN | No                                                                                                                                                     | No                                                                                                                                              | No                                                                                                                                              |
| PETS ALLOWED               | No specific state prohibition; standard food safety practices apply.                                                                                   | No specific state cottage food pet restriction; good sanitation practices required.                                                             | No specific state cottage food pet restriction; good sanitation practices required.                                                             |
| INSPECTION REQUIRED        | No                                                                                                                                                     | No                                                                                                                                              | No                                                                                                                                              |
| ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP    | Conditional                                                                                                                                            | Conditional                                                                                                                                     | Conditional                                                                                                                                     |
| ON-SITE SIGNAGE            | Conditional                                                                                                                                            | Conditional                                                                                                                                     | Conditional                                                                                                                                     |
| DELIVERY / PICKUP          | Direct sales to consumers in person, at farmers markets, roadside stands, on-farm, community events, online (within MN only). No interstate...         | Direct sales from home, farmers markets, community events, and internet sales permitted. Canned goods may not be sold across state lines.       | Direct sales from home, farmers markets, community events, and internet sales permitted. Canned goods may not be sold across state lines.       |
| HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT     | Varies                                                                                                                                                 | Varies                                                                                                                                          | Varies                                                                                                                                          |
| LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE     | Varies                                                                                                                                                 | Varies                                                                                                                                          | Varies                                                                                                                                          |
| RESTRICTIONS               | Minnesota two-tier system:<br>Tier 1 (up to ~\$7,665/year) requires free MDA Cottage Food Producer Registration Training.<br>Tier 2 (up to \$78,000... | Minnesota cottage food law (Minn. Stat. §28A.152, amended 2025) allows up to \$78,000 annual gross sales of non-potentially hazardous foods ... | Minnesota cottage food law (Minn. Stat. §28A.152, amended 2025) allows up to \$78,000 annual gross sales of non-potentially hazardous foods ... |
| FOOD STORAGE               | Non-PHF products only; proper storage to prevent contamination required.                                                                               | Non-potentially hazardous foods only; no refrigeration required.                                                                                | Non-potentially hazardous foods only; no refrigeration required.                                                                                |
| POPULATION                 | 14,707                                                                                                                                                 | 25,880                                                                                                                                          | 12,466                                                                                                                                          |

## State context — Minnesota cottage food law

Renville County's rules sit on top of Minnesota's state cottage food framework. The state law sets the floor — counties can add but cannot remove protections.

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|-----------------------|-------------------|
| STATUTE               | ANNUAL SALES CAP  |
| Minn. Stat. §28A.152  | 78000             |
| REGISTRATION REQUIRED | FOOD HANDLER CERT |
| Yes                   | Yes               |
| KITCHEN INSPECTION    | DIRECT SALES ONLY |
| No                    | No                |

### INDIRECT SALES

No — Sales are limited to direct-to-consumer channels: community events, farmers markets, from the producer's home, online (in-state delivery by the producer personally or by mail/commercial delivery), and fundraising donations. Restaurants, retail stores, roadside stands, mail order wholesale, and catering are prohibited. All deliveries must be made by the producer personally unless shipped by mail or commercial delivery upon a prior online sale. Home-canned products in the pH/water-activity exemption category (Subd. 1(a)(2)) may not be sold outside of Minnesota.

For the full state-level analysis including the verbatim statute text, see the [Minnesota cottage food law report](#) on Crosodo, or open the live guide: [crosodo.com/states/minnesota](https://crosodo.com/states/minnesota).

### STATE-LEVEL REFERENCES

State statute: <https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/28A.152>

State dept cottage food page: <https://www.mda.state.mn.us/food/business/cottage-food-producer-registration>

Forrager.com: <https://forrager.com/law/minnesota/>

**Questions about Renville County?** Local notes and a place to leave a question are on Crosodo. We monitor new threads — start with zoning, permits, or porch pickup.

[crosodo.com/nb/minnesota/renville-county-discuss](https://crosodo.com/nb/minnesota/renville-county-discuss)

## Classifieds

Resources for cottage food & home bakers · [crosodo.com/advertise](https://crosodo.com/advertise)

### NATIONAL

#### SUPPLIES

##### Advertise here — Supplies

Reach home bakers across the country. [crosodo.com/advertise](https://crosodo.com/advertise)

#### COURSES

##### Advertise here — Courses

Reach home bakers across the country. [crosodo.com/advertise](https://crosodo.com/advertise)

#### INSURANCE

##### Advertise here — Insurance

Reach home bakers across the country. [crosodo.com/advertise](https://crosodo.com/advertise)

### LOCAL

#### Advertise here

Reach home bakers in Renville County, Minnesota. Supply stores, farmers markets, kitchen rentals, and bakery services welcome.

[crosodo.com/advertise](https://crosodo.com/advertise)

#### Your business here

Local cottage food listings, kitchen rentals, co-packer referrals, and community events — post yours on Crosodo.

[crosodo.com/nb/minnesota/renville-county-discuss](https://crosodo.com/nb/minnesota/renville-county-discuss)

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