

COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

Walworth County

South Dakota · Selby · FIPS 46129 · Population 5,270 ·
Crosodo Index #1366*

STATE BASELINE	STATE TIER	ANNUAL SALES CAP (STATE)	CONFIDENCE	LAST VERIFIED
SDCL §34-18-35	Good	—	MEDIUM	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

Walworth County, South Dakota — permit, pickup, and label steps before the full county rules.

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes

STATE SALES CAP

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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION

No

PETS

No specific pet restriction in state cottage food law; standard food hygiene practices apply.

BEFORE YOU SELL FROM THIS ADDRESS

- ☐ **1. Menu** — Confirm each product under South Dakota 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
- ☐ South Dakota home-kitchen disclaimer (see live label one-pager)

CONTINUE ONLINE

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[South Dakota 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?

Yes (South Dakota SDCL §34-18-35 exempts homemade foods prepared at a residence from licensure. The 2022 amendment (SL 2022, ch 106) expanded beyond prior baked-goods-only scope. Individuals selling certain home-processed canned goods must complete a state-certified online training once every five years. No sales cap. County/municipal ordinances restricting homemade food sales are preempted by state law.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No specific pet restriction in state cottage food law; standard food hygiene practices apply.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (Walworth County is a rural county. No county-specific home occupation permit requirement for cottage food identified. Operators should verify with Walworth County offices in Selby.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (No routine or complaint-triggered inspection authority specified for cottage food operations under state law.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — South Dakota SDCL §34-18-35 exempts homemade foods prepared at a residence from licensure. The 2022 amendment (SL 2022, ch 106) expanded beyond prior baked-goods-only scope. Individuals selling certain home-processed canned goods must complete a state-certified online training once every five years. No sales cap. County/municipal ordinances restricting homemade food sales are preempted by state law.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state cottage food law; standard food hygiene practices apply.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water supply requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state cottage food handwashing mandate; standard hygiene practices recommended.
FOOD STORAGE	No specific state cottage food storage requirement; non-temperature-controlled foods must be stored appropriately.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — No routine or complaint-triggered inspection authority specified for cottage food operations under state law.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — Walworth County is a rural county. No county-specific home occupation permit requirement for cottage food identified. Operators should verify with Walworth County offices in Selby.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct and indirect sales permitted. Online, in-person, delivery, farmers markets, and retail stores all allowed under SDCL §34-18-35.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified in state law.

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food ordinance identified for Walworth County.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific cottage food ordinance found for Walworth County, SD. Applied South Dakota state baseline (SDCL §34-18-35). Walworth County is a rural county bordering Lake Oahe (seat: Selby). State law preempts local restrictions on homemade food sales.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://www.walworthcounty.gov>

<https://doh.sd.gov/topics/food-protection/cottage-foods/>

https://sdlegislature.gov/Statutes/Codified_Laws/2050018

Questions about this county? Local notes and a place to leave a question: crosodo.com/nb/south-dakota/walworth-county-discuss

Bordering counties — cottage food law

Regulation	Walworth County	Campbell County	Corson County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	No specific pet restriction in state cottage food law; standard food hygiene practices apply.	No specific pet restriction in South Dakota cottage food law.	No specific pet restriction in South Dakota cottage food law.
INSPECTION REQUIRED	No	No	No
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Direct and indirect sales permitted. Online, in-person, delivery, farmers markets, and retail stores all allowed under SDCL §34-18-35.	Direct and indirect sales both permitted. Allowed channels include home pickup, farmers markets, roadside stands, online sales, in-state sh...	Direct and indirect sales both permitted. Allowed channels include home pickup, farmers markets, roadside stands, online sales, in-state sh...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies	No	No
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	South Dakota SDCL §34-18-35 exempts homemade foods prepared at a residence from licensure. The 2022 amendment (SL 2022, ch 106) expanded be...	South Dakota cottage food law (SDCL §34-18-35, expanded by SL 2022 ch 106) exempts non-temperature-controlled foods, home-processed baked g...	South Dakota cottage food law (SDCL §34-18-35, expanded by SL 2022 ch 106) exempts non-temperature-controlled foods, home-processed baked g...
FOOD STORAGE	No specific state cottage food storage requirement; non-temperature-controlled foods must be stored appropriately.	Non-temperature-controlled (shelf-stable) foods only; refrigerated or hot-held foods require standard licensure.	Non-temperature-controlled (shelf-stable) foods only; refrigerated or hot-held foods require standard licensure.
POPULATION	5,317	1,534	3,906

State context — South Dakota cottage food law

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

STATUTE

SDCL §34-18-35

ANNUAL SALES CAP

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REGISTRATION REQUIRED

No

FOOD HANDLER CERT

Recommended

KITCHEN INSPECTION

No

DIRECT SALES ONLY

No

INDIRECT SALES

Yes — The statute does not restrict sales to direct-to-consumer channels only. Items are subject to sales tax. Local governments (counties, townships, municipalities) may not pass ordinances restricting, prohibiting, or imposing licensure on homemade food item sales under SDCL §34-18-1 definitions.

For the full state-level analysis including the verbatim statute text, see the **South Dakota cottage food law report** on Crosodo, or open the live guide: crosodo.com/states/south-dakota.

STATE-LEVEL REFERENCES

State statute: https://sdlegislature.gov/Statutes/Codified_Laws/2050018

State dept cottage food page: <https://doh.sd.gov/topics/food-protection/cottage-foods/>

Forrager.com: <https://forrager.com/law/south-dakota/>

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