

COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

Hunt County

Texas · Greenville · FIPS 48231 · Population 101,596 ·
Crosodo Index #482*

STATE BASELINE

Tex. Health & Safety §437.001 et seq.

STATE TIER

Great

ANNUAL SALES CAP (STATE)

150000

CONFIDENCE

MEDIUM

LAST VERIFIED

2026-05-05

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

Hunt County, Texas — permit, pickup, and label steps before the full county rules.

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes

STATE SALES CAP

150000

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Conditional

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION

No

PETS

No specific state restriction in the cottage food statute.

BEFORE YOU SELL FROM THIS ADDRESS

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

CONTINUE ONLINE

[Open the live county page →](#)

[Texas 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 (Texas allows almost all non-TCS foods. Annual sales cap of \$150,000 (raised by SB 541, 2025). No registration, permit, or inspection required. Health departments have no regulatory authority over cottage food operations except to prevent an immediate and serious threat to human life or health. Nonprofits may also operate under cottage food framework as of 2025.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No specific state restriction in the cottage food statute.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Conditional (Hunt County municipalities (Greenville, Commerce, Wolfe City, etc.) may have home occupation zoning requirements. Texas state law does not preempt local zoning, but health departments cannot regulate cottage food. No specific Hunt County cottage food ordinance identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Health departments cannot inspect except to prevent an immediate and serious threat to human life or health. No routine inspections.)

Home kitchen rules

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SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN

No

PET RESTRICTIONS

No specific state restriction in the cottage food statute.

WATER SUPPLY

No specific state requirement for cottage food operations.

HANDWASHING

Standard food safety practices recommended but not legally mandated.

FOOD STORAGE

Non-TCS foods only. Prohibited: meat, poultry, seafood, ice/ice products (shaved ice, ice cream, frozen custard, popsicles, gelato), low-acid canned goods, products containing CBD or THC, raw milk and raw milk products.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED

No — Health departments cannot inspect except to prevent an immediate and serious threat to human life or health. No routine inspections.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT

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LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE

Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Most direct-to-consumer and indirect sales channels permitted. \$150,000 annual cap. Online and mail-order sales permitted. Sales to retailers, restaurants, and via third-party vendors allowed.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified in state statute.

Relevant county code

No specific Hunt County code section identified. State law governs: Tex. Health & Safety §437.001 et seq.

RESEARCH NOTES

Hunt County has no county URLs in the input. State baseline governs. Texas's 2025 SB 541 raised the cap to \$150,000. Hunt County is in the Dallas-Fort Worth exurban area east of Greenville. No county-specific overrides found. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://www.huntcounty.gov>

<https://www.dshs.texas.gov/food-establishments/cottage-food-production-operations>

<https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/HS/htm/HS.437.htm>

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

Bordering counties — cottage food law

Regulation	Hunt County	Rockwall County	Kaufman County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	No specific state restriction in the cottage food statute.	No specific Texas state requirement; standard food safety practices recommended.	No specific state restriction on pets in home for cottage food operations.
INSPECTION REQUIRED	No	No	No
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Most direct-to-consumer and indirect sales channels permitted. \$150,000 annual cap. Online and mail-order sales permitted. Sales to retaile...	Texas allows direct sales and limited indirect sales. Online/delivery allowed. \$150,000 annual cap.	Sales allowed direct-to-consumer, at farmers markets, online (statewide), fairs, roadside stands. SB 541 (2025) also allows sales through n...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional	Varies	Varies
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Texas allows almost all non-TCS foods. Annual sales cap of \$150,000 (raised by SB 541, 2025). No registration, permit, or inspection requir...	Texas state law allows cottage food from home kitchen. Health departments cannot inspect. Rockwall County follows state baseline. Rockwall ...	Texas allows cottage food from residential home kitchens. No registration, permit, or inspection required. Annual gross income cap of \$150,...
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS foods only. Prohibited: meat, poultry, seafood, ice/ice products (shaved ice, ice cream, frozen custard, popsicles, gelato), low-ac...	Shelf-stable non-TCS products stored per food safety standards.	All products must be shelf-stable, non-TCS. Proper storage to prevent contamination required.
POPULATION	101,596	110,631	149,773

State context — Texas cottage food law

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

STATUTE

Tex. Health & Safety §437.001 et seq.

ANNUAL SALES CAP

150000

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

No

FOOD HANDLER CERT

No

KITCHEN INSPECTION

No

DIRECT SALES ONLY

No

INDIRECT SALES

Limited (see notes) — Sales must be made directly to consumers or to a 'cottage food vendor' (a new category created by SB 541 in 2025 – a person with a contractual relationship who sells on behalf of the cottage food operation to consumers in-state). Cottage food products may not be sold as ingredients to a food service establishment. No retail grocery store or wholesale sales permitted under the pre-2025 framework; SB 541 (2025) adds the cottage food vendor intermediary option. Products must be delivered to consumer or vendor at point of sale or consumer-designated location.

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

STATE-LEVEL REFERENCES

State statute: <https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/HS/htm/HS.437.htm>

State dept cottage food page: <https://www.dshs.texas.gov/food-establishments/cottage-food-production-operations>

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

Questions about Hunt 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/texas/hunt-county-discuss

Classifieds

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