

COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

Davis County

Utah · Farmington · FIPS 49011 · Population 363,032 ·
Crosodo Index #1192*

STATE BASELINE

Utah Code §4-5-501

STATE TIER

Freedom

ANNUAL SALES CAP (STATE)

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CONFIDENCE

MEDIUM

LAST VERIFIED

2026-05-05

IMPORTANT — NOT LEGAL ADVICE

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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

Davis County, Utah — permit, pickup, and label steps before the full county rules.

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Conditional

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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Conditional

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION

No

PETS

UDAF explicitly prohibits requiring commercial kitchen equipment; no specific pet restriction in statute.

BEFORE YOU SELL FROM THIS ADDRESS

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

CONTINUE ONLINE

[Open the live county page →](#)

[Utah 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?

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SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

UDAF explicitly prohibits requiring commercial kitchen equipment; no specific pet restriction in statute.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Conditional (Davis County municipalities (Farmington, Bountiful, Layton, Clearfield, etc.) have their own zoning ordinances. Operators should verify with local city/county planning whether home occupation permit required. UDAF prohibits local health departments from requiring commercial kitchen equipment or otherwise restricting compliant registered operations. Local zoning compliance still required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (No routine inspection required. UDAF prohibits local health departments from jurisdiction over compliant registered operations.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED

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SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN

No

PET RESTRICTIONS

UDAF explicitly prohibits requiring commercial kitchen equipment; no specific pet restriction in statute.

WATER SUPPLY

No specific state requirement.

HANDWASHING

Food handler's permit required; handwashing per food safety standards.

FOOD STORAGE

Non-TCS, non-PHF foods only.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — No routine inspection required. UDAF prohibits local health departments from jurisdiction over compliant registered operations.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional — Davis County municipalities (Farmington, Bountiful, Layton, Clearfield, etc.) have their own zoning ordinances. Operators should verify with local city/county planning whether home occupation permit required. UDAF prohibits local health departments from requiring commercial kitchen equipment or otherwise restricting compliant registered operations. Local zoning compliance still required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct and indirect sales allowed. Farmers markets, online, retail, and delivery all permitted under Cottage Food Registration. Alternative pathway (Title 4, Chapter 5A) limited to direct-to-sale locations.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified in state cottage food statute; local zoning rules vary.

Relevant county code

Utah Code §4-5-501 (Cottage Food Registration); Title 4, Chapter 5A (Home Consumption and Homemade Food Act); local Davis County municipal zoning codes.

RESEARCH NOTES

Utah cottage food law (Utah Code §4-5-501) confirmed from state baseline. 'Freedom' tier state: no sales cap, broad food allowance, UDAF prohibits local health departments from restricting compliant registered operations. Davis County (Farmington/Bountiful/Layton area, north of Salt Lake City) follows state baseline. Food handler's permit required for registration. Two pathways: Cottage Food Registration (broader) or Homemade Food Act (more limited but fewer requirements). Confidence medium: state law high-confidence; Davis County local zoning not specifically researched.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://www.daviscountyutah.gov>

<https://ag.utah.gov/farmers/regulatory-services/food-safety/home-consumption-and-homemade-food-act/>

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

Bordering counties — cottage food law

Regulation	Davis County	Weber County	Salt Lake County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Conditional	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	UDAF explicitly prohibits requiring commercial kitchen equipment; no specific pet restriction in statute.	Not specified in state statute; kitchen must be sanitary	State baseline applies
INSPECTION REQUIRED	No	No	Yes
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Direct and indirect sales allowed. Farmers markets, online, retail, and delivery all permitted under Cottage Food Registration. Alternative...	Both direct and indirect sales allowed under UDAF registration. Online sales, delivery, retail sales all permitted. Home Consumption Act pa...	Standard cottage food: products may be sold direct-to-consumer or to stores for resale, within Utah only. MEHK: food sold or provided to co...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	Varies by city
RESTRICTIONS	Utah cottage food law (Utah Code §4-5-501) requires UDAF registration and food handler's permit for Cottage Food Registration pathway. All ...	Cottage Food Registration with UDAF required; food handler's permit required. No sales cap. All non-TCS foods allowed. Separate Home Consum...	Salt Lake County has its own Microenterprise Home Kitchen (MEHK) regulation (adopted by Board of Health June 6, 2024, effective October 202...
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS, non-PHF foods only.	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods; no refrigerated finished products	State baseline applies
POPULATION	363,032	262,960	1,180,643

State context — Utah cottage food law

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

STATUTE

Utah Code §4-5-501

ANNUAL SALES CAP

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REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Yes

FOOD HANDLER CERT

Yes

KITCHEN INSPECTION

No

DIRECT SALES ONLY

No

INDIRECT SALES

Yes — Registered cottage food operations may sell through various channels. The Utah Department of Agriculture and Food (UDAF) issues registration; local health departments do not have jurisdiction to regulate compliant cottage food operations except to investigate foodborne illness outbreaks. The state also has a separate Home Consumption and Homemade Food Act (Utah Code Title 4, Chapter 5A) that allows unregistered sales of certain homemade foods with a business license, but only at direct-to-sale farmers markets or direct-to-sale locations with appropriate signage. Food service establishments may not use cottage food products as ingredients in food served to the public.

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

STATE-LEVEL REFERENCES

State statute: <https://le.utah.gov/xcode/Title4/Chapter5/4-5-S9.5.html>

State dept cottage food page: <https://ag.utah.gov/farmers/regulatory-services/food-safety/home-consumption-and-homemade-food-act/>

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

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