

## COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

# Iron County

Utah · Parowan · FIPS 49021 · Population 58,068 · Crosodo  
Index #573\*

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**

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

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

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

**Yes**

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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

**Varies**

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

**Yes**

INSPECTION

**No**

PETS

**No specific pet restriction; UDAF explicitly prohibits requiring commercial kitchen equipment.**

### 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.

## UTAH: IRON COUNTY

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## Iron County

Population 58,068 · State baseline: Utah Code §4-5-501 · MEDIUM

## QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

## HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Utah cottage food registration (Utah Code §4-5-501) requires UDAF registration and a food handler's permit. No kitchen inspection. No sales cap. Non-TCS foods only. Both direct and indirect sales permitted. Local health departments have no jurisdiction over compliant registered operations.)

## SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

## PETS ALLOWED?

No specific pet restriction; UDAF explicitly prohibits requiring commercial kitchen equipment.

## HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (Iron County may have home occupation zoning requirements. Local health departments have no jurisdiction over compliant UDAF-registered operations. Operators should check with Iron County for land-use requirements.)

## ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

## INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (No routine or complaint-only inspection authority for registered cottage food operations.)

## Home kitchen rules

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| SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| PET RESTRICTIONS           | No specific pet restriction; UDAF explicitly prohibits requiring commercial kitchen equipment.                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| WATER SUPPLY               | No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| HANDWASHING                | Food handler's permit training covers hygiene.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| FOOD STORAGE               | Non-potentially hazardous (non-TCS) foods only.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

## Inspection &amp; permitting

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|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| INSPECTION REQUIRED    | No — No routine or complaint-only inspection authority for registered cottage food operations.                                                                                                                                 |
| HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT | Varies — Iron County may have home occupation zoning requirements. Local health departments have no jurisdiction over compliant UDAF-registered operations. Operators should check with Iron County for land-use requirements. |
| LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE | Varies                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

## Customer-facing rules

|                         |                                                                                                                                             |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP | Yes                                                                                                                                         |
| ON-SITE SIGNAGE         | Conditional                                                                                                                                 |
| DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES | Direct and indirect sales permitted. Farmers markets, home pickup, retail stores, online, and delivery all allowed under UDAF registration. |
| MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME   | Not specified in state statute.                                                                                                             |

## Relevant county code

Iron County zoning code (home occupation provisions); no specific cottage food county code identified.

### RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific cottage food ordinance found for Iron County. Utah is a Freedom-tier state. Iron County is in southwestern Utah; Cedar City is the main population center (note: county seat is Parowan but Cedar City is larger). Local health departments explicitly excluded from jurisdiction over registered operations.

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### SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://www.ironcounty.gov>

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

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

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

## Bordering counties — cottage food law

| Regulation                 | Iron County                                                                                                                                    | Washington County                                                                                                                              | Beaver County                                                                                                                                  |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED       | Yes                                                                                                                                            | Yes                                                                                                                                            | Yes                                                                                                                                            |
| SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN | No                                                                                                                                             | No                                                                                                                                             | No                                                                                                                                             |
| PETS ALLOWED               | No specific pet restriction; UDAF explicitly prohibits requiring commercial kitchen equipment.                                                 | No explicit state restriction; good manufacturing practices apply.                                                                             | No specific pet restriction in state cottage food law; UDAF may note best practices during inspection.                                         |
| INSPECTION REQUIRED        | No                                                                                                                                             | No                                                                                                                                             | Yes                                                                                                                                            |
| ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP    | Yes                                                                                                                                            | Yes                                                                                                                                            | Yes                                                                                                                                            |
| ON-SITE SIGNAGE            | Conditional                                                                                                                                    | No                                                                                                                                             | Yes                                                                                                                                            |
| DELIVERY / PICKUP          | Direct and indirect sales permitted. Farmers markets, home pickup, retail stores, online, and delivery all allowed under UDAF registration.    | Online sales, in-state delivery, farmers markets, and direct sales from home all permitted under UDAF registration. Interstate sales not pe... | Products may be sold direct-to-consumer (home pickup, farmers markets, events, online orders) and to retail stores for resale within Utah. ... |
| HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT     | Varies                                                                                                                                         | Yes                                                                                                                                            | No                                                                                                                                             |
| LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE     | Varies                                                                                                                                         | Yes                                                                                                                                            | No                                                                                                                                             |
| RESTRICTIONS               | Utah cottage food registration (Utah Code §4-5-501) requires UDAF registration and a food handler's permit. No kitchen inspection. No sales... | UDAF registration required for cottage food registration pathway. Food handler's permit required. Non-TCS foods only. No sales cap. UDAF pr... | Utah Cottage Food Law (Utah Code §4-5-501) allows sale of shelf-stable, non-potentially-hazardous foods from a home kitchen after UDAF regi... |
| FOOD STORAGE               | Non-potentially hazardous (non-TCS) foods only.                                                                                                | Shelf-stable non-TCS foods stored appropriately; no commercial refrigeration required.                                                         | Shelf-stable, non-potentially-hazardous (non-TCS) foods only. UDAF maintains a list of permitted cottage food products. Refrigerated or fro... |
| POPULATION                 | 58,068                                                                                                                                         | 183,297                                                                                                                                        | 7,102                                                                                                                                          |

## State context — Utah cottage food law

Iron 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](https://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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[crosodo.com/nb/utah/iron-county-discuss](https://crosodo.com/nb/utah/iron-county-discuss)

## Classifieds

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

### NATIONAL

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##### Advertise here — Supplies

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

#### COURSES

##### Advertise here — Courses

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### LOCAL

#### Advertise here

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