

COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

Tooele County

Utah · Tooele · FIPS 49045 · Population 74,032 · Crosodo
Index #566*

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

Tooele 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

Not specified in state 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?

Yes (All non-potentially hazardous (non-TCS) foods under the Cottage Food Registration. A separate Home Consumption and Homemade Food Act (Title 4, Chapter 5A) provides an alternative pathway with fewer registration requirements but more sales restrictions. UDAF explicitly prohibits requiring commercial kitchen equipment.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Not specified in state statute.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (UDAF registration required. UDAF explicitly prohibits local health departments from regulating compliant cottage food operations. Tooele County may have local zoning home occupation requirements, but not food safety requirements. No Tooele County-specific cottage food ordinance found.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (No routine inspection. UDAF may investigate upon complaint. Local health departments have no jurisdiction over compliant registered operations.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED

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SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN

No

PET RESTRICTIONS

Not specified in state statute.

WATER SUPPLY

Potable water required.

HANDWASHING

Food handler certification required (food handler's permit required for UDAF registration).

FOOD STORAGE

Non-potentially hazardous shelf-stable products must be stored appropriately.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED

No — No routine inspection. UDAF may investigate upon complaint. Local health departments have no jurisdiction over compliant registered operations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT

Varies — UDAF registration required. UDAF explicitly prohibits local health departments from regulating compliant cottage food operations. Tooele County may have local zoning home occupation requirements, but not food safety requirements. No Tooele County-specific cottage food ordinance found.

LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE

Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Broad sales rights under the Cottage Food Registration: direct and indirect sales, online, farmers markets, home. Alternative Home Consumption pathway restricted to direct-to-sale farmers markets or direct-to-sale locations.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified.

Relevant county code

Utah Code §4-5-501. No Tooele County-specific code section found.

RESEARCH NOTES

Utah Cottage Food Registration (§4-5-501, renumbered from §4-5-9.5 in 2023 code reorganization) allows all non-TCS foods with no sales cap. Local health departments have no jurisdiction over compliant operations. A separate Food Freedom pathway (Title 4, Chapter 5A) is more limited but requires less registration. No Tooele County-specific overrides found. Confidence: medium (state law verified, no county-specific ordinance confirmed).

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://www.tooelecounty.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/tooele-county-discuss

Bordering counties — cottage food law

Regulation	Tooele County	Box Elder County	Weber County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	Not specified in state statute.	No specific pet restriction; UDAF explicitly prohibits requiring commercial kitchen equipment.	Not specified in state statute; kitchen must be sanitary
INSPECTION REQUIRED	No	No	No
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Broad sales rights under the Cottage Food Registration: direct and indirect sales, online, farmers markets, home. Alternative Home Consumpt...	Direct and indirect sales permitted. Farmers markets, home pickup, retail stores, online, and delivery all allowed under UDAF registration.	Both direct and indirect sales allowed under UDAF registration. Online sales, delivery, retail sales all permitted. Home Consumption Act pa...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies	Varies	Conditional
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	All non-potentially hazardous (non-TCS) foods under the Cottage Food Registration. A separate Home Consumption and Homemade Food Act (Title...	Utah cottage food registration (Utah Code §4-5-501) requires UDAF registration and a food handler's permit. No kitchen inspection. No sales...	Cottage Food Registration with UDAF required; food handler's permit required. No sales cap. All non-TCS foods allowed. Separate Home Consum...
FOOD STORAGE	Non-potentially hazardous shelf-stable products must be stored appropriately.	Non-potentially hazardous (non-TCS) foods only.	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods; no refrigerated finished products
POPULATION	74,032	58,291	262,960

State context — Utah cottage food law

Tooele 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

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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/>

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

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Classifieds

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