

COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

Franklin County

Washington · Pasco · FIPS 53021 · Population 96,692 ·
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STATE BASELINE	STATE TIER	ANNUAL SALES CAP (STATE)	CONFIDENCE	LAST VERIFIED
RCW §69.22.010-.040	Good	—	MEDIUM	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

Franklin County, Washington — permit, pickup, and label steps before the full county rules.

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes

STATE SALES CAP

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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Conditional

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION

Yes

PETS

Only permittee or persons under direct supervision in kitchen during processing; pets effectively excluded.

BEFORE YOU SELL FROM THIS ADDRESS

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

CONTINUE ONLINE

[Open the live county page →](#)

[Washington 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 (Washington state cottage food law (RCW §69.22): biennial permit with annual inspection required. Allowed: non-PHF baked goods, baked/stovetop candies, jams/jellies/preserves/fruit butters (21 CFR §150), other non-PHF director-approved foods. No internet/mail order or out-of-state retail sales. Food handler card required under RCW 69.06. Applicant must grant right of entry to home during normal business hours.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Only permittee or persons under direct supervision in kitchen during processing; pets effectively excluded.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Conditional (Franklin County (Pasco, Kennewick-Pasco-Richland metro area) may require local home occupation permits. No Franklin County-specific cottage food zoning rules identified. Operators should check with Franklin County Planning.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Yes (Annual basic hygiene inspections required; part of biennial permit process (\$125 biennial + \$75 public health review + \$30 processing fee).)

Home kitchen rules

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SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Only permittee or persons under direct supervision in kitchen during processing; pets effectively excluded.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water supply requirement beyond general food safety; \$75 public health review fee at permitting.
HANDWASHING	Food handler card required; annual basic hygiene inspections cover handwashing.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-PHF shelf-stable foods only; no reduced oxygen packaging for cottage food.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Yes — Annual basic hygiene inspections required; part of biennial permit process (\$125 biennial + \$75 public health review + \$30 processing fee).
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional — Franklin County (Pasco, Kennewick-Pasco-Richland metro area) may require local home occupation permits. No Franklin County-specific cottage food zoning rules identified. Operators should check with Franklin County Planning.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer sales only in person; no internet or mail order; no out-of-state sales. Sales at farmers markets, events, home permitted with valid cottage food permit.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Only permittee or persons under direct supervision during production.

Relevant county code

No Franklin County-specific cottage food code identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

No Franklin County-specific cottage food overrides found. Franklin County is in eastern Washington (Tri-Cities area: Pasco, Kennewick, Richland). Washington state rules apply. Franklin County Public Health is the local public health authority. Washington has burdensome permit/inspection requirements relative to most states.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://www.franklincounty.gov>

<https://agr.wa.gov/services/business-services/food-safety-and-licensing/cottage-food-operations>

<https://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=69.22.040>

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

Bordering counties — cottage food law

Regulation	Franklin County	Grant County	Walla Walla County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	Only permittee or persons under direct supervision in kitchen during processing; pets effectively excluded.	No one other than the permittee or persons under direct supervision may be in the kitchen during processing; pets implicitly excluded durin...	Only permittee and persons under direct supervision in kitchen during processing
INSPECTION REQUIRED	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Conditional
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Direct-to-consumer sales only in person; no internet or mail order; no out-of-state sales. Sales at farmers markets, events, home permitted...	Direct-to-consumer sales allowed in person; no internet or mail order sales; no out-of-state sales. Sales at farmers markets, events, and f...	Direct sales only; no internet, mail order, or retail sales outside state. Sales at home, farmers markets, and events permitted.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	Yes
RESTRICTIONS	Washington state cottage food law (RCW §69.22): biennial permit with annual inspection required. Allowed: non-PHF baked goods, baked/stovet...	Washington state cottage food law (RCW §69.22) allows home kitchen production of non-potentially hazardous foods with a biennial permit and...	Must obtain biennial WA Department of Agriculture permit with inspection. Non-PHF foods only. All food handlers must have food and beverage...
FOOD STORAGE	Non-PHF shelf-stable foods only; no reduced oxygen packaging for cottage food.	Non-potentially hazardous, shelf-stable foods only; must prevent contamination.	Non-PHF shelf-stable foods only
POPULATION	96,692	99,145	62,150

State context — Washington cottage food law

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

STATUTE	ANNUAL SALES CAP
RCW §69.22.010–.040	—
REGISTRATION REQUIRED	FOOD HANDLER CERT
Yes	Yes
KITCHEN INSPECTION	DIRECT SALES ONLY
Yes	Yes
INDIRECT SALES	
No — Cottage food products may only be sold directly to the consumer. Internet sales, mail order, and retail sale outside Washington state are explicitly prohibited. Products may not be repackaged, sold, or used as an ingredient by a food processing plant, or sold by a food service establishment.	

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

STATE-LEVEL REFERENCES

State statute: <https://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=69.22.040>

State dept cottage food page: <https://agr.wa.gov/services/business-services/food-safety-and-licensing/cottage-food-operations>

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

Questions about Franklin 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/washington/franklin-county-discuss

Classifieds

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SUPPLIES

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