

COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

Grant County

Washington · Ephrata · FIPS 53025 · Population 99,145 ·
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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

Grant 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

No one other than the permittee or persons under direct supervision may be in the kitchen during processing; pets implicitly excluded during production.

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) allows home kitchen production of non-potentially hazardous foods with a biennial permit and annual inspection. Permitted foods include non-PHF baked goods, baked/stovetop candies, jams/jellies/preserves/fruit butters (21 CFR §150), and other non-PHF foods approved by WSDA. No internet, mail order, or out-of-state retail sales allowed. Only permittee or persons under direct supervision may handle products or be in kitchen during processing.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No one other than the permittee or persons under direct supervision may be in the kitchen during processing; pets implicitly excluded during production.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Conditional (Grant County zoning may require a home occupation permit; no Grant County-specific cottage food zoning rules identified. Operators should check with Grant County Planning at (509) 754-2011.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Yes (Annual basic hygiene inspections required; WSDA (or county health authority) inspects home kitchen as part of biennial permit (\$125 biennial permit + \$75 public health review fee + \$30 processing fee).)

Home kitchen rules

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SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No one other than the permittee or persons under direct supervision may be in the kitchen during processing; pets implicitly excluded during production.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water supply requirement stated in RCW §69.22 beyond general food safety; public health review fee applies at permitting.
HANDWASHING	Required as part of the annual basic hygiene inspection and food handler permit under RCW 69.06.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-potentially hazardous, shelf-stable foods only; must prevent contamination.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Yes — Annual basic hygiene inspections required; WSDA (or county health authority) inspects home kitchen as part of biennial permit (\$125 biennial permit + \$75 public health review fee + \$30 processing fee).
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional — Grant County zoning may require a home occupation permit; no Grant County-specific cottage food zoning rules identified. Operators should check with Grant County Planning at (509) 754-2011.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

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

Relevant county code

No Grant County-specific code section identified for cottage food.

RESEARCH NOTES

No Grant County-specific cottage food overrides found. Rules follow Washington state baseline under RCW §69.22.010–.040. Washington has one of the more burdensome cottage food permit systems nationally: biennial permit with annual inspection, food handler card required, applicant must grant right of entry to the home. No sales cap. Grant County is rural eastern Washington; operators apply through WSDA and local public health district.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://www.grantcounty.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/grant-county-discuss

Bordering counties — cottage food law

Regulation	Grant County	Franklin County	Benton County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	No one other than the permittee or persons under direct supervision may be in the kitchen during processing; pets implicitly excluded durin...	Only permittee or persons under direct supervision in kitchen during processing; pets effectively excluded.	Only the permittee and persons under their direct supervision permitted in the kitchen during processing. Pet presence in the kitchen durin...
INSPECTION REQUIRED	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Conditional
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	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-to-consumer sales only in person; no internet or mail order; no out-of-state sales. Sales at farmers markets, events, home permitted...	Washington cottage food law permits direct-to-consumer sales at home, events, and farmers markets within Washington. Internet/mail-order/re...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Washington state cottage food law (RCW §69.22) allows home kitchen production of non-potentially hazardous foods with a biennial permit and...	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) requires a biennial WSDA permit with annual kitchen inspections. Fee approximately \$125 (ins...
FOOD STORAGE	Non-potentially hazardous, shelf-stable foods only; must prevent contamination.	Non-PHF shelf-stable foods only; no reduced oxygen packaging for cottage food.	Non-potentially-hazardous products only. Standard GMP storage requirements.
POPULATION	99,145	96,692	207,560

State context — Washington cottage food law

Grant 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 Grant 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/grant-county-discuss

Classifieds

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