

COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

Hot Springs County

Wyoming · Thermopolis · FIPS 56017 · Population 4,608 ·
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STATE BASELINE

Wyo. Stat. §11-49-101 through §11-49-104 (Wyoming Food Freedom Act)

STATE TIER

Freedom

ANNUAL SALES CAP (STATE)

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CONFIDENCE

MEDIUM

LAST VERIFIED

2026-05-06

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

Hot Springs County, Wyoming — permit, pickup, and label steps before the full county rules.

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes

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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

No

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION

No

PETS

No specific pet restriction in state Food Freedom Act.

BEFORE YOU SELL FROM THIS ADDRESS

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

CONTINUE ONLINE

[Open the live county page →](#)

[Wyoming 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 (Wyoming Food Freedom Act (§11-49-101 et seq.) permits broad home kitchen sales statewide with no license, permit, or inspection required. Hot Springs County is one of Wyoming's smallest counties by population; no county-specific cottage food or home occupation zoning regulations identified. Producer caps: 250,000 units or \$250,000 gross revenue per year.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No specific pet restriction in state Food Freedom Act.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

No (No county-specific home occupation permit identified for Hot Springs County. Wyoming Food Freedom Act exempts home-based food operations from licensing and permitting.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (No routine inspection under Wyoming Food Freedom Act.)

Home kitchen rules**HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED**

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SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN

No

PET RESTRICTIONS

No specific pet restriction in state Food Freedom Act.

WATER SUPPLY

No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.

HANDWASHING

No specific state Food Freedom Act handwashing mandate.

FOOD STORAGE

No licensing, inspection, or packaging requirements under the Food Freedom Act for homemade foods sold to informed end consumers.

Inspection & permitting**INSPECTION REQUIRED**

No — No routine inspection under Wyoming Food Freedom Act.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT

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LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE

No

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Sales permitted at farmers markets, farms, ranches, producer's homes, or any location agreed upon by producer and informed end consumer. Non-potentially hazardous foods may also be sold through third-party retailers. No interstate commerce.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified in state statute.

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified. Wyoming Food Freedom Act Wyo. Stat. §11-49-101 et seq. applies.

RESEARCH NOTES

Hot Springs County is a very small rural Wyoming county (population ~4,608). No county-specific home occupation permit or cottage food zoning regulations identified. State Food Freedom Act is the operative law.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://www.hotspringscountywy.gov/>

<https://wyagric.gov/divisions/chs/food-safety/wyoming-food-freedom>

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

Bordering counties — cottage food law

Regulation	Hot Springs County	Fremont County	Park County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	No specific pet restriction in state Food Freedom Act.	No specific pet restriction in state Food Freedom Act.	No specific pet restriction in state Food Freedom Act.
INSPECTION REQUIRED	No	No	No
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes	Yes	Conditional
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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No	No	Varies
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	No	No	Varies
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POPULATION	4,608	40,543	29,194

State context — Wyoming cottage food law

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

STATUTE

Wyo. Stat. §11-49-101 through §11-49-104 (Wyoming Food Freedom Act)

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REGISTRATION REQUIRED

No

FOOD HANDLER CERT

No

KITCHEN INSPECTION

No

DIRECT SALES ONLY

No

INDIRECT SALES

Yes — Wyoming's Food Freedom Act allows considerably broader indirect sales than most states. Non-potentially hazardous foods, eggs, and dairy products may be sold through third-party vendors (retail shops, grocery stores) as long as the sale complies with the Act. The third-party seller must inform consumers that the food is not certified, licensed, or inspected, and non-potentially hazardous foods must be displayed separately from licensed products with a label stating 'this food was made in a home kitchen, is not regulated or inspected and may contain allergens.' Potentially hazardous homemade foods (except eggs/dairy) must be sold by the producer or designated agent only. A 'designated agent' may also facilitate transactions including marketing, transport, storage, and delivery without taking ownership of the product.

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

STATE-LEVEL REFERENCES

State statute: <https://wyoleg.gov/NXT/gateway.dll?f=templates&fn=default.htm>

State dept cottage food page: <https://wyagric.gov/divisions/chs/food-safety/wyoming-food-freedom>

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

Questions about Hot Springs 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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