

COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

Broomfield County

Colorado · Broomfield · FIPS 08014 · Population 73,946 ·
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STATE BASELINE

C.R.S. §25-4-1614

STATE TIER

Great

ANNUAL SALES CAP (STATE)

Tiered (see notes)

CONFIDENCE

HIGH

LAST VERIFIED

2026-05-05

IMPORTANT — NOT LEGAL ADVICE

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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.

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QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Non-refrigerated nonpotentially hazardous foods. \$10,000 annual cap per-product (not total revenue). Free CDPHE registration required. Inspection only upon complaint.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Not specified in state statute.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Conditional (Broomfield is a combined city and county. Broomfield's zoning code (§17-32-020, B.M.C.) allows home occupations as permitted accessory uses subject to standards: business must be entirely within the dwelling, conducted only by inhabitants, no exterior signs, no exterior storage, no offensive impacts beyond property line, max 2 patron vehicles at a time, no commercial vehicles on site, and max 50% of first floor used for business. Broomfield does not require a separate local business license generally, but sales require a Sales Tax Department license with Planning Division review. Contact Planning Division to confirm home occupation compliance before operating.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Conditional

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (Inspections only upon complaint per C.R.S. §25-4-1614.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED

Yes — Non-refrigerated nonpotentially hazardous foods. \$10,000 annual cap per-product (not total revenue). Free CDPHE registration required. Inspection only upon complaint.

SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN

No

PET RESTRICTIONS

Not specified in state statute.

WATER SUPPLY

Potable water required.

HANDWASHING

Food handler course required (options: CSU Extension \$50, online food handler card ~\$10-15, or local health dept course).

FOOD STORAGE

Non-PHF shelf-stable products must be stored appropriately.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED

Upon-complaint — Inspections only upon complaint per C.R.S. §25-4-1614.

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LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE

Conditional

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Conditional
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	No
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only at state level. Customer pickup from home allowed under home occupation rules but limited to max 2 patron vehicles at a time. No exterior advertising. Online in-state sales permitted.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Only inhabitants of the dwelling may conduct the home occupation. No outside employees allowed.

Relevant county code

C.R.S. §25-4-1614 (state cottage food); Broomfield Municipal Code §17-32-020 (home occupations)

RESEARCH NOTES

Broomfield is a unique combined city and county in Colorado. Local home occupation rules (BMC §17-32-020) directly confirmed from Broomfield Planning Division document: no exterior signs, no exterior storage, dwelling inhabitants only, max 50% of first floor, max 2 patron vehicles, no commercial vehicles. No separate business license required but sales require Sales Tax Department license. Planning Division review required. State cottage food law (C.R.S. §25-4-1614) has \$10,000 per-product cap (not total revenue cap). HB 26-1033 (Tamale Act) pending in 2026 would expand law if enacted. Confidence: high (city/county planning rules directly retrieved, state law confirmed).

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://www.broomfieldcounty.gov>

<https://cdphe.colorado.gov/cottage-foods>

<https://www.broomfield.org/DocumentCenter/View/1583>

https://www.zoneomics.com/code/broomfield-CO/chapter_32

Questions? Join the Crosodo Forum to discuss your county's specific zoning rules at <https://crosodo.com/nb/colorado/broomfield-county-discuss>

Bordering counties — cottage food law

Regulation	Broomfield County	Boulder County	Weld County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	Not specified in state statute.	No specific state restriction; kitchen sanitation required	No specific state restriction; kitchen sanitation required
INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint	Upon-complaint	Upon-complaint
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Conditional	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	No	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Direct sales only at state level. Customer pickup from home allowed under home occupation rules but limited to max 2 patron vehicles at a t...	Direct sales at residence, farmers markets, roadside stands, events, online with in-state delivery only; no sales to restaurants or grocery...	Direct sales at residence, farmers markets, roadside stands, events, online with in-state delivery; no interstate shipping; no sales to res...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional	Varies	Varies
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Conditional	Varies	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Non-refrigerated nonpotentially hazardous foods. \$10,000 annual cap per-product (not total revenue). Free CDPHE registration required. Insp...	Non-TCS non-refrigerated foods only; food safety course required; \$10,000 per-product annual cap; direct to consumer only; labeling require...	Non-TCS non-refrigerated foods only; food safety course completion required; \$10,000 per-product annual cap; direct to consumer only (no re...
FOOD STORAGE	Non-PHF shelf-stable products must be stored appropriately.	Sanitary storage of non-TCS foods	Sanitary storage of non-TCS foods
POPULATION	73,946	328,658	331,466

State context — Colorado cottage food law

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

STATUTE

C.R.S. §25-4-1614

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Yes

KITCHEN INSPECTION

Upon-complaint

INDIRECT SALES

No — Products cannot be resold; producers must sell directly to consumers but may designate a representative to sell on their behalf. Sales through restaurants or retail stores are not permitted, though the health department may allow direct sales at those locations on a case-by-case basis.

ANNUAL SALES CAP

Tiered (see notes)

FOOD HANDLER CERT

Yes (specific course)

DIRECT SALES ONLY

Yes

For the full state-level analysis including the verbatim statute text, see the [Colorado cottage food law report](#).

STATE-LEVEL REFERENCES

State statute: https://leg.colorado.gov/sites/default/files/2022a_158_signed.pdf

State dept cottage food page: <https://cdphe.colorado.gov/cottage-foods>

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

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