

## COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

# Lincoln County

Idaho · Shoshone · FIPS 16063 · Population 5,393 · Crosodo Index #697\*

## STATE BASELINE

IDAPA 16.02.19 (Idaho Food Code, cottage food provisions)

## STATE TIER

Great

## 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

Lincoln County, Idaho — 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?

**Conditional**

### INSPECTION

**No**

### PETS

**No specific state-level pet restriction for cottage food, but good manufacturing practices recommend excluding pets during production.**

### BEFORE YOU SELL FROM THIS ADDRESS

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

### CONTINUE ONLINE

[Open the live county page →](#)

[Idaho label one-pager →](#)

[Local notes & questions →](#)

Planning path only — not legal advice. Rules change. Always verify with state and local offices before selling.

## IDAHO: LINCOLN COUNTY

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## QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

## HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Must operate from primary residence kitchen. No registration or inspection required at state level. Only non-potentially hazardous foods allowed (no acidified foods). Direct sales only to end consumers in Idaho. No wholesale, retail store, or restaurant sales permitted.)

## SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

## PETS ALLOWED?

No specific state-level pet restriction for cottage food, but good manufacturing practices recommend excluding pets during production.

## HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Conditional (Lincoln County is a small rural south-central Idaho county. Home-based businesses are generally allowed as accessory residential uses. Contact Lincoln County at (208) 886-7641 for any applicable zoning requirements.)

## ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Conditional

## INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (No routine inspection. South Central Public Health District (serving Lincoln County) may investigate upon complaint.)

## Home kitchen rules

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|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED       | Yes — Must operate from primary residence kitchen. No registration or inspection required at state level. Only non-potentially hazardous foods allowed (no acidified foods). Direct sales only to end consumers in Idaho. No wholesale, retail store, or restaurant sales permitted. |
| SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN | No                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| PET RESTRICTIONS           | No specific state-level pet restriction for cottage food, but good manufacturing practices recommend excluding pets during production.                                                                                                                                               |
| WATER SUPPLY               | Potable water required. No additional testing requirements at state level.                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| HANDWASHING                | Standard good hygiene practices expected; no specific statutory handwashing requirement for cottage food.                                                                                                                                                                            |
| FOOD STORAGE               | Products must be stored at producer's primary residence; safe handling guidelines apply.                                                                                                                                                                                             |

## Inspection &amp; permitting

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|------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| INSPECTION REQUIRED    | No — No routine inspection. South Central Public Health District (serving Lincoln County) may investigate upon complaint.                                                                                                             |
| HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT | Conditional — Lincoln County is a small rural south-central Idaho county. Home-based businesses are generally allowed as accessory residential uses. Contact Lincoln County at (208) 886-7641 for any applicable zoning requirements. |
| LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE | Varies                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |

**Customer-facing rules**

|                         |                                                                                                                                                                     |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP | Conditional                                                                                                                                                         |
| ON-SITE SIGNAGE         | Conditional                                                                                                                                                         |
| DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES | Idaho cottage food allows direct sales to consumers; home pickup is permitted. Delivery to consumers is permitted. No mail order or internet sales under state law. |
| MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME   | Not specified in state law.                                                                                                                                         |

**Relevant county code**

Lincoln County Zoning Ordinance (unincorporated areas); contact Lincoln County for current text.

**RESEARCH NOTES**

Lincoln County is a small rural county in south-central Idaho. No specific county zoning ordinance text located. Idaho cottage food governed by IDAPA 16.02.19; direct sales only; no acidified foods. Defaulting to state baseline with medium confidence.

**SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME**

<https://www.lincolncounty.gov>

<https://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/services-programs/food-safety/cottage-food-operations>

<https://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/16/160219.pdf>

**Questions about this county?** Local notes and a place to leave a question: [crosodo.com/nb/idaho/lincoln-county-discuss](https://crosodo.com/nb/idaho/lincoln-county-discuss)

## Bordering counties — cottage food law

| Regulation                 | Lincoln County                                                                                                                                 | Blaine County                                                                                                                                  | Camas County                                                                                                                                   |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED       | Yes                                                                                                                                            | Yes                                                                                                                                            | Yes                                                                                                                                            |
| SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN | No                                                                                                                                             | No                                                                                                                                             | No                                                                                                                                             |
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| INSPECTION REQUIRED        | No                                                                                                                                             | No                                                                                                                                             | No                                                                                                                                             |
| ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP    | Conditional                                                                                                                                    | Conditional                                                                                                                                    | Conditional                                                                                                                                    |
| ON-SITE SIGNAGE            | Conditional                                                                                                                                    | Conditional                                                                                                                                    | Conditional                                                                                                                                    |
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| HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT     | Conditional                                                                                                                                    | Conditional                                                                                                                                    | Conditional                                                                                                                                    |
| LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE     | Varies                                                                                                                                         | Varies                                                                                                                                         | Varies                                                                                                                                         |
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| POPULATION                 | 5,393                                                                                                                                          | 23,048                                                                                                                                         | 1,106                                                                                                                                          |

## State context — Idaho cottage food law

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

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| STATUTE                                                                                                                                                                                                  | ANNUAL SALES CAP  |
| IDAPA 16.02.19 (Idaho Food Code, cottage food provisions)                                                                                                                                                | —                 |
| REGISTRATION REQUIRED                                                                                                                                                                                    | FOOD HANDLER CERT |
| No                                                                                                                                                                                                       | No                |
| KITCHEN INSPECTION                                                                                                                                                                                       | DIRECT SALES ONLY |
| No                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Yes               |
| INDIRECT SALES                                                                                                                                                                                           |                   |
| No — Idaho prohibits wholesale, restaurant, and retail store sales; only direct-to-consumer in-person sales at home, farmers markets, events, online (pickup/delivery), and roadside stands are allowed. |                   |

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

### STATE-LEVEL REFERENCES

State statute: <https://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/16/160219.pdf>

State dept cottage food page: <https://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/services-programs/food-safety/cottage-food-operations>

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

**Questions about Lincoln 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/idaho/lincoln-county-discuss](https://crosodo.com/nb/idaho/lincoln-county-discuss)

## Classifieds

Resources for cottage food & home bakers · [crosodo.com/advertise](https://crosodo.com/advertise)

### NATIONAL

#### SUPPLIES

##### Advertise here — Supplies

Reach home bakers across the country. [crosodo.com/advertise](https://crosodo.com/advertise)

#### COURSES

##### Advertise here — Courses

Reach home bakers across the country. [crosodo.com/advertise](https://crosodo.com/advertise)

#### INSURANCE

##### Advertise here — Insurance

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### LOCAL

#### Advertise here

Reach home bakers in Lincoln County, Idaho. Supply stores, farmers markets, kitchen rentals, and bakery services welcome.

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#### Your business here

Local cottage food listings, kitchen rentals, co-packer referrals, and community events — post yours on Crosodo.

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