

## COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

# Wayne County

Mississippi · Waynesboro · FIPS 28153 · Population 19,749 ·  
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## STATE BASELINE

Miss. Code Ann. §75-29-951

## STATE TIER

Good

## ANNUAL SALES CAP (STATE)

35000

## 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.

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### QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

**HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?**

Yes (Must produce in home kitchen. Non-potentially hazardous foods only. Annual gross sales cap \$35,000. Direct-to-consumer sales only (no internet sales, mail order, wholesale, or retail establishments). Products must be sold in person.)

**SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?**

No

**PETS ALLOWED?**

Not specified in state cottage food law.

**HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?**

Conditional (No specific Wayne County cottage food or home occupation rules found. City of Waynesboro may have business license requirements. Recommend verifying with Wayne County planning/zoning department.)

**ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?**

Yes

**INSPECTION REQUIRED?**

Upon-complaint (No routine inspection. MSDH may inspect upon complaint or suspected foodborne illness.)

### Home kitchen rules

<b>HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED</b>	Yes — Must produce in home kitchen. Non-potentially hazardous foods only. Annual gross sales cap \$35,000. Direct-to-consumer sales only (no internet sales, mail order, wholesale, or retail establishments). Products must be sold in person.
<b>SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN</b>	No
<b>PET RESTRICTIONS</b>	Not specified in state cottage food law.
<b>WATER SUPPLY</b>	Not specified in state cottage food law.
<b>HANDWASHING</b>	Standard sanitation practices; not specifically required by statute.
<b>FOOD STORAGE</b>	Products must be non-potentially hazardous and not require refrigeration.

### Inspection & permitting

<b>INSPECTION REQUIRED</b>	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection. MSDH may inspect upon complaint or suspected foodborne illness.
<b>HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT</b>	Conditional — No specific Wayne County cottage food or home occupation rules found. City of Waynesboro may have business license requirements. Recommend verifying with Wayne County planning/zoning department.
<b>LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE</b>	Varies

### Customer-facing rules

<b>ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP</b>	Yes
<b>ON-SITE SIGNAGE</b>	Conditional
<b>DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES</b>	In-person direct-to-consumer sales only. No internet sales, mail order, wholesale, or retail establishment sales permitted under state law.
<b>MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME</b>	Not specified in state cottage food law.

**Relevant county code**

Miss. Code Ann. §75-29-951

**RESEARCH NOTES**

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinances found for Wayne County. Located in southeast Mississippi. Governance follows state law. Recommend verifying with Wayne County Board of Supervisors and City of Waynesboro for any local business license requirements.

**SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME**

[https://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/\\_static/30,0,77,620.html](https://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/_static/30,0,77,620.html)

<https://law.justia.com/codes/mississippi/title-75/chapter-29/article-21/section-75-29-951/>

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

## State context — Mississippi cottage food law

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

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<b>STATUTE</b> Miss. Code Ann. §75-29-951	<b>ANNUAL SALES CAP</b> 35000
<b>REGISTRATION REQUIRED</b> No	<b>FOOD HANDLER CERT</b> No
<b>KITCHEN INSPECTION</b> Upon-complaint	<b>DIRECT SALES ONLY</b> Yes
<b>INDIRECT SALES</b> No — Mississippi prohibits Internet sales, mail order, wholesale, and retail establishment sales. Cottage food products may only be sold through in-person direct-to-consumer channels including events, farmers markets, home sales, and roadside stands. Advertising on the Internet including social media is permitted even though sales through those channels are not.	

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

### STATE-LEVEL REFERENCES

State statute: <https://law.justia.com/codes/mississippi/title-75/chapter-29/article-21/section-75-29-951/>

State dept cottage food page: <https://msdh.ms.gov/page/30,0,76.html>

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

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