

## COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

# Douglas County

Nevada · Minden · FIPS 32005 · Population 49,476 · Crosodo Index #1200\*

## STATE BASELINE

NRS §446.866 (repealed 2025; superseded by AB352/chapters 420 & 512, Statutes of Nevada 2025)

STATE TIER	ANNUAL SALES CAP (STATE)	CONFIDENCE	LAST VERIFIED
Okay	35000	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.

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Yes (Must be primary private home kitchen. Under new AB352 (2025): license from State Department of Agriculture required, annual sales cap raised to \$100,000, acidified foods now permitted, internet/phone sales with in-person or mail/delivery fulfillment now allowed. Products must be non-TCS (or acidified). Operation must be run by a natural person.)

**SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?**

No

**PETS ALLOWED?**

Not specified in state law.

**HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?**

Conditional (Douglas County is in the Carson Valley/Lake Tahoe area. Douglas County may require home occupation permits. City of Minden and Gardnerville are adjacent unincorporated communities. Recommend verifying with Douglas County Community Development and Planning.)

**ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?**

Yes

**INSPECTION REQUIRED?**

No (No routine kitchen inspection. State licensing/registration required.)

**Home kitchen rules**

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<b>SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN</b>	No
<b>PET RESTRICTIONS</b>	Not specified in state law.
<b>WATER SUPPLY</b>	Not specified in state law.
<b>HANDWASHING</b>	Standard sanitation practices; not explicitly required.
<b>FOOD STORAGE</b>	Products must be non-potentially hazardous or acidified; no TCS foods without additional licensing.

**Inspection & permitting**

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<b>HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT</b>	Conditional — Douglas County is in the Carson Valley/Lake Tahoe area. Douglas County may require home occupation permits. City of Minden and Gardnerville are adjacent unincorporated communities. Recommend verifying with Douglas County Community Development and Planning.
<b>LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE</b>	Varies

**Customer-facing rules**

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Under AB352 (2025): in-person and mail/delivery sales allowed. Direct-to-consumer required; no wholesale.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified in state law.

**Relevant county code**

NRS §446.866 (repealed); AB352 (2025); Douglas County Zoning Code

**RESEARCH NOTES**

Nevada's cottage food law underwent major changes in 2025 (AB352). Douglas County is a small, affluent county in the Carson Valley near South Lake Tahoe and Carson City. No Douglas County-specific cottage food ordinances found. Note: confidence is medium because new AB352 statutory text not directly retrieved in final codified form.

**SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME**

[https://dpbh.nv.gov/Reg/CottageFood/Cottage\\_Food\\_Operations/](https://dpbh.nv.gov/Reg/CottageFood/Cottage_Food_Operations/)

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/nrs/NRS-446.html#NRS446Sec866>

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

## State context — Nevada cottage food law

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

<b>STATUTE</b>	<b>ANNUAL SALES CAP</b>
NRS §446.866 (repealed 2025; superseded by AB352/chapter 420 & 512, Statutes of Nevada 2025)	35000
<b>REGISTRATION REQUIRED</b>	<b>FOOD HANDLER CERT</b>
Yes	No
<b>KITCHEN INSPECTION</b>	<b>DIRECT SALES ONLY</b>
No	Yes
<b>INDIRECT SALES</b>	
No — Under the pre-2025 law (NRS 446.866), sales must be in-person transactions only — no internet or phone sales. Products may not be sold to wholesalers, brokers, distributors, or retail establishments for resale. AB352 (2025) amends this to allow phone and internet transactions with delivery via mail or food delivery service, but product relinquishment must still occur in Nevada. Local rules vary significantly: Clark County (Las Vegas), Washoe County, Carson City, and Douglas County have separate health authority requirements.	

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

### STATE-LEVEL REFERENCES

State statute: <https://www.leg.state.nv.us/nrs/NRS-446.html#NRS446Sec866>

State dept cottage food page: [https://dphh.nv.gov/Reg/CottageFood/Cottage\\_Food\\_Operations/](https://dphh.nv.gov/Reg/CottageFood/Cottage_Food_Operations/)

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

## Questions?

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