

## COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

# Scioto County

Ohio · Portsmouth · FIPS 39145 · Population 73,716 · Crosodo Index #1622\*

## STATE BASELINE

O.R.C. §3715.023; §3715.025; Ohio Admin. Code Ch. 901:3-20

## STATE TIER

**Good**

## ANNUAL SALES CAP (STATE)

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## CONFIDENCE

MEDIUM

## LAST VERIFIED

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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**MEDIUM****QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY****HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?**

Yes (Approved product list only (OAC 901:3-20-04). No sales outside Ohio. No reduced oxygen packaging.)

**SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?**

No

**PETS ALLOWED?**

Not specified in state statute.

**HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?**

Varies (No state-level registration required. Scioto County may have local zoning home occupation requirements. No Scioto County-specific cottage food ordinance found.)

**ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?**

Yes

**INSPECTION REQUIRED?**

No (No routine inspection. ODA may investigate upon complaint.)

**Home kitchen rules**

<b>HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED</b>	Yes — Approved product list only (OAC 901:3-20-04). No sales outside Ohio. No reduced oxygen packaging.
<b>SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN</b>	No
<b>PET RESTRICTIONS</b>	Not specified in state statute.
<b>WATER SUPPLY</b>	Potable water required.
<b>HANDWASHING</b>	No food handler certification required.
<b>FOOD STORAGE</b>	Non-potentially hazardous products must be stored appropriately. No reduced oxygen packaging.

**Inspection & permitting**

<b>INSPECTION REQUIRED</b>	No — No routine inspection. ODA may investigate upon complaint.
<b>HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT</b>	Varies — No state-level registration required. Scioto County may have local zoning home occupation requirements. No Scioto County-specific cottage food ordinance found.
<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>	Direct and indirect sales permitted within Ohio only.
<b>MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME</b>	Not specified.

**Relevant county code**

O.R.C. §3715.023; §3715.025; OAC 901:3-20. No Scioto County-specific code section found.

**RESEARCH NOTES**

Scioto County follows Ohio state cottage food law. Approved product list applies. No county-specific overrides found. Confidence: medium (state law verified, no county-specific ordinance confirmed).

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**SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME**

<https://agri.ohio.gov/divisions/food-safety/cottage-foods>

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

## State context — Ohio cottage food law

Scioto County's rules sit on top of Ohio'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>	<b>ANNUAL SALES CAP</b>
O.R.C. §3715.023; §3715.025; Ohio Admin. Code Ch. 901:3-20	—
<b>REGISTRATION REQUIRED</b>	<b>FOOD HANDLER CERT</b>
No	No
<b>KITCHEN INSPECTION</b>	<b>DIRECT SALES ONLY</b>
No	No
<b>INDIRECT SALES</b>	
Yes — Labeled cottage food products may be sold to or used by retail food establishments and food service operations licensed under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3717. This enables indirect/wholesale sales within Ohio. Products may not be sold outside the state of Ohio.	

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

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### STATE-LEVEL REFERENCES

State statute: <https://codes.ohio.gov/ohio-revised-code/section-3715.025>

State dept cottage food page: <https://agri.ohio.gov/divisions/food-safety/cottage-foods>

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

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