

## COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

# Lubbock County

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## STATE BASELINE

Tex. Health & Safety §437.001 et seq.; no license/registration required; no inspection; \$150,000 annual sales cap

STATE TIER	ANNUAL SALES CAP (STATE)	CONFIDENCE	LAST VERIFIED
Great	150000	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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### QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

**HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?**

Yes (Non-TCS foods only; labeling required; \$150,000 annual cap; no state license or inspection)

**SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?**

No

**PETS ALLOWED?**

No specific state restriction; general sanitation applies

**HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?**

Varies (City of Lubbock may have home occupation zoning requirements; operator should verify with City of Lubbock Planning Department)

**ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?**

Yes

**INSPECTION REQUIRED?**

No (Complaint-based only)

### Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Non-TCS foods only; labeling required; \$150,000 annual cap; no state license or inspection
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific state restriction; general sanitation applies
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required
HANDWASHING	Standard handwashing
FOOD STORAGE	Sanitary storage of non-TCS foods

### Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Complaint-based only
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — City of Lubbock may have home occupation zoning requirements; operator should verify with City of Lubbock Planning Department
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

### Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct and indirect sales permitted; retailers allowed; \$150,000 annual cap
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

### Relevant county code

Not identified

**RESEARCH NOTES**

Same TX state baseline. No Lubbock County-specific cottage food overlay found.

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**SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME**

<https://www.co.lubbock.tx.us>

<https://www.dshs.texas.gov/food-establishments/cottage-food-production-operations>

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

## State context — Texas cottage food law

Lubbock County’s rules sit on top of Texas’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>
Tex. Health & Safety §437.001 et seq.	150000
<b>REGISTRATION REQUIRED</b>	<b>FOOD HANDLER CERT</b>
No	No
<b>KITCHEN INSPECTION</b>	<b>DIRECT SALES ONLY</b>
No	No

**INDIRECT SALES**  
 Limited (see notes) — Sales must be made directly to consumers or to a 'cottage food vendor' (a new category created by SB 541 in 2025 – a person with a contractual relationship who sells on behalf of the cottage food operation to consumers in-state). Cottage food products may not be sold as ingredients to a food service establishment. No retail grocery store or wholesale sales permitted under the pre-2025 framework; SB 541 (2025) adds the cottage food vendor intermediary option. Products must be delivered to consumer or vendor at point of sale or consumer-designated location.

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

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**STATE-LEVEL REFERENCES**

- State statute: <https://statutes.capitol.texas.gov/Docs/HS/htm/HS.437.htm>
  - State dept cottage food page: <https://www.dshs.texas.gov/food-establishments/cottage-food-production-operations>
  - Forrager.com: <https://forrager.com/law/texas/>
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## Questions?

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