

COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

Weber County

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STATE BASELINE	STATE TIER	ANNUAL SALES CAP (STATE)	CONFIDENCE	LAST VERIFIED
Utah Code §4-5-501	Freedom	—	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 (Cottage Food Registration with UDAF required; food handler’s permit required. No sales cap. All non-TCS foods allowed. Separate Home Consumption and Homemade Food Act (Title 4, Chapter 5A) alternative pathway allows limited direct-market sales without state registration. UDAF prohibits requiring commercial kitchen equipment.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Not specified in state statute; kitchen must be sanitary

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Conditional (Weber County and City of Ogden may require home occupation permits under local zoning. Utah cottage food law preempts local health dept regulation of registered operations but does not explicitly preempt zoning. Producers should check with Weber County Planning Division or City of Ogden.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (No routine inspection; local health departments have no jurisdiction over compliant registered operations)

Home kitchen rules

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SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state statute; kitchen must be sanitary
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water supply required
HANDWASHING	Food handler’s permit required
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods; no refrigerated finished products

Inspection & permitting

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LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Both direct and indirect sales allowed under UDAF registration. Online sales, delivery, retail sales all permitted. Home Consumption Act pathway limits to direct-market only.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified in state statute

Relevant county code

Utah Code §4-5-501; Weber County zoning ordinance

RESEARCH NOTES

Weber County UT follows Utah state baseline (Utah Code §4-5-501). Utah is a 'Freedom' tier state — no sales cap, UDAF registration, food handler permit required. Local health departments cannot regulate compliant registered operations. No Weber County-specific cottage food ordinance found. Weber County is in the Ogden metro area. Confidence medium — state law confirmed but no Weber County .gov cottage food source retrieved.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://www.webercountyutah.gov>

<https://ag.utah.gov/farmers/regulatory-services/food-safety/home-consumption-and-homemade-food-act/>

<https://le.utah.gov/xcode/Title4/Chapter5/4-5-S9.5.html>

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

State context — Utah cottage food law

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

STATUTE

Utah Code §4-5-501

ANNUAL SALES CAP

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REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Yes

FOOD HANDLER CERT

Yes

KITCHEN INSPECTION

No

DIRECT SALES ONLY

No

INDIRECT SALES

Yes — Registered cottage food operations may sell through various channels. The Utah Department of Agriculture and Food (UDAF) issues registration; local health departments do not have jurisdiction to regulate compliant cottage food operations except to investigate foodborne illness outbreaks. The state also has a separate Home Consumption and Homemade Food Act (Utah Code Title 4, Chapter 5A) that allows unregistered sales of certain homemade foods with a business license, but only at direct-to-sale farmers markets or direct-to-sale locations with appropriate signage. Food service establishments may not use cottage food products as ingredients in food served to the public.

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

STATE-LEVEL REFERENCES

State statute: <https://le.utah.gov/xcode/Title4/Chapter5/4-5-S9.5.html>

State dept cottage food page: <https://ag.utah.gov/farmers/regulatory-services/food-safety/home-consumption-and-homemade-food-act/>

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

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