

Egg production beyond cottage foods

Under the *Colorado Cottage Foods Act* you can sell up to 250 dozen eggs per month, of any variety, directly to the informed end consumer within Colorado.

Small flock (under 3,000 hens) chicken egg producers, selling more than 250 dozen eggs per month are required to obtain a license from the Colorado Department of Agriculture (CDA).

All Colorado turkey, duck, quail or other non-chicken egg producers, selling more than 250 dozen eggs per month, are required to register as food manufacturers with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE).

More information is provided below to help you grow a successful egg production business beyond cottage foods.



CDA licensed small flock chicken egg producers are required to:

- ✓ Obtain a license annually, from the Colorado Department of Agriculture, Consumer and Inspection Services Division.
- ✓ Comply with the *Colorado Egg Law* (*Colorado Revised Statutes 35-21-101-108*).
- ✓ Pay an annual license fee.

For more information visit:

<https://www.colorado.gov/aginspection/eggs>

CDA licensed small flock chicken egg producers can:

- Sell chicken eggs to consumers and other businesses for resale within and outside of Colorado.

For more information visit:

<https://www.fda.gov/Food/GuidanceRegulation/FoodFacilityRegistration>

CDPHE registered turkey, duck, quail or other non-chicken egg producers are required to:

- ✓ Register annually, as a food manufacturer, with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Division of Environmental Health and Sustainability.
- ✓ Comply with the *Colorado Egg Law* (*Colorado Revised Statutes 35-21-101-108*).
- ✓ Comply with the *Colorado Wholesale Food and Shellfish Regulations*.
- ✓ Comply with the *Food Safety Modernization Act* (FSMA).
- ✓ Pay an annual registration fee.

For more information visit:

<https://www.colorado.gov/cdphe/food-manufacturing-and-storage>

CDPHE registered turkey, duck, quail or other non-chicken egg producers can:

- Sell non-chicken eggs to consumers and businesses for resale within Colorado and beyond its borders when registered with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

For more information visit:

<https://www.fda.gov/Food/GuidanceRegulation/FoodFacilityRegistration>

