



Colorado Department
of Public Health
and Environment

Division of Environmental Health and Sustainability

Retail Food Program

COLORADO COTTAGE FOODS ACT

Foods that can or cannot be sold under the Act.

Since the enactment of the Colorado Cottage Foods Act, the division has received inquiries regarding specific foods and whether they can be sold under the law. Below is the response to those inquiries. However, by no means is this a complete list. If you have inquiries regarding specific foods which you do not see on the list, please contact the local public health department in your area with any inquiries. To find your local public health department, visit our website at

<http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite/CDPHE-Main/CBON/1251588259860>

Cottage Foods Allowed Under Act	Cottage Foods Disallowed Under Act
Candies	Baked goods such as cream, custard or meringue pies and cakes or pastries with cream cheese icing or fillings
Certain Baked Goods	Barbeque sauces, ketchups or mustards
Confections with Alcohol intended as candy.	Canned fruits, vegetables, flavored oils, salsas, etc.
Cotton Candy (prepackaged)	Canned pickled products (corn relish and pickles)
Dehydrated Produce	Cut fresh fruits & vegetables or juices made from these ingredients
Dry Cake Mix	Fish and shellfish products
Fruit Butter	Foccaccia-style breads with vegetables or cheeses
Granola Bars	Fresh Homemade Pasta (refrigerated)
Jams, Jellies and Preserves	Fresh or dried meat or meat products including jerky
Honey	Ice & ice products
Nuts	Jalapeno Pepper Jelly
Roasted Coffee Beans	Jams and Jellies made with low sugar
Roasted Nuts	Milk & dairy products including hard/soft cheeses & yogurt
Roasted Seeds	Pumpkin Butter
Seeds	Raw seed sprouts
Spices	Sour Dough Bread Starter
Teas	
Whole Eggs	