

COLORADO Food Safety Jurisdictions and Enforcement Authorities



Agency jurisdiction and responsibility for regulating food safety varies from state to state. While an agency may have jurisdiction over a facility or commodity, not all agencies issue licenses or routinely inspect every facility or commodity type. All of the State agencies which have jurisdiction to regulate food safety within the state are listed in the tables below, with their jurisdiction over a particular facility type or commodity denoted by the word “Authority” or “Split Authority” in the row of the facility or commodity type within their column.





MANUFACTURER/PROCESSOR

FACILITY TYPE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT	LOCAL AGENCIES
Food Processor		Authority	
Food Repacked		Authority	
Food Salvager		Authority	
Bottled Water		Authority	
Ice		Authority	
Dietary Supplements		Authority	
Warehouse		Authority	
Food Banks		Authority	
Seafood		Authority	
Food Transport		Authority	
Beer/Wine		Authority	
Distilled Spirits		Authority	
COMMENTS:			





DAIRY

FACILITY TYPE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT	LOCAL AGENCIES
Grade-A Plant		Authority	
Raw Milk		Authority	
Cheese		Authority	
Yogurt		Authority	
Cream/Sour Cream		Authority	
Butter		Authority	
Ice Cream		Authority	
Milk Pooling		Authority	
COMMENTS:			





MEAT/POULTRY

FACILITY TYPE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT	LOCAL AGENCIES
Meat	Authority		
Poultry	Authority		
Rabbit	Authority		
Other Non-Amenable Species	Authority		
Custom Slaughter	Authority		
Livestock Inspection	Authority		
Pet Food – Raw	Authority		
Pet Food – Processed	Authority		
Egg Inspection/Grading	Authority		
COMMENTS:			





ANIMAL FEED

FACILITY TYPE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT	LOCAL AGENCIES
Feed	Authority		
Medicated Feed	Authority		
BSE Inspections	Authority		
Rendering Plant	Authority		
Grain	Authority		
COMMENTS:			





RETAIL FOOD

FACILITY TYPE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT	LOCAL AGENCIES
Restaurant		Split Authority ¹	Split Authority ¹
Food Service		Split Authority ²	Split Authority ²
Grocery Store		Split Authority	Split Authority
Market		Split Authority	Split Authority
Convenience Stores		Split Authority	Split Authority
Public/Private Schools		Split Authority	Split Authority
Correctional Facilities		Split Authority	Split Authority ³
Hospitals		Split Authority	N ⁴
Long-Term Care		Split Authority	Split Authority
Nursing Homes		Split Authority	Split Authority
Other Institutions		Split Authority	Split Authority
Vending Machines		Split Authority	Split Authority
Mobile Food Facilities		Split Authority	Split Authority
Caterers		Split Authority	Split Authority

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RETAIL FOOD (continued)

FACILITY TYPE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT	LOCAL AGENCIES
Home Based Processors		Split Authority	Split Authority
Temporary Food Facilities		Split Authority	Split Authority
Water Vending Machines		Split Authority	Split Authority
Ice Vending Machines		Split Authority	Split Authority
Farm Stands		Split Authority	Split Authority
Farmers Markets		Split Authority	Split Authority
Live Poultry Markets	Authority		
Food Pantry		Split Authority	Split Authority

COMMENTS:

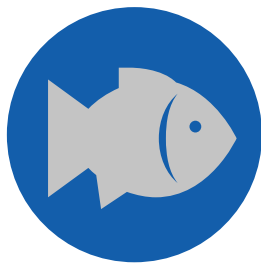
¹ Most locals have jurisdiction over retail.

² State has jurisdictions over Grand, Jackson, Moffat, Rio Blanco, Clear Creek, Ouray, and Park counties. Local agencies cover the rest of the counties.

³ Jails

⁴ Only the state inspects hospitals.



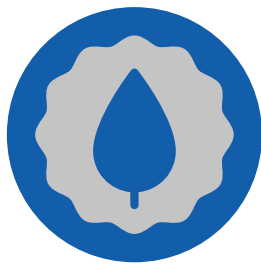


SHELLFISH/AQUACULTURE

FACILITY TYPE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT	LOCAL AGENCIES
Shellfish Growing Areas		Authority	
Shellfish Post Harvest Handling		Authority	
Shellfish Depuration		Authority	
Shellfish Patrol			
Biotoxin Monitoring			
Aquaculture	Split Authority*	Split Authority*	

COMMENTS:
* Wildlife also has jurisdiction.





ORGANIC FOODS

FACILITY TYPE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT	LOCAL AGENCIES
Organic Production	Authority*		
Organic Food Handling	Authority		
Organic Food Processing	Authority		

COMMENTS:
* Certification





PRODUCE

FACILITY TYPE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT	LOCAL AGENCIES
Farms	Authority		
Packing Sheds	Authority		
Repackers	Authority		
Terminal Markets	Authority		
COMMENTS:			





ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY

Each state regulatory agency has enforcement authorities that are established through state laws, regulations, or administrative rules. These enforcement authorities enable the agency to perform their regulatory functions and ensure the safety of the food supply. Below are the authorities of each agency.

FACILITY TYPE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT	LOCAL AGENCIES
Embargo/Quarantine	Authority	Authority	
Seizure	Authority		
Condemnation & Destruction	Authority	Authority	
Voluntary Condemnation & Destruction	Authority	Authority	
Stop Sale Orders	Authority	Authority	
Health Advisories		Authority	
Administrative Penalties	Authority	Authority	
Criminal Penalties	Authority	Authority	
Civil Penalties	Authority	Authority	

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ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY (continued)

FACILITY TYPE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT	LOCAL AGENCIES
Injunction	Authority	Authority	
Warning Letters	Authority	Authority	
License Suspension	Authority	Authority	
License Revocation	Authority	Authority	
Hearings	Authority	Authority	
Closure		Authority	
Mandatory Recall		Authority	
Inspection Warrant	Authority	Authority	
COMMENTS: * Holding order.			

