

# CONNECTICUT

## 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	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS	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*		
<b>COMMENTS:</b> * Liquor Control Division					





# DAIRY

FACILITY TYPE	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS	LOCAL AGENCIES
Grade-A Plant	Authority				
Raw Milk	Authority				
Cheese	Split Authority		Split Authority <sup>1</sup>		
Yogurt	Authority				
Cream/Sour Cream	Authority				
Butter	Authority				
Ice Cream			Authority		
Milk Pooling	Authority				

**COMMENTS:**  
<sup>1</sup> Only FDA Contract Inspections of cheese.





# MEAT/POULTRY

FACILITY TYPE	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS	LOCAL AGENCIES
Meat	Authority <sup>1</sup>				
Poultry	Authority <sup>1</sup>				
Rabbit					
Other Non-Amenable Species			Authority		
Custom Slaughter	Authority <sup>1</sup>				
Livestock Inspection	Authority				
Pet Food – Raw	Authority				
Pet Food – Processed	Authority				
Egg Inspection/Grading	Authority <sup>2</sup>		Authority <sup>3</sup>		

**COMMENTS:**  
<sup>1</sup> Defers to USDA.  
<sup>2</sup> Department of Agriculture handles on farm activities.  
<sup>3</sup> Oversee license egg distributors.





# ANIMAL FEED

FACILITY TYPE	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS	LOCAL AGENCIES
Feed	Authority				
Medicated Feed	Authority				
BSE Inspections	Authority				
Rendering Plant	Authority				
Grain	Authority				
COMMENTS:					





## RETAIL FOOD

FACILITY TYPE	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS	LOCAL AGENCIES
Restaurant		Split Authority	Split Authority		Split Authority
Food Service		Split Authority	Split Authority		Split Authority
Grocery Store			Split Authority		Split Authority
Market		Split Authority	Split Authority		Split Authority
Convenience Stores		Split Authority	Split Authority		Split Authority
Public/Private Schools		Split Authority	Split Authority		Split Authority
Correctional Facilities				Authority <sup>1</sup>	
Hospitals		Authority			
Long-Term Care		Authority			
Nursing Homes		Authority			
Other Institutions		Authority			
Vending Machines			Split Authority		Split Authority
Mobile Food Facilities		Split Authority <sup>2</sup>	Split Authority <sup>2</sup>		Split Authority <sup>2</sup>
Caterers		Split Authority			Split Authority
Home Based Processors			Authority		

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# RETAIL FOOD (continued)

FACILITY TYPE	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS	LOCAL AGENCIES
Temporary Food Facilities		Split Authority			Split Authority
Water Vending Machines			Split Authority		Split Authority
Ice Vending Machines			Split Authority		Split Authority
Farm Stands					Authority
Farmers Markets					Authority
Live Poultry Markets	Authority				
Food Pantry		Split Authority			Split Authority

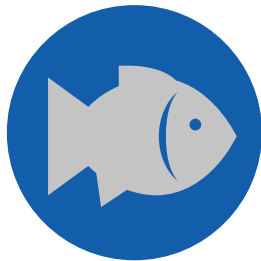
**COMMENTS:**

<sup>1</sup> Department of Corrections is self-inspecting; Department of Public Health provides training.

<sup>2</sup> Department of Consumer Protection has jurisdiction over ice cream.

There are 68 local and 2 tribal Departments of Health who conduct all food service inspections under authority delegated by the State Department of Public Health. Facilities regulated by Department of Consumer Protection and Department of Public Health are divided based on whether the facility includes any food service operations. Those with food service operations are regulated by Department of Public Health through local authorities.





# SHELLFISH/AQUACULTURE

FACILITY TYPE	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS	LOCAL AGENCIES
Shellfish Growing Areas	Authority				
Shellfish Post Harvest Handling	Authority				
Shellfish Depuration	Authority				
Shellfish Patrol	*				
Biotoxin Monitoring					
Aquaculture					
<b>COMMENTS:</b> * Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection has jurisdiction.					







# ORGANIC FOODS

FACILITY TYPE	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS	LOCAL AGENCIES
Organic Production			Authority		
Organic Food Handling					
Organic Food Processing			Authority		
COMMENTS:					





# PRODUCE

FACILITY TYPE	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS	LOCAL AGENCIES
Farms	Authority				
Packing Sheds	Authority				
Repackers	Split Authority		Split Authority		
Terminal Markets	Split Authority		Split 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	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER PROTECTION	CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS	LOCAL AGENCIES
Embargo/Quarantine	Authority	Authority	Authority		Authority
Seizure	Authority		Authority		Authority
Condemnation & Destruction	Authority	Authority	Authority		Authority
Voluntary Condemnation & Destruction	Authority	Authority	Authority		Authority
Stop Sale Orders	Authority	Authority	Authority		Authority
Health Advisories		Authority			
Administrative Penalties			Authority		Authority
Criminal Penalties	Authority		Authority		Authority
Civil Penalties	Authority		Authority		Authority

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# ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY (continued)

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Injunction	Authority		Authority		Authority
Warning Letters	Authority		Authority		Authority
License Suspension	Authority		Authority		Authority
License Revocation	Authority		Authority		Authority
Hearings	Authority		Authority		Authority
Closure	Authority		Authority		Authority
Mandatory Recall	Authority		Authority		
Inspection Warrant	Authority		Authority		Authority
COMMENTS:					

