

# WASHINGTON 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	WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH & WILDLIFE	WASHINGTON STATE LIQUOR AND CANNABIS BOARD	WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES	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	Split Authority <sup>1</sup>			Split Authority			
Distilled Spirits	Split Authority <sup>2</sup>			Split Authority			

**COMMENTS:**

<sup>1</sup> No routine inspections, but have warehousing enforcement authority.

<sup>2</sup> No routine inspections, but have enforcement authority.





# DAIRY

FACILITY TYPE	WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH & WILDLIFE	WASHINGTON STATE LIQUOR AND CANNABIS BOARD	WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES	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						
<b>COMMENTS:</b>							





# MEAT/POULTRY

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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						
<b>COMMENTS:</b>							





# ANIMAL FEED

FACILITY TYPE	WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH & WILDLIFE	WASHINGTON STATE LIQUOR AND CANNABIS BOARD	WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES	LOCAL AGENCIES
Feed	Authority						
Medicated Feed	Authority						
BSE Inspections	Authority						
Rendering Plant	Authority						
Grain	Authority						
<b>COMMENTS:</b>							





# RETAIL FOOD

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Restaurant							Authority
Food Service							Authority
Grocery Store							Authority
Market							Authority
Convenience Stores							Authority
Public/Private Schools							Authority
Correctional Facilities							Authority
Hospitals		Authority					
Long-Term Care						Authority	
Nursing Homes						Authority	
Other Institutions							Authority
Vending Machines							Authority
Mobile Food Facilities							Authority

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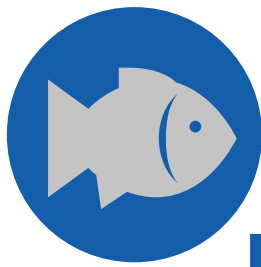


# RETAIL FOOD (continued)

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Caterers							Authority
Home Based Processors	Authority						
Temporary Food Facilities							Authority
Water Vending Machines							Authority
Ice Vending Machines							Authority
Farm Stands	Split Authority*						Split Authority
Farmers Markets							Authority
Live Poultry Markets							Authority
Food Pantry							Authority

**COMMENTS:**

\* Value added product only.



# SHELLFISH/AQUACULTURE

FACILITY TYPE	WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH & WILDLIFE	WASHINGTON STATE LIQUOR AND CANNABIS BOARD	WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES	LOCAL AGENCIES
Shellfish Growing Areas		Authority					
Shellfish Post Harvest Handling		Authority					
Shellfish Depuration		Authority					
Shellfish Patrol			Authority				
Biotoxin Monitoring		Authority					
Aquaculture					Authority		
<b>COMMENTS:</b>							





# ORGANIC FOODS

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Organic Production	Authority						
Organic Food Handling	Authority						
Organic Food Processing	Authority						
<b>COMMENTS:</b>							





# PRODUCE

FACILITY TYPE	WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH & WILDLIFE	WASHINGTON STATE LIQUOR AND CANNABIS BOARD	WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES	WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES	LOCAL AGENCIES
Farms	Authority						
Packing Sheds	Authority						
Repackers	Authority						
Terminal Markets	Authority						
<b>COMMENTS:</b>							





# 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.

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Embargo/Quarantine	Authority	Authority					Authority*
Seizure	Authority	Authority					Authority
Condemnation & Destruction	Authority	Authority					Authority
Voluntary Condemnation & Destruction	Authority	Authority					Authority
Stop Sale Orders	Authority	Authority					Authority
Health Advisories	Authority	Authority					Authority
Administrative Penalties	Authority	Authority					Authority
Criminal Penalties	Authority	Authority					Authority

**Enforcement Authority list continued on next page.**



# ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY (continued)

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Civil Penalties	Authority	Authority					Authority
Injunction		Authority					Authority
Warning Letters	Authority	Authority					Authority
License Suspension	Authority	Authority					Authority
License Revocation	Authority	Authority					Authority
Hearings	Authority	Authority					Authority
Closure		Authority					Authority
Mandatory Recall							
Inspection Warrant	Authority	Authority					Authority
<b>COMMENTS:</b> * Locals have statutory authority.							

