

Mushrooms

This fact sheet is intended to give some general information regarding the growing and selling of wild foraged and cultivated mushrooms. It is the operator's responsibility to ensure they are compliant with any local, state or federal requirements with regard to picking mushrooms in public areas. Please note, as outlined below, wild foraged mushrooms cannot be sold to licensed grocery stores or restaurants unless they are compliant with OAC 3717-1-03.1.

I make under \$25,000 (adjusted for inflation) in annual produce sales and want to sell mushrooms only to individuals at a farmers market, farm market or directly to individuals:

Sales of raw, unprocessed produce, including mushrooms, under \$25,000 (adjusted for inflation) a year in a three-year average can be sold to individuals at a farmers market, farm market or directly to an individual without an inspection by the ODA FS.

21 CFR 112.4

I make between \$25,000 and \$500,000 (adjusted for inflation) in annual produce sales and want to sell mushrooms only to individuals at a farmers market, farm market or directly to individuals:

Sales of raw, unprocessed produce, including mushrooms, and food between \$25,000-\$500,000 (adjusted for inflation) a year in a three-year average sold to individuals at a farmers market, farm market or directly to an individual may fall under a qualified exemption under the Produce Safety Rule and the farm would need to meet modified requirements. Required records would need to be maintained by the farm and would be verified by the ODA FS.

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I make more than \$500,000 in food and produce sales (including mushrooms) and don't meet the Qualified Exemption of the Produce Safety Rule:

If farm sales of raw, unprocessed produce, including mushrooms, and any food don't meet the Qualified Exemption or sales are over \$500,000 a year in annual sales of produce and food, the farm would fall under the applicable Produce Safety Rule requirements and would be required to obtain an inspection by ODA FS. Wild foraged mushrooms must be under the control/oversight of the grower (i.e. on property they own or lease).

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I want to sell my mushrooms to an Ohio licensed Retail Food Establishment or Food Service Operation:

Any sales of mushrooms to an Ohio licensed Retail Food Establishment or Food Service Operation would require the mushrooms to be inspected under the Produce Safety Rule by ODA FS to allow the mushrooms to meet the approved source requirement of the Ohio Uniform Food Safety Code section:

OAC 3717-1-03.1 - <https://codes.ohio.gov/ohio-administrative-code/rule-3717-1-03.1>

I want to package my mushrooms:

Packaged mushrooms would fall under the following labeling requirements:

<https://agri.ohio.gov/divisions/food-safety/resources/Labeling-Requirements>

What is the cost for a Produce Safety Rule inspection conducted for mushrooms?

There is no license fee or charge for a Produce Safety Rule inspection from ODA FS. More information about the Produce Safety Rule can be found here: <https://agri.ohio.gov/divisions/food-safety/resources/Produce-Safety>

I want to process my mushrooms:

Farms that further process mushrooms or substrate (slice, dice, freezing, process into powder, supplements, coffee, freeze dry...) would fall under our Current Good Manufacturing Practices or Preventive Controls regulations and would require an inspection by the ODA FS:

<https://agri.ohio.gov/divisions/food-safety/laws-and-rules>

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