

COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

Campbell County

Kentucky · Newport · FIPS 21037 · Population 93,122 ·
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STATE BASELINE	STATE TIER	ANNUAL SALES CAP (STATE)	CONFIDENCE	LAST VERIFIED
KRS §217.137	Okay	60000	MEDIUM	2026-05-05

IMPORTANT — NOT LEGAL ADVICE

This report compiles publicly-available statutes, regulations, and county zoning rules into a research reference. It is **not legal advice** and is provided **without warranty** as to accuracy, completeness, or current applicability.

Cottage food law changes frequently. Counties may amend zoning, health departments may issue new permits, and state legislatures may update statutes after the publication date shown above.

Always verify rules directly with your state department of health/agriculture and your county health and planning offices before relying on them for any business or regulatory decision. Consult a licensed attorney for advice specific to your situation.

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QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136): \$60,000 annual sales cap. Registration required (\$50/year, 902 KAR 45:090). Complaint-based inspection. Direct sales only to consumers. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, dried goods, syrups (maple and sorghum only), granola, snacks. Prohibited: acidified foods, low-acid canned foods, pickles, salsas, sauces, nut butters, oils, pasta, fermented foods, juices, meat jerkies. Kitchen restriction: no more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens, no more than three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No specific restriction stated; kitchen use restrictions apply (no commercial equipment).

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (Campbell County (Newport, in the Cincinnati metro area) may have local home occupation zoning requirements. No Campbell County-specific cottage food permit identified beyond state registration.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services / local health department may inspect upon complaint.)

Home kitchen rules

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SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN No

PET RESTRICTIONS No specific restriction stated; kitchen use restrictions apply (no commercial equipment).

WATER SUPPLY No specific water supply requirement stated.

HANDWASHING No specific statutory requirement; good manufacturing practices recommended.

FOOD STORAGE Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only; kitchen equipment limited to residential-scale appliances.

Inspection & permitting

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LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only to consumers. Home pickup, farmers markets, events permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or mail order.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employee limit specified; limited to two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.

Relevant county code

No Campbell County-specific cottage food code identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

No Campbell County-specific cottage food rules found. Campbell County is part of the Cincinnati-Northern Kentucky metro area (Newport, Bellevue). Kentucky’s prohibition of acidified foods under the primary cottage food pathway (§217.136) is notably restrictive; a separate §217.137 home-based microprocessor pathway allows acidified foods with additional requirements. CHFS cottage food URL may differ from input URL.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://www.chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/cottage-foods.aspx>

Questions? Join the Crosodo Forum to discuss your county’s specific zoning rules at <https://crosodo.com/nb/kentucky/campbell-county-discuss>

Bordering counties — cottage food law

Regulation	Campbell County	Kenton County	Pendleton County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	No specific restriction stated; kitchen use restrictions apply (no commercial equipment).	No explicit state restriction; no more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators (commercial equipment prohibited).	Not specified in state law
INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint	Upon-complaint	Upon-complaint
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Direct sales only to consumers. Home pickup, farmers markets, events permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or mail order.	Direct sales only within Kentucky. No online sales with out-of-state shipping.	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pic...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies	Conditional	Varies
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136): \$60,000 annual sales cap. Registration required (\$50/year, 902 KAR 45:090). Complaint-bas...	Registration required (\$50/year). Non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams, jellies, fruit butters, dried goods, syrups (maple/sorghum only), gra...	Annual sales cap \$60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health (\$50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon co...
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only; kitchen equipment limited to residential-scale appliances.	Shelf-stable storage; commercial storage equipment not permitted.	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products
POPULATION	93,122	169,066	14,638

State context — Kentucky cottage food law

Campbell County’s rules sit on top of Kentucky’s state cottage food framework. The state law sets the floor — counties can add but cannot remove protections.

<p>STATUTE KRS §217.137</p> <p>REGISTRATION REQUIRED Yes</p> <p>KITCHEN INSPECTION Upon-complaint</p> <p>INDIRECT SALES No — Sales limited to direct-to-consumer only within Kentucky — from home (pickup or delivery), markets, roadside stands, community events, and online; shipping outside Kentucky is prohibited, and sales to restaurants or retail stores for resale are not allowed.</p>	<p>ANNUAL SALES CAP 60000</p> <p>FOOD HANDLER CERT No</p> <p>DIRECT SALES ONLY Yes</p>
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For the full state-level analysis including the verbatim statute text, see the [Kentucky cottage food law report](#).

STATE-LEVEL REFERENCES

State statute: <https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=44478>

State dept cottage food page: <https://www.chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/cottage-foods.aspx>

Forrager.com: <https://forrager.com/law/kentucky/>

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