COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

Vermilion Parish

Louisiana · Abbeville · FIPS 22113 · Population 57,202 ·
Crosodo Index #1940*

STATE BASELINE

La. R.S. §40:4.9 (cottage food / low-risk foods); $30,000 annual cap

STATE TIER

Okay

ANNUAL SALES CAP (STATE)

100000

CONFIDENCE

MEDIUM

LAST VERIFIED

2026-10-06

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.

How to start — 60-second path

Vermilion Parish, Louisiana — permit, pickup, and label steps before the full county rules.

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?	STATE SALES CAP
Yes	100000
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?	**ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?**
Conditional	Conditional
INSPECTION	**PETS**
No	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas during production of breads, cakes, cookies, and pies (state law).

BEFORE YOU SELL FROM THIS ADDRESS

- ☐ **1. Menu** — Confirm each product under Louisiana cottage food rules (county cannot expand a state ban).
- ☐ **2. Pickup & zoning** — Home occupation and porch pickup cells above; HOA/lease may still block customer traffic.
- ☐ **3. Local tax / license** — Business license or sales tax certificate if your city/parish requires it (common even with no state food permit).
- ☐ **4. Training** — Food handler or state registration before market day.
- ☐ **5. Labels** — Disclaimer, allergens, ingredients, net quantity, producer info.
- ☐ **6. Call if unclear** — County health and planning for your exact address.

LABEL FIELDS TO INCLUDE

- ☐ Product name · producer name · address (or allowed alternative)
- ☐ Ingredients by weight · major allergens · net weight/quantity
- ☐ Louisiana home-kitchen disclaimer (see live label one-pager)

CONTINUE ONLINE

Open the live county page →

Louisiana label one-pager →

Print labels for your first market →

Local notes & questions →

Planning path only — not legal advice. Rules change. Always verify with state and local offices before selling.

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QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Low-risk foods only: baked goods, candies, jams/jellies/preserves, pickles/acidified foods, sauces/syrups, spices, honey. No animal or fish muscle protein. Annual cap $30,000. No employees permitted for baked goods (breads/cakes/cookies/pies). Pets excluded from preparation areas. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas during production of breads, cakes, cookies, and pies (state law).

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Conditional (A sales tax certificate from Vermilion Parish of sale is required before selling. No specific Vermilion Parish cottage food zoning ordinance identified. Parish-level business license requirements may vary; contact Vermilion Parish Government in Abbeville.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Conditional

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
No (No inspection required at state level. Parish health may act on complaint.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Low-risk foods only: baked goods, candies, jams/jellies/preserves, pickles/acidified foods, sauces/syrups, spices, honey. No animal or fish muscle protein. Annual cap $30,000. No employees permitted for baked goods (breads/cakes/cookies/pies). Pets excluded from preparation areas. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas during production of breads, cakes, cookies, and pies (state law).
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state requirement beyond standard sanitation.
HANDWASHING	Standard sanitation practices; no formal certification required.
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration required at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients in baked goods. Shelf-stable products stored appropriately.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — No inspection required at state level. Parish health may act on complaint.
LOCAL HEALTH / COUNTY REGISTRATION	No
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional — A sales tax certificate from Vermilion Parish of sale is required before selling. No specific Vermilion Parish cottage food zoning ordinance identified. Parish-level business license requirements may vary; contact Vermilion Parish Government in Abbeville.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Conditional
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Most low-risk foods (except the four named baked goods categories) can be sold through indirect channels. Direct and some indirect sales allowed. No online/mail-order restriction noted in statute.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employees may assist in production of breads, cakes, cookies, or pies under LA law.

Relevant county code

La. R.S. §40:4.9; parish sales tax certificate requirement

RESEARCH NOTES

No Vermilion Parish-specific cottage food rules found. State baseline applies: $30,000 cap (raised from $20,000 by Act 357, 2022). Louisiana is notable for allowing indirect sales of most low-risk foods except the four named baked goods categories. Parish sales tax certificate required. Cottage food is regulated at the state level only; no parish health inspection.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://www.vermilioncounty.gov

https://ldh.la.gov/page/cottage-food-laws

Questions about this county? Local notes and a place to leave a question: crosodo.com/nb/louisiana/vermilion-parish-discuss

Vermilion Parish and nearby places

Regulation	Vermilion Parish	Acadia Parish	Iberia Parish
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	**Yes**	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	**No**	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	**Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas during production of breads, cakes, cookies, and pies (state law).**	Pets must be excluded from preparation areas for breads, cakes, cookies, and pies production.	Not specified in state law
INSPECTION REQUIRED	**No**	No	No
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	**Conditional**	Conditional	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	**Conditional**	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	**Most low-risk foods (except the four named baked goods categories) can be sold through indirect channels. Direct and some indirect sales al...**	Most low-risk foods (except the four named baked goods categories) can be sold indirectly. Direct and indirect sales permitted. Farmers mar...	Indirect sales at limited venues permitted; no mail order; no catering
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	**Conditional**	Conditional	Varies
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	**Varies**	Conditional	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	**Low-risk foods only: baked goods, candies, jams/jellies/ preserves, pickles/acidified foods, sauces/syrups, spices, honey. No animal or fish...**	Louisiana allows low-risk foods from the home. $100,000 annual sales cap (raised from $20,000 by Act 357, 2022). No registration or inspecti...	Annual sales cap $100,000. No food handler cert required. No registration required. No kitchen inspection required. Indirect sales allowed a...
FOOD STORAGE	**Refrigeration required at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients in baked goods. Shelf-stable products stored appropriately.**	Refrigeration must be maintained at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients in the breads/cakes/cookies/pies category.	Appropriate storage for shelf-stable products
POPULATION	**57,202**	57,674	69,958

State context — Louisiana cottage food law

Vermilion Parish's rules sit on top of Louisiana's state cottage food framework. The state law sets the floor — counties can add but cannot remove protections.

STATUTE
La. R.S. §40:4.13

REGISTRATION REQUIRED
No

KITCHEN INSPECTION
No

INDIRECT SALES
Limited (see notes) — Most low-risk foods may be sold indirectly (to restaurants, retail stores), but breads, cakes, cookies, and pies specifically may NOT be sold to any retail business or individual for resale — they are direct-to-consumer only.

ANNUAL SALES CAP
100000

FOOD HANDLER CERT
No

DIRECT SALES ONLY
No

For the full state-level analysis including the verbatim statute text, see the **Louisiana cottage food law report** on Crosodo, or open the live guide: crosodo.com/states/louisiana.

STATE-LEVEL REFERENCES

State statute: https://www.legis.la.gov/Legis/Law.aspx?d=98863

State dept cottage food page: https://ldh.la.gov/page/cottage-food-laws

Forrager.com: https://forrager.com/law/louisiana/

Questions about Vermilion Parish? Local notes and a place to leave a question are on Crosodo. We monitor new threads — start with zoning, permits, or porch pickup.

crosodo.com/nb/louisiana/vermilion-parish-discuss

RESEARCH NOTES

Baker's Notes

Research notes, not a state ruling. Baker talk is what people discuss. Official pages are cited separately. Confirm before you sell.

Sell to stores (next level)

Cottage / home-kitchen exemptions are usually direct-to-consumer and not for resale into stores. Selling into retail stores typically requires a state manufactured-food (or equivalent) permit and an inspected production kitchen, plus local zoning and business licensing.

This county: We have not collected local store-shelf notes for this place yet.

Confirm with the state food agency and local planning / commissioner offices before you sell into stores. Not legal advice.

Classifieds

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