

COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

Broome County

New York · Binghamton · FIPS 36007 · Population 198,365 ·
Crosodo Index #791*

STATE BASELINE

N.Y. Agric. & Mkts. Law §251-z-4; 1 CRR-NY 276.4

STATE TIER

Good

ANNUAL SALES CAP (STATE)

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CONFIDENCE

MEDIUM

LAST VERIFIED

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.

How to start — 60-second path

Broome County, New York — permit, pickup, and label steps before the full county rules.

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes

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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Conditional

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION

No

PETS

No explicit pet restriction in NY Home Processor Exemption.

BEFORE YOU SELL FROM THIS ADDRESS

- ☐ **1. Menu** — Confirm each product under New York 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
- ☐ New York home-kitchen disclaimer (see live label one-pager)

CONTINUE ONLINE

[Open the live county page →](#)

[New York label one-pager →](#)

[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 (New York Home Processor Exemption: non-PHF, shelf-stable baked goods and certain jams, jellies, preserves, snack mixes allowed. All products must be baked (pathogen kill step required). Sales within New York State only. Registration with NY Ag & Markets required (free, location-specific). No sales cap.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No explicit pet restriction in NY Home Processor Exemption.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Conditional (Broome County and City of Binghamton may require home occupation permits for home-based food businesses. Contact Broome County Planning Department or City of Binghamton Planning. New York does not have a statewide preemption of local home occupation requirements.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (No routine inspection. NY Ag & Markets may investigate upon complaint.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — New York Home Processor Exemption: non-PHF, shelf-stable baked goods and certain jams, jellies, preserves, snack mixes allowed. All products must be baked (pathogen kill step required). Sales within New York State only. Registration with NY Ag & Markets required (free, location-specific). No sales cap.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No explicit pet restriction in NY Home Processor Exemption.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement for NY Home Processor Exemption.
HANDWASHING	Standard GMP practices; no specific statutory handwashing requirement beyond general food safety.
FOOD STORAGE	Pre-packaged shelf-stable products only; all non-PHF. Standard GMP storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — No routine inspection. NY Ag & Markets may investigate upon complaint.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional — Broome County and City of Binghamton may require home occupation permits for home-based food businesses. Contact Broome County Planning Department or City of Binghamton Planning. New York does not have a statewide preemption of local home occupation requirements.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	NY Home Processor Exemption allows direct sales from home, farmers markets, farm stands, craft fairs, online delivery within New York, and wholesale sales (notable). No out-of-state sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No explicit employee cap in NY Home Processor Exemption. Home occupation zoning may restrict non-resident employees.

Relevant county code

N.Y. Agric. & Mkts. Law §251-z-4; Broome County zoning ordinances (contact Planning for home occupation)

RESEARCH NOTES

New York state baseline applies. Broome County (county seat: Binghamton) is in the Southern Tier of New York. No county-specific URLs or overrides found. NY Home Processor Exemption is administered at state level by NY Ag & Markets.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://www.broomecounty.gov>

<https://agriculture.ny.gov/food-safety/home-processing>

<https://agriculture.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2019/12/HomeProcessor.pdf>

Questions about this county? Local notes and a place to leave a question: crosodo.com/nb/new-york/broome-county-discuss

Bordering counties — cottage food law

Regulation	Broome County	Chenango County	Cortland County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	—	—
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	—	—
PETS ALLOWED	No explicit pet restriction in NY Home Processor Exemption.	—	—
INSPECTION REQUIRED	No	—	—
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	—	—
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	—	—
DELIVERY / PICKUP	NY Home Processor Exemption allows direct sales from home, farmers markets, farm stands, craft fairs, online delivery within New York, and ...	—	—
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional	—	—
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	—	—
RESTRICTIONS	New York Home Processor Exemption: non-PHF, shelf-stable baked goods and certain jams, jellies, preserves, snack mixes allowed. All product...	—	—
FOOD STORAGE	Pre-packaged shelf-stable products only; all non-PHF. Standard GMP storage.	—	—
POPULATION	198,365	47,096	46,755

State context — New York cottage food law

Broome County's rules sit on top of New York's state cottage food framework. The state law sets the floor — counties can add but cannot remove protections.

STATUTE

N.Y. Agric. & Mkts. Law §251-z-4; 1 CRR-NY 276.4

ANNUAL SALES CAP

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REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Yes

FOOD HANDLER CERT

No

KITCHEN INSPECTION

No

DIRECT SALES ONLY

No

INDIRECT SALES

Yes — Wholesale to restaurants, cafes, and grocery stores within New York State is explicitly permitted. Products may also be sold online (NY residents only) and via delivery. Shipping out of state is not permitted. Registration is free, location-specific, and has no expiration date.

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

STATE-LEVEL REFERENCES

State statute: <https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/laws/AGM/251-Z-4>

State dept cottage food page: <https://agriculture.ny.gov/food-safety/home-processing>

Forrager.com: <https://forrager.com/law/new-york/>

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

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