COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

Kentucky

A comprehensive guide to the cottage food statute, sales rules, and county-level zoning and health-department overlays for home bakers operating under KRS §217.137.

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KRS §217.137	Okay	D	120	2026-05-05

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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.

OFFICIAL STATE HANDOUT

Kentucky Cottage Food Law — Official Guidance Summary

Kentucky Department for Public Health · KRS §217.137 · Kentucky Department for Public Health · https://www.chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/cottage-foods.aspx

Kentucky's cottage food rules are set by KRS §217.137. The summary below is drawn from Crosodo's verified statute research and official agency guidance. Always confirm current requirements on the state agency website before you sell.

Program basics

What law governs cottage food in Kentucky?

- Kentucky Revised Statutes §217.136 — Home-Based Food Processors; Exemption from Permit Requirement and Fair Packaging and Labeling Laws (§217.137 addresses home-based microprocessors)

What is the annual sales cap?

- 60000

Is registration or a permit required?

- Yes

Is a food handler certificate required?

- No

Are kitchen inspections required?

- Upon-complaint

Allowed products and sales channels

What foods are allowed?

- Home-based processors may sell non-TCS baked goods (breads, cakes, cookies, pies, pastries), candies, jams and jellies, fruit butters, dried goods, syrups (maple and sorghum only), granola, snacks, and similar shelf-stable items.
- Whole eggs (separate exemption, up to 60 dozen/week) and honey (up to 150 gallons/year) are also allowed under separate provisions.

What foods are prohibited?

- Acid foods, acidified food products, formulated acid food products, and low-acid canned foods are explicitly prohibited for home-based processors.
- Perishable items, pickles, salsas, sauces, ketchup, mustards, nut butters, oils, vinegars, pasta, fermented foods, juices, extracts, and meat jerkies are also prohibited under §217.136. (Acidified/low-acid canned foods may be sold through the separate home-based microprocessor pathway under §217.137.)

Can I sell to retailers or restaurants (indirect sales)?

- 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.

Labeling

What labeling is required?

- Labels must include: name and address of home-based processing operation, common/usual name of food product, ingredients in descending order by weight, net weight/volume or count, date processed, allergen information, and the statement 'This product is home-produced and processed' in 10-point type.

Statute excerpt

KRS §217.137

What does the Kentucky cottage food statute say?

- 217.136 Home-based food processors -- Exemption from permit requirement and fair packaging and labeling laws -- Production, labeling, and sales of home-processed food products -- Inspections -- Registration system.
- (1) A home-based processor shall be exempt from KRS 217.035 and 217.037 if the following conditions are met: (a) All finished product containers are clean, sanitary, and properly labeled pursuant to subsection (3) of this section; (b) All home-processed foods produced under this exemption are neither adulterated nor misbranded pursuant to subsection (4) of this section; and (c) All glass containers for jams, jellies, preserves, fruit butter, and similar products are provided with suitable rigid metal covers.
- (2) A home-based processor shall not produce or process for sale acid foods, acidified food products, formulated acid food products, or low-acid canned foods.
- (3) A home-based processor shall label each of its food products and include the following information: (a) The name and address of the home-based processing operation; (b) The common or usual name of the food product; (c) The ingredients of the food product, in descending order of predominance by weight; (d) The net weight and volume of the food product by standard measure, or numerical count; (e) The following statement in ten (10) point type: "This product is home-produced and processed"; and (f) The date the product was processed.
- (5) Food products [...] may only be offered for sale directly to consumers within this state, including from the home-based processor's home, whether by pick-up or delivery, at a market, roadside stand, community event, or online. (12) Beginning January 1, 2020, a home-based processor shall be registered with the cabinet.

Official sources

Where should I verify these rules?

- State agency cottage food page: https://www.chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/cottage-foods.aspx
- Statute: https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=44478

Summarized from official Kentucky cottage food statute research and agency guidance. Agency rules change — verify on the official site before relying on this information.

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Executive summary

This report covers the Kentucky cottage food framework — the state statute, the regulatory body administering it, what producers can and cannot sell, and county-level rules layered on top of state law for the 120 Kentucky counties included in this dataset.

ANNUAL SALES CAP
60000

FOOD HANDLER CERTIFICATION
No

DIRECT SALES ONLY
Yes

REGISTRATION REQUIRED
Yes

KITCHEN INSPECTION
Upon-complaint

INDIRECT SALES (RETAIL/ONLINE/WHOLESALE)
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.

RESEARCH NOTES

The input citation of KRS §217.137 refers to the home-based microprocessor provision (broader acidified/canned foods with additional requirements); the primary cottage food law for standard home-based processors is §217.136. Both were confirmed from official Kentucky Legislature site. The statute URL in the input (id=44478) returned an 'invalid statute' error page (superseded); the correct current URL for §217.136 is id=48558. Registration fee is $50/year (902 KAR 45:090). Kitchen use restrictions: no more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and no more than three refrigerators. Commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited. The $60,000 annual cap is confirmed by Forrager; IJ grade of D reflects the restrictive prohibited foods list and registration requirement. The chfs.ky.gov URL for cottage foods may differ from the input URL which references 'homebasedprocessing.aspx'.

TOP QUESTIONS HOME BAKERS ASK ABOUT KENTUCKY

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
Not specified in state data — check county

PETS ALLOWED?
Varies by county — see below

STATE REGISTRATION REQUIRED?
Yes

HEALTH DEPT INSPECTION?
Upon-complaint

SALES CAP
60000

ONLINE / SHIPPING ALLOWED?
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.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Varies by county — see county details below

HOME KITCHEN BASELINE
Varies by county

County rules can add restrictions on top of the state baseline. Always verify with your local health department and planning office.

KEY TAKEAWAYS FOR BAKERS IN KENTUCKY

- Kentucky (Okay tier) — annual sales cap: 60000.
- Home kitchen rules vary by county — use the county sections below for permits, inspections, and zoning overlays.
- Check whether your county requires a separate dedicated kitchen, home occupation permit, or local business license.
- Labeling and registration requirements are set by state law; confirm exact wording with Kentucky Department for Public Health.
- Registration required: Yes.
- Direct vs 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.).

PORCH / ON-SITE SALES

These are frequently more restricted by local zoning than by cottage food law. Check the county-level "On-site / porch pickup" answers and confirm with county planning.

RECOMMENDED FIRST STEPS

1. Confirm your county rules using the county sections below or the standalone county PDF.
2. Check if you need any local business license or home occupation permit (most don't).
3. Prepare labels with the required home-kitchen disclosure (wording varies by state/county).
4. Register with the state if your projected sales or product type requires it (check the registration field).
5. Start with direct sales at farmers markets or on-site — often the easiest path in Kentucky.

Kentucky Revised Statutes §217.136 — Home-Based Food Processors; Exemption from Permit Requirement and Fair Packaging and Labeling Laws (§217.137 addresses home-based microprocessors)

CITATION
KRS §217.137

ENACTED
2003

LAST AMENDED
2019

CONFIDENCE
HIGH

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Statutory text — verbatim excerpt

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Source: https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

Official sources

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

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

Extension service https://www.uky.edu/foodscience/cottage-foods

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

State dept of agriculture / health: **Kentucky Department for Public Health**

County-level rules

The state statute above sets the floor. Each county may add a home-occupation permit, business license, or zoning rule on top of state law. The 120 Kentucky counties below are listed alphabetically (Crosodo Index* shown for reference — see methodology at end of report). The Crosodo Index is our internal ranking of U.S. counties by how permissive the combined state + county rules are for home cottage food operations.

KENTUCKY: ADAIR COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1368* · FIPS 21001 · Columbia

Adair County

Population 19,202 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS) is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
No (Adair County is a small rural south-central Kentucky county. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS) is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Adair County is a small rural south-central Kentucky county. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Adair County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Adair County is a small rural south-central Kentucky county (pop. ~19,202). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline. State law requires CHFS registration ($50/year), $60,000 annual sales cap, direct sales only.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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

KENTUCKY: ALLEN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1317* · FIPS 21003 · Scottsville

Allen County

Population 21,038 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
No (Allen County is a small rural south-central Kentucky county. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Allen County is a small rural south-central Kentucky county. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Allen County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Allen County is a small rural south-central Kentucky county near the Tennessee border (pop. ~21,038). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: ANDERSON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1316* · FIPS 21005 · Lawrenceburg

Anderson County

Population 22,214 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

No (Anderson County is a small central Kentucky county near Frankfort. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

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HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Anderson County is a small central Kentucky county near Frankfort. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Anderson County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Anderson County is in central Kentucky near the state capital Frankfort (pop. ~22,214). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: BALLARD COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1313* · FIPS 21007 · Wickliffe

Ballard County

Population 7,851 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
No (Ballard County is a small rural western Kentucky county at the confluence of the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Ballard County is a small rural western Kentucky county at the confluence of the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Ballard County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Ballard County is a small rural western Kentucky county (pop. ~7,851). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: BARREN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1314* · FIPS 21009 · Glasgow

Barren County

Population 45,395 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

No (Barren County is a mid-sized south-central Kentucky county. Glasgow, the county seat, may have city-level home occupation zoning provisions for businesses operating within city limits. No county-specific cottage food ordinance beyond state registration was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Barren County is a mid-sized south-central Kentucky county. Glasgow, the county seat, may have city-level home occupation zoning provisions for businesses operating within city limits. No county-specific cottage food ordinance beyond state registration was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Barren County cottage food ordinance identified. Glasgow city zoning may apply within city limits.

RESEARCH NOTES

Barren County is one of the larger rural counties in south-central Kentucky (pop. ~45,395). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: BATH COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1562* · FIPS 21011 · Owingsville

Bath County

Population 12,523 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
No (Bath County is a small rural northeastern Kentucky county. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Bath County is a small rural northeastern Kentucky county. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Bath County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Bath County is a small rural northeastern Kentucky county (pop. ~12,523). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: BELL COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1285* · FIPS 21013 · Pineville

Bell County

Population 26,060 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
No (Bell County is a small southeastern Kentucky county in the Cumberland Mountains. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Bell County is a small southeastern Kentucky county in the Cumberland Mountains. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Bell County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Bell County is a small southeastern Kentucky county in the Appalachian coal region (pop. ~26,060). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: BOONE COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2688* · FIPS 21015 · Burlington

Boone County

Population 136,150 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 / §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual gross sales capped at $60,000. Registration ($50/year, 902 KAR 45:090). No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and no more than three refrigerators. No commercial equipment or separate commercial kitchen. Prohibited foods: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, sauces, ketchup, mustards, nut butters, oils, vinegars, pasta, fermented foods, juices, and meat jerkies.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not explicitly prohibited by state statute; kitchen must maintain sanitary conditions.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (Boone County is in the Greater Cincinnati metro area (Northern Kentucky). County zoning ordinance may require a home occupation permit in unincorporated areas. Cities such as Florence, Erlanger, and Independence within Boone County have separate ordinances. No specific county-level cottage food override identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (KCHFS may inspect upon complaint.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual gross sales capped at $60,000. Registration ($50/year, 902 KAR 45:090). No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and no more than three refrigerators. No commercial equipment or separate commercial kitchen. Prohibited foods: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, sauces, ketchup, mustards, nut butters, oils, vinegars, pasta, fermented foods, juices, and meat jerkies.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not explicitly prohibited by state statute; kitchen must maintain sanitary conditions.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams and jellies, fruit butters, dried goods, syrups (maple and sorghum only), granola, snacks. Refrigerators limited to three; ranges/ovens limited to two non-commercial units.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — KCHFS may inspect upon complaint.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — Boone County is in the Greater Cincinnati metro area (Northern Kentucky). County zoning ordinance may require a home occupation permit in unincorporated areas. Cities such as Florence, Erlanger, and Independence within Boone County have separate ordinances. No specific county-level cottage food override identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales from home, farmers markets, roadside stands, and at festivals/events. No wholesale or indirect sales to retail stores.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; home-based processor program intended for small-scale individual operations.

Relevant county code

KRS §217.136 (home-based processor); KRS §217.137 (home-based microprocessor for acidified/canned goods, with additional requirements).

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (KY) confirmed: KRS §217.136, $60,000 cap, $50/year registration, restrictive equipment limits. Boone County is a rapidly growing suburban county in the Northern Kentucky Cincinnati metro. No county-specific URLs in input. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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KENTUCKY: BOURBON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1284* · FIPS 21017 · Paris

Bourbon County

Population 19,788 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

No (Bourbon County is a small north-central Kentucky county known for horse farms and the bourbon whiskey heritage. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Bourbon County is a small north-central Kentucky county known for horse farms and the bourbon whiskey heritage. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Bourbon County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Bourbon County is a small north-central Kentucky county in the Bluegrass region (pop. ~19,788). Known for horse farming. No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: BOYD COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1283* · FIPS 21019 · Catlettsburg

Boyd County

Population 46,718 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
No (Boyd County is a northeastern Kentucky county on the Ohio River. Catlettsburg is the county seat; Ashland is the largest city. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement. Ashland city zoning may apply within city limits.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Boyd County is a northeastern Kentucky county on the Ohio River. Catlettsburg is the county seat; Ashland is the largest city. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement. Ashland city zoning may apply within city limits.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Boyd County cottage food ordinance identified. Ashland city zoning may apply within city limits.

RESEARCH NOTES

Boyd County is a northeastern Kentucky county (pop. ~46,718) on the Ohio River, home to Ashland. No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: BOYLE COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1282* · FIPS 21021 · Danville

Boyle County

Population 30,060 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
No (Boyle County is a central Kentucky county with Danville as the county seat. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. Danville city zoning may apply within city limits. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Boyle County is a central Kentucky county with Danville as the county seat. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. Danville city zoning may apply within city limits. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Boyle County cottage food ordinance identified. Danville city zoning may apply within city limits.

RESEARCH NOTES

Boyle County is a central Kentucky county (pop. ~30,060) with Danville as the county seat, home to Centre College. No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: BRACKEN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1281* · FIPS 21023 · Brooksville

Bracken County

Population 8,488 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
No (Bracken County is a small rural northern Kentucky county on the Ohio River. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Bracken County is a small rural northern Kentucky county on the Ohio River. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Bracken County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Bracken County is a small rural northern Kentucky county along the Ohio River (pop. ~8,488). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: BREATHITT COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1274* · FIPS 21025 · Jackson

Breathitt County

Population 12,630 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
No (Breathitt County is a small rural eastern Kentucky county in the Appalachian Mountains. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Breathitt County is a small rural eastern Kentucky county in the Appalachian Mountains. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Breathitt County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Breathitt County is a small rural eastern Kentucky county in the Appalachian region (pop. ~12,630). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: BRECKINRIDGE COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1272* · FIPS 21027 · Hardinsburg

Breckinridge County

Population 20,477 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

No (Breckinridge County is a small rural western Kentucky county. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Breckinridge County is a small rural western Kentucky county. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Breckinridge County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Breckinridge County is a small rural western Kentucky county on the Ohio River (pop. ~20,477). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: BULLITT COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2725* · FIPS 21029 · Shepherdsville

Bullitt County

Population 82,482 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky home-based processor: registration required ($50/year, 902 KAR 45:090), $60,000 annual sales cap. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams, jellies, fruit butters, dried goods, maple and sorghum syrups, granola, snacks. Kitchen restrictions: no more than 2 non-commercial ranges/ovens and no more than 3 refrigerators; no commercial equipment. Acidified foods, pickles, salsas, low-acid canned goods, nut butters, oils, vinegars, pasta, fermented foods, juices, and meat jerkies are prohibited under the standard home-based processor pathway.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (Bullitt County is in the Louisville metro area. Bullitt County and municipalities (Shepherdsville, Mt. Washington, etc.) may have home occupation requirements. No specific Bullitt County cottage food ordinance identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (No routine inspection. KY Cabinet for Health and Family Services may investigate upon complaint.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor: registration required ($50/year, 902 KAR 45:090), $60,000 annual sales cap. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams, jellies, fruit butters, dried goods, maple and sorghum syrups, granola, snacks. Kitchen restrictions: no more than 2 non-commercial ranges/ovens and no more than 3 refrigerators; no commercial equipment. Acidified foods, pickles, salsas, low-acid canned goods, nut butters, oils, vinegars, pasta, fermented foods, juices, and meat jerkies are prohibited under the standard home-based processor pathway.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific statutory requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific statutory requirement for home kitchen infrastructure.
FOOD STORAGE	No more than 3 refrigerators allowed; standard food safety storage practices.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection. KY Cabinet for Health and Family Services may investigate upon complaint.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — Bullitt County is in the Louisville metro area. Bullitt County and municipalities (Shepherdsville, Mt. Washington, etc.) may have home occupation requirements. No specific Bullitt County cottage food ordinance identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only: in-person at home, events, farmers markets. No wholesale, no online shipping under KRS §217.136.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified in state law; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No Bullitt County-specific cottage food code identified. KRS §217.136 and §217.137 govern.

RESEARCH NOTES

Bullitt County is a suburban Louisville county. Kentucky has a $60,000 annual cap and requires $50/year registration. The allowed foods list is relatively restrictive (no acidified foods, no fermented foods). No county-specific overrides found. Confidence is medium: state law confirmed from official CHFS and KY Legislature sources; county-level rules not verified.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

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KENTUCKY: BUTLER COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1271* · FIPS 21031 · Morgantown

Butler County

Population 13,092 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
No (Butler County is a small rural south-central Kentucky county. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Butler County is a small rural south-central Kentucky county. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Butler County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Butler County is a small rural south-central Kentucky county (pop. ~13,092). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: CALDWELL COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1269* · FIPS 21033 · Princeton

Caldwell County

Population 12,747 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
No (Caldwell County is a small rural western Kentucky county in the Pennyrile region. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Caldwell County is a small rural western Kentucky county in the Pennyrile region. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Caldwell County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Caldwell County is a small rural western Kentucky county (pop. ~12,747). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: CALLOWAY COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1268* · FIPS 21035 · Murray

Calloway County

Population 39,001 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

No (Calloway County is a western Kentucky county home to Murray State University. Murray city zoning may have home occupation provisions applicable within city limits. No county-specific cottage food ordinance beyond state registration was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Calloway County is a western Kentucky county home to Murray State University. Murray city zoning may have home occupation provisions applicable within city limits. No county-specific cottage food ordinance beyond state registration was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Calloway County cottage food ordinance identified. Murray city zoning may apply within city limits.

RESEARCH NOTES

Calloway County is a western Kentucky county (pop. ~39,001) home to Murray State University. No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: CAMPBELL COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2630* · FIPS 21037 · Newport

Campbell County

Population 93,122 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

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

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 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

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services / local health department may inspect upon complaint.
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.
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

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KENTUCKY: CARLISLE COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1287* · FIPS 21039 · Bardwell

Carlisle County

Population 4,760 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

No (Carlisle County is one of the smallest counties in Kentucky by population, located in the far western Purchase region. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Carlisle County is one of the smallest counties in Kentucky by population, located in the far western Purchase region. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Carlisle County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Carlisle County is one of the least populated counties in Kentucky (pop. ~4,760), located in the Jackson Purchase region of far western Kentucky. No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: CARROLL COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1277* · FIPS 21041 · Carrollton

Carroll County

Population 10,920 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

No (Carroll County is a small northern Kentucky county on the Ohio River. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Carroll County is a small northern Kentucky county on the Ohio River. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Carroll County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Carroll County is a small northern Kentucky county (pop. ~10,920) on the Ohio River. No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: CARTER COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1290* · FIPS 21043 · Grayson

Carter County

Population 26,850 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

No (Carter County is a northeastern Kentucky county. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Carter County is a northeastern Kentucky county. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Carter County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Carter County is a northeastern Kentucky county (pop. ~26,850). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: CASEY COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1312* · FIPS 21045 · Liberty

Casey County

Population 15,844 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

No (Casey County is a small rural south-central Kentucky county. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Casey County is a small rural south-central Kentucky county. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Casey County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Casey County is a small rural south-central Kentucky county (pop. ~15,844). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: CHRISTIAN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2750* · FIPS 21047 · Hopkinsville

Christian County

Population 72,766 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 (home-based processor); §217.137 (home-based microprocessor) · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, dried goods, syrups (maple and sorghum only), granola, snacks. $60,000 annual sales cap. Registration fee $50/year (902 KAR 45:090). No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators. No commercial equipment or separate commercial kitchen.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state statute.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (State registration ($50/year) required with KY Cabinet for Health and Family Services. Christian County may have additional local zoning home occupation requirements. No Christian County-specific cottage food ordinance found.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (KY Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect upon complaint. Registration required but no routine inspection.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, dried goods, syrups (maple and sorghum only), granola, snacks. $60,000 annual sales cap. Registration fee $50/year (902 KAR 45:090). No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators. No commercial equipment or separate commercial kitchen.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state statute.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	No food handler certification required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS products stored appropriately. Kitchen use restrictions: max two non-commercial ranges/ovens, max three refrigerators.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — KY Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect upon complaint. Registration required but no routine inspection.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — State registration ($50/year) required with KY Cabinet for Health and Family Services. Christian County may have additional local zoning home occupation requirements. No Christian County-specific cottage food ordinance found.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales to consumers only. No wholesale, consignment, or retail store sales. Online sales unclear — direct sales framework.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified.

Relevant county code

KRS §217.136. No Christian County-specific code section found.

RESEARCH NOTES

Christian County follows Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136). $60,000 annual cap. $50/year registration. Restrictive prohibited foods list (no acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, oils, pasta, fermented foods). No county-specific overrides found. Confidence: medium (state law verified, no county-specific ordinance confirmed).

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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KENTUCKY: CLARK COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1307* · FIPS 21049 · Winchester

Clark County

Population 36,860 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
No (Clark County is a central Kentucky county adjacent to Lexington. Winchester, the county seat, may have city-level zoning provisions governing home-based businesses. No county-specific cottage food ordinance beyond state registration was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Clark County is a central Kentucky county adjacent to Lexington. Winchester, the county seat, may have city-level zoning provisions governing home-based businesses. No county-specific cottage food ordinance beyond state registration was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Clark County cottage food ordinance identified. Winchester city zoning may apply within city limits.

RESEARCH NOTES

Clark County is a central Kentucky county (pop. ~36,860) adjacent to Lexington-Fayette County. No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: CLAY COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1299* · FIPS 21051 · Manchester

Clay County

Population 19,206 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

No (Clay County is a small rural southeastern Kentucky county in the Appalachian Mountains. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Clay County is a small rural southeastern Kentucky county in the Appalachian Mountains. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Clay County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Clay County is a small rural southeastern Kentucky county in the Appalachian region (pop. ~19,206). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: CLINTON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1298* · FIPS 21053 · Albany

Clinton County

Population 10,218 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
No (Clinton County is a small rural southern Kentucky county on the Tennessee border. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Clinton County is a small rural southern Kentucky county on the Tennessee border. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Clinton County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Clinton County is a small rural southern Kentucky county on the Tennessee border (pop. ~10,218). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: CRITTENDEN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1296* · FIPS 21055 · Marion

Crittenden County

Population 9,081 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

No (Crittenden County is a small rural western Kentucky county. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Crittenden County is a small rural western Kentucky county. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Crittenden County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Crittenden County is a small rural western Kentucky county (pop. ~9,081). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: CUMBERLAND COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1293* · FIPS 21057 · Burkesville

Cumberland County

Population 6,603 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
No (Cumberland County is a small rural southern Kentucky county on the Cumberland River. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Cumberland County is a small rural southern Kentucky county on the Cumberland River. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Cumberland County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Cumberland County is a small rural southern Kentucky county on the Tennessee border (pop. ~6,603). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: DAVIESS COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2270* · FIPS 21059 · Owensboro

Daviess County

Population 102,916 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky allows non-TCS baked goods (breads, cakes, cookies, pies, pastries), candies, jams and jellies, fruit butters, dried goods, syrups (maple and sorghum only), granola, snacks. Annual sales cap of $60,000. Registration required ($50/year). Direct-to-consumer only. No food handler certification required. Kitchen use restrictions: no more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and no more than three refrigerators. Commercial equipment prohibited.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific state pet restriction, but standard sanitation practices apply.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Conditional (Owensboro and Daviess County may have home occupation zoning requirements. No specific Daviess County cottage food ordinance identified beyond the state registration requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Complaint-based inspections only. $50/year registration with the state.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky allows non-TCS baked goods (breads, cakes, cookies, pies, pastries), candies, jams and jellies, fruit butters, dried goods, syrups (maple and sorghum only), granola, snacks. Annual sales cap of $60,000. Registration required ($50/year). Direct-to-consumer only. No food handler certification required. Kitchen use restrictions: no more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and no more than three refrigerators. Commercial equipment prohibited.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific state pet restriction, but standard sanitation practices apply.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state requirement beyond standard sanitation.
HANDWASHING	Standard handwashing practices required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS foods only. Prohibited: acid/acidified foods, acidified food products, formulated acid food products, low-acid canned foods, pickles, salsas, sauces, ketchup, mustards, nut butters, oils, vinegars, pasta, fermented foods, juices, extracts, meat jerkies. Home-based microprocessor pathway (§217.137) allows acidified/low-acid canned foods with additional requirements.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Complaint-based inspections only. $50/year registration with the state.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional — Owensboro and Daviess County may have home occupation zoning requirements. No specific Daviess County cottage food ordinance identified beyond the state registration requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer sales only at home, farmers markets, events. No wholesale or indirect sales. $60,000 annual cap.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified in state statute.

Relevant county code

No specific Daviess County code section identified. State law governs: KRS §217.137.

RESEARCH NOTES

Daviess County has no county URLs in the input. State baseline governs. Kentucky's $60,000 cap and registration requirement define this as an 'Okay' tier state. Owensboro is a mid-sized Western Kentucky city. No county-specific overrides found. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: EDMONSON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1292* · FIPS 21061 · Brownsville

Edmonson County

Population 12,161 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

No (Edmonson County is a small rural south-central Kentucky county near Mammoth Cave National Park. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Edmonson County is a small rural south-central Kentucky county near Mammoth Cave National Park. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Edmonson County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Edmonson County is a small rural south-central Kentucky county (pop. ~12,161) near Mammoth Cave National Park. No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: ELLIOTT COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1276* · FIPS 21063 · Sandy Hook

Elliott County

Population 7,554 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

No (Elliott County is a small rural northeastern Kentucky county in the Appalachian Mountains. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Elliott County is a small rural northeastern Kentucky county in the Appalachian Mountains. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Elliott County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Elliott County is a small rural northeastern Kentucky county in the Appalachian region (pop. ~7,554). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: ESTILL COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1294* · FIPS 21065 · Irvine

Estill County

Population 14,359 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

No (Estill County is a small rural east-central Kentucky county in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Estill County is a small rural east-central Kentucky county in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Estill County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Estill County is a small rural east-central Kentucky county (pop. ~14,359). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: FAYETTE COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2656* · FIPS 21067 · Lexington

Fayette County

Population 321,276 · State baseline: KRS §217.137; registration required; $60,000 annual sales cap; direct sales only; complaint-based inspection; no food handler cert required · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (KY registration required; $60,000 annual sales cap; direct to consumer only; non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams, jellies, dried goods; labeling required)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific state restriction; general sanitation applies

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (Fayette County/Lexington is a consolidated urban county government. No specific home occupation permit for cottage food identified. Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government may have home occupation zoning requirements; operator should verify with LFUCG planning)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Complaint-based investigation by KY Dept for Public Health)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — KY registration required; $60,000 annual sales cap; direct to consumer only; non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams, jellies, dried goods; labeling required
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific state restriction; general sanitation applies
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water at residence
HANDWASHING	Standard handwashing
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS foods stored in sanitary conditions

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Complaint-based investigation by KY Dept for Public Health
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — Fayette County/Lexington is a consolidated urban county government. No specific home occupation permit for cottage food identified. Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government may have home occupation zoning requirements; operator should verify with LFUCG planning
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct to consumer only; farmers markets, events, roadside stands; no retail or wholesale
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Pattern-status county. Fayette County is consolidated with Lexington (LFUCG). KY requires registration and has a $60,000 annual cap. No county-specific overlay found.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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KENTUCKY: FLEMING COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1295* · FIPS 21069 · Flemingsburg

Fleming County

Population 14,581 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
No (Fleming County is a small rural northeastern Kentucky county. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Fleming County is a small rural northeastern Kentucky county. No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance beyond the state registration requirement was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Fleming County cottage food ordinance identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

Fleming County is a small rural northeastern Kentucky county (pop. ~14,581). No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: FLOYD COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1301* · FIPS 21071 · Prestonsburg

Floyd County

Population 35,589 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
No (Floyd County is an eastern Kentucky county in the Big Sandy region of the Appalachian Mountains. Prestonsburg, the county seat, may have city zoning provisions for home-based businesses. No county-specific cottage food ordinance beyond state registration was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen. Registration with CHFS is required ($50/year). Annual sales cap of $60,000. Direct sales only — farmers markets, farm stands, home pickup, and events permitted. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators permitted.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state statute, but good manufacturing practices expected.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state handwashing mandate beyond general food safety practices.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No more than three refrigerators for storage.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection; complaint-driven only per state baseline.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	No — Floyd County is an eastern Kentucky county in the Big Sandy region of the Appalachian Mountains. Prestonsburg, the county seat, may have city zoning provisions for home-based businesses. No county-specific cottage food ordinance beyond state registration was identified. CHFS registration ($50/year) is the primary permit requirement.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, farm stands, events, and home pickup permitted. No wholesale, retail stores, or internet-based indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

No specific Floyd County cottage food ordinance identified. Prestonsburg city zoning may apply within city limits.

RESEARCH NOTES

Floyd County is an eastern Kentucky county (pop. ~35,589) in the Appalachian coal region. No county-specific cottage food ordinance was found. Defaulting to Kentucky state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: FRANKLIN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #1937* · FIPS 21073 · Frankfort

Franklin County

Population 51,475 · State baseline: KRS §217.136; 902 KAR 45:090 · HIGH

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Must be primary residence kitchen. Production limited to non-potentially hazardous, shelf-stable foods. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators. Commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited. Annual gross sales cap $60,000. Must register with Kentucky Food Safety Branch ($50/year).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Not explicitly stated in regulations; standard sanitation practices apply.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Conditional (Franklin County Health Department administers Home-Based Processor Law (HB 263). No separate local home occupation permit identified in research for unincorporated Franklin County. City of Frankfort may require separate business licensing for cottage food operations within city limits. Recommend verifying with Franklin County Planning.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (No routine inspection. Food Safety Branch (502-564-7181) may investigate on complaint or foodborne illness report.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Must be primary residence kitchen. Production limited to non-potentially hazardous, shelf-stable foods. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators. Commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited. Annual gross sales cap $60,000. Must register with Kentucky Food Safety Branch ($50/year).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not explicitly stated in regulations; standard sanitation practices apply.
WATER SUPPLY	Not specified in regulations.
HANDWASHING	Standard sanitation implied; no explicit handwashing station requirement.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated. Products must be shelf-stable and non-potentially hazardous.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspection. Food Safety Branch (502-564-7181) may investigate on complaint or foodborne illness report.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional — Franklin County Health Department administers Home-Based Processor Law (HB 263). No separate local home occupation permit identified in research for unincorporated Franklin County. City of Frankfort may require separate business licensing for cottage food operations within city limits. Recommend verifying with Franklin County Planning.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Products may be sold from the home (pickup or delivery), at non-permitted markets, roadside stands, community events, and online within Kentucky. No wholesale or indirect sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employees beyond household members specified in Home-Based Processor rules.

Relevant county code

KRS §217.136; 902 KAR 45:090; HB 263 (2018); HB 468

RESEARCH NOTES

Franklin County Health Department (FCHD) has a specific webpage on the Home-Based Processor Law. Registration is with state Food Safety Branch ($50/year), not county. Franklin County is the seat of state government; FCHD references HB 263 and KRS 217.136. Allowed foods include: dried herbs/spices, candies, dried grains, granola, trail mix, whole fruits/vegetables, dried fruits, mixed greens, high-acid jams/jellies, sweet sorghum syrup, maple syrup, fruit butter, bread, fruit pies, pecan pies, cakes, cookies, popcorn. Annual cap $60,000.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://fchd.org/home-based-processor-law-hb263/

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx

https://fchd.org/home-based-processor-law-hb263/

https://www.chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/FSDocs/dfs250.pdf

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KENTUCKY: FULTON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2131* · FIPS 21075 · Hickman

Fulton County

Population 6,282 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Fulton County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Fulton County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Fulton County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Fulton County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Fulton County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Fulton County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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

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KENTUCKY: GALLATIN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2156* · FIPS 21077 · Warsaw

Gallatin County

Population 8,805 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Gallatin County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Gallatin County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Gallatin County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Gallatin County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Gallatin County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Gallatin County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: GARRARD COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2153* · FIPS 21079 · Lancaster

Garrard County

Population 18,040 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Garrard County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Garrard County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Garrard County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Garrard County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Garrard County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Garrard County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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KENTUCKY: GRANT COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2152* · FIPS 21081 · Williamstown

Grant County

Population 25,722 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Grant County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Grant County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Grant County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Grant County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Grant County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Grant County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

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KENTUCKY: GRAVES COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2150* · FIPS 21083 · Mayfield

Graves County

Population 36,821 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Graves County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Graves County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Graves County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Graves County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Graves County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Graves County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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KENTUCKY: GRAYSON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2154* · FIPS 21085 · Leitchfield

Grayson County

Population 27,070 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Grayson County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Grayson County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Grayson County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Grayson County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Grayson County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Grayson County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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KENTUCKY: GREEN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2155* · FIPS 21087 · Greensburg

Green County

Population 11,552 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Green County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Green County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Green County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Green County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Green County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Green County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

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KENTUCKY: GREENUP COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2162* · FIPS 21089 · Greenup

Greenup County

Population 35,273 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Greenup County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Greenup County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Greenup County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Greenup County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Greenup County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Greenup County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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

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KENTUCKY: HANCOCK COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2164* · FIPS 21091 · Hawesville

Hancock County

Population 9,013 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Hancock County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Hancock County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Hancock County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Hancock County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Hancock County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Hancock County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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KENTUCKY: HARDIN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2700* · FIPS 21093 · Elizabethtown

Hardin County

Population 111,005 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 (home-based processor); $60,000 annual sales cap; registration required ($50/year); no inspection; direct sales only; limited food categories · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky allows non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, granola, etc. from home kitchen. Registration required with KY Dept. for Public Health ($50/year, 902 KAR 45:090). Limited to no more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators. Commercial equipment prohibited.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific state restriction; standard food safety sanitation practices apply.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No specific Hardin County home occupation permit requirements found for cottage food. Kentucky KRS §217.136 registration is the primary regulatory requirement. Hardin County (Elizabethtown area, near Fort Knox) may have local zoning home occupation requirements. Contact Hardin County Planning or Elizabethtown city planning.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Kentucky registration requires application review but no routine kitchen inspection. Complaint-driven investigation by local health department possible.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky allows non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, granola, etc. from home kitchen. Registration required with KY Dept. for Public Health ($50/year, 902 KAR 45:090). Limited to no more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators. Commercial equipment prohibited.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific state restriction; standard food safety sanitation practices apply.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required per state food safety standards.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety practices; no mandatory certification under KY home-based processor law.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable products only. Acidified foods (pickles, salsas), fermented foods, nut butters, oils, vinegars, pasta, juices, meat jerkies all prohibited under §217.136.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Kentucky registration requires application review but no routine kitchen inspection. Complaint-driven investigation by local health department possible.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No specific Hardin County home occupation permit requirements found for cottage food. Kentucky KRS §217.136 registration is the primary regulatory requirement. Hardin County (Elizabethtown area, near Fort Knox) may have local zoning home occupation requirements. Contact Hardin County Planning or Elizabethtown city planning.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Kentucky allows direct sales only: from home, farmers markets, events. Online/in-state shipping status unclear. No wholesale, restaurants, or retail stores. $60,000 annual cap.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No specific state employee limit; commercial equipment prohibited; max 2 non-commercial ranges/ovens, 3 refrigerators.

Relevant county code

KRS §217.136; 902 KAR 45:090

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline applied (KY tier Okay). Kentucky is distinctive for prohibiting commercial kitchen equipment and limiting non-commercial equipment. Hardin County includes Elizabethtown and is adjacent to Fort Knox military installation. No county-specific URLs provided. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

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KENTUCKY: HARLAN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2139* · FIPS 21095 · Harlan

Harlan County

Population 25,052 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Harlan County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Harlan County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Harlan County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Harlan County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Harlan County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Harlan County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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KENTUCKY: HARRISON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2148* · FIPS 21097 · Cynthiana

Harrison County

Population 19,525 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Harrison County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Harrison County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Harrison County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Harrison County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Harrison County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Harrison County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

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KENTUCKY: HART COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2133* · FIPS 21099 · Munfordville

Hart County

Population 19,923 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Hart County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Hart County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Hart County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Hart County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Hart County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Hart County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

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KENTUCKY: HENDERSON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2698* · FIPS 21101 · Henderson

Henderson County

Population 44,175 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (Henderson County Zoning Ordinance (Art. II, §2.01) defines Home Occupation as professional offices and personal services only. The ordinance explicitly states: 'The processing of any product shall not qualify as a home occupation' and 'Retail sales of a product on the premises shall be strictly prohibited.' However, Kentucky state law (KRS §217.136) preempts local restrictions on home-based food processing registered under the HBP program. Operators should confirm with Henderson County Planning & Zoning whether the county recognizes state preemption or requires additional local approval. Home occupation limited to 25% of principal building floor area; max 1 non-resident employee; no exterior evidence except 1 unlighted sign ≤4 sq ft.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

No

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — Henderson County Zoning Ordinance (Art. II, §2.01) defines Home Occupation as professional offices and personal services only. The ordinance explicitly states: 'The processing of any product shall not qualify as a home occupation' and 'Retail sales of a product on the premises shall be strictly prohibited.' However, Kentucky state law (KRS §217.136) preempts local restrictions on home-based food processing registered under the HBP program. Operators should confirm with Henderson County Planning & Zoning whether the county recognizes state preemption or requires additional local approval. Home occupation limited to 25% of principal building floor area; max 1 non-resident employee; no exterior evidence except 1 unlighted sign ≤4 sq ft.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	No
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	No
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

Henderson County Zoning Ordinance Art. II §2.01 (Home Occupation definition); Art. XXIII §23.02 (RR Rural Residential permitted uses). Note: ordinance excludes product processing from home occupation definition; state HBP preemption may apply under KRS §217.136.

RESEARCH NOTES

Henderson County Zoning Ordinance (eCode360 §27529437; hendersoncountyky.gov/DocumentCenter/View/73) explicitly excludes product processing from 'home occupation' definition and prohibits on-premises retail sales. This is more restrictive than the state baseline. However, KRS §217.136 may preempt local restrictions on registered Home-Based Processors. Operators are strongly advised to consult Henderson County Planning & Zoning (hendersoncountyky.gov) and confirm whether a conditional use permit or other approval is needed. City of Henderson may have separate municipal ordinances. State HBP registration ($50/year, form DFS-250) still required regardless of local zoning outcome.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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

https://ecode360.com/27529437

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KENTUCKY: HENRY COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2135* · FIPS 21103 · New Castle

Henry County

Population 16,198 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Henry County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Henry County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Henry County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Henry County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Henry County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Henry County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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KENTUCKY: HICKMAN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2138* · FIPS 21105 · Clinton

Hickman County

Population 4,393 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Hickman County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Hickman County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Hickman County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Hickman County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Hickman County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Hickman County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

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KENTUCKY: HOPKINS COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2140* · FIPS 21107 · Madisonville

Hopkins County

Population 45,218 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Hopkins County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Hopkins County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Hopkins County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Hopkins County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Hopkins County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Hopkins County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

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KENTUCKY: JACKSON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2141* · FIPS 21109 · McKee

Jackson County

Population 13,358 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Jackson County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Jackson County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Jackson County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Jackson County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Jackson County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Jackson County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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KENTUCKY: JEFFERSON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2238* · FIPS 21111 · Louisville

Jefferson County

Population 779,232 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 (home-based processor); annual cap $60,000; registration $50/year · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Jefferson County is Louisville Metro — a consolidated city-county government. Home-based processor registration ($50/year with KDPH, 902 KAR 45:090) required. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and no more than three refrigerators. Commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state rules; standard sanitation applies

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Conditional (Louisville Metro Government (LMCO) has home occupation regulations in its Land Development Code. Contact Louisville Metro Planning & Design Services for home occupation requirements. Louisville Metro also issues business licenses. Check LMCO Chapter 4, Zoning for home occupation provisions.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Kentucky Department of Public Health may inspect upon complaint.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Jefferson County is Louisville Metro — a consolidated city-county government. Home-based processor registration ($50/year with KDPH, 902 KAR 45:090) required. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and no more than three refrigerators. Commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state rules; standard sanitation applies
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water; state baseline
HANDWASHING	Standard sanitation required per home-based processor regulations
FOOD STORAGE	Standard food storage; max 3 refrigerators; no more than 2 non-commercial ranges/ovens

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Kentucky Department of Public Health may inspect upon complaint.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional — Louisville Metro Government (LMCO) has home occupation regulations in its Land Development Code. Contact Louisville Metro Planning & Design Services for home occupation requirements. Louisville Metro also issues business licenses. Check LMCO Chapter 4, Zoning for home occupation provisions.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Yes

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only (farmers markets, events, home sales). No wholesale to restaurants or stores. No internet/mail order. $60,000 annual cap.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Unknown

Relevant county code

KRS §217.136; 902 KAR 45:090; Louisville Metro Land Development Code for home occupations

RESEARCH NOTES

Jefferson County/Louisville Metro is a consolidated city-county government. State baseline applies: KRS §217.136 home-based processor, $60,000 annual cap, $50/year registration fee. No Jefferson County-specific modification of state rules found. Louisville Metro has its own planning and zoning code — home occupation requirements likely apply. Confidence medium as specific Louisville Metro home occupation permit details not directly verified.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://louisvilleky.gov/government/public-health-wellness
https://louisvilleky.gov/government/planning-design
https://louisvilleky.gov
https://www.chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/cottage-foods.aspx

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KENTUCKY: JESSAMINE COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2583* · FIPS 21113 · Nicholasville

Jessamine County

Population 53,381 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 (Home-Based Processors); 902 KAR 45:090 ·

MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Primary residence kitchen only. No commercial equipment. All foods must be non-potentially hazardous and shelf-stable per 902 KAR 45:090 approved list. Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration fee $50/year.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
KY state rules do not explicitly address pets. Standard sanitation applies.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Conditional (Jessamine County is a suburban county adjacent to Lexington. Local occupational license may be required in Nicholasville or unincorporated Jessamine County. State registration ($50/year) required through KY Food Safety Branch. Contact Jessamine County government in Nicholasville.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Conditional

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (KY Food Safety Branch may inspect on complaint or foodborne illness investigation.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Primary residence kitchen only. No commercial equipment. All foods must be non-potentially hazardous and shelf-stable per 902 KAR 45:090 approved list. Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration fee $50/year.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	KY state rules do not explicitly address pets. Standard sanitation applies.
WATER SUPPLY	Primary residence with approved water supply.
HANDWASHING	Standard good manufacturing practices; complaint-based inspection.
FOOD STORAGE	Shelf-stable, non-potentially hazardous products only.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — KY Food Safety Branch may inspect on complaint or foodborne illness investigation.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional — Jessamine County is a suburban county adjacent to Lexington. Local occupational license may be required in Nicholasville or unincorporated Jessamine County. State registration ($50/year) required through KY Food Safety Branch. Contact Jessamine County government in Nicholasville.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Conditional
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales to consumers only (KRS §217.136). No wholesale or retail store channel.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No additional employees; production by registered applicant only.

Relevant county code

KRS §217.136; 902 KAR 45:090; no Jessamine County-specific ordinance identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Jessamine County is adjacent to Lexington-Fayette County and is one of the faster-growing suburban areas in Kentucky. No county-specific cottage food rules found. State baseline: $60,000 cap, direct sales only, approved food list only. Registration renewal annual (April 1 to March 31).

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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KENTUCKY: JOHNSON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2142* · FIPS 21115 · Paintsville

Johnson County

Population 22,098 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Johnson County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Johnson County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Johnson County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Johnson County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Johnson County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Johnson County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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

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KENTUCKY: KENTON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2328* · FIPS 21117 · Covington

Kenton County

Population 169,066 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Registration required ($50/year). Non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams, jellies, fruit butters, dried goods, syrups (maple/sorghum only), granola, and similar shelf-stable items allowed. Annual sales cap $60,000. Direct sales only. Acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, oils, vinegars, fermented foods, juices, and meats prohibited under standard pathway.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No explicit state restriction; no more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators (commercial equipment prohibited).

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Conditional (Kenton County unincorporated areas may require home occupation permit for home-based businesses. County seat 'Covington' was blank in input — confirmed as Covington. County is highly urbanized (part of greater Cincinnati metro). County URLs were blank in input.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (No routine inspections under standard home-based processor pathway. State may investigate upon complaint.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Registration required ($50/year). Non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams, jellies, fruit butters, dried goods, syrups (maple/sorghum only), granola, and similar shelf-stable items allowed. Annual sales cap $60,000. Direct sales only. Acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, oils, vinegars, fermented foods, juices, and meats prohibited under standard pathway.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No explicit state restriction; no more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators (commercial equipment prohibited).
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water supply required.
HANDWASHING	Adequate handwashing per food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Shelf-stable storage; commercial storage equipment not permitted.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — No routine inspections under standard home-based processor pathway. State may investigate upon complaint.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional — Kenton County unincorporated areas may require home occupation permit for home-based businesses. County seat 'Covington' was blank in input — confirmed as Covington. County is highly urbanized (part of greater Cincinnati metro). County URLs were blank in input.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only within Kentucky. No online sales with out-of-state shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Only residents of the dwelling may produce; commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen prohibited.

Relevant county code

KRS §217.136 (home-based processor) / §217.137 (home-based microprocessor); no specific county code found.

RESEARCH NOTES

County seat was blank in input — confirmed as Covington (part of Cincinnati metro, northern Kentucky). Kenton County has no verified county-specific cottage food rules beyond Kentucky state baseline. Input cites §217.137 (microprocessor) but primary cottage food provision is §217.136. Kentucky $60,000 cap confirmed by state baseline. Commercial equipment and separate commercial kitchen explicitly prohibited is a distinctive Kentucky restriction.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

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KENTUCKY: KNOTT COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2143* · FIPS 21119 · Hindman

Knott County

Population 13,438 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Knott County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Knott County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Knott County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Knott County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Knott County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Knott County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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

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KENTUCKY: KNOX COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2144* · FIPS 21121 · Barbourville

Knox County

Population 29,657 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Knox County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Knox County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Knox County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Knox County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Knox County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Knox County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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KENTUCKY: LARUE COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2145* · FIPS 21123 · Hodgenville

Larue County

Population 15,128 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Larue County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Larue County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Larue County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Larue County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Larue County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Larue County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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KENTUCKY: LAUREL COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2771* · FIPS 21125 · London

Laurel County

Population 62,442 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 (home-based processor) · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Registration required ($50/year). $60,000 annual sales cap. Direct sales only. Restrictive food list: baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, syrups (maple/sorghum only), granola, dried goods. No acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, oils.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific state prohibition; good manufacturing practice applies

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (Laurel County includes London in southeastern Kentucky. No specific county home occupation permit for cottage food identified. Contact Laurel County Planning & Zoning at (606) 864-5128.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Complaint-based inspection; no routine inspection)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Registration required ($50/year). $60,000 annual sales cap. Direct sales only. Restrictive food list: baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, syrups (maple/sorghum only), granola, dried goods. No acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, oils.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific state prohibition; good manufacturing practice applies
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required
HANDWASHING	Handwashing facilities required
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods; proper storage required

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Complaint-based inspection; no routine inspection
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — Laurel County includes London in southeastern Kentucky. No specific county home occupation permit for cottage food identified. Contact Laurel County Planning & Zoning at (606) 864-5128.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only; no wholesale or retail. Internet sales within Kentucky allowed.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Sole operator required for production

Relevant county code

Contact Laurel County Planning for local zoning

RESEARCH NOTES

Laurel County is in southeastern Kentucky coal country. Kentucky §217.136 has $60,000 cap, $50/year registration, restrictive food list. No specific county overrides found. No county URLs in input.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: LAWRENCE COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2146* · FIPS 21127 · Louisa

Lawrence County

Population 15,798 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Lawrence County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Lawrence County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Lawrence County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Lawrence County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Lawrence County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Lawrence County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: LEE COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2083* · FIPS 21129 · Beattyville

Lee County

Population 7,313 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Lee County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Lee County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Lee County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Lee County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Lee County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Lee County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

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KENTUCKY: LESLIE COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2033* · FIPS 21131 · Hyden

Leslie County

Population 9,729 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Leslie County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Leslie County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Leslie County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Leslie County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Leslie County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Leslie County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

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KENTUCKY: LETCHER COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2036* · FIPS 21133 · Whitesburg

Letcher County

Population 20,139 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Letcher County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Letcher County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Letcher County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Letcher County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Letcher County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Letcher County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

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KENTUCKY: LEWIS COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2017* · FIPS 21135 · Vanceburg

Lewis County

Population 12,875 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Lewis County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Lewis County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Lewis County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Lewis County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Lewis County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Lewis County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

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KENTUCKY: LINCOLN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2015* · FIPS 21137 · Stanford

Lincoln County

Population 24,910 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Lincoln County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Lincoln County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Lincoln County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Lincoln County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Lincoln County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Lincoln County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

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KENTUCKY: LIVINGSTON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2014* · FIPS 21139 · Smithland

Livingston County

Population 8,815 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Livingston County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Livingston County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Livingston County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Livingston County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Livingston County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Livingston County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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KENTUCKY: LOGAN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2045* · FIPS 21141 · Russellville

Logan County

Population 28,467 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Logan County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Logan County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Logan County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Logan County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Logan County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Logan County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

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KENTUCKY: LYON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2046* · FIPS 21143 · Eddyville

Lyon County

Population 9,078 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Lyon County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Lyon County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Lyon County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Lyon County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Lyon County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Lyon County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

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KENTUCKY: MADISON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2637* · FIPS 21151 · Richmond

Madison County

Population 92,955 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

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). Complaint-based inspection. Direct sales only. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, dried goods, maple and sorghum syrups, granola, snacks. Prohibited: acidified foods, low-acid canned goods, pickles, salsas, sauces, nut butters, oils, pasta, fermented foods, juices, meat jerkies. Kitchen equipment limited to residential-scale (no more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens, three refrigerators).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific restriction stated.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (Madison County (Richmond, home of Eastern Kentucky University) may have local home occupation zoning requirements. No Madison County-specific cottage food permit identified beyond state registration.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (CHFS / local health department may inspect upon complaint.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136): $60,000 annual sales cap. Registration required ($50/year). Complaint-based inspection. Direct sales only. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, dried goods, maple and sorghum syrups, granola, snacks. Prohibited: acidified foods, low-acid canned goods, pickles, salsas, sauces, nut butters, oils, pasta, fermented foods, juices, meat jerkies. Kitchen equipment limited to residential-scale (no more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens, three refrigerators).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific restriction stated.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific statutory requirement.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only; residential-scale kitchen equipment only.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — CHFS / local health department may inspect upon complaint.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — Madison County (Richmond, home of Eastern Kentucky University) may have local home occupation zoning requirements. No Madison County-specific cottage food permit identified beyond state registration.
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 under primary pathway.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employee limit specified; limited to residential-scale kitchen equipment.

Relevant county code

No Madison County-specific cottage food code identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

No Madison County-specific cottage food rules found. Madison County (Richmond) is home to Eastern Kentucky University. Kentucky's restrictive prohibited foods list (no acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, pasta) makes the primary pathway one of the more limited among states. Separate §217.137 microprocessor pathway available for acidified foods with additional requirements.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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KENTUCKY: MAGOFFIN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2049* · FIPS 21153 · Salyersville

Magoffin County

Population 11,118 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Magoffin County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Magoffin County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Magoffin County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Magoffin County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Magoffin County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Magoffin County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

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KENTUCKY: MARION COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2050* · FIPS 21155 · Lebanon

Marion County

Population 19,851 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Marion County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Marion County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Marion County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Marion County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Marion County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Marion County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

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KENTUCKY: MARSHALL COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2051* · FIPS 21157 · Benton

Marshall County

Population 31,734 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Marshall County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Marshall County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Marshall County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Marshall County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Marshall County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Marshall County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

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KENTUCKY: MARTIN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2052* · FIPS 21159 · Inez

Martin County

Population 10,696 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Martin County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Martin County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Martin County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Martin County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Martin County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Martin County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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

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KENTUCKY: MASON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2053* · FIPS 21161 · Maysville

Mason County

Population 16,956 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Mason County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Mason County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Mason County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Mason County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Mason County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Mason County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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

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KENTUCKY: MCCRACKEN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2745* · FIPS 21145 · Paducah

McCracken County

Population 67,573 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. No food handler cert required. Registration required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale. Non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, granola, dried goods. No acidified foods, pickles, nut butters, fermented foods.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county govt URL provided. McCracken County includes Paducah, a regional center. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. City of Paducah has its own zoning and business licensing. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. No food handler cert required. Registration required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale. Non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, granola, dried goods. No acidified foods, pickles, nut butters, fermented foods.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county govt URL provided. McCracken County includes Paducah, a regional center. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. City of Paducah has its own zoning and business licensing. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only; no wholesale; no out-of-state internet sales
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state with $60,000 cap. McCracken County/Paducah is a regional hub in western Kentucky near TN/IL borders. No county-specific sources available. Pattern county.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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KENTUCKY: MCCREARY COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2047* · FIPS 21147 · Whitley City

McCreary County

Population 16,824 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for McCreary County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the McCreary County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for McCreary County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the McCreary County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for McCreary County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for McCreary County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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

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KENTUCKY: MCLEAN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2048* · FIPS 21149 · Calhoun

McLean County

Population 9,126 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for McLean County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the McLean County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for McLean County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the McLean County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for McLean County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for McLean County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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

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KENTUCKY: MEADE COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2054* · FIPS 21163 · Brandenburg

Meade County

Population 30,442 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Meade County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Meade County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Meade County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Meade County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Meade County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Meade County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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KENTUCKY: MENIFEE COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2055* · FIPS 21165 · Frenchburg

Menifee County

Population 6,341 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Menifee County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Menifee County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Menifee County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Menifee County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Menifee County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Menifee County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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

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KENTUCKY: MERCER COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2056* · FIPS 21167 · Harrodsburg

Mercer County

Population 23,515 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Mercer County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Mercer County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Mercer County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Mercer County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Mercer County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Mercer County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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

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KENTUCKY: METCALFE COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2057* · FIPS 21169 · Edmonton

Metcalfe County

Population 10,558 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Metcalfe County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Metcalfe County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Metcalfe County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Metcalfe County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Metcalfe County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Metcalfe County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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

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KENTUCKY: MONROE COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2058* · FIPS 21171 · Tompkinsville

Monroe County

Population 11,163 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Monroe County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Monroe County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Monroe County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Monroe County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Monroe County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Monroe County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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KENTUCKY: MONTGOMERY COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2059* · FIPS 21173 · Mount Sterling

Montgomery County

Population 28,771 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Montgomery County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Montgomery County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky Home-Based Processor (HBP) law (KRS §217.136) allows production and direct sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a primary residence. Annual registration required ($50/year, form DFS-250). $60,000 annual gross sales cap. Direct-to-consumer sales only (home, farmers markets, community events, roadside stands, delivery). No kitchen inspection required. No commercial equipment allowed. No domestic activity during food production. Labeling must include processor name/address, product name, ingredients, net weight, date processed, and statement 'This product is home-produced and processed.' (10-point type).
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets and children must be excluded from the kitchen during food production per KRS §217.136 and associated regulations.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under KRS §217.136; standard residential water supply assumed.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety handwashing practices expected; no specific statutory mandate beyond general food safety. Candy must not be touched with bare hands — gloves or utensils required.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-potentially hazardous), shelf-stable foods only. No commercial refrigerators permitted beyond household limits (up to three standard residential refrigerators allowed). No commercial equipment.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	No — Cabinet for Health and Family Services may inspect annually at discretion, or upon complaint/mislabeling report. No routine pre-approval inspection required.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified for Montgomery County. State law requires annual $50 registration with CHFS Food Safety Branch (form DFS-250) before selling. Operators should contact the Montgomery County planning/zoning office and county judge-executive to confirm whether a local home occupation permit or business license is also required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only. Permitted venues: home (on-premises pickup), farmers markets, certified roadside stands, community events, fairs, festivals, and personal delivery within Kentucky. Online orders allowed if fulfilled by in-state pickup or personal delivery. No wholesale to restaurants or retail stores. No mail/common-carrier shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No paid outside employees; family members living in the household may assist. (KRS §217.136 does not authorize hired employees.)

Relevant county code

No county-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinance identified for Montgomery County. State law (KRS §217.136) governs. Local zoning may apply — contact county planning office.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific zoning ordinance or cottage food regulation identified for Montgomery County in 1-2 targeted searches. Record defaults to Kentucky state baseline (KRS §217.136). Key state rules: $60,000 annual sales cap; $50/year registration fee (form DFS-250) with CHFS Food Safety Branch; no kitchen inspection; direct-to-consumer only; no commercial equipment; pets/children excluded during production. Home-based microprocessor (HBM) pathway (KRS §217.137) available for farmers selling acidified/canned foods with additional UK workshop and recipe-approval requirements. Local zoning requirements for home occupation permits should be verified with county planning office.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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

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KENTUCKY: MORGAN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2707* · FIPS 21175 · West Liberty

Morgan County

Population 14,300 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: MUHLENBERG COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2710* · FIPS 21177 · Greenville

Muhlenberg County

Population 30,512 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: NELSON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2711* · FIPS 21179 · Bardstown

Nelson County

Population 48,706 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (Nelson County has a zoning ordinance (revised November 2024; available from nelsoncountyky.gov). Home occupation provisions are typical for KY counties. Bardstown city limits have separate zoning. No specific cottage food overlay identified in the zoning ordinance title search.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — Nelson County has a zoning ordinance (revised November 2024; available from nelsoncountyky.gov). Home occupation provisions are typical for KY counties. Bardstown city limits have separate zoning. No specific cottage food overlay identified in the zoning ordinance title search.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: NICHOLAS COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2713* · FIPS 21181 · Carlisle

Nicholas County

Population 7,816 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: OHIO COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2714* · FIPS 21183 · Hartford

Ohio County

Population 23,933 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: OLDHAM COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2746* · FIPS 21185 · La Grange

Oldham County

Population 67,997 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. No food handler cert required. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale. Non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, granola, dried goods, maple/sorghum syrups only. No acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county govt URL provided. Oldham County is a suburban county adjacent to Louisville. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. City of La Grange has its own zoning. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. No food handler cert required. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale. Non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, granola, dried goods, maple/sorghum syrups only. No acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county govt URL provided. Oldham County is a suburban county adjacent to Louisville. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. City of La Grange has its own zoning. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only; no wholesale; no internet sales to out-of-state
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state with $60,000 cap. Oldham County is upscale suburban county near Louisville. No county-specific sources available. Pattern county.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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KENTUCKY: OWEN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2715* · FIPS 21187 · Owenton

Owen County

Population 11,435 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: OWSLEY COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2716* · FIPS 21189 · Booneville

Owsley County

Population 3,928 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: PENDLETON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2717* · FIPS 21191 · Falmouth

Pendleton County

Population 14,844 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: PERRY COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2718* · FIPS 21193 · Hazard

Perry County

Population 26,739 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: PIKE COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2792* · FIPS 21195 · Pikeville

Pike County

Population 58,196 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 (home-based processor); KRS §217.137 (home-based microprocessor) · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) requires registration ($50/year). Non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, syrups (maple/sorghum), granola, and dried goods only. $60,000 annual sales cap. Direct sales only. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators — commercial equipment prohibited.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific pet restriction in state cottage food law.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (Pike County and City of Pikeville may have home occupation zoning requirements. Operators should check with Pike County Planning and Zoning.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Conditional

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Kentucky may inspect upon complaint; registration processed by state, not county.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Kentucky home-based processor law (KRS §217.136) requires registration ($50/year). Non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, syrups (maple/sorghum), granola, and dried goods only. $60,000 annual sales cap. Direct sales only. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators — commercial equipment prohibited.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific pet restriction in state cottage food law.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	No specific state cottage food handwashing mandate.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS, shelf-stable foods only. Maximum two non-commercial ranges, three refrigerators.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Kentucky may inspect upon complaint; registration processed by state, not county.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — Pike County and City of Pikeville may have home occupation zoning requirements. Operators should check with Pike County Planning and Zoning.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Conditional
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Farmers markets, home pickup, events permitted. No wholesale, no retail store sales.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified in state statute.

Relevant county code

Pike County zoning code (home occupation provisions); no specific cottage food county code identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

No county-specific cottage food ordinance found for Pike County, KY. State baseline (KRS §217.136) applies. Kentucky's $60,000 annual cap, prohibition on acidified/low-acid canned foods, and restriction to limited allowed food categories are the key limitations. Pike County is in eastern Kentucky in the Appalachian coalfields area. Registration fee is $50/year (902 KAR 45:090).

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: POWELL COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2719* · FIPS 21197 · Stanton

Powell County

Population 12,928 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: PULASKI COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2733* · FIPS 21199 · Somerset

Pulaski County

Population 65,145 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 (home-based processor); §217.137 (home-based microprocessor) · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Registration required ($50/year). $60,000 annual sales cap. Direct sales only. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators. No commercial equipment. Food list is restrictive: baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, syrups (maple/sorghum only), granola, dried goods.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
No specific state prohibition; good manufacturing practice applies

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (Pulaski County (Somerset area) is in south-central Kentucky. No specific county home occupation permit for cottage food identified. Contact Pulaski County Planning or Somerset city for local zoning.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Complaint-based inspection; routine inspection not required)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Registration required ($50/year). $60,000 annual sales cap. Direct sales only. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators. No commercial equipment. Food list is restrictive: baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, syrups (maple/sorghum only), granola, dried goods.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	No specific state prohibition; good manufacturing practice applies
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required
HANDWASHING	Handwashing facilities required
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods; proper storage required

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Complaint-based inspection; routine inspection not required
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — Pulaski County (Somerset area) is in south-central Kentucky. No specific county home occupation permit for cottage food identified. Contact Pulaski County Planning or Somerset city for local zoning.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only; no wholesale or retail sales. Internet sales within Kentucky allowed.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employees may assist in production (sole operator required)

Relevant county code

Contact Pulaski County Planning or Somerset City for local zoning

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky KRS §217.136 is the standard home-based processor law with $60,000 cap, $50/year registration. Restrictive food list (no acidified foods, pickles, salsas). Pulaski County is a mid-size central KY county. No specific county overrides found. No county URLs in input.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://www.chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/cottage-foods.aspx
https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558

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KENTUCKY: ROBERTSON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2720* · FIPS 21201 · Mount Olivet

Robertson County

Population 2,382 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: ROCKCASTLE COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2708* · FIPS 21203 · Mount Vernon

Rockcastle County

Population 16,226 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: ROWAN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2690* · FIPS 21205 · Morehead

Rowan County

Population 24,675 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: RUSSELL COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2674* · FIPS 21207 · Jamestown

Russell County

Population 18,458 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: SCOTT COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2584* · FIPS 21209 · Georgetown

Scott County

Population 57,286 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 (Home-Based Processors); 902 KAR 45:090 ·

MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Must be producer's primary residence. No commercial ranges/ovens beyond two units; no more than three refrigerators. Commercial equipment prohibited. All foods must be non-potentially hazardous and shelf-stable per 902 KAR 45:090 approved list. Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration fee $50/year with KY Food Safety Branch.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
KY state rules do not explicitly address pets but good sanitation practices apply. No specific county override found.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Conditional (Georgetown/Scott County Revenue Commission (GSCRC) requires an occupational license for businesses operating in Georgetown/Scott County. Business registration form BQ100 required. $50 state registration also required through KY Food Safety Branch. Contact GSCRC at 1000 West Main St. Suite 8, Georgetown KY, phone 502-603-5860.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Conditional

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (KY Food Safety Branch may inspect upon consumer complaint or suspected foodborne illness. GPS coordinates on application assist complaint investigations.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Must be producer's primary residence. No commercial ranges/ovens beyond two units; no more than three refrigerators. Commercial equipment prohibited. All foods must be non-potentially hazardous and shelf-stable per 902 KAR 45:090 approved list. Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration fee $50/year with KY Food Safety Branch.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	KY state rules do not explicitly address pets but good sanitation practices apply. No specific county override found.
WATER SUPPLY	Must process in primary residence; public or approved private water supply.
HANDWASHING	Standard good manufacturing practices apply; no formal inspection requirement except complaint-based.
FOOD STORAGE	All products must be shelf-stable and non-potentially hazardous. Proper storage to prevent contamination.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — KY Food Safety Branch may inspect upon consumer complaint or suspected foodborne illness. GPS coordinates on application assist complaint investigations.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional — Georgetown/Scott County Revenue Commission (GSCRC) requires an occupational license for businesses operating in Georgetown/Scott County. Business registration form BQ100 required. $50 state registration also required through KY Food Safety Branch. Contact GSCRC at 1000 West Main St. Suite 8, Georgetown KY, phone 502-603-5860.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Yes

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Conditional
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales to consumers only (KRS §217.136). In-person at home, farmers markets, events, and similar. No wholesale/retail store channel.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No additional employees specified; production must be by the registered applicant.

Relevant county code

Georgetown/Scott County Revenue Commission GSCRC BQ100 Occupational License; KRS §217.136; 902 KAR 45:090

RESEARCH NOTES

State registration required with KY Food Safety Branch ($50/year via DFS-250 form); foods must be from approved 902 KAR 45:090 list. Georgetown/Scott County Revenue Commission requires local occupational license for all businesses operating locally. No county-specific cottage food health rules found. Scott County is the fastest-growing county in Kentucky per GSCRC materials. $60,000 annual cap and direct-sales-only requirements are state-level floors.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/homebasedprocessing.aspx
https://www.chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/FSDocs/dfs250.pdf
https://www.gscrevenueky.gov/Blog/9/business-licensing-guide
https://www.chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/cottage-foods.aspx

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KENTUCKY: SHELBY COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2660* · FIPS 21211 · Shelbyville

Shelby County

Population 50,124 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (Shelby County zoning is administered by the Triple S Planning Commission (shelbypz.com/zoning-regulations). County regulations cover unincorporated areas; Shelbyville and Simpsonville have separate ordinances. Home occupation provisions are standard; no cottage food-specific overlay identified. Planning commission contact: Triple S Planning Commission, Shelbyville KY.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — Shelby County zoning is administered by the Triple S Planning Commission (shelbypz.com/zoning-regulations). County regulations cover unincorporated areas; Shelbyville and Simpsonville have separate ordinances. Home occupation provisions are standard; no cottage food-specific overlay identified. Planning commission contact: Triple S Planning Commission, Shelbyville KY.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: SIMPSON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2662* · FIPS 21213 · Franklin

Simpson County

Population 20,350 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: SPENCER COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2663* · FIPS 21215 · Taylorsville

Spencer County

Population 20,823 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: TAYLOR COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2664* · FIPS 21217 · Campbellsville

Taylor County

Population 26,809 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: TODD COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2665* · FIPS 21219 · Elkton

Todd County

Population 12,757 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: TRIGG COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2666* · FIPS 21221 · Cadiz

Trigg County

Population 14,559 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: TRIMBLE COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2667* · FIPS 21223 · Bedford

Trimble County

Population 8,591 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: UNION COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2669* · FIPS 21225 · Morganfield

Union County

Population 13,178 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: WARREN COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2693* · FIPS 21227 · Bowling Green

Warren County

Population 135,307 · State baseline: KRS §217.136 / §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual gross sales capped at $60,000. $50/year registration required. Equipment limits: no more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens, no more than three refrigerators. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, sauces, mustards, nut butters, oils, vinegars, pasta, fermented foods, juices, meat jerkies.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not explicitly prohibited; kitchen sanitation required.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (Warren County zoning ordinance applies in unincorporated areas. City of Bowling Green (home of Western Kentucky University) has its own home occupation ordinance. No specific county-level cottage food override identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (KCHFS may inspect upon complaint.)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual gross sales capped at $60,000. $50/year registration required. Equipment limits: no more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens, no more than three refrigerators. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, sauces, mustards, nut butters, oils, vinegars, pasta, fermented foods, juices, meat jerkies.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not explicitly prohibited; kitchen sanitation required.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, dried goods, granola, snacks only.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — KCHFS may inspect upon complaint.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — Warren County zoning ordinance applies in unincorporated areas. City of Bowling Green (home of Western Kentucky University) has its own home occupation ordinance. No specific county-level cottage food override identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct sales only. Sales from home, farmers markets, roadside stands, and events.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified.

Relevant county code

KRS §217.136; KRS §217.137.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (KY) confirmed. Warren County includes Bowling Green, a mid-sized college city. No county-specific URLs in input. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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KENTUCKY: WASHINGTON COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2670* · FIPS 21229 · Springfield

Washington County

Population 12,269 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: WAYNE COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2671* · FIPS 21231 · Monticello

Wayne County

Population 19,629 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: WEBSTER COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2672* · FIPS 21233 · Dixon

Webster County

Population 12,854 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: WHITLEY COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2658* · FIPS 21235 · Williamsburg

Whitley County

Population 37,233 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Kentucky Okay-tier state. $60,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and CHFS.ky.gov. No county-specific zoning records identified for home occupation / cottage food overlay. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: WOLFE COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2673* · FIPS 21237 · Campton

Wolfe County

Population 6,364 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

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SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/kentucky/

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KENTUCKY: WOODFORD COUNTY

CROSODO INDEX #2675* · FIPS 21239 · Versailles

Woodford County

Population 27,728 · State baseline: KRS §217.137 · MEDIUM

QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?
Yes (Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?
No

PETS ALLOWED?
Not specified in state law

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?
Varies (No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?
Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?
Upon-complaint (Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation)

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes — Annual sales cap $60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health ($50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wholesale or retail. Allowed: non-TCS baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, fruit butters, maple/sorghum syrups, granola, dried goods, snack mixes, popcorn. Prohibited: acidified foods, pickles, salsas, nut butters, fermented foods, low-acid canned foods, meats. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refrigerators.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No
PET RESTRICTIONS	Not specified in state law
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices implied
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint — Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies — No county-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Unincorporated areas follow county zoning. Local health officials may conduct annual kitchen inspections. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pickup and delivery allowed. No wholesale, no mail delivery, no out-of-state.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

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Questions?

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