

COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

Terrebonne Parish

Louisiana · Houma · FIPS 22109 · Population 108,862 ·
Crosodo Index #1204*

STATE BASELINE

La. R.S. §40:4.13 / §40:4.9

STATE TIER

Okay

ANNUAL SALES CAP (STATE)

30000

CONFIDENCE

MEDIUM

LAST VERIFIED

2026-05-05

IMPORTANT — NOT LEGAL ADVICE

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

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

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

How to start — 60-second path

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

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes

STATE SALES CAP

30000

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Conditional

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION

No

PETS

Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas, specifically for baked goods category (breads, cakes, cookies, pies).

BEFORE YOU SELL FROM THIS ADDRESS

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

LABEL FIELDS TO INCLUDE

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

CONTINUE ONLINE

[Open the live county page →](#)

[Louisiana label one-pager →](#)

[Local notes & questions →](#)

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

LOUISIANA: TERREBONNE PARISH

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QUICK VIEW FOR BAKERS IN THIS COUNTY

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED?

Yes (Louisiana allows low-risk foods including baked goods, candies, cane syrup, dried mixes, honey, jams/jellies/preserves, pickles and acidified foods, sauces and syrups, spices. Annual sales cap of \$30,000. No registration required. For breads/cakes/cookies/pies: no employee assistance allowed, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. Sales tax certificate required from the parish of sale.)

SEPARATE KITCHEN REQUIRED?

No

PETS ALLOWED?

Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas, specifically for baked goods category (breads, cakes, cookies, pies).

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT?

Conditional (Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government may have home occupation zoning requirements. A sales tax certificate from Terrebonne Parish is required before selling cottage food products. No specific Terrebonne Parish cottage food ordinance identified.)

ON-SITE / PORCH PICKUP?

Yes

INSPECTION REQUIRED?

No (No routine inspections required under Louisiana cottage food law.)

Home kitchen rules

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SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN

No

PET RESTRICTIONS

Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas, specifically for baked goods category (breads, cakes, cookies, pies).

WATER SUPPLY

No specific state requirement beyond standard sanitation.

HANDWASHING

Standard handwashing practices required.

FOOD STORAGE

Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Foods containing animal muscle protein or fish protein prohibited. Low-acid canned foods and fermented foods prohibited.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED

No — No routine inspections required under Louisiana cottage food law.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT

Conditional — Terrebonne Parish Consolidated Government may have home occupation zoning requirements. A sales tax certificate from Terrebonne Parish is required before selling cottage food products. No specific Terrebonne Parish cottage food ordinance identified.

LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE

Yes

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer and some indirect sales permitted. Most low-risk foods can be sold indirectly, with additional restrictions for the four named baked goods categories (direct sales only for those). \$30,000 annual cap.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employee assistance permitted for production of breads, cakes, cookies, and pies. Not specified for other food categories.

Relevant county code

No specific Terrebonne Parish code section identified for cottage food. State law governs.

RESEARCH NOTES

Terrebonne Parish has no county URLs in the input. State baseline governs. Louisiana requires a sales tax certificate from the parish of sale — this is a local business license requirement that varies by parish. The \$30,000 cap was raised from \$20,000 by HB 828 (Act 357, 2022). No parish-specific overrides found. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://www.terrebonnecounty.gov>

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

<https://www.legis.la.gov/Legis/Law.aspx?d=98431>

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

Bordering counties — cottage food law

Regulation	Terrebonne Parish	Lafourche Parish	St. Mary Parish
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas, specifically for baked goods category (breads, cakes, cookies, pies).	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas during production of breads, cakes, cookies, and pies.	Pets excluded from preparation areas required for breads/cakes/cookies/pies.
INSPECTION REQUIRED	No	No	No
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Conditional
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Direct-to-consumer and some indirect sales permitted. Most low-risk foods can be sold indirectly, with additional restrictions for the four...	Direct and indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Sales at farmers markets, events, from home, and to retail stores permitted. Sal...	State law allows indirect sales of most low-risk foods and direct-to-consumer delivery. Sales tax certificate required from St. Mary Parish.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional	Varies	Varies
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Yes	Yes	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Louisiana allows low-risk foods including baked goods, candies, cane syrup, dried mixes, honey, jams/jellies/preserves, pickles and acidifi...	Louisiana cottage food law allows low-risk foods including baked goods, cane syrup, dried mixes, honey, jams/jellies/preserves, pickles and...	Production in home kitchen. Annual gross sales cap of \$30,000. Allowed low-risk foods include baked goods, candies, cane syrup, dried mixes...
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Foods containing animal muscle protein or fish protein prohibited. Low-acid c...	Perishable ingredients requiring refrigeration must be kept at 45°F or below. Products must be shelf-stable or meet temperature requirement...	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below for the four named baked goods categories.
POPULATION	108,862	97,220	49,114

State context — Louisiana cottage food law

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

STATUTE

La. R.S. §40:4.13

ANNUAL SALES CAP

30000

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

No

FOOD HANDLER CERT

No

KITCHEN INSPECTION

No

DIRECT SALES ONLY

No

INDIRECT SALES

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

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

STATE-LEVEL REFERENCES

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

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

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

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

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

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