

COTTAGE FOOD LAW REPORT

Louisiana

A comprehensive guide to the cottage food statute, sales rules, and county-level zoning and health-department overlays for home bakers operating under La. R.S. §40:4.13.

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La. R.S. §40:4.13	Okay	C	64	2026-05-05

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Executive summary

This report covers the Louisiana 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 64 Louisiana counties included in this dataset.

ANNUAL SALES CAP 30000	REGISTRATION REQUIRED no
FOOD HANDLER CERTIFICATION no	KITCHEN INSPECTION no
DIRECT SALES ONLY no	INDIRECT SALES (RETAIL/ONLINE/WHOLESALE) 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.

RESEARCH NOTES

The input statute citation La. R.S. §40:4.13 could not be confirmed; the primary operative cottage food statute found is R.S. §40:4.9. The URL in the input (legis.la.gov/?d=98863) returned a 403 error. The confirmed text from d=98431 is R.S. 40:4.9. R.S. §40:4.13 may be a different section (possibly related to food sovereignty or a newer provision) — this requires further verification. The \$30,000 cap was increased from \$20,000 by HB 828 (Act 357, 2022 session). Producers of breads/cakes/cookies/pies have additional requirements: no employees may assist in production, pets must be excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration must be maintained at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients, and specific equipment sanitation requirements apply. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale is required before selling. Louisiana is notable for allowing indirect sales of most low-risk foods (except the four named baked goods categories).

Louisiana Revised Statutes §40:4.9 — Low-Risk Foods; Preparation in Home for Public Consumption (operative provision; §40:4.13 citation in input may reference a related or renamed section)

CITATION	ENACTED
La. R.S. §40:4.13	2013
LAST AMENDED	CONFIDENCE
2022	MEDIUM

Allowed foods

Low-risk foods allowed include: baked goods (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), candies, cane syrup, dried mixes, honey and honeycomb products, jams/jellies/preserves, pickles and acidified foods, sauces and syrups, and spices. None may contain animal muscle protein or fish protein. Custard/cream-filled bakery products are allowed only if made with pasteurized dairy products and following specified temperature requirements.

Prohibited foods

Foods containing animal muscle protein or fish protein are excluded from the definition of low-risk foods. Low-acid canned foods are prohibited, as are fermented foods (listed as prohibited on Forrager). Products containing cannabidiol (CBD) may not be sold unless FDA approves CBD as a food additive.

Labeling requirements

Labels must clearly indicate that the food was not produced in a licensed or regulated facility. Producers must also obtain and display a local sales tax certificate from the parish where they sell before selling any products.

Statutory text — verbatim excerpt

Statute excerpt — verbatim

§4.9. Low-risk foods; preparation in home for public consumption A.(1)(a) No provision of the state Sanitary Code or any provision of any other law or regulation that requires any equipment, design, construction, utensils, supplies, preparation, or services shall apply to the preparation of low-risk foods, as defined in Subsection E of this Section, in the home for sale. [...] This Section shall not be construed to allow the sale or distribution of any unwholesome food. B. This Section shall not apply to any preparer of low-risk foods made at a home for sale, whose gross annual sales equal thirty thousand dollars or more. C. No individual who prepares breads, cakes, cookies, or pies in the home for sale to the public pursuant to this Section shall sell such foods to any retail business or individual for resale. D.(1)(a) [...] any individual who prepares low-risk foods in the home for sale, as authorized by this Section, shall affix to any such food offered for sale a label which clearly indicates that the food was not produced in a licensed or regulated facility. (2) No individual who prepares low-risk foods in the home shall sell such foods unless he is registered to collect any local sales and use taxes [...] E. For purposes of this Section, "low-risk foods" shall include all of the following, none of which shall consist of any animal muscle protein or fish protein: (1) Baked goods, including breads, cakes, cookies, and pies. (2) Candies. (3) Cane syrup. (4) Dried mixes. (5) Honey and honeycomb products. (6) Jams, jellies, and preserves. (7) Pickles and acidified foods. (8) Sauces and syrups. (9) Spices. F. No preparer of low-risk foods pursuant to this Section shall sell any food containing cannabidiol unless the United States Food and Drug Administration approves cannabidiol as a food additive.

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

Official sources

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

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

Extension service https://www.lsuagcenter.com/topics/food_health/food/preservation

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

State dept of agriculture / health: **Louisiana Department of 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 64 Louisiana counties below are sorted by population (largest first).

RANK 155 · FIPS 22033 · Baton Rouge

East Baton Rouge Parish

Population 454,369 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	conditional — Louisiana allows low-risk foods prepared at home for sale under La. R.S. §40:4.9. No state permit required for most low-risk foods. Annual gross sales cap \$30,000. Allowed foods include baked goods, candies, cane syrup, dried mixes, honey, jams/jellies/preserves, pickles/acidified foods, sauces, syrups, spices. No animal muscle protein or fish protein. For breads/cakes/cookies/pies: no employees may assist; pets excluded from bakery area; refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishables; custard/cream-filled items must use pasteurized dairy. Local sales tax certificate from the parish required. Baton Rouge/EBR also requires home occupation compliance and local occupational license.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from bakery area during production of breads, cakes, cookies, and pies.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state requirement for cottage food operations.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety practices required.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Non-TCS finished products.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required for cottage food operations under La. R.S. §40:4.9.
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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	conditional — East Baton Rouge Parish (City-Parish) requires home occupation compliance under Planning Commission rules. Home-based businesses must comply with home occupation regulations (limiting traffic, signage, employees on-site). An EBR occupational license is typically required. Contact City-Parish Planning Commission for home occupation permit requirements.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	yes

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer sales permitted. Most low-risk foods (except baked goods like breads/cakes/cookies/pies) may also be sold indirectly. Baked goods are direct-to-consumer only; no retail resale of baked goods. Local sales tax certificate required from EBR Parish before selling.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employees allowed to assist in production of breads, cakes, cookies, or pies. Other low-risk food categories not explicitly restricted.

Relevant county code

La. R.S. §40:4.9 (state cottage food law); EBR City-Parish Code re: home occupations and occupational licenses.

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana cottage food statute (La. R.S. §40:4.9) well-documented via National Agricultural Law Center PDF. \$30,000 cap raised from \$20,000 by HB 828 (Act 357, 2022). EBR Parish requires local occupational license and sales tax certificate. Home occupation zoning rules apply but specific EBR ordinance not fully researched. No state permit required (no registration). Notable restriction: no employees for baked goods production. Confidence medium: state baseline verified; EBR local rules not directly confirmed from .gov source.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://www.brla.gov>

<https://nationalaglawcenter.org/wp-content/uploads/assets/cottagefood/Louisiana.pdf>

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

<https://businesslicenseguide.com/baton-rouge-la-business-license-guide/>

RANK 161 · FIPS 22051 · Gretna

Jefferson Parish

Population 436,171 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	conditional — Louisiana allows low-risk foods prepared at home for sale under La. R.S. §40:4.9. No state permit required. Annual gross sales cap \$30,000. Allowed foods: baked goods, candies, cane syrup, dried mixes, honey, jams/jellies/preserves, pickles/acidified foods, sauces, syrups, spices. No animal muscle protein or fish protein. For breads/cakes/cookies/pies: no employees may assist; pets excluded from bakery area; refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishables; custard/cream-filled items must use pasteurized dairy. Jefferson Parish requires a local sales tax certificate and home occupation compliance.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets excluded from bakery area during production of breads, cakes, cookies, and pies.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state requirement for cottage food operations.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety practices required.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients refrigerated at 45°F or below. Non-TCS finished products.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required under state cottage food statute.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	conditional — Jefferson Parish has home occupation provisions in its zoning code. Home-based businesses in residential zones require compliance with home occupation standards. A local occupational license or home occupation permit may be required. Parish Council contact: jeffparish.net.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	yes

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
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ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer sales. Most low-risk foods (except baked goods) may also be sold indirectly. Baked goods (breads/cakes/cookies/pies) are direct-to-consumer only; no retail resale. Local sales tax certificate from Jefferson Parish required before selling.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employees allowed to assist in production of breads, cakes, cookies, or pies per state law.

Relevant county code

La. R.S. §40:4.9 (state cottage food law); Jefferson Parish Code re: home occupations and occupational licenses.

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana cottage food statute (La. R.S. §40:4.9) well-documented. Jefferson Parish cottage food rules follow state baseline; parish-specific home occupation and occupational license requirements not directly researched from parish .gov source. \$30,000 cap (raised from \$20,000 in 2022). Notable: no employees allowed for baked goods production. Local sales tax certificate required from Jefferson Parish before any sales. Confidence medium: state law high-confidence; parish-specific zoning/licensing not directly verified.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://www.jeffparish.gov>

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

<https://nationalaglawcenter.org/wp-content/uploads/assets/cottagefood/Louisiana.pdf>

RANK 187 · FIPS 22071 · New Orleans

Orleans Parish

Population 380,408 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	conditional — Louisiana allows low-risk foods prepared at home for sale under La. R.S. §40:4.9. No state permit required. Annual gross sales cap \$30,000. Allowed foods: baked goods, candies, cane syrup, dried mixes, honey, jams/jellies/preserves, pickles/acidified foods, sauces, syrups, spices. No animal muscle protein or fish protein. For breads/cakes/cookies/pies: no employees may assist; pets excluded from bakery area; refrigeration at 45°F or below; custard/cream-filled items must use pasteurized dairy. Orleans Parish/New Orleans requires local sales tax certificate and home occupation compliance.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets excluded from bakery area during production of breads, cakes, cookies, and pies.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state requirement.
HANDWASHING	Standard food safety practices required.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients refrigerated at 45°F or below. Non-TCS finished products.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required under state cottage food statute.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	conditional — City of New Orleans has home occupation provisions and requires compliance with New Orleans City Code/zoning for home-based businesses. Orleans Parish also requires local sales tax certificate from the parish sales tax collector before selling. Contact: nola.gov.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	yes

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer sales. Most low-risk foods (except baked goods) may also be sold indirectly. Baked goods (breads/cakes/cookies/pies) are direct-to-consumer only. Local sales tax certificate from Orleans Parish required before selling.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employees allowed to assist in production of breads, cakes, cookies, or pies.

Relevant county code

La. R.S. §40:4.9 (state cottage food law); Orleans Parish/New Orleans City Code re: home occupations.

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana cottage food statute confirmed from state baseline. Orleans Parish follows state baseline. New Orleans is a parish-city consolidated government. Sales tax certificate from Orleans Parish required before any sales. No state permit required. \$30,000 cap (raised from \$20,000 in 2022). No employees for baked goods production. Confidence medium: state law high-confidence; New Orleans-specific home occupation code not directly researched.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://nola.gov>

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

<https://nationalaglawcenter.org/wp-content/uploads/assets/cottagefood/Louisiana.pdf>

RANK 261 · FIPS 22103 · Covington

St. Tammany Parish

Population 266,168 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Low-risk non-TCS foods only; \$30,000 annual sales cap (raised from \$20,000 by HB 828, Act 357, 2022). Sales tax certificate from parish of sale required before selling. Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas. No employees may assist in production of certain baked goods categories.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from preparation areas during production
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water supply required

HANDWASHING	Basic food safety handwashing practices required
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS; refrigerated ingredients must be held at 45°F or below; finished products must be shelf-stable

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required; state law does not require inspection for cottage food
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	yes — St. Tammany Parish allows home occupations as accessory use in residential zones. Business license and home occupation permit typically required. Business must be secondary to residential use. No external signage, typically no on-site employees, limited customer visits. Cities of Covington, Slidell, and Mandeville have city-specific rules that may differ.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	yes

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	conditional
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	no
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Some indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods; the four named baked-goods categories (breads/cakes/cookies/pies) have stricter direct-only rules. Sales tax certificate required.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employees may assist in production of breads, cakes, cookies, or pies categories

Relevant county code

La. R.S. §40:4.9 (cottage food statute); St. Tammany Parish Zoning Ordinance (home occupation provisions)

RESEARCH NOTES

St. Tammany Parish follows Louisiana state cottage food law (La. R.S. §40:4.9; possibly §40:4.13 per input). \$30,000 cap confirmed. Parish requires home occupation permit and business license. CityRuleLookup references RS 40:4.14 which may reflect a newer section number. No direct parish .gov cottage food source found. Confidence medium — state law and CityRuleLookup confirm framework but no direct parish ordinance text retrieved.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://www.stpgov.org>

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

<https://www.cityrulelookup.com/home-business/zoning/st-tammany-parish-la>

<https://www.cityrulelookup.com/home-business/cottage-food/st-tammany-parish-la>

RANK 279 · FIPS 22055 · Lafayette

Lafayette Parish

Population 243,175 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Low-risk non-TCS foods only; \$30,000 annual sales cap. Sales tax certificate from parish required. Pets excluded from preparation areas. No employees may assist in production of certain baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies). No food license required.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from preparation areas during production
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water supply required
HANDWASHING	Basic handwashing practices required
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS; refrigerated ingredients at 45°F or below; finished products shelf-stable

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required under state cottage food law
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	conditional — Lafayette Parish/City of Lafayette may require home occupation permit or business license under local zoning. Parish allows home occupations in residential zones. Check with Lafayette Parish Planning, Zoning and Permits.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Some indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Baked goods (breads/cakes/cookies/pies) have stricter rules with no employee assistance and specific production requirements.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employees for certain baked goods categories; overall no employee requirement not stated for other foods

Relevant county code

La. R.S. §40:4.9 (cottage food statute); Lafayette Parish Unified Development Code

RESEARCH NOTES

Lafayette Parish LA follows Louisiana state cottage food law. \$30,000 cap. No parish-specific cottage food ordinance found. Lafayette is a consolidated city-parish government. Confidence medium — state law confirmed but no specific Lafayette Parish .gov cottage food source retrieved.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://www.lafayettela.gov>

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

RANK 286 · FIPS 22017 · Shreveport

Caddo Parish

Population 236,259 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Low-risk non-TCS foods only; \$30,000 annual sales cap. Sales tax certificate from parish required before selling. Pets excluded from preparation areas. No employees for baked goods categories. No food license required.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from preparation areas during production
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water supply required
HANDWASHING	Basic handwashing practices required
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS; refrigerated ingredients at 45°F or below; finished products shelf-stable

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required under state cottage food law
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	conditional — Caddo Parish and City of Shreveport may require home occupation permit or business license. No county URLs provided in input. Check with Caddo Parish Planning Department or City of Shreveport Permits.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Some indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods; baked goods categories have stricter rules. Sales tax certificate required.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employees for breads/cakes/cookies/pies production categories

Relevant county code

La. R.S. §40:4.9 (cottage food statute); Caddo Parish zoning

RESEARCH NOTES

Caddo Parish LA follows Louisiana state cottage food law. \$30,000 cap. No county URLs provided and no parish-specific ordinance found. Caddo Parish includes Shreveport, a major regional hub. Confidence medium — state law confirmed but no specific Caddo Parish .gov cottage food source retrieved.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

RANK 321 • FIPS 22019 • Lake Charles

Calcasieu Parish

Population 210,770 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Louisiana cottage food law allows low-risk non-perishable foods (baked goods, candies, jams, pickles, spices, etc.) with no food license required under state law. Annual sales cap: \$30,000. Custard/cream-filled bakery products allowed only if made with pasteurized dairy and proper temperature requirements. Foods with animal muscle protein or fish protein excluded. Calcasieu Parish requires a home occupation permit as an accessory use in residential zones, plus a business license.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Louisiana law requires pets to be excluded from preparation areas for baked goods (breads/cakes/cookies/pies). Pets must be excluded at all times during production.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement documented for Louisiana cottage food operations.
HANDWASHING	Standard handwashing; no specific statutory handwashing requirement in Louisiana cottage food law.
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration must be maintained at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients in baked goods categories. Equipment sanitation requirements apply for baked goods producers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required under Louisiana cottage food law. Louisiana Department of Health may investigate upon complaint.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	yes — Calcasieu Parish requires a home occupation permit for home-based businesses as an accessory use in residential zones. A business license is also typically required. Business must be secondary to residential use; no external signage; limited customer visits; no hazardous materials. Cities within Calcasieu Parish (Lake Charles, Sulphur, Westlake) have their own separate rules.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	yes

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	conditional
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	no
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Louisiana cottage food law permits sales at events, farmers markets, from home, and through indirect channels for most low-risk foods (except four baked goods categories which are direct-sale only). A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Louisiana law requires baked goods (breads/cakes/cookies/pies) to have no employees assist in production (sole producer). Home occupation permit: typically no or minimal on-site employees allowed.

Relevant county code

La. R.S. §40:4.13 (or §40:4.9); Calcasieu Parish Code of Ordinances (home occupation permit); Louisiana sales tax certificate requirement

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana state baseline confirmed. Calcasieu Parish (county seat: Lake Charles) is in southwestern Louisiana; parish includes Lake Charles city. Home occupation permit requirement confirmed from CityRuleLookup (references Calcasieu Parish Code of Ordinances). Louisiana has a unique restriction: baked goods (breads/cakes/cookies/pies) specifically require no employee assistance in production and pets must be excluded from prep areas. Sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required. The \$30,000 cap was raised from \$20,000 by HB 828 (Act 357, 2022). Note: CityRuleLookup references RS 40:4.14 for the cottage food law, while state baseline cites §40:4.13; both may reference different sections of Louisiana's food law framework.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

<https://www.cityrulelookup.com/home-business/cottage-food/calcasieu-parish-la>

<https://www.cityrulelookup.com/home-business/zoning/calcasieu-parish-la>

RANK 414 · FIPS 22073 · Monroe

Ouachita Parish

Population 159,585 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	conditional — Louisiana allows cottage food from home kitchens. Annual sales cap \$30,000 (raised from \$20,000 by HB 828, 2022). Allowed low-risk foods include baked goods (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), candies, cane syrup, dried mixes, honey, jams/jellies/preserves, pickles/acidified foods, sauces, syrups, and spices. Breads/cakes/cookies/pies require no employee assistance in production and pets excluded from preparation areas. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale is required.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from preparation areas for bread, cake, cookie, and pie production specifically. General good practices apply to all cottage foods.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water testing requirement under Louisiana cottage food law.
HANDWASHING	Good manufacturing practices apply.
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration must be maintained at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients used in permitted baked goods. Non-TCS finished products only.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — LDH may act on complaint or suspected foodborne illness.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — Ouachita Parish may require a home occupation permit under local zoning. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling cottage foods in the parish.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	yes

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Indirect sales of most low-risk foods allowed (except the four named baked goods categories, which must be direct-to-consumer). No geographic restriction noted.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME No employees may assist in production of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies).

Relevant county code

Ouachita Parish Zoning Code; La. R.S. §40:4.9 (operative cottage food statute)

RESEARCH NOTES

Pattern county. State baseline governs. Louisiana parish sales tax certificate required before selling. No Ouachita Parish-specific cottage food code identified. The input had malformed JSON fields (county_govt_url set to 'Mississippi State Department of Health') — this appears to be a data entry error; this is Louisiana, Ouachita Parish.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 455 · FIPS 22063 · Livingston

Livingston Parish

Population 143,425 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — Livingston Parish may require a home occupation permit under parish zoning regulations. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	yes

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Livingston Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) confirmed: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap (raised from \$20,000 by HB 828, Act 357, 2022), parish sales tax certificate required. No county-specific URLs in input. Livingston Parish is a fast-growing suburban parish; no unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 478 · FIPS 22105 · Amite

Tangipahoa Parish

Population 133,953 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies): no employee assistance, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. Parish sales tax certificate required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — LDH may investigate upon complaint.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — Tangipahoa Parish may require a home occupation permit under parish zoning regulations. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. Tangipahoa Parish is north of Lake Pontchartrain and includes Hammond and Ponchatoula. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	yes

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales from home, farmers markets, and events permitted.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	For four named baked goods categories: no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Tangipahoa Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); parish sales tax certificate required.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) confirmed. Tangipahoa Parish is the 'Strawberry Capital of the World,' a growing exurban parish north of New Orleans. No county-specific URLs in input. Parish follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

RANK 491 · FIPS 22079 · Alexandria

Rapides Parish

Population 129,536 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. For four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies): no employee assistance, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. Parish sales tax certificate required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED no — LDH may investigate upon complaint.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT varies — Rapides Parish may require a home occupation permit under parish zoning ordinance. Alexandria (city within Rapides Parish) has its own ordinances. Parish sales tax certificate required. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.

LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE yes

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP yes

ON-SITE SIGNAGE conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales from home, farmers markets, events permitted.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME For four named baked goods categories: no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Rapides Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); parish sales tax certificate required.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) confirmed. Rapides Parish is in central Louisiana (Alexandria). No county-specific URLs in input. Parish follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

RANK 494 · FIPS 22015 · Benton

Bossier Parish

Population 128,877 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies): no employee assistance, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. Parish sales tax certificate required.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients at 45°F or below. Shelf-stable finished products in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — LDH may investigate upon complaint.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — Bossier Parish zoning ordinance may require home occupation permit. Bossier City (the largest city, adjacent to Shreveport) has its own ordinances. Parish sales tax certificate required. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	yes

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales from home, farmers markets, and events permitted.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	For four named baked goods categories: no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Bossier Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified); parish sales tax certificate required.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) confirmed. Bossier Parish is in northwest Louisiana adjacent to Shreveport/Bossier City metro. No county-specific URLs in input. Parish follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

RANK 501 · FIPS 22005 · Donaldsonville

Ascension Parish

Population 126,973 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 (cottage food); \$30,000 annual sales cap; no registration required; direct and limited indirect sales; no inspection required · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Louisiana state law allows cottage food production from a primary residence home kitchen. Ascension Parish unincorporated areas follow state law baseline. No commercial kitchen required for qualifying low-risk foods.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	State law requires pets excluded from preparation areas for bread/cake/cookie/pie producers; general state sanitation standards apply.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required per state food safety standards; no specific parish overlay found.
HANDWASHING	Standard state food safety handwashing requirements apply.
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration must be maintained at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients (state rule). Shelf-stable products stored in clean, sanitary conditions.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — Louisiana state law does not require routine inspections for cottage food operations. Complaint-driven investigation possible.
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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	yes — Ascension Parish requires a home occupation permit for home-based businesses in residential zones. Business must be secondary to residential use; no external signage, no on-site employees typical. Application through Ascension Parish Planning and Development (ascensionparish.net). Separate Business Occupancy Permit may also apply.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	yes

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	conditional
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	no
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer sales allowed; customer pickup subject to home occupation permit conditions. Louisiana allows limited indirect sales (not applicable to bread/cake/cookies/pies which must be direct only). Sales tax certificate from parish of sale required.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employees permitted for bread/cake/cookie/pie category; general cottage food may vary. Home occupation permit typically allows no on-site non-resident employees.

Relevant county code

Ascension Parish Unified Land Development Code (home occupation provisions); La. R.S. §40:4.9

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline applied (LA tier Okay). Louisiana cottage food law (La. R.S. §40:4.9) allows low-risk foods with \$30,000 annual cap. Ascension Parish unincorporated areas require a home occupation permit per CityRuleLookup and parish permitting page. CityRuleLookup references RS 40:4.14 as a related Louisiana provision; operative cottage food law is §40:4.9. No direct parish health or planning URL found in input; ascensionparish.net confirmed active. Confidence medium: state baseline clear, parish zoning overlay confirmed via secondary source but no direct parish code URL verified.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://www.ascensionparish.net>

<https://www.ascensionparish.net/1-permitting/>

<https://www.cityrulelookup.com/home-business/cottage-food/ascension-parish-la>

<https://www.cityrulelookup.com/home-business/zoning/ascension-parish-la>

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

RANK 556 · FIPS 22109 · Houma

Terrebonne Parish

Population 108,862 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 / §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

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

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

RANK 619 · FIPS 22057 · Thibodaux

Lafourche Parish

Population 97,220 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Louisiana cottage food law allows low-risk foods including baked goods, cane syrup, dried mixes, honey, jams/jellies/preserves, pickles and acidified foods, sauces and syrups, spices. \$30,000 annual sales cap (raised from \$20,000 in 2022). No state registration required but a sales tax certificate from the parish of sale is required before selling. Special requirements for breads/cakes/cookies/pies: no employees may assist production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. No foods containing animal muscle protein or fish protein.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no

PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas during production of breads, cakes, cookies, and pies.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific water supply requirement stated in Louisiana cottage food law.
HANDWASHING	No specific statutory requirement; good manufacturing practices recommended.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients requiring refrigeration must be kept at 45°F or below. Products must be shelf-stable or meet temperature requirements.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — Louisiana Department of Health has no routine inspection authority for cottage food operations.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — Lafourche Parish may have home occupation requirements in unincorporated areas or in Thibodaux. Louisiana state law does not preempt local zoning for cottage food. Operators should verify with Lafourche Parish Planning and Zoning.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	yes

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct and indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Sales at farmers markets, events, from home, and to retail stores permitted. Sales of breads/cakes/cookies/pies are direct sales only (no employees to assist production).
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employees may assist in production of breads, cakes, cookies, and pies under Louisiana cottage food law.

Relevant county code

No Lafourche Parish-specific cottage food code identified.

RESEARCH NOTES

No Lafourche Parish-specific cottage food rules found. Louisiana cottage food has an unusual requirement for a parish sales tax certificate before selling. The \$30,000 cap was raised by HB 828 (Act 357, 2022). Louisiana allows indirect sales of most low-risk foods, which is notable. Thibodaux is home to Nicholls State University. The Louisiana R.S. citation could not be confirmed as §40:4.13; operative section may be §40:4.9. Sales tax certificate requirement is distinctive.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 687 · FIPS 22097 · Opelousas

St. Landry Parish

Population 82,574 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Louisiana cottage food (low-risk foods law): \$30,000 annual sales cap. Low-risk foods allowed: baked goods (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), candies, cane syrup, dried mixes, honey/honeycomb, jams/jellies/preserves, pickles and acidified foods, sauces and syrups, spices. No animal or fish muscle protein. Custard/cream-filled bakery products allowed only if made with pasteurized dairy and following temperature requirements. No registration required; sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas during production of breads/cakes/cookies/pies.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific statutory requirement beyond food safety practices.
HANDWASHING	No specific statutory requirement; good practices expected.
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration must be maintained at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. Specific equipment sanitation requirements apply for baked goods categories.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. Louisiana health department may investigate upon complaint.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — St. Landry Parish has a Parish Government. A sales tax certificate from St. Landry Parish is required before selling. Home occupation permits may apply under St. Landry Parish zoning. No specific parish cottage food ordinance identified. Producers should check with St. Landry Parish Planning.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	conditional

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct and some indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Breads/cakes/cookies/pies are more restricted (limited channels). Sales through certain retail channels are allowed for most low-risk foods under Louisiana law.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	For baked goods categories, no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

St. Landry Parish zoning ordinance (home occupation provisions). State law La. R.S. §40:4.13 or §40:4.9 governs.

RESEARCH NOTES

St. Landry Parish (Opelousas) follows Louisiana's cottage food law. The \$30,000 cap was increased from \$20,000 by HB 828 (Act 357, 2022 session). A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale is required. Louisiana requires no employees for bread/cake/cookie/pie production. The operative statute citation (§40:4.13 vs §40:4.9) is uncertain per state baseline research notes; the correct operative section appears to be §40:4.9 with §40:4.13 possibly being a newer provision. No parish-specific cottage food overrides found. Confidence is medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 765 · FIPS 22045 · New Iberia

Iberia Parish

Population 69,958 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual sales cap \$30,000. No food handler cert required. No registration required. No kitchen inspection required. Indirect sales allowed at limited venues. No meat/fish protein, no low-acid canned foods, no fermented foods, no CBD products.
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 shelf-stable products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — No parish govt URL provided. Iberia Parish unincorporated areas follow parish zoning. City of New Iberia has its own zoning and business licensing. No parish-specific cottage food overlay identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Indirect sales at limited venues permitted; no mail order; no catering
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana Okay-tier state with \$30,000 annual cap. Iberia Parish is in the Cajun heartland. No parish-specific sources available. Pattern county/parish.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

RANK 899 · FIPS 22001 · Crowley

Acadia Parish

Population 57,674 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 (cottage food / low-risk food provisions) ·

MEDIUM

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Louisiana allows low-risk foods from the home. \$30,000 annual sales cap (raised from \$20,000 by Act 357, 2022). No registration or inspection required for most low-risk foods. No food handler cert required. For breads/cakes/cookies/pies category: no employees may assist, pets excluded from preparation areas, specific sanitation requirements. Sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from preparation areas for breads, cakes, cookies, and pies production.
WATER SUPPLY	No specific state cottage food water testing requirement.
HANDWASHING	Specific equipment sanitation requirements apply to breads/cakes/cookies/pies category.
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration must be maintained at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients in the breads/cakes/cookies/pies category.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine or complaint-triggered inspection specified in state cottage food law.
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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT conditional — Acadia Parish may have home occupation requirements. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale is required before selling. Operators should check with Acadia Parish government.

LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE conditional

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP conditional

ON-SITE SIGNAGE conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Most low-risk foods (except the four named baked goods categories) can be sold indirectly. Direct and indirect sales permitted. Farmers markets, home pickup, events, and some retail channels.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME No employees may assist in production of breads, cakes, cookies, or pies.

Relevant county code

Acadia Parish zoning code; sales tax certificate from Acadia Parish required.

RESEARCH NOTES

No parish-specific cottage food ordinance found for Acadia Parish. State baseline applies. Louisiana is notable for requiring a sales tax certificate from the parish of sale — not a health permit. Acadia Parish is in south-central Louisiana (Crowley, known as the 'Rice Capital of America'). The four named baked goods categories (breads/cakes/cookies/pies) have stricter rules than other low-risk foods. Prohibited: animal/fish muscle protein, low-acid canned foods, fermented foods, CBD foods.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 904 · FIPS 22113 · Abbeville

Vermilion Parish

Population 57,202 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 (cottage food / low-risk foods); \$30,000 annual cap · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

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

Inspection & permitting

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

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	conditional
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Most low-risk foods (except the four named baked goods categories) can be sold through indirect channels. Direct and some indirect sales allowed. No online/mail-order restriction noted in statute.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME No employees may assist in production of breads, cakes, cookies, or pies under LA law.

Relevant county code

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

RESEARCH NOTES

No Vermilion Parish-specific cottage food rules found. State baseline applies: \$30,000 cap (raised from \$20,000 by Act 357, 2022). Louisiana is notable for allowing indirect sales of most low-risk foods except the four named baked goods categories. Parish sales tax certificate required. Cottage food is regulated at the state level only; no parish health inspection. Input data had formatting errors in state_cottage_food_url field; state URL confirmed as ldh.la.gov/page/cottage-food-laws.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

RANK 957 · FIPS 22089 · Hahnville

St. Charles Parish

Population 52,191 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **HIGH**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Production in home kitchen. Annual gross sales cap of \$30,000. Allowed low-risk foods include baked goods, candies, cane syrup, dried mixes, honey, jams/jellies/preserves, pickles/acidified foods, sauces, syrups, spices. No animal or fish muscle protein. Custard/cream-filled bakery products require pasteurized dairy and temperature controls.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets excluded from preparation areas required for breads/cakes/cookies/pies (four named baked goods categories).
WATER SUPPLY	Not specified in state law.
HANDWASHING	Standard sanitation required. Specific equipment sanitation requirements apply to the four named baked goods categories.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below for the four named baked goods categories.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No inspection required by state. St. Charles Parish Planning & Zoning may inspect home occupation compliance.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	yes — St. Charles Parish requires a Home Occupation Permit (\$100 fee). Key restrictions: no sales of products or services at home occupation location unless specifically authorized by the Planning Director; no signs of any type; no customer visits unless authorized; only family residents may engage in the occupation (no outside employees); storage limited to 20% of gross floor area inside building; hand tools and minor equipment only (max 2 hp per piece, 6 hp total). Must obtain parish Occupational License and Health Certificate when required.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	yes

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	conditional
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	no
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	No customer visits or on-site sales unless specifically authorized by the Planning Director. Sales must occur through other direct-to-consumer channels. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale is required before selling.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Only family members who reside at the home; no outside employees permitted.

Relevant county code

St. Charles Parish Home Occupation Ordinance; St. Charles Parish Code of Ordinances (home occupation regulations)

RESEARCH NOTES

Found specific St. Charles Parish Home Occupation Permit application form with detailed rules. No on-site sales unless specifically authorized by Planning Director — this is a significant restriction for cottage food customer pickup. \$100 permit fee. Only resident family members may work in the occupation. Parish Occupational License also required. State law allows cottage food sales but parish zoning creates a restrictive home occupation framework. Sales tax certificate from parish required.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://www.stcharlesparish.gov/departments/planning-and-zoning/planning-and-zoning-faqs>

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

<https://www.stcharlesparish.gov/departments/planning-and-zoning/planning-and-zoning-faqs>

<https://www.stcharlesparish.gov/departments/planning-and-zoning/permits-and-applications>

<https://stcharlesgov.legistar.com/View.ashx?GUID=D07A6AF2-27A8-4F3A-A1B4-4C3C1BDC7B90&ID=3200067&M=F>

RANK 958 · FIPS 22099 · Saint Martinville

St. Martin Parish

Population 51,856 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Production in home kitchen. Annual gross sales cap of \$30,000. Allowed low-risk foods include baked goods, candies, cane syrup, dried mixes, honey, jams/jellies/preserves, pickles/acidified foods, sauces, syrups, spices. No animal or fish muscle protein. Custard/cream-filled bakery products require pasteurized dairy and temperature controls.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets excluded from preparation areas required for breads/cakes/cookies/pies (four named baked goods categories).
WATER SUPPLY	Not specified in state law.
HANDWASHING	Standard sanitation required. Specific equipment sanitation requirements apply to the four named baked goods categories.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below for the four named baked goods categories.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No inspection required by state law. Local parish health department may have complaint-based authority.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — No specific St. Martin Parish home occupation permit requirements found in research. Parish may have local ordinances governing home-based businesses; recommend verifying with St. Martin Parish Planning/Zoning. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale is required before selling under state law.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	conditional
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	State law allows indirect sales of most low-risk foods and direct-to-consumer delivery. Sales tax certificate required. Parish-level rules on customer visits or signage not confirmed.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified in state law or county-level rules found.

Relevant county code

La. R.S. §40:4.9; 902 LAC 51:XXIII.507

RESEARCH NOTES

No St. Martin Parish-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinances found. State baseline (La. R.S. §40:4.9) applies with \$30,000 annual sales cap. Sales tax certificate from parish required before selling. No county-level health URL or planning URL provided in input. Recommend contacting St. Martin Parish Planning and Zoning and the parish health department for local requirements. [Confidence reclassified low→medium: state baseline applies cleanly, no county override found.]

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

RANK 999 · FIPS 22101 · Franklin

St. Mary Parish

Population 49,114 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Production in home kitchen. Annual gross sales cap of \$30,000. Allowed low-risk foods include baked goods, candies, cane syrup, dried mixes, honey, jams/jellies/preserves, pickles/acidified foods, sauces, syrups, spices. No animal or fish muscle protein. Custard/cream-filled bakery products require pasteurized dairy and temperature controls.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no

PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets excluded from preparation areas required for breads/cakes/cookies/pies.
WATER SUPPLY	Not specified in state law.
HANDWASHING	Standard sanitation required for the four named baked goods categories.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below for the four named baked goods categories.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No inspection required by state law.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — No specific St. Mary Parish home occupation permit requirements found in research. Parish may have local ordinances governing home-based businesses. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale is required before selling under state law.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	conditional
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	State law allows indirect sales of most low-risk foods and direct-to-consumer delivery. Sales tax certificate required from St. Mary Parish.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	Not specified in state law.

Relevant county code

La. R.S. §40:4.9; 902 LAC 51:XXIII.507

RESEARCH NOTES

No St. Mary Parish-specific cottage food or home occupation ordinances found. State baseline (La. R.S. §40:4.9) applies with \$30,000 annual sales cap. Sales tax certificate from parish required before selling. St. Mary Parish is in southern Louisiana (bayou country). Note: county_seat is Franklin, LA. [Confidence reclassified low→medium: state baseline applies cleanly, no county override found.]

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22003 · Oberlin

Allen Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 / §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual sales cap \$30,000. No license, permit, or registration required (only sales tax certificates from LA Dept of Revenue and local parish tax authority). No food handler cert required. No kitchen inspection required. Direct-to-consumer and limited retail/wholesale allowed. Big Four (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) are direct-to-consumer only. Other low-risk foods may be sold wholesale to restaurants/retail stores. Prohibited: meat/poultry/fish, fresh dairy, low-acid canned goods, fermented foods, cannabis-infused products. Cream/custard items must use pasteurized milk only.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices required; equipment sanitation requirements apply
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients; appropriate storage for shelf-stable products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection; complaint-based enforcement possible
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — No parish-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Local ordinances are NOT preempted by state law. Parish may have home occupation zoning requirements. Sales tax certificate from parish tax authority required before selling.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Direct-to-consumer (home, farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, events, online within LA, mail within LA). Big Four direct-to-consumer only. Most other products may be sold wholesale to retail stores/restaurants within LA. No interstate shipping.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME No employees permitted; solo production only

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana Okay-tier state. \$30,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and LDH. Sales tax certificates required at state and parish level. No employees permitted for Big Four categories. No parish-specific cottage food overlay identified. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

<https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/louisiana/>

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22007 · Napoleonville

Assumption Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 / §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED yes — Annual sales cap \$30,000. No license, permit, or registration required (only sales tax certificates from LA Dept of Revenue and local parish tax authority). No food handler cert required. No kitchen inspection required. Direct-to-consumer and limited retail/wholesale allowed. Big Four (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) are direct-to-consumer only. Other low-risk foods may be sold wholesale to restaurants/retail stores. Prohibited: meat/poultry/fish, fresh dairy, low-acid canned goods, fermented foods, cannabis-infused products. Cream/custard items must use pasteurized milk only.

SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN no

PET RESTRICTIONS Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas

WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices required; equipment sanitation requirements apply
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients; appropriate storage for shelf-stable products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection; complaint-based enforcement possible
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — No parish-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Local ordinances are NOT preempted by state law. Parish may have home occupation zoning requirements. Sales tax certificate from parish tax authority required before selling.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer (home, farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, events, online within LA, mail within LA). Big Four direct-to-consumer only. Most other products may be sold wholesale to retail stores/restaurants within LA. No interstate shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employees permitted; solo production only

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana Okay-tier state. \$30,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and LDH. Sales tax certificates required at state and parish level. No employees permitted for Big Four categories. No parish-specific cottage food overlay identified. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

<https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/louisiana/>

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22009 · Marksville

Avoyelles Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 / §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual sales cap \$30,000. No license, permit, or registration required (only sales tax certificates from LA Dept of Revenue and local parish tax authority). No food handler cert required. No kitchen inspection required. Direct-to-consumer and limited retail/wholesale allowed. Big Four (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) are direct-to-consumer only. Other low-risk foods may be sold wholesale to restaurants/retail stores. Prohibited: meat/poultry/fish, fresh dairy, low-acid canned goods, fermented foods, cannabis-infused products. Cream/custard items must use pasteurized milk only.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices required; equipment sanitation requirements apply
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients; appropriate storage for shelf-stable products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection; complaint-based enforcement possible
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — No parish-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Local ordinances are NOT preempted by state law. Parish may have home occupation zoning requirements. Sales tax certificate from parish tax authority required before selling.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Direct-to-consumer (home, farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, events, online within LA, mail within LA). Big Four direct-to-consumer only. Most other products may be sold wholesale to retail stores/restaurants within LA. No interstate shipping.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME No employees permitted; solo production only

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana Okay-tier state. \$30,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and LDH. Sales tax certificates required at state and parish level. No employees permitted for Big Four categories. No parish-specific cottage food overlay identified. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

<https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/louisiana/>

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22011 · DeRidder

Beauregard Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 / §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED yes — Annual sales cap \$30,000. No license, permit, or registration required (only sales tax certificates from LA Dept of Revenue and local parish tax authority). No food handler cert required. No kitchen inspection required. Direct-to-consumer and limited retail/wholesale allowed. Big Four (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) are direct-to-consumer only. Other low-risk foods may be sold wholesale to restaurants/retail stores. Prohibited: meat/poultry/fish, fresh dairy, low-acid canned goods, fermented foods, cannabis-infused products. Cream/custard items must use pasteurized milk only.

SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN no

PET RESTRICTIONS Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas

WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices required; equipment sanitation requirements apply
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients; appropriate storage for shelf-stable products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection; complaint-based enforcement possible
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — No parish-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Local ordinances are NOT preempted by state law. Parish may have home occupation zoning requirements. Sales tax certificate from parish tax authority required before selling.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer (home, farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, events, online within LA, mail within LA). Big Four direct-to-consumer only. Most other products may be sold wholesale to retail stores/restaurants within LA. No interstate shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employees permitted; solo production only

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana Okay-tier state. \$30,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and LDH. Sales tax certificates required at state and parish level. No employees permitted for Big Four categories. No parish-specific cottage food overlay identified. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

<https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/louisiana/>

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22013 · Arcadia

Bienville Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 / §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual sales cap \$30,000. No license, permit, or registration required (only sales tax certificates from LA Dept of Revenue and local parish tax authority). No food handler cert required. No kitchen inspection required. Direct-to-consumer and limited retail/wholesale allowed. Big Four (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) are direct-to-consumer only. Other low-risk foods may be sold wholesale to restaurants/retail stores. Prohibited: meat/poultry/fish, fresh dairy, low-acid canned goods, fermented foods, cannabis-infused products. Cream/custard items must use pasteurized milk only.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices required; equipment sanitation requirements apply
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients; appropriate storage for shelf-stable products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection; complaint-based enforcement possible
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — No parish-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Local ordinances are NOT preempted by state law. Parish may have home occupation zoning requirements. Sales tax certificate from parish tax authority required before selling.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Direct-to-consumer (home, farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, events, online within LA, mail within LA). Big Four direct-to-consumer only. Most other products may be sold wholesale to retail stores/restaurants within LA. No interstate shipping.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME No employees permitted; solo production only

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana Okay-tier state. \$30,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and LDH. Sales tax certificates required at state and parish level. No employees permitted for Big Four categories. No parish-specific cottage food overlay identified. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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<https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/louisiana/>

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22021 · Columbia

Caldwell Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 / §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED yes — Annual sales cap \$30,000. No license, permit, or registration required (only sales tax certificates from LA Dept of Revenue and local parish tax authority). No food handler cert required. No kitchen inspection required. Direct-to-consumer and limited retail/wholesale allowed. Big Four (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) are direct-to-consumer only. Other low-risk foods may be sold wholesale to restaurants/retail stores. Prohibited: meat/poultry/fish, fresh dairy, low-acid canned goods, fermented foods, cannabis-infused products. Cream/custard items must use pasteurized milk only.

SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN no

PET RESTRICTIONS Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas

WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices required; equipment sanitation requirements apply
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients; appropriate storage for shelf-stable products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection; complaint-based enforcement possible
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — No parish-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Local ordinances are NOT preempted by state law. Parish may have home occupation zoning requirements. Sales tax certificate from parish tax authority required before selling.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer (home, farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, events, online within LA, mail within LA). Big Four direct-to-consumer only. Most other products may be sold wholesale to retail stores/restaurants within LA. No interstate shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employees permitted; solo production only

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana Okay-tier state. \$30,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and LDH. Sales tax certificates required at state and parish level. No employees permitted for Big Four categories. No parish-specific cottage food overlay identified. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

<https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/louisiana/>

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22023 · Cameron

Cameron Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 / §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual sales cap \$30,000. No license, permit, or registration required (only sales tax certificates from LA Dept of Revenue and local parish tax authority). No food handler cert required. No kitchen inspection required. Direct-to-consumer and limited retail/wholesale allowed. Big Four (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) are direct-to-consumer only. Other low-risk foods may be sold wholesale to restaurants/retail stores. Prohibited: meat/poultry/fish, fresh dairy, low-acid canned goods, fermented foods, cannabis-infused products. Cream/custard items must use pasteurized milk only.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices required; equipment sanitation requirements apply
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients; appropriate storage for shelf-stable products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection; complaint-based enforcement possible
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — No parish-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Local ordinances are NOT preempted by state law. Parish may have home occupation zoning requirements. Sales tax certificate from parish tax authority required before selling.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Direct-to-consumer (home, farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, events, online within LA, mail within LA). Big Four direct-to-consumer only. Most other products may be sold wholesale to retail stores/restaurants within LA. No interstate shipping.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME No employees permitted; solo production only

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana Okay-tier state. \$30,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and LDH. Sales tax certificates required at state and parish level. No employees permitted for Big Four categories. No parish-specific cottage food overlay identified. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

<https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/louisiana/>

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22025 · Harrisonburg

Catahoula Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 / §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED yes — Annual sales cap \$30,000. No license, permit, or registration required (only sales tax certificates from LA Dept of Revenue and local parish tax authority). No food handler cert required. No kitchen inspection required. Direct-to-consumer and limited retail/wholesale allowed. Big Four (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) are direct-to-consumer only. Other low-risk foods may be sold wholesale to restaurants/retail stores. Prohibited: meat/poultry/fish, fresh dairy, low-acid canned goods, fermented foods, cannabis-infused products. Cream/custard items must use pasteurized milk only.

SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN no

PET RESTRICTIONS Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas

WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices required; equipment sanitation requirements apply
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients; appropriate storage for shelf-stable products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection; complaint-based enforcement possible
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — No parish-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Local ordinances are NOT preempted by state law. Parish may have home occupation zoning requirements. Sales tax certificate from parish tax authority required before selling.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer (home, farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, events, online within LA, mail within LA). Big Four direct-to-consumer only. Most other products may be sold wholesale to retail stores/restaurants within LA. No interstate shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employees permitted; solo production only

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana Okay-tier state. \$30,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and LDH. Sales tax certificates required at state and parish level. No employees permitted for Big Four categories. No parish-specific cottage food overlay identified. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

<https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/louisiana/>

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22027 · Homer

Claiborne Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 / §40:4.9 · MEDIUM

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual sales cap \$30,000. No license, permit, or registration required (only sales tax certificates from LA Dept of Revenue and local parish tax authority). No food handler cert required. No kitchen inspection required. Direct-to-consumer and limited retail/wholesale allowed. Big Four (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) are direct-to-consumer only. Other low-risk foods may be sold wholesale to restaurants/retail stores. Prohibited: meat/poultry/fish, fresh dairy, low-acid canned goods, fermented foods, cannabis-infused products. Cream/custard items must use pasteurized milk only.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices required; equipment sanitation requirements apply
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients; appropriate storage for shelf-stable products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection; complaint-based enforcement possible
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — No parish-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Local ordinances are NOT preempted by state law. Parish may have home occupation zoning requirements. Sales tax certificate from parish tax authority required before selling.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Direct-to-consumer (home, farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, events, online within LA, mail within LA). Big Four direct-to-consumer only. Most other products may be sold wholesale to retail stores/restaurants within LA. No interstate shipping.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME No employees permitted; solo production only

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana Okay-tier state. \$30,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and LDH. Sales tax certificates required at state and parish level. No employees permitted for Big Four categories. No parish-specific cottage food overlay identified. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

<https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/louisiana/>

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22029 · Vidalia

Concordia Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 / §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED yes — Annual sales cap \$30,000. No license, permit, or registration required (only sales tax certificates from LA Dept of Revenue and local parish tax authority). No food handler cert required. No kitchen inspection required. Direct-to-consumer and limited retail/wholesale allowed. Big Four (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) are direct-to-consumer only. Other low-risk foods may be sold wholesale to restaurants/retail stores. Prohibited: meat/poultry/fish, fresh dairy, low-acid canned goods, fermented foods, cannabis-infused products. Cream/custard items must use pasteurized milk only.

SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN no

PET RESTRICTIONS Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas

WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices required; equipment sanitation requirements apply
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients; appropriate storage for shelf-stable products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection; complaint-based enforcement possible
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — No parish-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Local ordinances are NOT preempted by state law. Parish may have home occupation zoning requirements. Sales tax certificate from parish tax authority required before selling.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer (home, farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, events, online within LA, mail within LA). Big Four direct-to-consumer only. Most other products may be sold wholesale to retail stores/restaurants within LA. No interstate shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employees permitted; solo production only

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana Okay-tier state. \$30,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and LDH. Sales tax certificates required at state and parish level. No employees permitted for Big Four categories. No parish-specific cottage food overlay identified. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

<https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/louisiana/>

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22031 · Mansfield

De Soto Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 / §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual sales cap \$30,000. No license, permit, or registration required (only sales tax certificates from LA Dept of Revenue and local parish tax authority). No food handler cert required. No kitchen inspection required. Direct-to-consumer and limited retail/wholesale allowed. Big Four (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) are direct-to-consumer only. Other low-risk foods may be sold wholesale to restaurants/retail stores. Prohibited: meat/poultry/fish, fresh dairy, low-acid canned goods, fermented foods, cannabis-infused products. Cream/custard items must use pasteurized milk only.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices required; equipment sanitation requirements apply
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients; appropriate storage for shelf-stable products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection; complaint-based enforcement possible
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — No parish-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Local ordinances are NOT preempted by state law. Parish may have home occupation zoning requirements. Sales tax certificate from parish tax authority required before selling.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Direct-to-consumer (home, farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, events, online within LA, mail within LA). Big Four direct-to-consumer only. Most other products may be sold wholesale to retail stores/restaurants within LA. No interstate shipping.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME No employees permitted; solo production only

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana Okay-tier state. \$30,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and LDH. Sales tax certificates required at state and parish level. No employees permitted for Big Four categories. No parish-specific cottage food overlay identified. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

<https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/louisiana/>

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22035 · Lake Providence

East Carroll Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 / §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED yes — Annual sales cap \$30,000. No license, permit, or registration required (only sales tax certificates from LA Dept of Revenue and local parish tax authority). No food handler cert required. No kitchen inspection required. Direct-to-consumer and limited retail/wholesale allowed. Big Four (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) are direct-to-consumer only. Other low-risk foods may be sold wholesale to restaurants/retail stores. Prohibited: meat/poultry/fish, fresh dairy, low-acid canned goods, fermented foods, cannabis-infused products. Cream/custard items must use pasteurized milk only.

SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN no

PET RESTRICTIONS Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas

WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices required; equipment sanitation requirements apply
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients; appropriate storage for shelf-stable products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection; complaint-based enforcement possible
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — No parish-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Local ordinances are NOT preempted by state law. Parish may have home occupation zoning requirements. Sales tax certificate from parish tax authority required before selling.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer (home, farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, events, online within LA, mail within LA). Big Four direct-to-consumer only. Most other products may be sold wholesale to retail stores/restaurants within LA. No interstate shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employees permitted; solo production only

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana Okay-tier state. \$30,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and LDH. Sales tax certificates required at state and parish level. No employees permitted for Big Four categories. No parish-specific cottage food overlay identified. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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<https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/louisiana/>

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22037 · Clinton

East Feliciana Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 / §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual sales cap \$30,000. No license, permit, or registration required (only sales tax certificates from LA Dept of Revenue and local parish tax authority). No food handler cert required. No kitchen inspection required. Direct-to-consumer and limited retail/wholesale allowed. Big Four (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) are direct-to-consumer only. Other low-risk foods may be sold wholesale to restaurants/retail stores. Prohibited: meat/poultry/fish, fresh dairy, low-acid canned goods, fermented foods, cannabis-infused products. Cream/custard items must use pasteurized milk only.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices required; equipment sanitation requirements apply
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients; appropriate storage for shelf-stable products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection; complaint-based enforcement possible
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — No parish-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Local ordinances are NOT preempted by state law. Parish may have home occupation zoning requirements. Sales tax certificate from parish tax authority required before selling.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Direct-to-consumer (home, farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, events, online within LA, mail within LA). Big Four direct-to-consumer only. Most other products may be sold wholesale to retail stores/restaurants within LA. No interstate shipping.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME No employees permitted; solo production only

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana Okay-tier state. \$30,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and LDH. Sales tax certificates required at state and parish level. No employees permitted for Big Four categories. No parish-specific cottage food overlay identified. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

<https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/louisiana/>

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22039 · Ville Platte

Evangeline Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 / §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED yes — Annual sales cap \$30,000. No license, permit, or registration required (only sales tax certificates from LA Dept of Revenue and local parish tax authority). No food handler cert required. No kitchen inspection required. Direct-to-consumer and limited retail/wholesale allowed. Big Four (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) are direct-to-consumer only. Other low-risk foods may be sold wholesale to restaurants/retail stores. Prohibited: meat/poultry/fish, fresh dairy, low-acid canned goods, fermented foods, cannabis-infused products. Cream/custard items must use pasteurized milk only.

SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN no

PET RESTRICTIONS Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas

WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices required; equipment sanitation requirements apply
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients; appropriate storage for shelf-stable products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection; complaint-based enforcement possible
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — No parish-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Local ordinances are NOT preempted by state law. Parish may have home occupation zoning requirements. Sales tax certificate from parish tax authority required before selling.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Direct-to-consumer (home, farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, events, online within LA, mail within LA). Big Four direct-to-consumer only. Most other products may be sold wholesale to retail stores/restaurants within LA. No interstate shipping.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	No employees permitted; solo production only

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana Okay-tier state. \$30,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and LDH. Sales tax certificates required at state and parish level. No employees permitted for Big Four categories. No parish-specific cottage food overlay identified. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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<https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/louisiana/>

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22041 · Winnsboro

Franklin Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.13 / §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual sales cap \$30,000. No license, permit, or registration required (only sales tax certificates from LA Dept of Revenue and local parish tax authority). No food handler cert required. No kitchen inspection required. Direct-to-consumer and limited retail/wholesale allowed. Big Four (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) are direct-to-consumer only. Other low-risk foods may be sold wholesale to restaurants/retail stores. Prohibited: meat/poultry/fish, fresh dairy, low-acid canned goods, fermented foods, cannabis-infused products. Cream/custard items must use pasteurized milk only.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas
WATER SUPPLY	Standard residential water supply
HANDWASHING	Good sanitation practices required; equipment sanitation requirements apply
FOOD STORAGE	Refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients; appropriate storage for shelf-stable products

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection; complaint-based enforcement possible
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — No parish-specific home occupation ordinance identified. Local ordinances are NOT preempted by state law. Parish may have home occupation zoning requirements. Sales tax certificate from parish tax authority required before selling.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Direct-to-consumer (home, farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, events, online within LA, mail within LA). Big Four direct-to-consumer only. Most other products may be sold wholesale to retail stores/restaurants within LA. No interstate shipping.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME No employees permitted; solo production only

Relevant county code

Not identified

RESEARCH NOTES

Louisiana Okay-tier state. \$30,000 annual cap. Local ordinances not preempted by state law. State law confirmed via IJ.org and LDH. Sales tax certificates required at state and parish level. No employees permitted for Big Four categories. No parish-specific cottage food overlay identified. Defaulted to state baseline.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

<https://ij.org/issues/economic-liberty/homemade-food-seller/louisiana/>

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22043 · Colfax

Grant Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.

SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN no

PET RESTRICTIONS Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.

WATER SUPPLY Potable water required.

HANDWASHING Required per Louisiana food safety standards.

FOOD STORAGE Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT varies — Grant Parish is a small rural parish with limited zoning enforcement. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.

LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP yes

ON-SITE SIGNAGE conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Grant Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap (raised from \$20,000 by HB 828, Act 357, 2022), parish sales tax certificate required. Grant Parish is a small, largely rural parish (pop. ~22,000). No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22047 · Plaquemine

Iberville Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — Iberville Parish may require a home occupation permit under parish zoning regulations. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Iberville Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. Iberville Parish is a mid-size parish adjacent to Baton Rouge. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22049 · Jonesboro

Jackson Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT varies — Jackson Parish is a small rural parish. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.

LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP yes

ON-SITE SIGNAGE conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Jackson Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. Jackson Parish is a small rural north Louisiana parish. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22053 · Jennings

Jefferson Davis Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — Jefferson Davis Parish may require a home occupation permit under parish zoning regulations. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Jefferson Davis Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. Jefferson Davis Parish is a rural southwest Louisiana parish. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22059 · Jena

La Salle Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT varies — La Salle Parish is a small rural parish with limited zoning. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.

LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP yes

ON-SITE SIGNAGE conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

La Salle Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. La Salle Parish is a small rural central Louisiana parish. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22061 · Ruston

Lincoln Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — Lincoln Parish (home of Louisiana Tech University) may have home occupation zoning requirements in the Ruston area. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Lincoln Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. Lincoln Parish contains Ruston and Louisiana Tech University; no unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22065 · Tallulah

Madison Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT varies — Madison Parish is a small rural northeast Louisiana parish. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.

LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP yes

ON-SITE SIGNAGE conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Madison Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. Madison Parish is a small rural northeast Louisiana parish with high poverty. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22067 · Bastrop

Morehouse Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — Morehouse Parish is a rural north Louisiana parish. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Morehouse Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. Morehouse Parish is a rural north Louisiana parish. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22069 · Natchitoches

Natchitoches Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT yes — Natchitoches Parish has an active Planning and Zoning department (318-352-2714). Home-based business uses require verification of zoning district and permitted uses. A business license requires sign-off from the Natchitoches Parish Planning and Zoning, Natchitoches Department of Health, and Natchitoches Tax Commission. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling.

LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE yes

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP yes

ON-SITE SIGNAGE conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Natchitoches Parish Zoning Regulations; business license requires multi-agency approval including Planning and Zoning, Health Dept, and Tax Commission.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. Natchitoches Parish has an active planning and zoning office confirmed via npgov.org. The parish zoning regulations require checking the zoning map for permitted uses; business licenses require approval from Planning and Zoning, Health Dept, and Tax Commission. The parish planning website confirms RAPC (Rapides Area Planning Commission) involvement in permitting. No specific cottage food ordinance beyond state baseline identified, but business license multi-agency process is parish-specific. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

<https://npgov.org/planning-zoning/>

<https://npgov.org/>

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

<https://npgov.org/planning-zoning/>

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22075 · —

Plaquemines Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — Plaquemines Parish is a unique elongated parish along the Mississippi River delta. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Plaquemines Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. Plaquemines Parish is a geographically unique parish stretching along the Mississippi River delta south of New Orleans. No county seat listed in input. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22077 · New Roads

Pointe Coupee Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT varies — Pointe Coupee Parish is a small rural parish west of Baton Rouge. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.

LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP yes

ON-SITE SIGNAGE conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Pointe Coupee Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. Pointe Coupee Parish is a small rural parish. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22081 · Coushatta

Red River Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — Red River Parish is a small rural parish. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Red River Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. Red River Parish is among the smallest Louisiana parishes by population. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22083 · Rayville

Richland Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT varies — Richland Parish is a small rural northeast Louisiana parish. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.

LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP yes

ON-SITE SIGNAGE conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Richland Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required.
 Richland Parish is a small rural parish. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified.
 County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22085 · Many

Sabine Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — Sabine Parish is a rural northwest Louisiana parish bordering Texas. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Sabine Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. Sabine Parish is a rural parish near the Texas border. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22087 · Chalmette

St. Bernard Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT varies — St. Bernard Parish is a suburban parish adjacent to New Orleans. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified beyond the state baseline.

LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP yes

ON-SITE SIGNAGE conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

St. Bernard Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. St. Bernard Parish is a suburban parish east of New Orleans heavily impacted by Hurricane Katrina; it has active zoning enforcement but no specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22091 · Greensburg

St. Helena Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — St. Helena Parish is a small rural parish. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

St. Helena Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. St. Helena Parish is a small rural parish. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22093 · Convent

St. James Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT varies — St. James Parish is a small rural parish along the River Road corridor. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.

LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP yes

ON-SITE SIGNAGE conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

St. James Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. St. James Parish is a small parish along the Mississippi River. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22095 · Edgard

St. John the Baptist Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — St. John the Baptist Parish is a suburban/rural parish between New Orleans and Baton Rouge. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

St. John the Baptist Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. St. John the Baptist Parish lies along the River Road corridor. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22107 · Saint Joseph

Tensas Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — Tensas Parish is one of the smallest and most rural Louisiana parishes. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Tensas Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. Tensas Parish is one of the most rural and sparsely populated Louisiana parishes. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

- <https://ldh.la.gov/page/cottage-food-laws>
- <https://www.legis.la.gov/Legis/Law.aspx?d=98431>

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22111 · Farmerville

Union Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — Union Parish is a small rural north Louisiana parish. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Union Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. Union Parish is a small rural north Louisiana parish. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22115 · Leesville

Vernon Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT varies — Vernon Parish contains Fort Polk (Fort Johnson) military installation area. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.

LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP yes

ON-SITE SIGNAGE conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Vernon Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. Vernon Parish is home to Fort Johnson (Fort Polk); rural west-central Louisiana. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22117 · Franklinton

Washington Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — Washington Parish is a rural parish in southeast Louisiana. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Washington Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. Washington Parish is a rural parish near the Mississippi border. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22119 · Minden

Webster Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT varies — Webster Parish is a rural north Louisiana parish. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.

LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP yes

ON-SITE SIGNAGE conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Webster Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. Webster Parish is a rural north Louisiana parish. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22121 · Port Allen

West Baton Rouge Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — West Baton Rouge Parish is a suburban parish directly across the Mississippi River from Baton Rouge. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified beyond state baseline.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

West Baton Rouge Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. West Baton Rouge Parish is a growing suburban parish adjacent to Baton Rouge. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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RANK 9999 · FIPS 22123 · Oak Grove

West Carroll Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT varies — West Carroll Parish is a small rural northeast Louisiana parish. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.

LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP yes

ON-SITE SIGNAGE conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

West Carroll Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. West Carroll Parish is a small rural northeast Louisiana parish. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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RANK 9999 · FIPS 22125 · Saint Francisville

West Feliciana Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	varies — West Feliciana Parish is a small rural parish known for its antebellum plantation homes and tourism around Saint Francisville. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES	Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.
MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME	For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

West Feliciana Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. West Feliciana Parish is a small rural parish known for tourism and antebellum history. No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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

RANK 9999 · FIPS 22127 · Winnfield

Winn Parish

Population 0 · State baseline: La. R.S. §40:4.9 · **MEDIUM**

Home kitchen rules

HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	yes — Annual gross sales capped at \$30,000. Sales of the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies) require: no employee assistance in production, pets excluded from preparation areas, refrigeration at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. A sales tax certificate from the parish of sale required before selling.
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	no
PET RESTRICTIONS	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas.
WATER SUPPLY	Potable water required.
HANDWASHING	Required per Louisiana food safety standards.
FOOD STORAGE	Perishable ingredients must be refrigerated at 45°F or below. Finished shelf-stable products stored in food-safe containers.

Inspection & permitting

INSPECTION REQUIRED	no — No routine inspection required. LDH may investigate upon complaint or illness report.
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HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT varies — Winn Parish is a small rural central Louisiana parish. A parish sales tax certificate is required before selling. No specific parish-level cottage food ordinance identified.

LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE varies

Customer-facing rules

ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP yes

ON-SITE SIGNAGE conditional

DELIVERY / PICKUP RULES Indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Direct sales permitted from home, farmers markets, events. No wholesaling to retail chains.

MAX EMPLOYEES IN HOME For the four named baked goods categories (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), no employees may assist in production.

Relevant county code

Winn Parish Code of Ordinances (not specifically identified for cottage food); sales tax certificate required from parish.

RESEARCH NOTES

State baseline (LA) applied: La. R.S. §40:4.9, \$30,000 cap, parish sales tax certificate required. Winn Parish is a small rural central Louisiana parish (birthplace of Huey Long). No unique parish-level cottage food ordinances identified. County follows state baseline. Confidence medium.

SOURCES VERIFIED AT RESEARCH TIME

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