Environmental Review

ENVIRONMENTAL AND CONSUMER HEALTH



Cottage Food

What kinds of homemade food can I sell? Baked goods that do not require refrigeration, including bread, rolls, buns, biscuits, bagels, croissants, pastries, doughnuts, Danishes, cakes, tortes, pies, tarts, muffins, lemon squares, cookies, large pretzels, and tortillas. Foods that don't require refrigeration.

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What kinds of foods are NOT allowed? Fresh fruit dipped in candy or chocolate (for example, chocolate covered strawberries or caramel apples), cheesecake, salsa (or other canned tomato products), kombucha, beef jerky, tamales, homemade vanilla extract, flan, pumpkin pie, cream pies, meringue pies.

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What happens if I don't follow the rules? What is the penalty?

Think of the rules like an umbrella. As long as you're following the rules, you are covered, and you can't be regulated or inspected by a local Health Department. If you're not following the rules (for instance, selling cheesecakes), you lose your umbrella. You would then be an illegal food establishment, subject to inspections and fines.



! REMINDER!

A private home, a room used as living or sleeping quarters, or an area directly opening into a room used as living or sleeping quarters <u>may not be</u> used for conducting food establishment operations