

Municipality of Anchorage Anchorage Health Department

825 L St., Anchorage, AK 99501

COTTAGE FOODS

EXEMPT FROM LICENSING

Currently exempt in MOA Food Code

- Dry herbs and dry herb rub
- Dried tea
- Vinegar (including flavored vinegar)

LICENSED COTTAGE FOODS EXAMPLES

Non-potentially hazardous foods

- Breads (or similar baked goods)
- Cakes (including celebration cakes)
- Sweet breads and muffins that contain fruit or vegetables (e.g. pumpkin bread or zucchini bread)
- Cooked fruit pies
- Cookies
- Baked goods that contain alcohol (e.g. rum cake)
- Crackers

Bottled/Jarred Items

- Mustards
- Extracts (including vanilla and lemon)
- Pickles
- BBQ sauces
- Salsas
- Relishes
- Ketchup
- Bottled carbonated beverages
- Juices (berry and rhubarb)
- Jams and jellies in glass jars that can be stored at room temperature

Candies/Confections

- Fudge
- Truffles
- Brittles
- Chocolate-covered pretzels, marshmallows, graham crackers, or fruit

Fermented Products

- Kombucha
- Fermented fruit and vegetable products (sauerkraut and kimchee)

Other Cottage Food Products

- Baked product mixes
- Dried soup or dip mixes
- Dehydrated vegetable or fruit
- Popcorn or popcorn balls
- Dried pasta made with eggs
- Nuts (coated or uncoated)
- Roasted coffee
- Waffle cones
- Tortillas
- Flatbreads (including elephant ears)
- Fruit leather

NOT LICENSED AS A COTTAGE FOOD EXAMPLES

Potentially hazardous foods that require time and/or temperature control for safety are not allowed to be produced as cottage food and must be made in a commercial kitchen.

- Meat and meat products including fresh and dried meats (jerky)
- Fish and fish products (e.g. smoked salmon, canned salmon, etc.)
- Raw seed sprouts
- · Garlic in oil mixtures
- Baked products that require refrigeration (e.g. cheesecake, custards, lemon meringue)
- Cheeses
- Dairy products (including ice cream)
- Non-acidic canned foods (I.e. canned vegetables that are not pickled or fermented)
- Pesto
- Fresh vegetable juices
- Food products made with cooked vegetable products that are not acidified
- Bottled water