Home Based Processors
KRS 217.005 to 217.215

A home based processor is a person who in his or her home, produces or processes whole fruit and vegetables, mixed-greens, jams, jellies, sweet sorghum syrup, preserves, fruit butter, bread, fruit pies, cakes or cookies.

PROHIBITED food items for home based processors include: crème filled pies, custard, custard pies, pies with meringue topping, cheesecake, cream, custard and meringue pastries, raw seed sprouts, garlic-in-oil mixtures, foods in vacuum packaged containers (other than mason-type jars), canned pureed baby foods.

Note: A home based microprocessor is a farmer who, in the farmer’s home or certified/ permitted kitchen, produces or processes acid foods, formulated acid food products, acidified food products, or low-acid canned foods, who has a net income of less than $35,000 annually from the sale of the product. Examples are salsa, pickled cucumbers, and pressure-canned vegetables.

Home based processors may only sell their goods directly to consumers within the state, including from the home based processor’s home, whether by pick-up or delivery, at a market, roadside stand, community event, or online. They shall NOT sell goods via retail stores.

If a home based processor desires to sell their goods in retail store environments, they must obtain the proper permits. They may obtain a food retail permit with processing or they can become a food manufacturer.

There is no fee/permit to become a home based processor.

(There is a $50 application fee for home based microprocessors (salsas, acidified foods, pickles, etc). If you are interested in becoming a home based microprocessor, please contact the Kentucky Food Safety Branch at 502.564.7181.)

Labeling requirements for home based processors and microprocessors:

- The name and address of the home based processing operation.
- The common or usual name of the food product.
- The ingredients of the food product by standard measure, or numerical count.
- The following statement in ten (10) point type font: “This product is home-produced and processed”
- The date the product was processed.

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**Chocolate Chip Cookies**
Wendy and Friends, LLC
275 East Main Street
Frankfort, KY 40621

This product is home-produced and processed.

Ingredients: Flour (enriched wheat flour, niacin, iron, thiamin mononitrate, riboflavin, folic acid), sugar, chocolate chips (sugar, chocolate liquor, cocoa butter, soy lecithin, and vanillin), salt.

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