

Iowa Food Protection Task Force HFPE Operator Survey

TENESHA STUBBLEFIELD HOME FOOD PROCESSING PROGRAM LEAD

November 12th, 2024



New Legislation- July 1, 2022

Iowa Code Chapter 137D Home Bakeries are changed to Home Food Processing Establishments

Iowa Code Chapter 137F Cottage Food Exempt from regulations (includes requirements)

Iowa Code Chapter 137F Packaged TCS Food sold at a Farmers Market is exempt from licensing at the market (source still applies)

Home Food Processing Establishments (HFPEs)

Creation of HFPEs

New program area inspected alongside all of our other program areas (retail, processing, hotels)

Home Bakery Licenses converted to HFPE licenses

Existing home bakeries notified via email of the law change.

Demonstration of Control

Operators must demonstrate control and a thorough understanding of food safety principles by:

Proof of attendance in an approved food safety course

Written records and procedures describing control over food safety hazards in their establishment (SOPs, templates, records)

Observations during the inspection

As of November 7th, 2024

Number of active HFPEs – 502

**Number of Virtual Pre-opening Inspections
since start of the program – 107**

**Number of Pre-Opening Inspections for
HFPEs since the start of the program – 119***

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