

**137D.2 Licenses and inspections.**

1. A person shall not open or operate a home food establishment until a license has been obtained from the department of inspections and appeals. The department shall collect a fee of thirty-three dollars and seventy-five cents for a license. After collection, the fees shall be deposited in the general fund of the state. A license shall expire one year from date of issue. A license is renewable.

2. A person shall not sell or distribute from a home food establishment if the home food establishment is unlicensed, the license of the home food establishment is suspended, or the food fails to meet standards adopted for such food by the department.

3. An application for a license under [this chapter](#) shall be made upon a form furnished by the department and shall contain the items required by it according to rules adopted by the department.

4. The department shall regulate, license, and inspect home food establishments according to standards adopted by rule.

5. The department shall provide for the periodic inspection of a home food establishment. The inspector may enter the home food establishment at any reasonable hour to make the inspection. The department shall inspect only those areas related to preparing food for sale.

6. The department shall regulate and inspect food prepared at a home food establishment according to standards adopted by rule. The inspection may occur at any place where the prepared food is created, transported, or stored for sale or resale.

[88 Acts, ch 1220, §8](#)

[C89, §170C.2](#)

[C91, §137D.2](#)

[2007 Acts, ch 215, §209](#)