Do you plan to sell your food directly to the consumer (retail) or to other entities, such as grocery stores or restaurants who then sell it (wholesale)?

- **Retail**
  - Are you producing this in your home or in a commercial space?
    - **Home**
      - Is the product a non-potentially hazardous baked good?
        - Yes
          - See Home Kitchen Operation
            - Local jurisdiction where you reside must have an ordinance allowing a Home Kitchen Operation Section 3.6
          - Allowable products can be sold at Farmers Markets or on farm if a registered Cottage Food Operator See Cottage Food requirements
        - No
          - See Cottage Food Section 4
    - Commercial

- **Wholesale**
  - Are you processing and packaging low-acid canned foods or acidified foods? If unknown, see table for classifying food products based on pH and water activity.
    - Yes
      - Attend Better Process Control School
    - No
      - Register and submit processing info. for all products with FDA

- **Other food products**
  - Special products such as: juice, seafood, acidified or low acid canned food
    - Juice
      - Refer to 21 CFR 120
    - Seafood or fishery products
      - Refer to 21 CFR 123
    - Meat or meat products
      - Contact IDOA
    - Dairy or Shellfish
      - Cultivation center producing cannabis-infused edibles

- **Does your product cross state lines?**
  - Yes
    - Register with FDA
  - No
    - Product labeling and advertising must follow federal requirements found here

Are you producing this in your home or in a commercial space?

- **Home**
  - Is the product a non-potentially hazardous baked good?
    - Yes
      - See Home Kitchen Operation
        - Local jurisdiction where you reside must have an ordinance allowing a Home Kitchen Operation Section 3.6
    - No
      - See Cottage Food Section 4

- **Commercial**
  - Contact Local Health Department for a Permit
    - List of local health departments
  - Is the product an allowable food item under Cottage Food?
    - Yes
      - Approved Recipes and Processes
      - Register with Illinois Department of Public Health as a Wholesale and Manufacturing Processing Facility
    - No
      - Register and submit processing info. for all products with FDA