

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in Ketchikan Gateway Borough, Alaska?

Home kitchen sales. Not a shop or rented commercial kitchen. Last verified 2026-05-06.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

Yes

HOME OCCUPATION

Yes

BUSINESS LICENSE

Yes

SALES CAP

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ALASKA RULES. OPEN THESE FIRST.

[Alaska permits PDF](#)[Alaska cottage food law page](#)[Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation cottage food program](#)[Statute: AS 17.20.332](#)**NOT LEGAL ADVICE**

This is what it takes to sell from a home kitchen in Ketchikan Gateway Borough. Confirm each step with Planning, Health, and the license office before you sell.

What you need

Ketchikan Gateway Borough, Alaska. File every Yes. Confirm every Check or Ask. Stay under the sales cap.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

Yes

ANNUAL SALES CAP

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HOME OCCUPATION / ZONING

Yes

LOCAL HEALTH

Upon-complaint

BUSINESS LICENSE

Yes

PICKUP AT THE HOUSE

Yes

HOME KITCHEN ONLY

If you want a shop or a rented commercial kitchen, these rows do not apply.

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[Alaska permits PDF →](#)

<https://crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/alaska.pdf>

[Alaska cottage food law page →](#)

<https://crosodo.com/states/alaska>

[Permit page for this place →](#)

<https://crosodo.com/what-permits/alaska/ketchikan-gateway-borough>

[Ketchikan Gateway Borough cottage food law page →](#)

<https://crosodo.com/states/alaska/ketchikan-gateway-borough>

Not legal advice. Rules change. Confirm with the office before you file.

Where to file

State

Alaska registration: Yes. Routine kitchen inspection: No. Retail store sales are permitted; the store must display a sign indicating the food is homemade, may contain allergens, and is not regulated or inspected, and homemade products must be on a separate shelf from inspected foods.

Alaska permits PDF: crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/alaska.pdf

State law page: crosodo.com/states/alaska

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation: <https://dec.alaska.gov/eh/fss/food/cottage-food-exemption/>

Statute: [AS 17.20.332](#)

Zoning / home occupation

Yes. KGBC 18.50.020(j)(1) requires a zoning permit for home occupations in residential zones. Must submit floor plan and copy of Alaska Business License. Max 1 non-family employee on-site. Must not exceed 30% of gross floor area or one room. No exterior evidence beyond one sign per Chapter 18.80 KGBC. Restaurants are specifically prohibited as home occupations. Cottage industry (CI) overlay zone available for outlying areas with limited road access.

Planning: <https://www.kgbak.us/planning>

Health

Upon-complaint. DEC may inspect upon foodborne illness complaint under AS 17.20.336.

Business license

Yes

Pickup / delivery

Non-PHF may be sold via agents; PHF must be sold by producer directly. Online sales within Alaska allowed. No interstate commerce.

If you rent a commissary kitchen

DEC permits food establishments, not homemade food. Alaska homemade food (AS 17.20.332) is not a food-establishment permit. A commissary or retail kitchen is permitted by DEC Food Safety and Sanitation. Ask that program for a food establishment permit.

Official source: [Alaska DEC food safety](#)

Local health office we have on file: <https://www.kgbak.us>

This file is the home-kitchen path. A rented kitchen uses a different permit. Ask the kitchen manager which license they expect, then call the local health office.

SOURCES

<https://www.kgbak.us/planning>

<https://www.kgbak.us>

[https://ketchikangateway.borough.codes/KGBC/18.50.020\(h\)\(1\)](https://ketchikangateway.borough.codes/KGBC/18.50.020(h)(1))

<https://ketchikangateway.borough.codes/KGBC/18.40.020>

<https://dec.alaska.gov/eh/fss/homemade-food/requirements/>

Ketchikan Gateway Borough and nearby places

Regulation	Ketchikan Gateway Borough	Prince of Wales-Hyder Census Area	Wrangell City and Borough
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	No specific requirement; local home occupation code requires no evidence visible to neighbors.	Not specified at state level.	Not specified at state level.
INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint	No	Upon-complaint
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Yes	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Non-PHF may be sold via agents; PHF must be sold by producer directly. Online sales within Alaska allowed. No interstate commerce.	Non-PHF may be sold via agents; PHF must be sold by producer directly. Online sales within Alaska allowed. No interstate commerce.	Non-PHF may be sold via agents; PHF must be sold by producer directly. Online sales within Alaska allowed. No interstate commerce.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Yes	No	Varies
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Yes	No	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	State allows home kitchen production without permit. Ketchikan Gateway Borough has a zoning code that requires a zoning permit for home occ...	Non-potentially hazardous foods allowed from home kitchen without permit. Potentially hazardous foods allowed but must be sold direct-to-co...	State allows home kitchen production without permit. City and Borough of Wrangell is a unified municipality (~2,400 population). Local ordi...
FOOD STORAGE	Not specifically regulated locally for cottage food.	Not specifically regulated at state level for cottage food.	Not specifically regulated at state level for cottage food.
POPULATION	13,910	5,799	2,134

More pages for this place

These Crosodo pages cover the same home cottage-food path:

Alaska permits PDF: crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/alaska.pdf

Alaska cottage food law: crosodo.com/states/alaska

Ketchikan Gateway Borough cottage food law: crosodo.com/states/alaska/ketchikan-gateway-borough