

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in Napa County, California?

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

STATE FOOD PERMIT

Yes

HOME OCCUPATION

Yes

BUSINESS LICENSE

Yes

SALES CAP

Tiered

CALIFORNIA RULES. OPEN THESE FIRST.

[California permits PDF](#)[California cottage food law page](#)[California Department of Public Health cottage food program](#)[Statute: Cal. Health & Safety Code §113758](#)**NOT LEGAL ADVICE**

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

What you need

Napa County, California. File every Yes. Confirm every Check or Ask. Stay under the sales cap.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

Yes

ANNUAL SALES CAP

Tiered

HOME OCCUPATION / ZONING

Yes

LOCAL HEALTH

Yes

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.

HOW THIS PLACE WORKS

California cottage food is registered at the county. CDPH does not issue cottage-food permits. Class A registration and Class B permits are handled by the county (or city) environmental health department where you live. If this file only has a county homepage, call Environmental Health and ask for the cottage-food (CFO) page. Class A is registration. Class B is a permit.

Official source: [CDPH Cottage Food Operations](#)

CONTINUE ONLINE

California permits PDF →

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

California cottage food law page →

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

Permit page for this place →

<https://crosodo.com/what-permits/california/napa-county>

Napa County cottage food law page →

<https://crosodo.com/states/california/napa-county>

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

Where to file

State

California registration: Yes. Routine kitchen inspection: No. Class B permit holders may sell indirectly through retail stores and restaurants statewide; Class A registrants are limited to direct sales only and may not sell through any retail or wholesale venue.

California permits PDF: crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/california.pdf

State law page: crosodo.com/states/california

California Department of Public Health: https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CEH/DFDCS/CDPH%20Document%20Library/FDB/FoodSafetyProgram/Cottage%20Food%20Operations/CFO_Faq.pdf

Statute: [Cal. Health & Safety Code §113758](#)

Zoning / home occupation

Yes. Napa County requires Planning Department/Division Authorization as part of the Class B CFO permit application. Class B CFO permit application form (countyofnapa.org) explicitly requires Planning Department authorization. Class A likely requires local zoning clearance as well.

Health

Yes. Class B CFOs require home kitchen inspection before permit issued. Class A: no inspection. Napa County Planning, Building & Environmental Services administers the Class B permit at \$278 fee.

Business license

Yes

Pickup / delivery

Class A: direct sales only (home, farmers markets, events, online within CA). Class B: also permits retail stores and restaurants. All sales must remain within California; no interstate sales.

If you rent a commissary kitchen

CDPH does not permit commissaries. Counties do. California cottage food (Class A/B) is county environmental health. A commissary, restaurant, or shared kitchen is a retail food facility under CalCode, also at county environmental health, on a different application than the CFO form.

Official source: [CDPH food safety program](#)

Local health office we have on file: <https://www.countyofnapa.org>

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.countyofnapa.org>

<https://www.napacounty.gov/DocumentCenter/View/3819/Cottage-Food-Operation-Permit-Application-Class-B-PDF>

<https://www.countyofnapa.org>

https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CEH/DFDCS/CDPH%20Document%20Library/FDB/FoodSafetyProgram/Cottage%20Food%20Operations/CFO_Faq.pdf

Napa County and nearby places

Regulation	Napa County	Lake County	Yolo County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	Not explicitly prohibited in state statute; local health department may have requirements during inspection.	Not specified but standard sanitation expected	No explicit state-level pet restriction in California cottage food statute, though standard GMP practices apply.
INSPECTION REQUIRED	Yes	Conditional	Conditional
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Class A: direct sales only (home, farmers markets, events, online within CA). Class B: also permits retail stores and restaurants. All sale...	Class A: direct sales from home or at community events within California. Class B: direct and indirect sales through retailers/restaurants ...	Class A: direct sales from home (with appointment), at community events, farmers markets, and online with in-state delivery/shipping. Class...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Yes	Yes	Conditional
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Yes	Yes	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Class A (direct sales only, annual cap ~\$86,206 CPI-adjusted); no home kitchen inspection required. Class B (direct and indirect sales, ann...	Class A (direct sales only): annual self-certification registration with Lake County Environmental Health required. Class B (direct + indir...	California two-tier system. Class A (direct sales only): requires registration with Yolo County Environmental Health, annual renewal, no ro...
FOOD STORAGE	Only approved state CFO food list items allowed. Non-potentially hazardous, no refrigeration required for finished products. Stored in food...	Shelf-stable non-PHF products; no acidified or low-acid canned foods	Only state-approved non-TCS foods allowed. Standard GMP safe storage practices. Products must be non-potentially hazardous.
POPULATION	137,384	68,024	217,141

More pages for this place

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

California permits PDF: crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/california.pdf

California cottage food law: crosodo.com/states/california

Napa County cottage food law: crosodo.com/states/california/napa-county