

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

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

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

STATE FOOD PERMIT

Yes

HOME OCCUPATION

Conditional

BUSINESS LICENSE

Varies

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 Yolo County. Confirm each step with Planning, Health, and the license office before you sell.

What you need

Yolo 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

Conditional

LOCAL HEALTH

Conditional

BUSINESS LICENSE

Varies

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/yolo-county>

Yolo County cottage food law page →

<https://crosodo.com/states/california/yolo-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](https://www.crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/california.pdf)

State law page: [crosodo.com/states/california](https://www.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

Conditional. California state law (GOV §51035) preempts local zoning restrictions on cottage food operations. Yolo County and municipalities (Woodland, Davis, West Sacramento) may still have general home occupation requirements for business registration. Contact Yolo County Planning or relevant city for home occupation details beyond the cottage food registration/permit.

Health

Conditional. Class A: no routine inspection (registration only). Class B: annual inspection by Yolo County Environmental Health required. Both classes: inspection upon complaint.

Health: <https://www.yolocounty.gov/government/general-government-departments/community-services/environmental-health-division>

Business license

Varies

Pickup / delivery

Class A: direct sales from home (with appointment), at community events, farmers markets, and online with in-state delivery/shipping. Class B: same plus retail stores and restaurants within California. No out-of-state sales. Event sales (farmers market) may require a separate Temporary Food Facility permit.

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.yolocounty.gov/government/general-government-departments/community-services/environmental-health-division>

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.yolocounty.gov/government/general-government-departments/community-services/environmental-health-division>

<https://www.yolocounty.org>

<https://www.yolocounty.gov/government/general-government-departments/community-services/environmental-health-division/consumer-protection-programs/food-programs/cottage-food-operations>

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

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=HSC§ionNum=113758

Yolo County and nearby places

Regulation	Yolo County	Napa County	Sutter County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	No explicit state-level pet restriction in California cottage food statute, though standard GMP practices apply.	Not explicitly prohibited in state statute; local health department may have requirements during inspection.	No specific state prohibition for cottage food, but good manufacturing practices recommend keeping pets out of food preparation areas.
INSPECTION REQUIRED	Conditional	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Class A: direct sales from home (with appointment), at community events, farmers markets, and online with in-state delivery/shipping. Class...	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 only (home, farmers markets, events, online within California, in-state delivery). Class B: also allows retail stores...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional	Yes	No
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Yes	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	California two-tier system. Class A (direct sales only): requires registration with Yolo County Environmental Health, annual renewal, no ro...	Class A (direct sales only, annual cap ~\$86,206 CPI-adjusted): no home kitchen inspection required. Class B (direct and indirect sales, ann...	California two-tier cottage food system: Class A (direct sales only, up to ~\$86,206/year as of 2025) and Class B (direct and indirect sales...
FOOD STORAGE	Only state-approved non-TCS foods allowed. Standard GMP safe storage practices. Products must be non-potentially hazardous.	Only approved state CFO food list items allowed. Non-potentially hazardous, no refrigeration required for finished products. Stored in food...	Only non-potentially hazardous shelf-stable approved foods; must prevent contamination and labeling must be accurate.
POPULATION	217,141	137,384	99,101

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

Yolo County cottage food law: crosodo.com/states/california/yolo-county