

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in Clay County, Florida?

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

STATE FOOD PERMIT

No

HOME OCCUPATION

Conditional

BUSINESS LICENSE

Varies

SALES CAP

\$250,000 / year

FLORIDA RULES. OPEN THESE FIRST.

[Florida permits PDF](#)[Florida cottage food law page](#)[Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services cottage food program](#)[Statute: Fla. Stat. §500.80](#)**NOT LEGAL ADVICE**

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

What you need

Clay County, Florida. File every Yes. Confirm every Check or Ask. Stay under the sales cap.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

No

ANNUAL SALES CAP

\$250,000 / year

HOME OCCUPATION / ZONING

Conditional

LOCAL HEALTH

Upon-complaint

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.

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

Where to file

State

Florida registration: No. Routine kitchen inspection: Upon-complaint. Florida prohibits wholesale sales but allows online, mail-order, and in-person sales including delivery to consumers; state law preempts local restrictions on cottage food operations.

Florida permits PDF: crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/florida.pdf

State law page: crosodo.com/states/florida

Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services: <https://www.fdacs.gov/Business-Services/Food/Cottage-Foods>

Statute: [Fla. Stat. §500.80](#)

Zoning / home occupation

Conditional. Florida §500.80(6) preempts local government restrictions on cottage food operations. However, Clay County and its municipalities may require general home occupation or business licensing registration. Compliance with home-based business rules under §559.955 required. Contact Clay County Planning or relevant municipality for home occupation permit specifics.

Health

Upon-complaint. Florida cottage food inspections may only occur upon receipt of a written complaint (§500.80(7)). No routine or pre-operational inspections.

Health: <https://clay.floridahealth.gov>

Business license

Varies

Pickup / delivery

Florida cottage food law expressly permits online sales and mail-order delivery within the state. Home pickup, delivery, farmers markets, and event sales all permitted. \$250,000 annual sales cap.

If you rent a commissary kitchen

DBPR or the local health department licenses food. Florida public food service is typically DBPR Hotels and Restaurants or the county health department, depending on the operation. Cottage food is a separate exemption. Ask which office licenses the kitchen you rent.

Official source: [Florida DBPR Hotels and Restaurants](#)

Local health office we have on file: <https://clay.floridahealth.gov>

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://clay.floridahealth.gov>

<https://www.claycounty.gov>

<https://www.fdacs.gov/Business-Services/Food/Cottage-Foods>

http://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&URL=0500-0599/0500/Sections/0500.80.html

<https://clay.floridahealth.gov>

Clay County and nearby places

Regulation	Clay County	St. Johns County	Putnam County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	No explicit pet restriction in Florida cottage food statute. Standard sanitation practices apply.	No specific state restriction; general sanitation applies	Not specified in state statute.
INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint	Upon-complaint	Upon-complaint
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Florida cottage food law expressly permits online sales and mail-order delivery within the state. Home pickup, delivery, farmers markets, a...	Direct and limited indirect sales; online, farmers markets, and events permitted	Online sales and mail-order delivery expressly permitted. \$250,000 annual sales cap.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional	Varies	Conditional
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Florida cottage food law (\$500.80) permits home kitchen production of non-TCS foods with no registration, permit, or inspection required be...	Non-TCS foods only; labeling with disclaimer required; \$250,000 annual cap; no state license or inspection	Any non-TCS food. No registration, permit, or inspection required. Strong state preemption clause (§500.80(6)). Must comply with home-based...
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS (non-time/temperature-control-for-safety) foods only. Standard safe storage practices.	Sanitary storage of non-TCS foods	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods must be stored appropriately.
POPULATION	219,650	278,722	73,604

More pages for this place

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

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