

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

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

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

STATE FOOD PERMIT

No

HOME OCCUPATION

Varies

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

What you need

Columbia 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

Varies

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

Varies. No county govt URL provided. Columbia County unincorporated areas follow county zoning. City of Lake City has its own zoning and business licensing. No county-specific cottage food overlay identified.

Health

Upon-complaint. Consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation

Business license

Varies

Pickup / delivery

Direct and limited indirect sales permitted; third-party retail limited

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://www.columbiacounty.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://www.columbiacounty.gov>

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

Columbia County and nearby places

Regulation	Columbia County	Suwannee County	Baker County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	True
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	False
PETS ALLOWED	Not specified in state law	Not specified in state law; products must not be contaminated	No state or county-specific rule for cottage food
INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint	Upon-complaint	Upon-complaint only
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	True
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Must comply with Baker County signage ordinances; standard state preemption applies to cottage food production but traffic/parking/signage ...
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Direct and limited indirect sales permitted; third-party retail limited	Sales allowed from residence, online, by mail-order, at farmers markets, flea markets, and roadside stands. Mail delivery explicitly permit...	Direct-to-consumer; online/mail-order allowed; shipping within and across state lines via USPS or commercial carrier; no wholesale/consignm...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies	Conditional	Yes (Baker County local occupational license required for home-based businesses)
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	Yes; Baker County Occupational License from Tax Collector; contact (904) 259-6880
RESTRICTIONS	Annual sales cap \$250,000. No food handler cert required. Inspection upon complaint only. No registration required. Broad non-TCS standard ...	Must be produced in operator's home kitchen only; no garages, sheds, barns, or outbuildings. Motor home kitchens are not permitted. Product...	—
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage for non-TCS shelf-stable products	Ingredients and finished products must be stored in the single-family domestic residence; no garage/shed/barn storage	Non-TCS (non-temperature controlled) foods only; standard sanitary storage
POPULATION	69,832	43,881	27,969

More pages for this place

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

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