

## COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

# Can I sell from my kitchen in Seminole County, Florida?

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

STATE FOOD PERMIT

**No**

HOME OCCUPATION

**Conditional**

BUSINESS LICENSE

**Yes**

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

## What you need

Seminole 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

**Yes**

PICKUP AT THE HOUSE

**Conditional**

### HOME KITCHEN ONLY

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

### CONTINUE ONLINE

**Florida permits PDF →**

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

**Florida cottage food law page →**

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

**Permit page for this place →**

<https://crosodo.com/what-permits/florida/seminole-county>

**Seminole County cottage food law page →**

<https://crosodo.com/states/florida/seminole-county>

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](https://crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/florida.pdf)

State law page: [crosodo.com/states/florida](https://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. Seminole County allows home occupations as accessory use in residential zones. CityRuleLookup (sourcing Municode Library, Seminole County, verified ~1 year ago) indicates a local business tax receipt and/or home occupation permit may be required. Florida §559.955 limits local authority: local governments may not impose requirements on home-based businesses more restrictive than those for residences without businesses; only business tax receipts (chapter 205) and reasonable traffic/parking/signage rules are permissible. The Land Development Code of Seminole County governs unincorporated areas. Cities within the county (Sanford, Altamonte Springs, Casselberry, Lake Mary, Longwood, Oviedo, Winter Springs) have their own rules.

### Health

Upon-complaint. FDACS may inspect only upon receipt of a complaint (§500.80(7)). No routine inspections. Seminole County Health Department cannot conduct food safety inspections of cottage food operations.

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

### Business license

Yes

### Pickup / delivery

Under Florida §500.80(2), products may be delivered in person to consumer, specific event venue, or by USPS/commercial carrier. Online orders and mail-order accepted. No wholesale. On-site pickup allowed if consistent with residential character. County and municipal traffic, parking, noise, signage, and hours ordinances still apply per §500.80(6) exception.

**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://seminole.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.

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**SOURCES**

<https://seminole.floridahealth.gov>

<https://www.seminolecountyfl.gov>

[https://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/index.cfm?](https://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&URL=0500-0599%2F0500%2FSections%2F0500.80.html)

[App\\_mode=Display\\_Statute&URL=0500-0599%2F0500%2FSections%2F0500.80.html](https://www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/index.cfm?App_mode=Display_Statute&URL=0500-0599%2F0500%2FSections%2F0500.80.html)

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<https://www.seminolecountyfl.gov/departments-services/development-services/planning-development/codes-regulations>

<https://www.cityrulelookup.com/home-business/cottage-food/seminole-county-fl>

<https://ccmedia.fdacs.gov/content/download/70108/file/CottageFoodOperations.pdf>

## Seminole County and nearby places

| Regulation                 | Seminole County                                                                                                                                 | Lake County                                                                                                                                    | Volusia County                                                                                                                                 |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED       | Yes                                                                                                                                             | Yes                                                                                                                                            | Yes                                                                                                                                            |
| SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN | No                                                                                                                                              | No                                                                                                                                             | No                                                                                                                                             |
| PETS ALLOWED               | Florida state law does not address pets in cottage food kitchens; standard food safety hygiene applies.                                         | No specific state restriction.                                                                                                                 | No specific state cottage food pet restriction                                                                                                 |
| INSPECTION REQUIRED        | Upon-complaint                                                                                                                                  | Upon-complaint                                                                                                                                 | Upon-complaint                                                                                                                                 |
| ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP    | Conditional                                                                                                                                     | Yes                                                                                                                                            | Yes                                                                                                                                            |
| ON-SITE SIGNAGE            | Conditional                                                                                                                                     | Conditional                                                                                                                                    | Yes                                                                                                                                            |
| DELIVERY / PICKUP          | Under Florida §500.80(2), products may be delivered in person to consumer, specific event venue, or by USPS/ commercial carrier. Online orde... | Sales from home, farmers markets, flea markets, roadside stands, online/mail-order. No wholesale.                                              | No restrictions on sales venues. Online sales and mail/delivery permitted including across state lines. No wholesale to retail stores or re... |
| HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT     | Conditional                                                                                                                                     | Conditional                                                                                                                                    | No                                                                                                                                             |
| LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE     | Yes                                                                                                                                             | Yes                                                                                                                                            | No                                                                                                                                             |
| RESTRICTIONS               | Florida §500.80 requires production in the operator's residential kitchen only. Rented and commercial kitchens are not eligible. Florida pr...  | Florida cottage food law (Fla. Stat. §500.80) requires no license, permit, or registration. No inspection required. Products must be non-TC... | Any non-TCS food that does not require temperature control for safety. No license, permit, registration, or inspection required before oper... |
| FOOD STORAGE               | Products must be stored on the premises of the cottage food operation per §500.80(4).                                                           | Non-TCS shelf-stable products only.                                                                                                            | Standard home kitchen storage for shelf-stable non-TCS products                                                                                |
| POPULATION                 | 471,321                                                                                                                                         | 386,829                                                                                                                                        | 558,520                                                                                                                                        |

## More pages for this place

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

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