

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in St. Lucie 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 St. Lucie County. Confirm each step with Planning, Health, and the license office before you sell.

What you need

St. Lucie 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. Florida does not preempt local zoning. St. Lucie County and municipalities (Fort Pierce, Port St. Lucie) may have home occupation permit requirements; operator should verify with local planning department

Health

Upon-complaint. FDACS may investigate on complaint; no routine inspection

Business license

Varies

Pickup / delivery

Direct sales at home, farmers markets, events; limited indirect sales to retailers allowed; online permitted

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](#)

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.fdacs.gov/Business-Services/Food/Cottage-Foods>

St. Lucie County and nearby places

Regulation	St. Lucie County	Indian River County	Martin County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	No specific state restriction; general sanitation applies	No state restriction on pets in home for cottage food operations.	No state restriction on pets in home for cottage food operations.
INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint	Upon-complaint	Upon-complaint
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Direct sales at home, farmers markets, events; limited indirect sales to retailers allowed; online permitted	Direct sales, online sales, mail-order delivery all expressly permitted. No geographic restriction within Florida. No wholesale to food est...	Direct sales, online sales, mail-order delivery all expressly permitted. No geographic restriction within Florida. No wholesale to food est...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies	Conditional	Conditional
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Non-TCS foods only; labeling required; \$250,000 annual cap; no state license or inspection	Florida allows cottage food from home kitchens with no registration, permit, or inspection required before operations. No food handler cert...	Florida allows cottage food from home kitchens with no registration, permit, or inspection required before operations. No food handler cert...
FOOD STORAGE	Sanitary storage of non-TCS foods	Non-TCS foods only; proper storage required.	Non-TCS foods only; proper storage required.
POPULATION	334,682	160,986	159,399

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

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