

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in Ness County, Kansas?

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

STATE FOOD PERMIT

No

HOME OCCUPATION

Varies

BUSINESS LICENSE

Varies

SALES CAP

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KANSAS RULES. OPEN THESE FIRST.

[Kansas permits PDF](#)

[Kansas cottage food law page](#)

[Kansas Department of Agriculture cottage food program](#)

[Statute: K.S.A. §65-657](#)

NOT LEGAL ADVICE

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

What you need

Ness County, Kansas. File every Yes. Confirm every Check or Ask. Stay under the sales cap.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

No

ANNUAL SALES CAP

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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.

CONTINUE ONLINE

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

Where to file

State

Kansas registration: No. Routine kitchen inspection: Upon-complaint. Indirect sales to restaurants, retail stores, or wholesale are not allowed under the exemption; producers needing wholesale or retail channels must obtain a KDA food processing license.

Kansas permits PDF: crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/kansas.pdf

State law page: crosodo.com/states/kansas

Kansas Department of Agriculture: <https://agriculture.ks.gov/divisions-programs/dairy-food-safety/cottage-food>

Statute: [K.S.A. §65-657](#)

Zoning / home occupation

Varies. Ness County is a small rural county in west-central Kansas. Unincorporated areas governed by county zoning. Contact Ness County Clerk for home occupation permit requirements. Agricultural zone dominates.

Health

Upon-complaint. Consumer complaint or illness investigation

Business license

Varies

Pickup / delivery

Direct delivery to consumer permitted in-state

If you rent a commissary kitchen

KDA licenses food establishments. Kansas cottage food is an exemption from a food-establishment license. Selling from a commissary typically requires a KDA food establishment or food processing license.

Official source: [KDA food safety and lodging](#)

Local health office we have on file: <https://www.nesscountyks.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.nesscountyks.gov>

<https://agriculture.ks.gov/divisions-programs/dairy-food-safety/cottage-food>

Ness County and nearby places

Regulation	Ness County	Gove County	Trego County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	Not specified in state law	No specific pet restriction in state cottage food law; good sanitary practices required.	No specific pet restriction in Kansas state cottage food law.
INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint	Upon-complaint	Upon-complaint
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Yes
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Direct delivery to consumer permitted in-state	Direct-to-consumer only. Sales allowed at home, farmers markets, events, roadside stands, online with delivery within Kansas. No wholesale ...	Direct sales only. Sales at farmers markets, home pickup, roadside stands, and events permitted. No wholesale or retail indirect sales.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies	Varies	No
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	No
RESTRICTIONS	No sales cap. No food handler cert required. Direct-to-consumer sales only; allowed at farm, farmers market, roadside stand, home, and even...	Kansas exempts non-TCS (shelf-stable) homemade foods sold direct-to-consumer from food establishment licensing requirements (K.S.A. §65-689...	Kansas cottage food law (K.S.A. §65-689(d)(4)) allows direct-to-consumer sales of non-TCS foods from a home kitchen with no registration, n...
FOOD STORAGE	Appropriate storage to maintain product safety	Non-TCS (shelf-stable) foods only; no refrigeration-required products.	Non-TCS (non-temperature-controlled for safety) shelf-stable foods only.
POPULATION	2,766	2,758	2,803

More pages for this place

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

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