

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in Laurel County, Kentucky?

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

STATE FOOD PERMIT	HOME OCCUPATION	BUSINESS LICENSE	SALES CAP
Yes	Varies	Varies	\$60,000 / year

KENTUCKY RULES. OPEN THESE FIRST.

[Kentucky permits PDF](#)

[Kentucky cottage food law page](#)

[Kentucky Department for Public Health cottage food program](#)

[Statute: KRS §217.137](#)

NOT LEGAL ADVICE

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

What you need

Laurel County, Kentucky. File every Yes. Confirm every Check or Ask. Stay under the sales cap.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

Yes

ANNUAL SALES CAP

\$60,000 / 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

Kentucky registration: Yes. Routine kitchen inspection: Upon-complaint. Sales limited to direct-to-consumer only within Kentucky — from home (pickup or delivery), markets, roadside stands, community events, and online; shipping outside Kentucky is prohibited, and sales to restaurants or retail stores for resale are not allowed.

Kentucky permits PDF: crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/kentucky.pdf

State law page: crosodo.com/states/kentucky

Kentucky Department for Public Health: <https://www.chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/cottage-foods.aspx>

Statute: [KRS §217.137](#)

Zoning / home occupation

Varies. Laurel County includes London in southeastern Kentucky. No specific county home occupation permit for cottage food identified. Contact Laurel County Planning & Zoning at (606) 864-5128.

Health

Upon-complaint. Complaint-based inspection; no routine inspection

Business license

Varies

Pickup / delivery

Direct sales only; no wholesale or retail. Internet sales within Kentucky allowed.

If you rent a commissary kitchen

Local health departments permit food service. Kentucky cottage food / home-based processor paths do not replace a food-service permit. A commissary is permitted by the local health department.

Official source: [KY food safety](#)

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

<https://www.chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/dphps/fsb/Pages/cottage-foods.aspx>

<https://apps.legislature.ky.gov/law/statutes/statute.aspx?id=48558>

Laurel County and nearby places

Regulation	Laurel County	Pulaski County	Whitley County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	No specific state prohibition; good manufacturing practice applies	No specific state prohibition; good manufacturing practice applies	Not specified in state law
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 only; no wholesale or retail. Internet sales within Kentucky allowed.	Direct sales only; no wholesale or retail sales. Internet sales within Kentucky allowed.	Direct-to-consumer only within KY; farmers markets, roadside stands, fairs, festivals, community events, online orders (in-state); home pic...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies	Varies	Varies
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Registration required (\$50/year). \$60,000 annual sales cap. Direct sales only. Restrictive food list: baked goods, candies, jams/jellies, f...	Registration required (\$50/year). \$60,000 annual sales cap. Direct sales only. No more than two non-commercial ranges/ovens and three refri...	Annual sales cap \$60,000. Registration required with KY Dept of Public Health (\$50/year). No food handler cert required. Inspection upon co...
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods; proper storage required	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods; proper storage required	Appropriate storage for non-TCS products
POPULATION	62,442	65,145	36,648

More pages for this place

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

Kentucky permits PDF: crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/kentucky.pdf

Kentucky cottage food law: crosodo.com/states/kentucky

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