

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in Lafayette Parish, Louisiana?

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

STATE FOOD PERMIT

No

HOME OCCUPATION

Conditional

BUSINESS LICENSE

Varies

SALES CAP

\$30,000 / year

LOUISIANA RULES. OPEN THESE FIRST.

[Louisiana permits PDF](#)[Louisiana cottage food law page](#)[Louisiana Department of Health cottage food program](#)[Statute: La. R.S. §40:4.13](#)**NOT LEGAL ADVICE**

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

What you need

Lafayette Parish, Louisiana. File every Yes. Confirm every Check or Ask. Stay under the sales cap.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

No

ANNUAL SALES CAP

\$30,000 / year

HOME OCCUPATION / ZONING

Conditional

LOCAL HEALTH

No

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

Louisiana registration: No. Routine kitchen inspection: No. Most low-risk foods may be sold indirectly (to restaurants, retail stores), but breads, cakes, cookies, and pies specifically may NOT be sold to any retail business or individual for resale — they are direct-to-consumer only.

Louisiana permits PDF: crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/louisiana.pdf

State law page: crosodo.com/states/louisiana

Louisiana Department of Health: <https://ldh.la.gov/page/cottage-food-laws>

Statute: [La. R.S. §40:4.13](#)

Zoning / home occupation

Conditional. Lafayette Parish/City of Lafayette may require home occupation permit or business license under local zoning. Parish allows home occupations in residential zones. Check with Lafayette Parish Planning, Zoning and Permits.

Health

No. No routine inspection required under state cottage food law

Business license

Varies

Pickup / delivery

Some indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Baked goods (breads/cakes/cookies/pies) have stricter rules with no employee assistance and specific production requirements.

If you rent a commissary kitchen

LDH permits retail food. Louisiana cottage food is a home path. A commissary is a retail food establishment permitted by the Louisiana Department of Health.

Official source: [LDH retail food](#)

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

<https://ldh.la.gov/page/cottage-food-laws>

Lafayette Parish and nearby places

Regulation	Lafayette Parish	St. Landry Parish	Iberia Parish
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	Pets must be excluded from preparation areas during production	Pets must be excluded from food preparation areas during production of breads/cakes/cookies/pies.	Not specified in state law
INSPECTION REQUIRED	No	No	No
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Some indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Baked goods (breads/cakes/cookies/pies) have stricter rules with no employee assistanc...	Direct and some indirect sales allowed for most low-risk foods. Breads/cakes/cookies/pies are more restricted (limited channels). Sales thr...	Indirect sales at limited venues permitted; no mail order; no catering
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional	Varies	Varies
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Conditional	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Low-risk non-TCS foods only; \$30,000 annual sales cap. Sales tax certificate from parish required. Pets excluded from preparation areas. No...	Louisiana cottage food (low-risk foods law): \$30,000 annual sales cap. Low-risk foods allowed: baked goods (breads, cakes, cookies, pies), ...	Annual sales cap \$30,000. No food handler cert required. No registration required. No kitchen inspection required. Indirect sales allowed a...
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS; refrigerated ingredients at 45°F or below; finished products shelf-stable	Refrigeration must be maintained at 45°F or below for perishable ingredients. Specific equipment sanitation requirements apply for baked go...	Appropriate storage for shelf-stable products
POPULATION	243,175	82,574	69,958

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