

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in Prince George's County, Maryland?

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

STATE FOOD PERMIT

Depends

HOME OCCUPATION

Conditional

BUSINESS LICENSE

Varies

SALES CAP

\$50,000 / year

MARYLAND RULES. OPEN THESE FIRST.

[Maryland permits PDF](#)[Maryland cottage food law page](#)[Maryland Department of Health cottage food program](#)[Statute: MD COMAR 10.15.03.27](#)**NOT LEGAL ADVICE**

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

What you need

Prince George's County, Maryland. File every Yes. Confirm every Check or Ask. Stay under the sales cap.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

Depends

ANNUAL SALES CAP

\$50,000 / year

HOME OCCUPATION / ZONING

Conditional

LOCAL HEALTH

Upon-complaint

BUSINESS LICENSE

Varies

PICKUP AT THE HOUSE

Conditional

HOME KITCHEN ONLY

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

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Maryland permits PDF →

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

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Permit page for this place →

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Prince George's County cottage food law page →

<https://crosodo.com/states/maryland/prince-george-s-county>

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

Where to file

State

Maryland registration: Depends. Routine kitchen inspection: Upon-complaint. Sales at retail food stores (indirect) are allowed but require prior submission of labels and documentation of ANSI-accredited food safety course completion to the Maryland Department of Health before any retail sales can commence. The Department must notify the producer in writing that requirements are met before retail sales begin.

Maryland permits PDF: crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/maryland.pdf

State law page: crosodo.com/states/maryland

Maryland Department of Health: <https://health.maryland.gov/phpa/OEHFP/OFPCHS/Pages/Cottage-Food.aspx>

Statute: [MD COMAR 10.15.03.27](#)

Zoning / home occupation

Conditional. Cottage food businesses must comply with all applicable county and municipal laws. Contact Prince George's County Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement (DPIE) for home occupation permit requirements. The county's official page states zoning constraints apply and cottage food is an exception to normal residential food production rules.

Planning: <https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/departments-offices/permitting-inspections-and-enforcement>

Health

Upon-complaint. Health department investigates upon receipt of complaint. No routine inspections for cottage food.

Health: <https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/departments-offices/health>

Business license

Varies

Pickup / delivery

State baseline: direct-to-consumer at farmers markets, fairs, festivals; customer pickup from home allowed per MDH 2025 guidelines; retail store sales allowed up to 50% of total. County page notes sales at farmers markets and temporary events specifically. Annual cap \$50,000.

If you rent a commissary kitchen

MDH and local health license food facilities. Maryland cottage food is not a food-service facility license. A commissary is a food service facility licensed by the local health department.

Official source: [MDH food protection](#)

Local health office we have on file: <https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/departments-offices/health>

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.princegeorgescountymd.gov/departments-offices/health>

<https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/departments-offices/permitting-inspections-and-enforcement>

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<https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/departments-offices/permitting-inspections-and-enforcement/plan-review/building-plan-review-division/health-section/home-food-service>

<https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/departments-offices/health/environmental-health/food-safety-permits-inspections/can-i-sell-food-i-make-home-public>

https://health.maryland.gov/phpa/OEHFP/OFPCHS/Documents/Updated_CF_Guidelines_2025.pdf

Prince George's County and nearby places

Regulation	Prince George's County	Montgomery County	Anne Arundel County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	Not specified; standard sanitation applies	State baseline applies	No specific state cottage food pet restriction; general sanitation standards
INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint	Upon-complaint	Upon-complaint
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Conditional	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	State baseline: direct-to-consumer at farmers markets, fairs, festivals; customer pickup from home allowed per MDH 2025 guidelines; retail ...	State baseline applies: direct-to-consumer sales. Cottage food cannot be sold outside Maryland. Montgomery County requires a Farmer's Marke...	Direct-to-consumer sales: home, farmers markets, public events, personal delivery, mail order within Maryland. Sales to retail stores requi...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional	Conditional	Yes
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies by city	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Prince George's County explicitly allows cottage food production at home for sale at farmers markets and temporary events only. County zoni...	Montgomery County follows Maryland state baseline for cottage food (COMAR 10.15.03.27). The state \$50,000 annual cap applies. Montgomery Co...	Non-potentially hazardous foods only. \$50,000 annual gross sales cap. MDH review required for sales at retail stores (Class B equivalent); ...
FOOD STORAGE	Standard food storage per COMAR 10.15.03; no additional county-specific requirements found	State baseline applies	Standard home kitchen storage for approved non-PHF foods
POPULATION	957,189	1,056,910	588,109

More pages for this place

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

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