

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in Clinton County, Michigan?

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

STATE FOOD PERMIT	HOME OCCUPATION	BUSINESS LICENSE	SALES CAP
No	Varies	Varies	\$50,000 / year

MICHIGAN RULES. OPEN THESE FIRST.

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[Michigan cottage food law page](#)

[Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development cottage food program](#)

[Statute: MCL §289.4102](#)

NOT LEGAL ADVICE

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

What you need

Clinton County, Michigan. File every Yes. Confirm every Check or Ask. Stay under the sales cap.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

No

ANNUAL SALES CAP

\$50,000 / year

HOME OCCUPATION / ZONING

Varies

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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[Michigan permits PDF →](https://crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/michigan.pdf)

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

Where to file

State

Michigan registration: No. Routine kitchen inspection: No. Sales through retail stores, restaurants, or wholesale are prohibited. Online sales, mail order, and third-party delivery platform sales (e.g., DoorDash) are allowed in-state only, but require the producer to offer the customer an opportunity to directly interact (face-to-face or virtually) before purchase. A separate \$75,000 cap applies if all products are priced at \$250 or more per item. Honey and maple syrup have a separate exemption permitting indirect retail sales up to \$15,000/year.

Michigan permits PDF: crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/michigan.pdf

State law page: crosodo.com/states/michigan

Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development: <https://www.michigan.gov/mdard/food-dairy/cottage-foods>

Statute: [MCL §289.4102](#)

Zoning / home occupation

Varies. State law does not require a home occupation permit for cottage food. Clinton County may have local zoning home occupation requirements. No Clinton County-specific cottage food ordinance found.

Health

No. No routine inspection. MDARD may investigate upon complaint.

Business license

Varies

Pickup / delivery

Direct sales to consumers only. Online and mail order now allowed (2025 amendment) with face-to-face or virtual interaction required. No wholesale or consignment. No sales outside Michigan.

If you rent a commissary kitchen

Local health departments license food service. Michigan cottage food is an exemption. A commissary is a food service establishment licensed by the local health department.

Official source: [MDARD foods](#)

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

<https://www.michigan.gov/mdard/food-dairy/cottage-foods>

<https://www.legislature.mi.gov/Laws/MCL?objectName=MCL-289-4102>

Clinton County and nearby places

Regulation	Clinton County	Shiawassee County	Montcalm County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	Not specified in state statute.	Not specified in state law	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	Direct sales to consumers only. Online and mail order now allowed (2025 amendment) with face-to-face or virtual interaction required. No wh...	Direct-to-consumer only; no consignment or wholesale	Direct-to-consumer only; no consignment or wholesale
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies	Varies	Varies
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Non-potentially hazardous foods produced in a home kitchen. \$50,000 annual sales cap (effective March 2026 per 2025 HB 4122 amendment, prev...	Annual sales cap \$50,000. No food handler cert required. No registration required. No inspection required. Direct-to-consumer sales only; n...	Annual sales cap \$50,000. No food handler cert required. No registration required. No inspection required. Direct-to-consumer sales only; n...
FOOD STORAGE	Non-potentially hazardous products must be stored properly. Specific restrictions on certain products (e.g., only two approved buttercream ...	Appropriate storage for non-PHF products	Appropriate storage for non-PHF products
POPULATION	79,249	68,124	66,901

More pages for this place

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

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