

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

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

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

\$50,000 / year

MICHIGAN RULES. OPEN THESE FIRST.

[Michigan permits PDF](#)

[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 Kalamazoo County. Confirm each step with Planning, Health, and the license office before you sell.

What you need

Kalamazoo 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

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

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

Conditional. Kalamazoo County and City of Kalamazoo may require home occupation permits under local zoning. State law does not preempt local zoning for cottage food. Producers should check with Kalamazoo County Planning & Zoning Department.

Health

No. No routine inspection; no registration required

Business license

Varies

Pickup / delivery

Direct-to-consumer only: home pickup, farmers markets, online with delivery, mail order, third-party delivery platforms. No wholesale, no consignment, no retail store sales.

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.kalcounty.com>

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.kalcounty.com>

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

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

Kalamazoo County and nearby places

Regulation	Kalamazoo County	Calhoun County	Allegan County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	Not specified in state statute; kitchen must be sanitary	Not explicitly prohibited by state statute; kitchen must maintain sanitary conditions.	No specific state restriction; standard food safety sanitation practices apply.
INSPECTION REQUIRED	No	No	No
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Direct-to-consumer only: home pickup, farmers markets, online with delivery, mail order, third-party delivery platforms. No wholesale, no c...	Direct sales only. Sales from home, farmers markets, online (with face-to-face or virtual interaction), and third-party delivery platforms ...	Michigan allows direct sales only: from home, online, mail order, third-party delivery platforms (with in-person or virtual interaction), f...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional	Varies	Varies
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Non-TCS foods only from approved product list. \$50,000 annual sales cap (raised from \$25,000 by HB 4122, 2025, effective March 2026). No re...	Annual sales capped at \$50,000 (raised by HB 4122, 2025, effective March 2026; prior cap was \$25,000). No registration, permit, or inspecti...	Michigan allows non-potentially hazardous cottage foods from a home kitchen. No registration or inspection required. Sales cap raised to \$5...
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods from approved Michigan product list; two specific buttercream frosting recipes permitted	Non-TCS products only (MCL §289.4102 approved list). Stored in food-safe containers. Only two specified buttercream frosting recipes permit...	Non-potentially hazardous shelf-stable products only per approved list. Two specific buttercream frosting recipes permitted. Acidified food...
POPULATION	261,426	134,011	120,189

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