

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in Oakland 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	Conditional	Varies by city	\$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 Oakland County. Confirm each step with Planning, Health, and the license office before you sell.

What you need

Oakland 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

Upon-complaint

BUSINESS LICENSE

Varies by city

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

Conditional. No county-level home occupation permit required for cottage food. Oakland County allows home occupations in residential zones with conditions; business registration required for some municipalities. Operators should contact their local city/township for any applicable home business ordinances.

Health

Upon-complaint. MDARD may investigate upon complaint or foodborne illness linkage. No routine inspection.

Business license

Varies by city

Pickup / delivery

Direct sales required; wholesale/consignment prohibited. Internet/mail order and third-party delivery allowed if consumer can directly interact with operator before purchase. Sales within Michigan only. Annual gross sales cap: \$50,000 (until Oct 1, 2026, then inflation-adjusted).

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.oakgov.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.oakgov.com>

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

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

Oakland County and nearby places

Regulation	Oakland County	Macomb County	Wayne County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	State baseline applies	Not specified in state statute; standard sanitation implied	State baseline applies
INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint	No	Upon-complaint
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Direct sales required; wholesale/consignment prohibited. Internet/mail order and third-party delivery allowed if consumer can directly inte...	Direct-to-consumer only: in person (home, farmers markets, events); online with home delivery, mail, or third-party delivery (2025 amendmen...	Direct sales required; wholesale/consignment prohibited. Internet/mail order and third-party delivery allowed if consumer can directly inte...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional	Conditional	Varies by city
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies by city	Varies	Varies by city
RESTRICTIONS	Michigan Cottage Food Law exempts cottage food operations from MDARD licensing and inspection. No separate Oakland County permit required. ...	Must be produced in a home kitchen. No separate commercial kitchen. No registration required. Maximum \$50,000 annual sales (as of 2025 amen...	Michigan's Cottage Food Law exempts cottage food operations from MDARD licensing and inspection. No separate Wayne County permit is require...
FOOD STORAGE	Products must be stored only in the primary domestic residence.	Standard food storage; products must be non-potentially hazardous	Products must be stored only in the primary domestic residence.
POPULATION	1,272,264	878,453	1,781,641

More pages for this place

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

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