

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in Ottawa 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.

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

What you need

Ottawa 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. MI does not preempt local zoning. Ottawa County townships and municipalities (Grand Haven, Holland, Zeeland) may have home occupation zoning requirements. Operator should verify with local planning

Health

No. Complaint-based investigation possible

Business license

Varies

Pickup / delivery

Direct to consumer only; farmers markets, events, roadside stands; no retail or wholesale

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.miottawa.org>

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.miottawa.org>

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

Ottawa County and nearby places

Regulation	Ottawa County	Muskegon County	Allegan County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	No specific state restriction; general sanitation applies	No explicit state pet restriction; good manufacturing practices apply.	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; farmers markets, events, roadside stands; no retail or wholesale	Direct sales from home, farmers markets, online with in-state delivery (virtual interaction required under 2025 amendment).	Michigan allows direct sales only: from home, online, mail order, third-party delivery platforms (with in-person or virtual interaction), f...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies	Varies	Varies
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Non-TCS non-potentially-hazardous foods only; \$50,000 annual cap; direct to consumer only; no retail/wholesale; labeling required	Non-potentially hazardous foods only. Sales cap \$50,000/year (raised by 2025 HB 4122, effective March 2026). Direct sales only; no consignm...	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 foods stored in sanitary conditions	Store products in clean, pest-free area separate from non-food items.	Non-potentially hazardous shelf-stable products only per approved list. Two specific buttercream frosting recipes permitted. Acidified food...
POPULATION	296,183	175,947	120,189

More pages for this place

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

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