

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

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

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

STATE FOOD PERMIT

No

HOME OCCUPATION

Varies

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

What you need

Saginaw 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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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. Michigan state law (MCL §289.4102) does not require a permit from the local health department. Local zoning/township may require a home occupation permit. Saginaw County unincorporated areas governed by township zoning; City of Saginaw has separate ordinances. Producers should check with local township or city.

Health

No. No routine inspection. Complaint-based investigation possible via MDARD.

Business license

Varies

Pickup / delivery

Direct sales allowed at home, farmers markets, online orders with in-state delivery (virtual interaction required under 2025 amendment).

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.saginawcounty.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.saginawcounty.gov>

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

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

Saginaw County and nearby places

Regulation	Saginaw County	Bay County	Midland County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	No explicit state pet restriction for cottage food, but good manufacturing practices apply; pets should not be in food prep areas during pr...	No specific state pet restriction, but standard sanitation practices apply.	MDARD guidance recommends excluding pets during production; complaint investigations may examine kitchen conditions.
INSPECTION REQUIRED	No	No	Upon-complaint
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Direct sales allowed at home, farmers markets, online orders with in-state delivery (virtual interaction required under 2025 amendment).	Direct-to-consumer only. Online, mail order, and third-party delivery permitted (2025 amendment). No wholesale or consignment.	Direct sales at farmers markets, craft shows, roadside stands, from home, online, and via third-party delivery platforms (with direct consu...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies	Conditional	Varies
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Must use residential kitchen. Sales cap \$50,000/year (raised from \$25,000 by 2025 HB 4122, effective March 2026). Direct sales only; no con...	Michigan allows non-potentially hazardous foods from home kitchens. Annual sales cap of \$50,000 (raised by 2025 HB 4122, effective March 20...	Same as all Michigan counties: primary domestic residence kitchen only, non-PHF foods only, \$50,000 annual cap (2025 amendment), direct sal...
FOOD STORAGE	Store products in clean, pest-free area separate from non-food items.	Non-potentially hazardous foods only. Acidified foods, low-acid canned foods, fruit butters, pickles, fermented foods, salsas, sauces, ketc...	Products must be stored at primary residence; prevent adulteration from insects, chemicals, water damage, insanitary conditions.
POPULATION	189,821	103,752	83,503

More pages for this place

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

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