

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in Harrison County, Mississippi?

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

\$35,000 / year

MISSISSIPPI RULES. OPEN THESE FIRST.

[Mississippi permits PDF](#)[Mississippi cottage food law page](#)[Mississippi State Department of Health cottage food program](#)[Statute: Miss. Code Ann. §75-29-951](#)**NOT LEGAL ADVICE**

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

What you need

Harrison County, Mississippi. File every Yes. Confirm every Check or Ask. Stay under the sales cap.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

No

ANNUAL SALES CAP

\$35,000 / year

HOME OCCUPATION / ZONING

Varies

LOCAL HEALTH

Upon-complaint

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

Mississippi registration: No. Routine kitchen inspection: Upon-complaint. Mississippi prohibits Internet sales, mail order, wholesale, and retail establishment sales. Cottage food products may only be sold through in-person direct-to-consumer channels including events, farmers markets, home sales, and roadside stands. Advertising on the Internet including social media is permitted even though sales through those channels are not.

Mississippi permits PDF: crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/mississippi.pdf

State law page: crosodo.com/states/mississippi

Mississippi State Department of Health: <https://msdh.ms.gov/page/30,0,76.html>

Statute: [Miss. Code Ann. §75-29-951](#)

Zoning / home occupation

Varies. Harrison County and cities (Gulfport, Biloxi, Long Beach, Pass Christian) may require home occupation permits or business licenses. No specific county-level cottage food permit documented beyond state law exemption. Contact Harrison County or relevant municipal planning/zoning office.

Health

Upon-complaint. Mississippi State Department of Health may inspect upon consumer complaint or foodborne illness investigation.

Business license

Varies

Pickup / delivery

Mississippi cottage food law restricts to direct sales to consumers. Home pickup permitted. No internet, mail order, or wholesale.

If you rent a commissary kitchen

MSDH permits food establishments. Mississippi cottage food is a home path. A commissary is a food establishment permitted by the Mississippi State Department of Health.

Official source: [MSDH food protection](#)

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

https://msdh.ms.gov/msdhsite/_static/30,0,77,620.html

<https://law.justia.com/codes/mississippi/title-75/chapter-29/article-21/section-75-29-951/>

Harrison County and nearby places

Regulation	Harrison County	Jackson County	Pearl River County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	No explicit state-level pet restriction documented for Mississippi cottage food operations. Standard sanitation practices apply.	Not explicitly prohibited by state statute, but kitchen must maintain sanitary conditions.	No specific MS state or Pearl River County restriction found.
INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint	Upon-complaint	Upon-complaint
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Mississippi cottage food law restricts to direct sales to consumers. Home pickup permitted. No internet, mail order, or wholesale.	Direct sales only — at farmers markets, roadside stands, home pickup. No online sales, mail order, or wholesale allowed under the cottage f...	Direct sales only: at home, farmers markets, events. No internet or mail-order sales permitted under MS law.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies	Varies	Varies
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Mississippi state law (§75-29-951) permits home kitchen production of non-potentially hazardous foods. Annual sales cap: \$35,000. Direct sa...	Sales limited to direct-to-consumer only. Annual gross sales capped at \$35,000. No internet sales, mail order, wholesale, or retail establi...	Nonpotentially hazardous foods only including baked goods, candies, condiments, dry goods, fermented foods, pastries, preserves, snacks. An...
FOOD STORAGE	Non-potentially hazardous, shelf-stable foods only. Standard safe storage practices.	All products must be non-potentially hazardous (shelf-stable). Stored in food-safe sealed containers.	Non-potentially hazardous, shelf-stable products. Proper storage to prevent contamination.
POPULATION	208,748	143,721	56,351

More pages for this place

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

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