

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

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

Home kitchen sales. Not a shop or rented commercial kitchen. Last verified 2026-05-06.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

No

HOME OCCUPATION

Conditional

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

What you need

Washington 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

Conditional

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

Conditional. No specific Washington County cottage food or home occupation rules found. City of Greenville may have business license requirements. Recommend verifying with Washington County planning/zoning department.

Health

Upon-complaint. No routine inspection. MSDH may inspect upon complaint or suspected foodborne illness.

Business license

Varies

Pickup / delivery

In-person direct-to-consumer sales only. No internet sales, mail order, wholesale, or retail establishment sales permitted under state law.

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.washingtoncounty.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.washingtoncounty.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/>

Washington County and nearby places

Regulation	Washington County	Bolivar County	Sunflower County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	Not specified in state cottage food law.	No explicit state-level pet restriction for cottage food operations under Mississippi law.	Not specified in state cottage food law.
INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint	Upon-complaint	Upon-complaint
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Unknown	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	In-person direct-to-consumer sales only. No internet sales, mail order, wholesale, or retail establishment sales permitted under state law.	Mississippi cottage food law requires direct-to-consumer sales only; home pickup is permitted. Internet sales and mail order are prohibited.	In-person direct-to-consumer sales only. No internet sales, mail order, wholesale, or retail establishment sales permitted under state law.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional	Unknown	Conditional
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Unknown	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Must produce in home kitchen. Non-potentially hazardous foods only. Annual gross sales cap \$35,000. Direct-to-consumer sales only (no inter...	Mississippi cottage food law (§75-29-951) permits home kitchen production and direct-to-consumer sales of nonpotentially hazardous foods wi...	Must produce in home kitchen. Non-potentially hazardous foods only. Annual gross sales cap \$35,000. Direct-to-consumer sales only (no inter...
FOOD STORAGE	Products must be non-potentially hazardous and not require refrigeration.	Products must be properly stored to prevent contamination per good manufacturing practices.	Products must be non-potentially hazardous and not require refrigeration.
POPULATION	44,604	30,688	25,867

More pages for this place

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

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