

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in Ste. Genevieve County, Missouri?

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

STATE FOOD PERMIT	HOME OCCUPATION	BUSINESS LICENSE	SALES CAP
No	Unknown	Unknown	—

MISSOURI RULES. OPEN THESE FIRST.

[Missouri permits PDF](#)[Missouri cottage food law page](#)[Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services cottage food program](#)[Statute: Mo. Rev. Stat. §196.298](#)**NOT LEGAL ADVICE**

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

What you need

Ste. Genevieve County, Missouri. File every Yes. Confirm every Check or Ask. Stay under the sales cap.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

No

ANNUAL SALES CAP

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HOME OCCUPATION / ZONING

Unknown

LOCAL HEALTH

No

BUSINESS LICENSE

Unknown

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

Missouri registration: No. Routine kitchen inspection: No. Under §196.298, sales must be directly to consumers from the producer's home. Events, farmers markets, restaurants, retail stores, and roadside stands are not permitted under this law. Internet/online sales are allowed but only if both the producer and buyer are located in Missouri. Local health departments are explicitly prohibited from regulating the production of food at cottage food operations. A separate Missouri statute (individual stands law) allows sales at events and roadside stands in counties that have adopted it, permitting most other nonperishable foods.

Missouri permits PDF: crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/missouri.pdf

State law page: crosodo.com/states/missouri

Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services: <https://health.mo.gov/safety/foodsafety/cottagefood.php>

Statute: [Mo. Rev. Stat. §196.298](#)

Zoning / home occupation

Unknown. No county-level home occupation permit ordinance identified for unincorporated Ste. Genevieve County. Operators within the City of Ste. Genevieve (which has a National Historic Landmark District) should check city code and historic district regulations separately.

Health

No. Missouri law expressly bars local health departments from regulating cottage food production (§196.298(3)(1)). No routine inspections. State may investigate foodborne illness complaints.

Business license

Unknown

Pickup / delivery

Missouri cottage food law allows direct-to-consumer sales from home and at events/farmers markets. In-state online sales permitted per 2022 amendment (HB 1697). Home pickup and delivery to customers allowed.

If you rent a commissary kitchen

A commissary is a food establishment. Cottage food is not. Missouri cottage food is not a food-service establishment. A rented kitchen is permitted by the local health department or DHSS.

Official source: [Missouri DHSS food safety](#)

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://revisor.mo.gov/main/OneSection.aspx?section=196.298>

<https://health.mo.gov/safety/foodsafety/pdf/home-based-kitchen-food-prod-guidance.pdf>

Ste. Genevieve County and nearby places

Regulation	Ste. Genevieve County	Perry County	St. Francois County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	No explicit state-level pet restriction for cottage food operations under Missouri law. Standard sanitation practices recommended.	No explicit state-level pet restriction for cottage food operations under Missouri law. Standard sanitation practices recommended.	Not specified in state law
INSPECTION REQUIRED	No	No	No
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Unknown	Unknown	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Missouri cottage food law allows direct-to-consumer sales from home and at events/ farmers markets. In-state online sales permitted per 2022...	Missouri cottage food law allows direct-to-consumer sales from home and at events/ farmers markets. In-state online sales permitted per 2022...	Direct-to-consumer only; delivery by producer permitted in-state
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Unknown	Unknown	Varies
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Unknown	Unknown	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Missouri state law (§196.298) permits home kitchen production of nonperishable baked goods, canned jams/ jellies, and dried herbs with a \$50...	Missouri state law (§196.298) permits home kitchen production of nonperishable baked goods, canned jams/ jellies, and dried herbs with a \$50...	No sales cap. No food handler cert required. No registration required. No kitchen inspection required. Direct-to-consumer sales only; no wh...
FOOD STORAGE	Products must be properly stored to prevent contamination. No state-mandated specific storage requirements for cottage food.	Products must be properly stored to prevent contamination. No state-mandated specific storage requirements for cottage food.	Appropriate storage for non-perishable products
POPULATION	18,494	18,970	66,814

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