

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in Taney County, Missouri?

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	—

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

What you need

Taney 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

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

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

Varies. Taney County (Branson tourism area) may have local home occupation zoning provisions for home-based businesses. Contact Taney County government in Forsyth. MO statute prohibits local health departments from regulating cottage food production.

Health

No. Local health departments prohibited by §196.298(3)(1) from regulating production. DHSS may act on severe complaints.

Business license

Varies

Pickup / delivery

Direct sales permitted. Online sales and in-state shipping added in 2022. No sales at farmers markets, restaurants, retail stores, or roadside stands under §196.298 (though a separate individual-stands law may apply in some counties).

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](#)

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

<https://health.mo.gov/safety/foodsafety/cottagefood.php>

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

Taney County and nearby places

Regulation	Taney County	Stone County	Christian County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	No specific MO state rule; standard food safety practices recommended.	No explicit state-level pet restriction for cottage food operations under Missouri law. Standard sanitation practices recommended.	Not specified in state law. Standard sanitary practices apply.
INSPECTION REQUIRED	No	No	No
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Unknown	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Direct sales permitted. Online sales and in-state shipping added in 2022. No sales at farmers markets, restaurants, retail stores, or roads...	Missouri cottage food law allows direct-to-consumer sales from home and at events/farmers markets. In-state online sales permitted per 2022...	Direct sales from home, online sales with in-state delivery/shipping, and sales at locations the producer attends are all permitted. Retail...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies	Unknown	Varies
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Unknown	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Allowed foods limited to: nonperishable baked goods (cookies, cakes, breads, danish, donuts, pastries, pies), canned jams and jellies, and ...	Missouri state law (§196.298) permits home kitchen production of nonperishable baked goods, canned jams/jellies, and dried herbs with a \$50...	Production must occur at a home kitchen. Under §196.298, only nonperishable baked goods, canned jams and jellies, and dried herbs/herb mixe...
FOOD STORAGE	Products must be nonperishable. Proper labeling and storage required.	Products must be properly stored to prevent contamination. No state-mandated specific storage requirements for cottage food.	No specific statutory storage requirements beyond standard food safety practices.
POPULATION	56,202	31,314	89,568

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

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