

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in Burlington County, New Jersey?

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

STATE FOOD PERMIT

Yes

HOME OCCUPATION

Conditional

BUSINESS LICENSE

Varies

SALES CAP

\$50,000 / year

NEW JERSEY RULES. OPEN THESE FIRST.

[New Jersey permits PDF](#)[New Jersey cottage food law page](#)[New Jersey Department of Health cottage food program](#)[Statute: N.J.A.C. 8:24-11 et seq.](#)**NOT LEGAL ADVICE**

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

What you need

Burlington County, New Jersey. File every Yes. Confirm every Check or Ask. Stay under the sales cap.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

Yes

ANNUAL SALES CAP

\$50,000 / 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

New Jersey registration: Yes. Routine kitchen inspection: No. Cottage food products may only be delivered or relinquished at: the operator's home (not for onsite consumption), the consumer's NJ home, a NJ farmers market or other permitted NJ location. Products cannot be sold to wholesale establishments, retail food establishments, or shipped out of state. Online and phone order-taking is allowed as an ancillary activity, but physical delivery must occur in New Jersey person-to-person or at permitted locations. Charitable bake sales remain exempt under separate provisions.

New Jersey permits PDF: crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/new-jersey.pdf

State law page: crosodo.com/states/new-jersey

New Jersey Department of Health: <https://www.nj.gov/health/ceohs/phfpp/cottage-food-operator/>

Statute: N.J.A.C. 8:24-11 et seq.

Zoning / home occupation

Conditional. NJ requires applicant to confirm local zoning allows cottage food before state permit is issued. Burlington County municipalities have their own zoning ordinances; applicant must contact local zoning board to confirm cottage food operation is permitted in residential zone. If local zoning prohibits, state permit will not be issued.

Health

Upon-complaint. Health authority may inspect upon complaint or suspected foodborne illness; no routine inspection.

Business license

Varies

Pickup / delivery

Sales allowed from home, at farmers markets, and NJ events. Local health department approvals required for market/event sales. No sales outside NJ. No wholesale to retail/wholesale food establishments.

If you rent a commissary kitchen

Local health departments license retail food. New Jersey cottage food is a state permit for home kitchens. A commissary or restaurant is a retail food establishment licensed by the local health department. Wholesale is a separate CEOHS license.

Official source: [NJ local health departments](#)

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

<https://www.nj.gov/health/cottagefood/rules-resources/rules>

<https://www.nj.gov/health/cottagefood/apply-renew>

<https://www.nj.gov/health/cottagefood/rules-resources/faq/>

Burlington County and nearby places

Regulation	Burlington County	Camden County	Mercer County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Conditional	Yes	Conditional
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	Not specified in state rule; standard food safety GMP applies.	No specific state cottage food pet restriction specified	Not specified in state rule; standard food safety GMP applies.
INSPECTION REQUIRED	Upon-complaint	No	Upon-complaint
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Sales allowed from home, at farmers markets, and NJ events. Local health department approvals required for market/event sales. No sales out...	Direct sales to consumers only. \$50,000 annual sales cap. Approved foods list only. Online sales and delivery within NJ. No wholesale.	Sales from home, at NJ farmers markets and events (with local health dept approvals). No wholesale. No sales outside NJ.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional	Yes	Conditional
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	New Jersey requires a state Cottage Food Operator Permit (\$100 fee, valid 2 years) from NJ Department of Health. Applicant must: (1) first ...	Must produce only non-TCS foods on state-approved list. Local zoning board approval required. \$100 permit fee. Food protection manager cert...	New Jersey requires a state Cottage Food Operator Permit (\$100 fee, valid 2 years) from NJ Department of Health. Requirements: (1) local zo...
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable food storage only. No TCS (refrigerated) foods permitted.	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods; standard kitchen storage	Non-TCS shelf-stable food storage only.
POPULATION	461,853	522,581	383,732

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

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