

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in Delaware County, Ohio?

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

STATE FOOD PERMIT

No

HOME OCCUPATION

Conditional

BUSINESS LICENSE

Varies

SALES CAP

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OHIO RULES. OPEN THESE FIRST.

[Ohio permits PDF](#)[Ohio cottage food law page](#)[Ohio Department of Agriculture cottage food program](#)[Statute: O.R.C. §3715.023; §3715.025; Ohio Admin. Code Ch. 901:3-20](#)**NOT LEGAL ADVICE**

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

What you need

Delaware County, Ohio. 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

Conditional

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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Ohio cottage food law page →

<https://crosodo.com/states/ohio>

Permit page for this place →

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Delaware County cottage food law page →

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Not legal advice. Rules change. Confirm with the office before you file.

Where to file

State

Ohio registration: No. Routine kitchen inspection: No. Labeled cottage food products may be sold to or used by retail food establishments and food service operations licensed under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3717. This enables indirect/wholesale sales within Ohio. Products may not be sold outside the state of Ohio.

Ohio permits PDF: crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/ohio.pdf

State law page: crosodo.com/states/ohio

Ohio Department of Agriculture: <https://agri.ohio.gov/divisions/food-safety/cottage-foods>

Statute: [O.R.C. §3715.023](#); [§3715.025](#); Ohio Admin. Code Ch. 901:3-20

Zoning / home occupation

Conditional. Delaware County unincorporated areas: home occupation rules enforced by individual townships (Berlin, Berkshire, Marlboro, etc.). Delaware City and other municipalities have their own zoning. Home occupation permit may be required from township/municipal zoning office for operating a food business from a residence.

Health

No. No routine inspection under Ohio cottage food law. ODA may investigate upon complaint.

Business license

Varies

Pickup / delivery

Ohio cottage food law permits direct-to-consumer sales from home, at events, farmers markets, and online. Delivery to customers permitted. Products must stay within Ohio.

If you rent a commissary kitchen

ODA cottage food is not a food-service license. Ohio cottage food may be sold to licensed food-service operations. Baking in a commissary means that kitchen's food-service or food-establishment license applies. Local health departments license food service.

Official source: [Ohio food safety program](#)

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

<https://agri.ohio.gov/divisions/food-safety/cottage-foods>

<https://codes.ohio.gov/ohio-revised-code/section-3715.025>

Delaware County and nearby places

Regulation	Delaware County	Licking County	Marion County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	Ohio Admin. Code does not explicitly prohibit pets for cottage food, but GMP practices apply.	No explicit state restriction; good manufacturing practices apply.	No specific state prohibition; good manufacturing practice applies
INSPECTION REQUIRED	No	No	No
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Ohio cottage food law permits direct-to-consumer sales from home, at events, farmers markets, and online. Delivery to customers permitted. ...	Direct sales only within Ohio at farmers markets, home, and other direct venues. In-state delivery permitted.	Direct and indirect sales allowed within Ohio; online sales within Ohio permitted. No out-of-state sales.
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional	Conditional	Varies
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Ohio state law permits cottage food production from a home kitchen. No registration required. Approved product list (Ohio Admin. Code 901:3...	No registration, no sales cap. Approved product list required (Ohio Admin. Code 901:3-20-04). No PHF or acidified foods. Products may not b...	No registration or inspection required. Must sell approved products from ODA approved list only (bakery products, candy, granola, flavored ...
FOOD STORAGE	Products must comply with Ohio Admin. Code 901:3-20-04 approved product list and standard GMP storage requirements.	Shelf-stable storage for approved cottage food products.	Non-PHF approved products only; proper storage required
POPULATION	216,074	178,844	65,366

More pages for this place

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

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