

## COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

# Can I sell from my kitchen in Erie County, Ohio?

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

STATE FOOD PERMIT

**No**

HOME OCCUPATION

**Varies**

BUSINESS LICENSE

**Varies**

SALES CAP

**—**

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

## What you need

Erie 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

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.

### CONTINUE ONLINE

[Ohio permits PDF →](#)

<https://crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/ohio.pdf>

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

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<https://crosodo.com/what-permits/ohio/erie-county>

[Erie County cottage food law page →](#)

<https://crosodo.com/states/ohio/erie-county>

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](https://crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/ohio.pdf)

State law page: [crosodo.com/states/ohio](https://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

Varies. No state-level registration required for cottage food. Erie County may have local zoning home occupation requirements. No Erie County-specific cottage food ordinance found.

### Health

No. No routine inspection. ODA may investigate upon complaint.

### Business license

Varies

### Pickup / delivery

Direct and indirect sales permitted within Ohio only. Specific approved product list applies.

### 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.eriecounty.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.

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### SOURCES

<https://www.eriecounty.gov>

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

## Erie County and nearby places

| Regulation                 | Erie County                                                                                                                                     | Sandusky County                                                                                                                                | Huron County                                                                                                                                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED       | Yes                                                                                                                                             | Yes                                                                                                                                            | Yes                                                                                                                                            |
| SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN | No                                                                                                                                              | No                                                                                                                                             | No                                                                                                                                             |
| PETS ALLOWED               | Not specified in state statute.                                                                                                                 | No specific pet restriction in state cottage food law.                                                                                         | No specific pet restriction in state cottage food law.                                                                                         |
| INSPECTION REQUIRED        | No                                                                                                                                              | No                                                                                                                                             | No                                                                                                                                             |
| ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP    | Yes                                                                                                                                             | Conditional                                                                                                                                    | Conditional                                                                                                                                    |
| ON-SITE SIGNAGE            | Conditional                                                                                                                                     | Conditional                                                                                                                                    | Conditional                                                                                                                                    |
| DELIVERY / PICKUP          | Direct and indirect sales permitted within Ohio only. Specific approved product list applies.                                                   | Ohio allows direct and indirect sales within Ohio only. Farmers markets, retail stores, online (in-state), home pickup all permitted.          | Ohio allows direct and indirect sales within Ohio only. Farmers markets, retail stores, online (in-state), home pickup all permitted.          |
| HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT     | Varies                                                                                                                                          | Varies                                                                                                                                         | Varies                                                                                                                                         |
| LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE     | Varies                                                                                                                                          | Varies                                                                                                                                         | Varies                                                                                                                                         |
| RESTRICTIONS               | Approved product list only (OAC 901:3-20-04). No sales outside Ohio. No reduced oxygen packaging. Products include non-potentially hazardous... | Ohio cottage food operations allowed from home kitchens with no registration or inspection required. Specific approved product list (OAC 90... | Ohio cottage food operations allowed from home kitchens with no registration or inspection required. Specific approved product list (OAC 90... |
| FOOD STORAGE               | Non-potentially hazardous products must be stored appropriately. No reduced oxygen packaging.                                                   | Non-potentially hazardous, shelf-stable products required. No reduced oxygen packaging.                                                        | Non-potentially hazardous, shelf-stable products required. No reduced oxygen packaging.                                                        |
| POPULATION                 | 75,299                                                                                                                                          | 58,885                                                                                                                                         | 58,518                                                                                                                                         |

## More pages for this place

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

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