

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

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

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	Conditional	Varies	—

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

What you need

Licking 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 permits PDF →

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

Ohio cottage food law page →

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

Permit page for this place →

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

Licking 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. Ohio state cottage food law does not require a permit. Licking County may require home occupation permit under local zoning. County government website confirmed at lickingcounty.gov. No specific county cottage food ordinance found.

Health

No. No routine inspections. Ohio Dept. of Agriculture may investigate upon complaint.

Business license

Varies

Pickup / delivery

Direct sales only within Ohio at farmers markets, home, and other direct venues. In-state delivery permitted.

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.lickingcounty.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.lickingcounty.gov>

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

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

Licking County and nearby places

Regulation	Licking County	Fairfield County	Delaware County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	No explicit state restriction; good manufacturing practices apply.	No specific state restriction on pets in home for cottage food.	Ohio Admin. Code does not explicitly prohibit pets for cottage food, but GMP practices apply.
INSPECTION REQUIRED	No	No	No
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Direct sales only within Ohio at farmers markets, home, and other direct venues. In-state delivery permitted.	Direct-to-consumer and indirect sales (within Ohio only). No reduced oxygen packaging allowed.	Ohio cottage food law permits direct-to-consumer sales from home, at events, farmers markets, and online. Delivery to customers permitted. ...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Conditional	Varies	Conditional
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	Varies	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	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...	Ohio allows cottage food from home kitchens with no registration or sales cap. Products must be on the approved list (OAC 901:3-20-04): non...	Ohio state law permits cottage food production from a home kitchen. No registration required. Approved product list (Ohio Admin. Code 901:3...
FOOD STORAGE	Shelf-stable storage for approved cottage food products.	Approved products only; non-PHF; proper storage to prevent contamination.	Products must comply with Ohio Admin. Code 901:3-20-04 approved product list and standard GMP storage requirements.
POPULATION	178,844	159,371	216,074

More pages for this place

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

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