

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in Fredericksburg City, Virginia?

Home kitchen sales. Not a shop or rented commercial kitchen. Last verified 2026-05-06.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

No

HOME OCCUPATION

Likely

BUSINESS LICENSE

Likely

SALES CAP

Tiered

VIRGINIA RULES. OPEN THESE FIRST.

[Virginia permits PDF](#)[Virginia cottage food law page](#)[Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services cottage food program](#)[Statute: Va. Code §3.2-5130 \(HB 402 / 2026 c. 605\)](#)**NOT LEGAL ADVICE**

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

What you need

Fredericksburg City, Virginia. File every Yes. Confirm every Check or Ask. Stay under the sales cap.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

No

ANNUAL SALES CAP

Tiered

HOME OCCUPATION / ZONING

Likely

LOCAL HEALTH

No

BUSINESS LICENSE

Likely

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.

SOURCES

<https://www.fredericksburgva.gov/186/Planning>

<https://www.fredericksburgva.gov>

<https://law.lis.virginia.gov/vacode/3.2-5130/>

<https://www.vdacs.virginia.gov/food-information-for-vendors-and-businesses-home-food-processors.shtml>

Fredericksburg city and nearby places

Regulation	Fredericksburg city	Spotsylvania County	Stafford County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Conditional
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	No specific state cottage food pet restriction.	Not prohibited by state statute; kitchen must maintain sanitary conditions.	If pets are present, food processing and storage areas must be completely enclosed/ separated from the rest of the home with a solid hinged ...
INSPECTION REQUIRED	No	No	Upon-complaint
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Direct sales only at home, farmers markets, or temporary events (up to 14 consecutive days). No online ordering, no shipping, no wholesale.	Direct sales only per state law. Sales from home, at farmers markets, roadside stands, online (local delivery), and similar venues. No resa...	Under §3.2-5130 exemption: direct-to-consumer sales only; no resale to food establishments. Under VDACS permit: direct sales and some whole...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Likely	Varies	Yes
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Likely	Varies	Yes
RESTRICTIONS	Virginia Home Kitchen Food Processing Exemption (Va. Code §3.2-5130) permits direct-to-consumer sale of non-TCS shelf-stable foods from a p...	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only. No registration required at state level for most cottage foods. Pickles and acidified vegetables capped at...	Virginia has two pathways: (1) Va. Code §3.2-5130 cottage food exemption — no registration or inspection for direct-to-consumer sales of no...
FOOD STORAGE	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only.	Shelf-stable non-TCS products only. Products stored in food-safe containers.	Non-TCS shelf-stable foods only under cottage food exemption. Proper storage to prevent contamination.
POPULATION	28,258	141,097	157,606

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