

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in Clark County, Washington?

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

STATE FOOD PERMIT	HOME OCCUPATION	BUSINESS LICENSE	SALES CAP
Yes	Yes	Yes	—

WASHINGTON RULES. OPEN THESE FIRST.

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[Washington State Department of Agriculture cottage food program](#)

[Statute: RCW §69.22.010-.040](#)

NOT LEGAL ADVICE

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

What you need

Clark County, Washington. File every Yes. Confirm every Check or Ask. Stay under the sales cap.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

Yes

ANNUAL SALES CAP

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HOME OCCUPATION / ZONING

Yes

LOCAL HEALTH

Yes

BUSINESS LICENSE

Yes

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

Washington registration: Yes. Routine kitchen inspection: Yes. Cottage food products may only be sold directly to the consumer. Internet sales, mail order, and retail sale outside Washington state are explicitly prohibited. Products may not be repackaged, sold, or used as an ingredient by a food processing plant, or sold by a food service establishment.

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State law page: crosodo.com/states/washington

Washington State Department of Agriculture: <https://agr.wa.gov/services/business-services/food-safety-and-licensing/cottage-food-operations>

Statute: [RCW §69.22.010-.040](#)

Zoning / home occupation

Yes. City of Vancouver, WA requires a Home Occupation Permit for businesses operated from a residence per VMC 20.860. Applied via Community Development Department. One-time permit fee. Contact Planning staff at 360-487-7803 to verify if exempt. Also requires City of Vancouver Business License or valid exemption. WSDA confirms local city/county government must be contacted for compliance with zoning ordinances. Clark County unincorporated areas: check Clark County Department of Community Development for home occupation requirements.

Health

Yes. WSDA inspection required prior to permitting; additional inspections upon permit expiration or complaint/suspected violation

Business license

Yes

Pickup / delivery

Direct sales within Washington. \$35,000 annual gross cap. No wholesale to stores or restaurants. Online sales permitted. Delivery to consumers permitted.

If you rent a commissary kitchen

Local health licenses food establishments. WSDA licenses cottage food. Washington cottage food is a WSDA permit for a home kitchen. A commissary is a food establishment permitted by the local health jurisdiction.

Official source: [WA DOH food](#)

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

<https://www.cityofvancouver.us/economic-prosperity-and-housing/home-occupation-permit/>

<https://agr.wa.gov/cottagefood>

Clark County and nearby places

Regulation	Clark County	Cowlitz County	Skamania County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	Yes	Yes
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	No	No
PETS ALLOWED	Kitchen must pass WSDA inspection of all permitted areas	No other persons may handle cottage food products or be in kitchen during processing except permittee or those under direct supervision (RC...	Persons other than the permittee and those under their direct supervision are prohibited in the kitchen during production per RCW §69.22. P...
INSPECTION REQUIRED	Yes	Yes	Yes
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Yes	Yes	Conditional
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	Conditional	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Direct sales within Washington. \$35,000 annual gross cap. No wholesale to stores or restaurants. Online sales permitted. Delivery to consum...	Washington allows direct sales only within the state. No internet, mail order, or retail outside WA. Only permittee or those under direct s...	Washington state cottage food law permits direct-to-consumer sales at farmers markets, events, and from home. Online sales and mail order o...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Yes	Varies	Conditional
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Yes	Varies	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	Non-potentially hazardous foods only. \$355 permit fee (2-year). Kitchen inspection by WSDA required before permit issued. \$35,000 annual gr...	Washington requires a biennial cottage food operation permit with annual inspection. All food handlers must have food and beverage service ...	Washington state law (RCW §69.22) requires a biennial permit from the Washington State Department of Agriculture for cottage food operation...
FOOD STORAGE	All permitted areas including storage areas inspected by WSDA	Non-PHF products only. No TCS foods, no THC ingredients (0.3% or greater). Products cannot be sold via internet, mail order, or retail outs...	Standard food storage requirements per Washington food safety rules; products must be non-potentially hazardous.
POPULATION	504,091	110,621	11,620

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