

1st STOP CHECKLIST: HORSE RACING/RIDING STABLES

REQUIREMENTS & REGULATIONS

- [] Horse racing and horse racetracks are regulated by the **Ohio State Racing Commission** (www.racing.ohio.gov). Contact the commission at (614) 466-2757. **Remember to check local government agencies**
- [] Information on the federal Horse Protection Act can be obtained from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) **Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS)** at (919) 716-5618. The APHIS is on-line at www.aphis.usda.gov. **Remember to check local government agencies**
- [] Ohio's laws regarding animal abuse can be found in **Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 959**. The ORC can be found in your local library or on-line at <http://codes.ohio.gov/orc>. **Remember to check local government agencies**
- [] If food will be served, you must have a **food service operation license**. Contact **your local health department** for license and inspection information. **Remember to check local government agencies**
- [] If alcoholic beverages will be served, you must have the appropriate permits. Contact the Ohio Department of Commerce, Division of Liquor Control at (614) 644-2360 for more information. Information is also on-line at <http://www.com.ohio.gov/liqr/>. **Remember to check local government agencies**
- [] You must charge sales tax on food eaten on the premises of your business, beverages and retail sales. You need a **VENDOR'S LICENSE**. Contact **YOUR COUNTY AUDITOR**. **Remember to check local government agencies**
- [] If you have questions about sales tax, contact the **OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION** at (888) 405-4039 for Business Tax Assistance; 888-405-4089 for Tax Registration; or (800) 282-1782 for the Forms Request Line. Information is also on-line at <http://tax.ohio.gov>. **Remember to check local government agencies**
- [] If you will feature recorded or live **music**, you must have permission from the owner of the copyrighted material. You can do this by contacting **ASCAP or BMI**. For more information, contact **ASCAP** at (212) 621-6000 (www.ascap.com) or **BMI** at (212) 586-2000 at (www.bmi.com). **Remember to check local government agencies**
- [] Contact the **Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)** for information about the proper disposal of animal waste. The EPA can be reached at (614) 644-3020 for General Inquiries or (800) 329-7518 for Office of Compliance Assistance and Pollution Prevention. The Ohio EPA is also on-line at www.epa.state.oh.us. **Remember to check local government agencies**

For more help, contact your local Small Business Development Center (SBDC).

www.ohiosbdc.ohio.gov

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THIS CHECKLIST IS ABOUT STATE REQUIREMENTS.