If you will bring animals in from out of state, you must contact the Ohio Department of Agriculture’s Division of Animal Industry to find out about health requirements and registration. *Remember to check local government agencies*

The Ohio Department of Agriculture’s Division of Animal Industry can be reached at (614) 728-6220. Information is also on-line at www.ohioagriculture.gov/animal. *Remember to check local government agencies*

There are federal breeding and boarding regulations and registration requirements set by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). Read the attached information from the USDA. For more information, contact the USDA’s Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) at (919) 855-7100. The APHIS is on-line at www.aphis.usda.gov. *Remember to check local government agencies*

Contact the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for information about the proper disposal of animal waste. The Ohio EPA can be reached at (614) 644-3020 for General Inquiries or (800) 329-7518 for the Small Business Hotline. Information is also on-line at www.epa.state.oh.us. *Remember to check local government agencies*

Contact your local health department for additional licensing and inspection information.

If you will sell upholstered or stuffed items, contact the Ohio Department of Commerce’s Division of Industrial Compliance, Bedding and Upholstered Furniture Section for licensing information. They can be reached at (614) 644-2236. The Ohio Department of Commerce is on-line at www.com.state.oh.us/dico. *Remember to check local government agencies*

You must collect sales tax on all retail sales (including animals). You need a VENDOR’S LICENSE. Contact YOUR COUNTY AUDITOR.

If you have questions about sales tax, contact the OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION can be reached 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.

The Ohio Revised Code and the Ohio Administrative Code can be found in your local library or on-line at http://codes.ohio.gov.

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

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