

POULTRY & EGG PROCESSING

Checklist

- Poultry and egg processors must be inspected and approved by the Ohio Department of Agriculture. Contact the Division of Meat Inspection at (614) 728-6260. Information is also available on-line at www.ohioagriculture.gov/meatinspection.
- Bird droppings are considered solid and/or hazardous waste. Contact the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for proper disposal procedures. 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.
- Eggs and eggshells must fit certain standards as established in Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 925.
- Ohio's food labeling and retail food safety rules can be found in Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 901:3 and 901:6-3-01 through 901:6-3-12.
- Ohio's Food, Drug, Cosmetic and Device law can be found in ORC Section 3715.
- Detailed requirements for specific food and beverage production can also be found in OAC 901.
- The ORC and OAC can be found in your local library or on-line at <http://codes.ohio.gov/orc>.
- If you have questions or would like more information, contact the Ohio Department of Agriculture's Division of Food Safety at (614) 728-6250. The Ohio Department of Agriculture is on-line at www.ohioagriculture.gov/foodsafety.
- Weighing and measuring devices must be inspected by your county auditor or the Department of Agriculture.
- Property used to prepare eggs for sale is not subject to sales tax. 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> and also online at <http://business.ohio.gov>.

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