

# 1<sup>st</sup> STOP CHECKLIST: POULTRY & EGG PROCESSING

## REQUIREMENTS & REGULATIONS

- [] 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](http://www.ohioagriculture.gov/meatinspection). *\*Remember to check local government agencies\**
- [] 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](http://www.epa.state.oh.us). *\*Remember to check local government agencies\**
- [] 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](http://www.ohioagriculture.gov/foodsafety). *\*Remember to check local government agencies\**
- [] Weighing and measuring devices must be inspected by your county auditor or the Department of Agriculture. *\*Remember to check local government agencies\**
- [] 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>.

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

[www.ohiosbdc.ohio.gov](http://www.ohiosbdc.ohio.gov)

**\*REMEMBER TO CHECK LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES\***

**THIS CHECKLIST IS ABOUT STATE REQUIREMENTS.**