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**PUBLISHING**

**Checklist**

- □ You need a **VENDOR’S LICENSE** to collect sales tax. Contact **YOUR COUNTY AUDITOR**.

- □ The sale of published materials, excluding newspapers, is subject to sales tax. Newspapers are not subject to sales tax.

- □ Magazine subscriptions sent through second class mail **only** are not subject to sales tax.

- □ If you have questions about what sales and services are taxable, 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](http://tax.ohio.gov).

- □ Your publishing business may need **environmental permits** from the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). To find out if you need any environmental permits, contact the Ohio EPA. 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).

- □ Ohio, as well as the United States, has libel laws. For information about Ohio’s libel laws, read **Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 2739**. The ORC can be found in your local library or on-line to: [http://codes.ohio.gov/orc/2739](http://codes.ohio.gov/orc/2739).

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