

# DAIRY FARM START-UP REQUIREMENTS

The following items must be completed prior to the first shipment of milk from a facility:

- 1) Completed and signed producer license/registration application.
- 2) Application fee (Check made payable to “Treasurer, State of Ohio”).
- 3) Acceptable water sample.
- 4) Plan submittal form filled out completely, with drawings of your facility showing the location of the milkhouse and milking area, and the items within each area (to include milk flow).
- 5) Acceptable inspection from the District Sanitarian for your area. Items considered during an inspection are:
  - a. Abnormal milking methods and procedures;
  - b. Milking area construction, to include floors, walls, ceilings, lighting and ventilation;
  - c. Milking area cleanliness;
  - d. Cowyard/housing area cleanliness and manure storage;
  - e. Milkhouse construction, to include floor, walls and ceiling, and lighting and ventilation;
  - f. Milkhouse miscellaneous requirements (size and use, openings, hoseport, etc.);
  - g. Milkhouse cleaning facilities (washvats, water heating, water pressure);
  - h. Milkhouse cleanliness;
  - i. Toilet construction and maintenance (if applicable);
  - j. Water supply (type, location, submerged inlets, backflow protection, etc.);
  - k. Equipment construction;
  - l. Equipment cleaning and sanitization;
  - m. Equipment storage;
  - n. Cow cleanliness;
  - o. Milk and equipment protection;
  - p. Drug and chemical control;
  - q. Hand-washing facilities;
  - r. Personnel cleanliness;
  - s. Milk cooling;
  - t. Pest control in and around the facility.