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Forms to Register your Business in Ohio

Start with the Secretary of States site <http://www.sos.state.oh.us/>

Select **Businesses** On list near the top of the page

This will provide access to:

- Business Name Search
- Guide to Name Availability
- Filing Forms and Fee Schedule

Then Select **Businesses** again near the top of the page

Select **Starting a business in Ohio** for a Quick-start list for your business entity

There are additional lists:

- Starting a Corporation
- Guide to Nonprofit Corporations
- Guide to Secured Commercial Transactions
- Registering your Trademark or Service mark
- Guide to Starting a Limited Liability Company (LLC)
- Guide to Starting a Partnership
- Guide to Starting a Sole Proprietorship
 - Fictitious Name filing requirement are included

Taxation

We have several Briefs dealing with various aspects of taxes. You will find them here <http://www.scoreworks.org/BRIEF.htm>

1st Stop Business Connection

The 1st Stop Business Connection is an easy way to learn about starting a business in Ohio. It provides **free** state-level information needed to get started or continue on your entrepreneurial journey. Follow this four step process and you'll be on your way. If you need assistance, please contact us at 1-800-248-4040, 614-466-4232, or 1stStop@development.ohio.gov.

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