

There are very specific rules that must be followed in order to have signatures on the petition counted. Please read the following rules before circulating the petition and ask your union coordinators if you have any questions.

1. The petition consists of two pages that must be circulated together. If possible, print both sides of the petition on a single sheet of paper (front and back) or, if not possible, staple both pages of the petition together before circulating. Signatures will not be counted if both pages are not affixed and circulated together.

2. The size of the paper should be 8.5" x 11". Please do not alter the size of the petition, the margins, or the appearance of the petitions in any way. When printing, be sure to turn OFF any scaling options (i.e. shrink to fit, fit to page, etc.). The top margin of the petition must be 1 inch.

3. **Use a blue or black ball point pen only.** Do NOT USE a pencil, felt tipped pen or pen with different colors. They will not be counted.

4. Each petition should have the county name filled in at the top of the form before gathering signatures. Each petition is to be used for voters in **ONE COUNTY ONLY**. If you are getting a signature from someone from another county you must use a different petition.

5. Only registered California voters may sign a petition. Non-registered voters may circulate petitions if they are eligible to vote in California.

6. Petition signers must clearly print their name, residence address, and sign as registered to vote. No P.O. Boxes please! Personal information may not be typed in. Make sure the petition is signed in the proper location. Only the actual voter may sign the petition. Don't allow someone to sign on behalf of someone else.

7. The person circulating the petition MUST fill out and sign the Declaration of Circulator section completely on the bottom of each page, even if you have only one signature. This should only be completed after the signatures on the petition are gathered.

8. The law requires the Title and Summary at the top of the page to be readable at all times. Petition signers must be allowed to read the measure upon request. It is illegal to intentionally misrepresent the contents of a petition or make any false statement about its contents to a potential signer. It is also illegal to use information on a petition for any purpose other than qualifying the measure for the ballot.

9. You may print or copy and circulate as many petitions as you wish, but you may only sign the petition once. When a petition is completed please send it to your lead coordinator immediately. Every signature counts!

All petitions should be returned to James Araby at 1201 Marina Village Dr, Suite 115, Alameda, CA 94501 no later than Friday, April 2, 2010.