

# Petitioning: Do's and Don't's

1. All signatures on each signature sheet must be from the same county. (Multnomah, Clackamas, Harney, etc.). Print the county name in big letters at the top right hand corner of each signature sheet. If someone accidentally signs a sheet for the wrong county, please cross out the signature and, if possible, have her sign a sheet for the correct county. Signatures do not count unless they are on a sheet for the correct county.
2. Do not number the signature sheets (1, 2, 3, etc.). We will do this at the time all the signatures are turned in.
3. Always carry a copy of the Initiative Petition Text. You must produce it for review, if asked, but you do not have to give a copy to anyone (unless you want to and have extras.)
4. Ask the signers whether he is registered to vote at his current address. If the signer thinks he has moved since he last registered, give him a voter registration form and do not accept the signature without a completed registration form.
5. Only an Oregon voter registered at her current address can sign an initiative petition. If you register someone to vote and she signs your petition, you must take their voter registration form to the County Election office on the same day before it closes. You can not register someone on the weekend and have him sign on that day.
6. P.O. Box addresses cannot be used, unless the voter is registered at the P.O. Box address.
7. Where to petition: It is OK to petition on public property (sidewalks, streets, parks, colleges, etc.). In front of libraries and Post Offices are good. You cannot petition on private property, if the owner objects.
8. Be polite, don't argue and remember that you are promoting change through peace.
9. PLEASE RETURN YOUR SIGNATURE SHEETS AS SOON AS EACH SHEET IS FILLED OR WHEN YOU ARE DONE COLLECTING SIGNATURES! If you would like to mail them to us, the bottom half of the cover sheet is a self mailer. Fold the cover sheet in half, tape it at the bottom, put a 37 cent stamp on it and place it in a mailbox.
10. BE SURE TO SIGN THE CIRCULATOR'S CERTIFICATE ON EACH SHEET! Signatures are not counted unless this certificate is signed before you turn in your signature sheets.
11. Provide pens for signers to use.

If you have any questions about petitioning or the FairElections Oregon Initiatives please email us at **info@fairelections.net** or call **1-800-939-8011**.

**Thank you!**

