

# FAQs for Signature Gatherers



## Q1: Can I sign the petition on behalf of my relative?

A1: No one can sign a petition for another person - not a spouse, parent, nephew, cousin, uncle, or identical twin. Nobody.

## Q2: If someone chooses not to include his/her date of birth, will the signature still be valid?

A2: If someone does not wish to write their birth date on the petition sheet, no biggie. As long as it includes the name, address, and signature, it is still valid.

## Q3: Is the circulator declaration on the back of the petition a mandatory field?

A3: Try to remember to sign the declaration on the back, as it will save us time, and it does need to be done. We will be double checking these as we receive them, so don't panic if you forget.

## Q4: What if some of the petitions are not completely full when it's time to turn them in?

A4: Petition papers need not be full with all twenty lines filled in (although it is obviously better if they are.)

## Q5: Are people allowed to list P.O Boxes instead of street addresses?

A5: Yes, P.O. Boxes are completely acceptable to list as addresses, but in all cases, **the address used must match the one used for voter registration**. A P.O. Box address, just like a regular one, is fine if it is consistent with the individual's voting information.

## Q6: Can particularly enthusiastic people sign the petition more than once?

A6: No, it is important that each registered voter only signs the petition one time. Even if someone has multiple mailing addresses, prefers to identify as "they," or seems to have some other creative justification for repeat signatures, the answer remains "once only."

## Q7: Can non-registered voters sign the petition?

A7: **Non-registered voters cannot sign petitions**, but if they will be registered to vote by the time of the signature deadline, then they are able to and their signatures will be considered valid. This is why it is a good idea to have voter registration forms when you gather signatures - folks can register to vote the same time they sign our petition.

## Q8: Do we have to use a particular color of ink when signing the petition?

A8: Any ink color is acceptable, but remember to use good pens that will not make for illegible signatures!

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