

TIPS FOR PETITIONING

Box 1 Signature of Elector

Individual should sign their name as they normally sign their name

Box 2 Printed name of Elector

Individual must **PRINT** their name exactly as it appears on their voter card, or on the voter roll

Box 3 House Number

Box 4 Street or Road name

Box 5 City, Borough or Township

Individual must list their township (or borough) . This is often different than their US Postal address, e.g., if the person lives in Franklin Township, they should put “Franklin,” not the town they live in.

Box 6 Date

Individual must put the date they signed the petition. Be sure to put the month, day and year, and the dates must all be in order, i.e., January 25th must come before 26th

Common Mistakes to AVOID:

- Individual prints in the signature spot, instead of signing, and vice versa
- Individual doesn't print their name exactly as it appears in the voter rolls
- Individual does not include the year in the date
- Individual is not registered to vote, or is registered with a different party or in a different county
- Individual uses ditto marks [“ “]
- Husband fills out information for wife or vice versa; this is not allowed
- Petition is circulated without the information at the top being completed prior to circulating petition
- Affidavit on the back is incorrectly completed
- Affidavit is signed by someone who did not actually circulate the petition.

Tips:

- You are allowed to sign your own petition, so sign it first so that people can see your example
- Be sure that the person is filling out the form correctly and following your example
- If someone makes a mistake, have him/her cross out the whole line and start over on the next line
- The circulator of the petition should never try to correct anything on the petition