

Arkansas: Citizen Initiated Statute		
Basic Elements		AR Constitution (AC) & Statutes (AS)
Signatures	Eight percent (8%) of the legal voters (votes cast for governor in previous gubernatorial election) in the last statewide election: 781,333 x 8% = 62,507 (70 % target = 83,342). Next vote 2014.	AC: Amendment §7 P-2; Amendment §7 P-3
Geographical Distribution	Residents must be represented in at least fifteen (15) of the counties in the state and not less than one-half (1/2) of the designated percentage of the electors of such counties: 4% in 15 of 75 CTY.	AC: Amendment §7 P-4
Circ. Period	Unlimited. There are no regulations limiting the amount of time a petition can be circulated.	
Submission Deadline	At least four months prior to the election: July 7, 2014 (7/7/2014)	AC: Amendment §7 P-2
Cure Period	If there were an invalid number of signatures in the original submission for supplementary petitions may be turned in within thirty (30) days from the notification of the elections officials.	AC: Amendment §7 P-23 AS: §7-9-114 (d1-A); §7-9-504
Circulator Requirements/ Notary Requirements		
Circulator Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Circulator must be 18 • List of paid circulators must be presented to the SOS prior to circulation. • Must submit a signed statement under oath regarding training and include a photo 	2013 I&R Handbook Act 1413 of 2013
Notary Requirements	Required	Act 1413 of 2013
Processing Procedures		
Initials	Acceptable.	AS: §7-9-104 (b) "The information provided by the person on the petition may be used as evidence of the validity or invalidity of the signature. However, if a signature of a registered voter on such petition is sufficient to verify the voter's name, then <i>it shall not be adjudged invalid for failure to sign the name or write the residence and city or town of residence exactly as it appears on voter registration records, for failure to print the name in the space provided, for failure to provide the correct date of birth, nor for failure to provide the correct date of signing the petition, all such information being an aid to verification rather than a mandatory requirement</i> to perfect the validity of the signature."
Address	Recommended	
Printed Name	Recommended	
Voter ID/ Birthday	Recommended	
City, County, State, & Zip	Recommended	
PO Box	Acceptable.	
County	All signatures on a single petition page must be from the same county.	AS: §7-9-108 (d)
Black-marking	There is no regulation prohibiting crossing off invalid signatures.	

Arkansas: Citizen Initiated Constitutional Amendment		
Basic Elements		AR Constitution (AC) & Statutes (AS)
Signatures	Ten percent (10%) of the legal voters with 5% from 15 of 75 counties. (votes cast for governor in previous gubernatorial election) in the last statewide election: 10% = 78,133; (70% target = 104,178). Next vote 2014.	AC: Amendment §7 P-2; Amendment §7 P-3
Geographical Distribution	Residents must be represented in at least fifteen (15) of the counties in the state and not less than one-half (1/2) of the designated percentage of the electors of such counties: 5% in 15 of 75 CTY.	AC: Amendment §7 P-4
Circ. Period	Unlimited. There are no regulations limiting the amount of time a petition can be circulated.	
Submission Deadline	At least four months prior to the election: July 7, 2014 (7/7/2014)	AC: Amendment §7 P-2
Full Check	Each signature is checked up to 10% above minimum required amount.	AR Division of Election
Cure Period	If there were an invalid number of signatures in the original submission for supplementary petitions may be turned in within thirty (30) days from the notification of the elections officials.	AC: Amendment §7 P-23 AS: §7-9-114 (d1-A); §7-9-504
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Voter ID/ Birthday	Recommended	
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Black-marking	There is no regulation prohibiting crossing off invalid signatures.	