

Missouri: Citizen Initiated Constitutional Amendment

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Basic Elements		MO Constitution (MC), Statutes (MS), & MO Code of State Regulations (CSR)
Signatures Requirements	Eight percent (8%) of the legal voters (votes cast for governor in previous gubernatorial statewide election): 8% = 144,032; (70% target = 205,760). Next vote 2016.	MC: Article III §50; Article III §53
Geographical Distribution Requirements	Residents (legal voters) must be represented in at least two-thirds (2/3) of the congressional districts in the state: eight percent (8%) in Six (6) of none (9) CDs.	MC: Article III §50
Circulation Period	Unlimited. There are no regulations limiting the amount of time a petition can be circulated.	
Submission Deadline	Petitions must be turned in to the Secretary of State's office by 5:00 P.M at least six (6) months prior to the election: May 2, 2014 by 5:00 P.M.	MC: Article III §50; MS: §116.100
Circulator Requirements/ Notary Requirements		
Circulation Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be eighteen (18) years of age or older. • Must register with the Secretary of State by 5:00PM on the final day for filing. • Must attach their residential address, including city, state and zip. • Must signify on the registration form whether or not he or she is a paid circulator. 	MS: §116.040; §116.080
Notary Requirements	Petitions require notary.	MS: §116.040; §116.080
Processing Procedures		
Initials	Acceptable as long as they can be identified on the voter roles.	15 CSR 30-15-010 (2)A4
Address	Signor must be in the same county.	15 CSR 30-15-010 (3)E; 15 CSR 30-15-020 (1)B
Printed Name	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Substitution of common nicknames permitted. • Presence or absence of suffixes such as "II, III, IV, Jr., Sr. etc." 	15 CSR 30-15-010 (2)A
City, County, State, & Zip	Street, City & Zip Code are required.	15 CSR 30-15-010 (3)E
PO Box	Not acceptable.	15 CSR 30-15-010 (3)E
County	All signatures on a single petition page must be from the same county and the county must be designated in the upper right hand corner of the petition.	MS: §116.060 15 CSR 30-15-010 (1)A 15 CSR 30-15-010 (2)B
Black-marking	Acceptable.	15 CSR 30-15-010 (1)B

Missouri: Citizen Initiated Statute

Basic Elements		MO Constitution (MC), Statutes (MS), & MO Code of State Regulations (CSR)
Signatures	Five percent (5%) of the legal voters (votes cast for governor in previous gubernatorial statewide election): 5% = 90,020 (70% target = 128,600). Next vote 2016.	MC: Article III §50; Article III §53
Geographical Distribution	Residents must be represented in at two thirds (2/3) of the congressional districts in the state: 5% in 6 of 9 CDs.	MC: Article III §50
Circ. Period	Unlimited. There are no regulations limiting the amount of time a petition can be circulated.	
Submission Deadline	By 5:00 P.M at least six (6) months prior to the election.: May 2, 2014 (5/2/2014).	MC: Article III §50; MS: §116.100
Circulator Requirements/ Notary Requirements		
Circulation Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be eighteen (18) years of age or older. • Must register with the Secretary of State by 5:00PM on the final day for filing. • Must attach their residential address, including city, state and zip. • Must signify on registration form whether or not he or she is a paid circulator. 	MS: §116.040; §116.080
Notary Requirements	Petitions require notary.	MS: §116.040; §116.080
Processing Procedures		
Initials	Acceptable as long as they can be identified on the voter rolls.	15 CSR 30-15-010 (2)A4
Address	Signor must be in the same county.	15 CSR 30-15-010 (3)E; 15 CSR 30-15-020 (1)B
Printed Name	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Substitution of common nicknames permitted. • Presence or absence of suffixes such as "II, III, IV, Jr., Sr. etc." 	15 CSR 30-15-010 (2)A
City, County, State, & Zip	City & Zip Code are required.	15 CSR 30-15-010 (3)E
PO Box	Not acceptable.	15 CSR 30-15-010 (3)E
County	All signatures on a single petition page must be from the same county and the county must be designated in the upper right hand corner of the petition.	MS: §116.060 15 CSR 30-15-010 (1)A 15 CSR 30-15-010 (2)B
Black-marking	Acceptable.	15 CSR 30-15-010 (1)B
Congressional District Breakdown		

Missouri: Citizen Referendum

Basic Elements		MO Constitution (MC), Statutes (MS), & MO Code of State Regulations (CSR)
Signatures	Five percent (5%) of the legal voters (votes cast for governor in previous gubernatorial statewide election): 5% = 90,020 (70% target = 128,600). Next vote 2016.	MC: Article III §52(a); Article III §53
Geographical Distribution	Residents must be represented in at two thirds (2/3) of the congressional districts in the state: 5% in 6 of 9 CDs.	MC: Article III §52(a)
Circ. Period	Circulation can occur for the length of the legislative session in which the legislation was passed, but cannot exceed ninety (90) days past the adjournment of that session.	MC: Article III §52(a)
Submission Deadline	By 5:00 PM no more than ninety (90) days after the final adjournment of the session of the general assembly which passed the bill.	MC: Article III §52(a); MS: §116.100
Circulator Requirements/ Notary Requirements		
Circulation Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be eighteen (18) years of age or older. • Must register with the Secretary of State by 5:00PM on the final day for filing. • Must attach their residential address, including city, state and zip. • Must signify on petition whether or not he or she is a paid circulator. 	MS: §116.030; §116.080
Notary Requirements	Petitions require notary.	MS: §116.030; §116.080
Processing Procedures		
Initials	Acceptable as long as they can be identified on the voter rolls.	15 CSR 30-15-010 (2)A4
Address	Signor must be in the same county.	15 CSR 30-15-010 (3)E; 15 CSR 30-15-020 (1)B
Printed Name	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Substitution of common nicknames permitted. • Presence or absence of suffixes such as "II, III, IV, Jr., Sr. etc." 	15 CSR 30-15-010 (2)A
City, County, State, & Zip	City & Zip Code are required.	15 CSR 30-15-010 (3)E
PO Box	Not acceptable.	15 CSR 30-15-010 (3)E
County	All signatures on a single petition page must be from the same county and the county must be designated in the upper right hand corner of the petition.	MS: §116.060 15 CSR 30-15-010 (1)A 15 CSR 30-15-010 (2)B
Black-marking	Acceptable.	15 CSR 30-15-010 (1)B