

Ohio: Citizen Initiated Constitutional Amendment		
Basic Elements		OH Constitution (OC) & Statutes (OS)
Signatures	Ten percent (10%) of the electors (votes cast for governor in previous gubernatorial election) in the last statewide election: 10% = 385,247; (70% target = 550,353). Next vote 2014.	OC: §2.01a; OS: §3519.22
Geographical Distribution	Signatures must be gathered from each of one-half (1/2) of the counties of the state [eighty eight (88) counties], petitions are bearing the signatures of not less than one-half (1/2) of the designated percentage of the electors of such state: 5% in 44 of 88 counties.	OC: §2.01g
Circ. Period	Unlimited. There are no regulations limiting the amount of time a petition can be circulated.	
Submission Deadline	Petitions must be filed at least One hundred twenty-five (125) days before the election: 7/2/2014	Ohio Constitution: Article II, Section 1a Ohio Revised Code Sections: 3513.10 ; 3501.05 ; 3501.38
Cure Period	If the petition is found insufficient because of an insufficient number of valid signatures, such committee shall be allowed ten (10) additional days after such notification by the secretary of state.	OS: §3519.16
Circulator Requirements/ Notary Requirements		
Circulation Requirements	[No person shall receive compensation on a fee per signature or fee per volume basis for circulating an initiative petition. Compensation for collecting signatures on election-related petitions and for registering voters shall be paid solely on the basis of time worked.] Struck Down	OS: § 3599.111
Processing Procedures		
Initials	No regulation.	
Address	Complete address, PO Box, or RR Box required.	OC: §2.01g; OS: §3501.14
Printed Name	Not required but important for verification.	OC: §2.01g; OS: §3501.14
Signed Date	Required.	OC: §2.01g; OS: §3501.14
Voter ID/ Birthday	No regulation.	
City, County, State, & Zip	City and county required.	OS: §3501.14
PO Box	Acceptable.	OC: §2.01g; OS: §3501.14
County	All signatures on a single petition page must be from the same county.	OS: §3501.14
Black-marking	There is no regulation prohibiting crossing off invalid signatures.	

Ohio: Citizen Initiated Statute		
Basic Elements		OH Constitution (OA) & Statutes (OS)
Signatures	Three percent (3%) of the electors (votes cast for governor in previous gubernatorial election) in the last statewide election: 3%=115,574; (70% target = 165,106). Next vote 2014.	OC: §2.01a; OS: §3519.22
Geographical Distribution	Signatures must be gathered from each of one-half (1/2) of the counties of the state [eighty eight (88) counties], petitions are bearing the signatures of not less than one-half (1/2) of the designated percentage of the electors of such state: 5% in 44 of 88 counties.	OC: §2.01g
Circ. Period	Unlimited. There are no regulations limiting the amount of time a petition can be circulated.	
Submission Deadline	The Petition must be filed with the Secretary of State not less than ten (10) days prior to the commencement of any session of the Ohio General Assembly. Legislative sessions begin on the first Monday in January.	Ohio Constitution: Article II, Section 1a Ohio Revised Code Sections: 3513.10 ; 3501.05 ; 3501.38 ; 3519.16
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Signed Date	Required.	OC: §2.01g; OS: §3501.14
Voter ID/ Birthday	No regulation.	
City, County, State, & Zip	City and county required.	OS: §3501.14
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