

Sample Petition

Initiative Measure to be Submitted Directly to the Voters

The county counsel has prepared the following title and summary of the chief purpose and points of the proposed measure:

(Insert Ballot Title and Summary of Measure in at least 12-point bold type)

The Ballot Title and Summary shall appear upon each section of the petition above the text of the proposed measure and across the top of each page of the petition on which signatures are to appear, in roman boldface type not smaller than 12-point. §9105

Notice of Intention to Circulate Petition

Notice is hereby given by the persons whose names appear hereon of their intention to circulate the petition within the County of Santa Cruz for the purpose of *(insert purpose of measure)*. A statement of the reasons of the proposed action as contemplated in the petition is as follows:

A 500-word statement outlining the reasons for the proposed petition may be printed here. The statement is optional. The notice shall contain the printed name, signature, and business or residence address of at least one, but not more than five, proponents. §9104 To print on the petition, format the signature as "s/Name, Address, City, State, Zip" Each section of the petition shall bear a copy of the Notice of Intention. §9108. So, if it is on the front side, it may be omitted on the back. The law does not specify the type size for the Notice of Intent, but it should not be less than 8-point.

Insert text of measure in type not smaller than 8 point. And, it must be clearly separated from the ballot title and summary above. §9105(c) If printed once on the back side, text must follow the Ballot Title and Summary.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Print in 12-point type, prior to the portion for voters' signatures. §101

THIS PETITION MAY BE CIRCULATED BY A PAID SIGNATURE GATHERER OR A VOLUNTEER, YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO ASK.

Official use Only

1	Print Your Name _____ Sign as Registered to Vote _____ Residence Address Only _____ City, State _____ Zip _____	
2	Print Your Name _____ Sign as Registered to Vote _____ Residence Address Only _____ City, State _____ Zip _____	
3	Print Your Name _____ Sign as Registered to Vote _____ Residence Address Only _____ City, State _____ Zip _____	
4	Print Your Name _____ Sign as Registered to Vote _____ Residence Address Only _____ City, State _____ Zip _____	
5	Print Your Name _____ Sign as Registered to Vote _____ Residence Address Only _____ City, State _____ Zip _____	

← 1" §100 →

Each petition section shall have attached to it an affidavit to be completed by the circulator. §104, 9109. This declaration below may be omitted on front side if signature spaces are provided on both sides. The circulator's declaration must follow the last signature block.

Declaration of Person Circulating Section of Initiative Petition (To be completed after the above signatures have been obtained)

I, _____ am 18 years of age or older.

Print name

1. My residence address is _____
address city state zip

2. I circulated this section of the petition and witnessed each of the appended signatures being written.

3. Each signature on this petition is, to the best of my information and belief, the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be.

4. All signatures on this document were obtained between the dates of _____ and _____
Starting Date Ending Date

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on _____ at _____, California.
Month and day Place of signing

Complete signature of circulator

It is recommended that you leave a 1" margin at the top, and a ½" margin on the left, right and bottom. The full text of the proposed measure must also appear on the petition. You may want to print the text on the back side; however, the Ballot Title and Summary must appear above the text of the proposed measure. §9203(b)