

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What type of paper do I use to print the Petition? Petitions must be printed using legal size paper (8 1/2" x 14"). Petitions can also be printed at any office supply store. Please contact your local store for additional information.

How do I deliver completed Petitions?

1. Personal delivery.
2. Mail – Use a large thick envelope or tri-fold petitions into a thick envelope. All Petitions must be sent certified mail return receipt requested. Please keep the receipt when returned and provide to TCB.

Where do I send completed petitions? The Cruz effort announced on Sept 12, 2019 “Authorization to Submit Petitions” will be issued via email. Those interested in submitting petitions must contact the Cruz effort at info@ranaf.org. *

Can I sign a Petition online? Petitions may NOT be signed online. Petitions must be signed in person.

Have the five mandatory counties having 1% of the signatures been designated? NO.

Are there any candidates to replace Newsom? The Secretary of State will set a date for candidate nomination paper to be received once the number of signatures reaches the minimum required by law to trigger a recall.

*TCB can not verify the privacy of any information provided to the Cruz effort.

Who May Sign a Petition:

Any registered voter qualified to vote for the officer to be recalled may sign the recall petition. Any person who is 18 years of age or older may circulate the petition. (§§ 102, 11045)3. A registered voter at the time of signing a recall petition must personally affix his or her residence address and printed name along with his or her signature. If the voter is unable to personally affix his or residence address and printed name, the voter may request another person to print that information on the appropriate spaces on the recall petition. However, the voter shall personally affix his or her mark or signature on the appropriate space on the recall petition, which shall be witnessed by one person by subscribing his or her name thereon. (§§ 100, 100.5, 11043)

How to Sign a Petition:

Section 11043 requires each signer to personally affix his or her signature, printed name, residence address (giving street and number, or if no street or number exists, adequate designation of residence so that the location may be readily ascertained), and the name of the incorporated city or unincorporated community in which the voter resides to the petition section in order for the signature to be valid.

Use of and Protection of Recall Petition Information:

California law prohibits the use of signatures, names, and addresses gathered on recall petitions to be used for any purpose other than to qualify the recall for the ballot. This means that the petitions cannot be used to create or add to mailing lists or similar lists for any purpose, including fund raising or requests for support. Any such misuse constitutes a crime under California law. (§ 18650; *Bilofsky v. Deukmejian*(1981) 124 Cal.App.3d 825; 63 Ops.Cal.Atty.Gen. 37 (1980))

Filing Completed Petitions:

The petitions must be submitted to the elections official in the county in which the petitions were circulated. They may be submitted on multiple occasions at any time during the 160-day circulation period that ends Thursday, February 13, 2020. (Cal. Const., art. II, § 14(a))

Section 11102 requires each section of a recall petition to be filed with the elections official of the county in which it was circulated.