



# Steps for a Recall Election

All elected officials are subject to recall after holding office for at least six months. No recall petition shall be circulated or filed against any elected officer whose term of office will expire within six months.

## Step 1

**Submit petition format:** The petition format must be approved prior to printing and circulating. Submit the petition format for approval (see chart below for more information). The format of the petition will be approved or rejected within 7 business days. The petition must contain a statement of 200 words or less stating the grounds on which the recall is sought. It may not contain profane or false statements.

### If approved:

Circulate the petition.

### If disapproved:

The Clerk and Recorder will provide specific reasons for the disapproval. The petition can be corrected and submitted again.

Officers	Signatures Required	Cost
County Officers	Signed by eligible electors equal to 25% of the entire votes cast at the last preceding general election.	Paid by the County.
School District Officers	Signed by eligible electors of the school district equal in number to at least 40% of the electors who voted in that district in the last preceding election but not more than 15,000.	Paid by the School District.

## Step 2

**Circulate the petition:** Please review laws and rules before circulating your petition. Circulators have 60 days to gather signatures and submit petitions.

## Step 3

**Submit petitions for determination of sufficiency:** The Clerk and Recorder has 15 business days to review the petitions for sufficiency.

## Step 4

**Protest period:** Any registered elector residing within the district may file a protest within 15 days after a petition is declared sufficient.

## Step 5

**Call for election:** If the officer does not resign within five days after the sufficiency of the recall petition has been certified and the time for protest has passed, the designated election official shall call the election and set the election date between 30 and 60 days. If there is a general election within 90 days, the recall questions will be combined with that election.