

8205.1050 VERIFYING PETITIONS.

Subpart 1. **Applicability.** This part does not apply to proposed recall and recall petitions. The verification processes for proposed recall and recall petitions are located in parts 8205.2010 and 8205.2120. This part does not apply to statewide Major Political Party Recognition Petitions or statewide Minor Political Party Recognition Petitions. The verification processes for Major Political Party Recognition Petitions and Minor Political Party Recognition Petitions are located in parts 8205.3000, 8205.3100, 8205.3200, and 8205.3300.

Subp. 2. **Verifying petitions.** The filing officer shall verify each petition using the method in items A to C.

A. The filing officer shall inspect the form of the petition to determine whether it complies with part 8205.1010. The filing officer need only determine substantial compliance with regard to any type size on the form.

B. The filing officer shall inspect the petition to determine whether it has been signed by the required number of signatories and whether the signatories meet the applicable eligibility requirements.

If the petition has not been signed by the required number of qualified signatories, the filing officer must notify the person who filed the petition:

- (1) that the petition has not been signed by the required number of signatories; and
- (2) of the number of additional signatures needed.

If the time for circulating the petition has not expired, the petitioners may collect additional signatures and submit them at one time to the filing officer before the circulation period expires.

C. If the petition satisfies the form requirements in part 8205.1010 and has been signed by the required number of qualified signatories during the applicable time period, the filing officer shall notify the person whose name is on the petition receipt that the petition is sufficient.

Subp. 3. **Time for verification.** The filing officer shall complete the verification of a petition as soon as practicable but no later than ten working days after the day on which the petition was filed.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 204B.071*

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