



ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA



44.3.1004 VERIFICATION OF ELECTOR SIGNATURES BY COUNTY ELECTION OFFICIALS, TALLY REPORTING, AND RECORDS RETENTION

- (1) Upon receipt of each petition sheet submitted on the petition form prescribed by the Secretary of State and containing a completed affidavit of circulation required under ARM 44.3.1003(1)(c), the county election administrator from the jurisdiction of the signers, or their designee, shall:
 - (a) determine whether each signatory on the petition sheet is a registered voter in their county, and if so which legislative district that elector is registered;
 - (b) verify the signature of each elector signing the petition by comparing each elector's petition signature with the signature of that elector as it appears in the records of the county election office; and
 - (c) determine the total number of verified electors in the county who have signed the petition and how many of the electors reside in each legislative district contained in whole or in part within the county.

Authorizing statute(s): 13-10-613, MCA

Implementing statute(s): 13-10-608, 13-10-609, MCA

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