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Obtaining Nomination Papers

Nomination papers can be obtained by contacting the Ayer Town Clerk's office and making an appointment. With the new restrictions and difficulties arising as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic, we have outlined some guidelines and suggestions below to help candidates navigate the collection of signatures.

Please contact our office at any time if you have any questions.

Obtaining signatures: What is allowed?

- Multiple signature pages – candidates are not required to fill nomination pages with signatures. Each signer may have their own nomination paper form.
- Scheduling drop-off - Please give our office a call to schedule drop off of nomination papers so we can issue you a receipt.

Obtaining signatures: What is not allowed?

- Electronic signatures. All signatures must be in ink
- Time Extensions. There are no extended deadlines approved by Massachusetts State for the obtaining of nomination signatures
- Reduction of Signatures. The number of signatures required remains the same.

Suggestions for Obtaining Signatures:

- You can mail/email individual nomination papers to people and ask them to print and sign them and mail them back to candidates
- Candidates can set up a table at a public place but include fresh pens, masks, gloves, and sanitizer
- Some candidates are announcing the locations of supporters who have covered porches and letting people drop by to sign. Candidates can set specific hours to sign so nomination papers don't stay unsupervised for long hours while adhering to all COVID- 19 practices
- Advertise designated signing areas/times through social media or mail