

Recall Process Timetable

Actions Taken	Time Frame	Party Responsible
Petition language submitted MCL 168.951	After the first 6 months and prior to the last 6 months of the officer to be recalled current term.	Sponsor: must be a registered voter within the district of the officer to be recalled.
Notification of all parties involved MCL 168.952 (4)	Within 24 hours of receipt of language.	County Clerk
Clarity Hearing MCL 168.952 (3)	Not less than 10 days and not more than 20 days of receipt of language.	Election Commission
Appeal of clarity hearing decision MCL 168.952 (6)	Within 10 days after clarity hearing decision	Sponsor or officer whose recall is sought.
Valid petition language MCL 168.952 (7)	180 days from final language decision	Sponsor
Number of signatures required MCL 168.955	Within 5 days of written request (25% of the number of votes cast for candidates for the office of governor in the last general election within the district of the officer to be recalled.)	County Clerk
Notification to officeholder MCL 168.961a (1)	When petitions are submitted the officeholder must be notified the next business day.	County Clerk
Examine recall petitions MCL 168.961 (2)	Within 7 days after petition is filed.	County Clerk
Stale signatures MCL 168.961 (2(d))	Signatures must not be more than 90 days old.	Sponsor/Clerk
Verification of registered voters MCL 168.961 (5)	Within 15 days of receipt of petitions, the clerk shall attach to the petition a certificate indicating the number of valid signatures.	County Clerk
Challenge signatures MCL 168.961a (2)	Within 30 days after the filing of the petition the officer whose recall is sought may challenge the validity of signatures.	Officer
Officer examination of signatures MCL 168.961a (2)	The officer whose recall is sought will have not less than 8 days after the clerk to check signatures on the original registration records.	Officer

Sufficiency of petitions MCL 168.963 (1)	Petitions shall be approved or denied within 35 days of receipt	County Clerk
Scheduling of recall election MCL 168.963 (2)	Waiting for determination by the state bureau of elections. (No more election scheduling committee)	County Clerk