



Dear MHFFC Volunteer:

Thank you for helping Missouri Hunters for Fair Chase's effort to amend Missouri's constitution to protect our white-tailed deer herd and ensure that control of deer management remains where it belongs – in the hands of the Missouri Department of Conservation! We want to make this task as simple as possible so you can get lots of signatures and recruit others to help with this important work. We only have until May 7 to gather more than 200,000 signatures, so time and efficiency are critical to success.

Everything you need to get started is in a digital folder labeled "Starter Kit" at [confedmo.org/missouri-hunters-for-fair-chase/](http://confedmo.org/missouri-hunters-for-fair-chase/). This includes blank a petition form that you can use to print as many copies as you need. The process of obtaining valid signatures is very exacting. One mistake can invalidate a signature or an entire sheet of signatures. To make sure this doesn't happen, we have included a mock-up of the petition with detailed notes about how to fill it in. On the reverse side is a list of congressional districts, along with their corresponding counties and the names of the U.S. representative for each. This will enable signers to identify their district.

Also included in the Starter Kit is a graphic summary sheet explaining what we are trying to do, and information about where to get a good deal on clipboards, which you will need. You might find it useful to use a satchel or tote bag to carry all your materials. An accordion folder with separate pockets will help you keep the various documents organized and find petitions for different counties easily

Please note that petitions must:

- Be printed on legal size paper
- Be printed front and back, with petition language on the reverse side
- Be printed full-sized, not shrunk to fit other document margins
- Include signatures for only one county per sheet

Failure to follow these requirements can invalidate the entire sheet. It's best to print petitions on a laser, rather than an inkjet printer, to avoid having the ink run if the sheet gets damp. We are not gathering signatures for Congressional Districts 6 or 8. We need a minimum number of signatures from six of Missouri's eight districts, and we are focusing on those where the population is most concentrated, making it easier to get enough signatures. Gathering signatures from Districts 6 or 8 will not help our effort.

When circulating petitions, you must witness every signature. You cannot leave petitions out to be signed in your absence or let others gather signatures for you. Before returning your petitions to Conservation Federation headquarters, you must have each petition that you circulated notarized. Most banks or credit unions have staff notaries who do this as a service to their customers. If finding a notary is a problem, contact us using the information at the web page mentioned above, and we will help.

Thank you again. We know you share our conviction that preserving Missouri's white-tailed deer herd and the treasured family and cultural traditions that surround it will be ample reward.

Sincerely,

Chris Kossmeyer  
Marcelline  
Chairman

Steve Jones  
Sullivan  
Secretary

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