

INITIATIVE PETITION

KNOW THE RULES

If you plan to participate in the initiative campaign, it's important that you know the rules.

- The *Recall and Initiative Act* allows registered voters to propose new laws or changes to existing laws.
- On Tuesday, April 6, 2010, petition sheets for the initiative to end the harmonized sales tax (HST) will be issued to the proponent, William Vander Zalm.
- The proponent has 90 days to collect signatures from at least 10% of the registered voters in each of the province's 85 electoral districts. The petition must be returned to the Chief Electoral Officer by Monday, July 5, 2010.
- To sign an initiative petition, a person must be a registered voter on April 6, 2010 and must only sign the petition for the electoral district in which they are currently registered.
- An individual may only sign an initiative petition once.
- Only registered canvassers may collect signatures.
- Initiative advertising may only be conducted by the proponent or a registered advertising sponsor.



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