
PETITION REQUESTING A RECOUNT

(The following petition may be used for requesting a recount as provided by Section 212.001 of the Texas Election Code.

To: _____ (name of presiding officer of canvassing authority)

I, _____, hereby request a recount for the _____ (date of election and name of political subdivision) election for the office of _____ (identify the office for which a recount is desired (e.g., County Commissioner, Precinct #1).

Check one or more of the applicable grounds:

- Difference between number of votes received by petitioner and number of votes received by person who was elected or is entitled to a place on the runoff election ballot is less than 10% of the number of votes received by the person elected or entitled to a place on the runoff ballot; OR
- Number of votes received by all candidates is less than 1000; OR
- Electronic system used in election; OR
- An election judge swears that he or she counted paper ballots incorrectly (must also be certified by the secretary of state).

Identify each election precinct for which a recount is being requested and identify the method of voting used in each precinct.

Election precinct(s) and voting system used:

If an electronic system was used in the election, I request a manual (by-hand) count/electronic count (circle one).

Signature of Person(s) or agent of person(s) requesting recount

List Recount Requestor(s) name, residence address (and mailing address, if different), at least one phone number, voter registration number (if authorization to obtain the recount is based on eligibility to vote in the election), and county of registration (if the election covers territory in more than one county):

Name	Mailing Address	Phone Number	Voter Registration No.\County
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Provide the name and mailing address and at least one phone number for each opposing candidate (or agent):

Name of Opposing Candidate or Agent	Mailing Address	Phone Number
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Instructions

1. For a county or precinct level county office, the petition is submitted to the county judge; and to the county chair in primaries. For state and district offices, the petition is submitted to the secretary of state; and to the state party chair in primary elections. For a municipal election, the petition is submitted to the mayor. For a school district election, the petition is submitted to the president of the school board. For all other elections, submit the petition to the presiding officer of the board of directors.
2. Types of electronic voting systems include optical scan, in which hand-marked paper ballots are read by a light sensitive scanner; and direct recording electronic systems, in which the voter votes directly onto the voting device.
3. The amount of the deposit (Section 212.112) is determined as follows:
 - a. \$60.00 for each precinct in which regular paper ballots (hand counted) were used.
 - b. \$100.00 for each precinct in which an electronic voting system was used.
4. The amount of the deposit is also based in part on the number of precincts. Early voting is considered one precinct. To calculate the deposit, take the number of precincts on election day and add one for early voting.