



## TOWN OF EASTHAM

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### INSTRUCTIONS/FORMS FOR SUBMISSION OF PETITIONED ARTICLES FOR TOWN MEETING WARRANT

The attached forms are the proper formats for submitting a petitioned article for insertion into an annual town meeting or a special town meeting warrant.

Petitions need to be submitted by the warrant's publicized closing date.

Under Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 39, Section 10:

- Ten (10) registered voters of the town may submit a petition article for inclusion in the annual Town Meeting warrant.
- One-hundred (100) registered voters of the town may submit a petition article for inclusion in a Special Town meeting warrant.

Proponents of petition articles are encouraged to secure more signatures than necessary in the event the signatures are disqualified for any reason. Anyone signing the petition must be a registered voter in the Town of Eastham and each signature must be written clearly for certification and signed (not printed). The address must be the number and street address.

**The article will appear on the town meeting warrant exactly as submitted, including spelling and punctuation.**

The petitioned article will be subject to review by appropriate town boards, commissions, town council and the Board of Selectmen.

The lead petitioner of each petitioned article will be notified of any hearing or deliberation date. The lead petitioner is responsible for moving the article at Town Meeting.

The petition page may be copied as needed.



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## SUBMISSION OF A PETITION TO PLACE AN ARTICLE ON ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

**Requires the signatures of 10 (ten) voters registered in the Town of Eastham**

Petitions must be submitted by the stated closing date for warrant articles: \_\_\_\_\_

The article being submitted should be typed on the petition. The article should be **READ AND THEN SIGNED BY THE VOTERS.**

**THIS PETITION FORM IS THE ONLY FORM TO BE USED AND SHALL NOT BE ALTERED OR DEFACED IN ANY MANNER OR WILL BE REFUSED.**

The person circulating the turning in the petition will be the person called on to speak to the article unless specified otherwise.

Petitions should be submitted t the TOWN CLERK’S OFFICE AND WILL BE CERTIFIED AND THEN SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN.

The annual town meeting warrant shall be open no less than 90 days prior to the meeting. (charter requirement).

PERSON SUBMITTING THE PETITION: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Best time to be reached \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Received by the Town Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_ Submitted to the Registrars \_\_\_\_\_

For use by Registrars

Certification of voters by registrars

Stamp:

Number of Voters \_\_\_\_\_

Accepted: \_\_\_\_\_

Rejected: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**BOARD OF REGISTRARS SIGNATURES:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
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## Submission of a Petition of Annual Town Meeting

We, the undersigned registered voters of the Town of Eastham, having read the article listed below, do hereby petition the Board of Selectmen, requesting that they place the following ARTICLE on the warrant for the next Town Meeting

### INSTRUCTIONS TO SIGNERS:

Your signature should be written as substantially as registered. If you are prevented, by physical disability, from writing you may authorize some person to write your name and residence in your presence.

**SIGNERS STATEMENT We are qualified voters of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and of the Town of Eastham.**

	C h e c k	Signatures to be made in person with name substantially as registered (except in case of physical disability as stated above)	House Number & Street Name Do not use a PO Box
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