

233. Form of Petition

1. A petition shall be in the form set out in the Third Schedule and shall
 - a. be handwritten, printed or typed;
 - b. be in English or Kiswahili and be written in respectful, decorous and temperate language;
 - c. be free of alterations and interlineations in its text;
 - d. be addressed to the Assembly;
 - e. have its subject-matter indicated on every sheet if it consists of more than one sheet;
 - f. indicate whether any efforts have been made to have the matter addressed by a relevant body and whether there has been any response from that body or whether the response has been unsatisfactory;
 - g. indicate whether the issues in respect of which the petition is made are pending before any court of law or other constitutional or legal body.;
 - h. conclude with a clear, proper and respectful prayer, reciting the definite object of the petitioner or petitioners in regard to the matter to which it relates;
 - i. subject to paragraph (m), contain the names, addresses, identification numbers, signature or a thumb impression of the petitioner or of every petitioner, where there is more than one petitioner;
 - j. contain only signatures or thumb impressions, as the case may be, and addresses and identification numbers written directly onto the petition and not pasted thereon or otherwise transferred to it;
 - k. not have any letters, affidavits or other documents annexed to it;
 - l. in the case of a petition presented by a Member on behalf of a petitioner, be countersigned by the Member presenting it; and
 - m. be signed by the petitioner or if the petitioner is unable to sign, by a witness in whose presence the petitioner shall make his or her mark on the petition.

THIRD SCHEDULE

GENERAL FORM OF A PUBLIC PETITION [Standing Order 233]

I/We,.....the undersigned

(Here, identify in general terms, who the petitioner or petitioners are, for example, citizens of Kenya, residents of province or region, workers of industry, etc.)

DRAW the attention of the Assembly to the following:

(Here, briefly state the reasons underlying the request for the intervention of the Assembly by outlining the grievances or problems by summarizing the facts which the petitioner or petitioners wish the Assembly to consider.)

THAT.....

[Here confirm that efforts have been made to have the matter addressed by the relevant body, and it failed to give satisfactory response.]

THAT.....

[Here confirm that the issues in respect of which the petition is made are not pending before any court of law, or constitutional or legal body.]

HEREFORE your humble petitioner(s) Pray that Assembly—

(Here, set out the prayer by stating in summary what action the petitioners wish Assembly to take or refrain from.)

Name of petitioner Full Address National ID. or Passport No. Signature/Thumb impression

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(Here, repeat the summary in first page)

Name of petitioner

Signature/Thumb impression

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(Subsequent Pages)

* This form may contain such variations as the circumstances of each case may require.