

Shannon Bushey, the Santa Clara County Registrar of Voters, explains about matching voters' signatures on their ballot envelope:

*You should sign your name the way you normally sign your name. For example, on my voter registration my first middle and last name are listed. But my signature is only my first and last name so that is how I sign. I do not have to sign my middle name just because it is listed on my voter registration. In our system we are able to keep multiple signatures for comparison. Anyone can give us additional signatures that we will scan and keep on record for comparison to ballot signatures, in case anyone would like to have multiple signatures on file.*

*Even if you sign your middle name or put a middle initial, if we can tell your first and last names are the same handwriting with the same kind of strokes either one will count.*

*If you are unable to sign your name on the return envelope:*

- *Personally make an "X" or distinguishing mark by the red "X" on the return envelope.*
- *Have someone print your name on the return envelope and sign as a witness.*