

State or Territory	Notary Seal Requirements
Alabama	embossed seal required, acknowledgment requires no seal
Alaska	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
Arizona	ink stamp seal required
Arkansas	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
California	ink stamp seal required or embossed seal acceptable if critical information is printed and clear when photocopied
Colorado	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
Connecticut	no notary seal required
Delaware	ink stamp seal required, black ink only, or embossed seal acceptable
Florida	ink stamp seal required, black ink only
Georgia	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
Hawaii	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
Idaho	ink stamp seal required
Illinois	ink stamp seal required, black ink only
Indiana	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
Iowa	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
Kansas	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
Kentucky	no notary seal required
Louisiana	no notary seal required
Maine	no notary seal required
Maryland	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
Massachusetts	ink stamp seal required, black ink only, or embossed seal acceptable
Michigan	no notary seal required
Minnesota	ink stamp seal required
Mississippi	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
Missouri	ink stamp seal required, black ink only, or embossed seal acceptable
Montana	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
Nebraska	ink stamp seal required
Nevada	rubber stamp or other mechanical stamp required
New Hampshire	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
New Jersey	no notary seal required
New Mexico	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
New York	no notary seal required
North Carolina	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
North Dakota	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
Ohio	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
Oklahoma	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
Oregon	ink stamp seal required, black ink only
Pennsylvania	ink stamp seal required or embossed seal acceptable if critical information is printed and clear when photocopied
Rhode Island	no notary seal required
South Carolina	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
South Dakota	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
Tennessee	ink stamp seal required, any ink color except black or yellow
Texas	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
Utah	ink stamp seal required, purple ink only, or embossed seal acceptable
Vermont	no notary seal required
Virginia	no notary seal required
Washington	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
<i>Washington, DC</i>	embossed seal required
West Virginia	ink stamp seal required
Wisconsin	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
Wyoming	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
<i>American Samoa</i>	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
<i>Guam</i>	embosser AND ink stamp seal required
<i>Northern Mariana Islands</i>	ink stamp seal required, black ink only
<i>Puerto Rico</i>	embossed seal or ink stamp seal required
<i>US Virgin Islands</i>	embossed seal required
Notes:	
	1. Best ink colors for reproducible copies are black, blue, purple and green.
	2. When an embosser is used, the raised print should be darkened with an inking tool so that it is easily seen and reproducible.
	3. Please report any errors or changes in notary laws so we can update this listing.
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