§9-1613. Contents and form of notification before disposition of collateral: general (CONTAINS TEXT WITH VARYING EFFECTIVE DATES)

Except in a consumer-goods transaction, the following rules apply. [PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §4 (AFF).]

(1). The contents of a notification of disposition are sufficient if the notification:

(a). Describes the debtor and the secured party; [PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §4 (AFF).]

(b). Describes the collateral that is the subject of the intended disposition; [PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §4 (AFF).]

(c). States the method of intended disposition; [PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §4 (AFF).]

(d). States that the debtor is entitled to an accounting of the unpaid indebtedness and states the charge, if any, for an accounting; and [PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §4 (AFF).]

(e). States the time and place of a public disposition or the time after which any other disposition is to be made. [PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §4 (AFF).]

[PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §4 (AFF).]

(2). Whether the contents of a notification that lacks any of the information specified in subsection (1) are nevertheless sufficient is a question of fact.

[PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §2 (NEŴ); PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §4 (AFF).]

(3). The contents of a notification providing substantially the information specified in subsection (1) are sufficient, even if the notification includes:

(a). Information not specified by that subsection; or [PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §4 (AFF).]

(b). Minor errors that are not seriously misleading. [PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §4 (AFF).]

[PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §4 (AFF).]

(4). A particular phrasing of the notification is not required. [PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §4 (AFF).]

(5). (TEXT EFFECTIVE UNTIL 7/01/25) The following form of notification or the form appearing in section 9-1614, subsection (3), when completed, provides sufficient information:

NOTIFICATION OF DISPOSITION OF COLLATERAL

To:	[Name of debtor, obligor or other person to which the notification is sent]
From:	[Name, address, and telephone number of
	secured party]
Name of Debtor(s):	[Include only if debtor(s) not
	addressee]

[For a public disposition:]

We will sell [or lease or license, as applicable] the [describe collateral] [to the highest qualified bidder] in public as follows:

Day and Date:

| 1

Time: ______
Place:

[For a private disposition:]

We will sell [or lease or license, as applicable] the [describe collateral] privately sometime after [day and date].

You are entitled to an accounting of the unpaid indebtedness secured by the property that we intend to sell [or lease or license, as applicable] [for a charge of \$]. You may request an accounting by calling us at [telephone number].

[End of Form]

[PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §2 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 699, Pt. A, §4 (AFF).]

(5). (TEXT EFFECTIVE 7/01/25) The following form of notification or the form appearing in section 9-1614, subsection (3), when completed in accordance with the instructions in subsection (6) and section 9-1614, subsection (3-A), each provides sufficient information:

NOTIFICATION OF DISPOSITION OF COLLATERAL

To: (Name of debtor, obligor or other person to which the notification is sent)

From: (Name, address and telephone number of secured party)

{1} Name of any debtor that is not an addressee: (Name of each debtor)

{2} We will sell (describe collateral) (to the highest qualified bidder) at public sale. A sale could include a lease or license. The sale will be held as follows:

(Date)

(Time)

(Place)

{3} We will sell (describe collateral) at private sale sometime after (date). A sale could include a lease or license.

{4} You are entitled to an accounting of the unpaid indebtedness secured by the property that we intend to sell or, as applicable, lease or license.

{5} If you request an accounting you must pay a charge of \$ (amount).

{6} You may request an accounting by calling us at (telephone number).

[End of Form]

[PL 2023, c. 669, Pt. A, §150 (AMD); PL 2023, c. 669, Pt. E, §1 (AFF).]

(6). (TEXT EFFECTIVE 7/01/25) The following instructions apply to the form of notification in subsection (5).

(a). The instructions in this subsection refer to the numbers in braces before items in the form of notification in subsection (5). Do not include the numbers or braces in the notification. The numbers and braces are used only for the purpose of these instructions. [PL 2023, c. 669, Pt. A, §151 (NEW); PL 2023, c. 669, Pt. E, §1 (AFF).]

Generated

01 07 2025

(b). Include and complete item $\{1\}$ only if there is a debtor that is not an addressee of the notification and list the name or names. [PL 2023, c. 669, Pt. A, §151 (NEW); PL 2023, c. 669, Pt. E, §1 (AFF).]

(c). Include and complete either item {2}, if the notification relates to a public disposition of the collateral, or item {3}, if the notification relates to a private disposition of the collateral. If item {2} is included, include the words "to the highest qualified bidder" only if applicable. [PL 2023, c. 669, Pt. A, §151 (NEW); PL 2023, c. 669, Pt. E, §1 (AFF).]

(d). Include and complete items {4} and {6}. [PL 2023, c. 669, Pt. A, §151 (NEW); PL 2023, c. 669, Pt. E, §1 (AFF).]

(e). Include and complete item {5} only if the sender will charge the recipient for an accounting. [PL 2023, c. 669, Pt. A, §151 (NEW); PL 2023, c. 669, Pt. E, §1 (AFF).]

[PL 2023, c. 669, Pt. A, §151 (NEW); PL 2023, c. 669, Pt. E, §1 (AFF).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 1999, c. 699, §A2 (NEW). PL 1999, c. 699, §A4 (AFF). PL 2023, c. 669, Pt. A, §§150, 151 (AMD). PL 2023, c. 669, Pt. E, §1 (AFF).

The State of Maine claims a copyright in its codified statutes. If you intend to republish this material, we require that you include the following disclaimer in your publication:

All copyrights and other rights to statutory text are reserved by the State of Maine. The text included in this publication reflects changes made through the Second Regular Session of the 131st Maine Legislature and is current through January 1, 2025. The text is subject to change without notice. It is a version that has not been officially certified by the Secretary of State. Refer to the Maine Revised Statutes Annotated and supplements for certified text.

The Office of the Revisor of Statutes also requests that you send us one copy of any statutory publication you may produce. Our goal is not to restrict publishing activity, but to keep track of who is publishing what, to identify any needless duplication and to preserve the State's copyright rights.

PLEASE NOTE: The Revisor's Office cannot perform research for or provide legal advice or interpretation of Maine law to the public. If you need legal assistance, please contact a qualified attorney.