

**§6403. Procedures; legal effect**

**1. Mandatory provisions.** A standard district charter must include the following, which are not specified in this chapter:

- A. The corporate name of the standard district; [PL 1995, c. 616, §10 (NEW).]
- B. The territorial limits of the standard district; [PL 1995, c. 616, §10 (NEW).]
- C. The number of trustees of the standard district, which may not be less than 3; [PL 1995, c. 616, §10 (NEW).]
- D. The appointing authority responsible for appointing or the method of electing the first board of trustees; [PL 1995, c. 616, §10 (NEW).]
- E. The terms of the trustees who are elected or appointed subsequent to the first board. Terms may not be longer than 3 years. Terms of the first board are determined pursuant to section 6410, subsection 4; [PL 1995, c. 616, §10 (NEW).]
- F. Whether the trustees, subsequent to the first board, are appointed or elected. Reference must be made to the appropriate subsections of section 6410; and [PL 1995, c. 616, §10 (NEW).]
- G. The procedures for a local referendum on the creation of a standard district. [PL 1995, c. 616, §10 (NEW).]

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**2. Optional provisions.** A standard district charter may include provisions relating to the following:

- A. Special qualifications of trustees; [PL 1995, c. 616, §10 (NEW).]
- B. Election of trustees by other than at large elections as provided in section 6410, subsection 1. Any provision for election of trustees by other than at large elections must establish voting districts in conformance with the judicial principle of one person, one vote; [PL 1995, c. 616, §10 (NEW).]
- C. Additional purposes and powers of the standard district, such as authority to buy out an existing water company or to provide sewerage or other utility services; [PL 1995, c. 616, §10 (NEW).]
- D. Areas outside the standard district's territory in which the standard district is authorized to take water; [PL 1995, c. 616, §10 (NEW).]
- E. Notwithstanding section 6413, a specific debt limit; [PL 1995, c. 616, §10 (NEW).]
- F. Areas outside the standard district's territory in which the district is authorized to locate facilities; [PL 1995, c. 616, §10 (NEW).]
- G. Towns with which the standard district is authorized to contract to supply water; and [PL 1995, c. 616, §10 (NEW).]
- H. Any other powers or duties necessary to the accomplishment of legislative purposes for creating the standard district. [PL 1995, c. 616, §10 (NEW).]

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**3. Guidelines for modified standard charters.** As determined appropriate by the Legislature, a standard district charter may include provisions that differ from those set forth in this chapter.

[PL 1995, c. 616, §10 (NEW).]

**SECTION HISTORY**

PL 1995, c. 616, §10 (NEW).

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