



## ELECTIONS

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## Tuesday, April 4, 2023 – Consolidated Election General Information

### Candidate Filing Dates & Deadlines

**Tuesday, September 20:** First day to circulate petitions for independent, new political parties and nonpartisan offices

**Monday, December 12 – Monday, December 19:** Petition filing period for nomination petitions of new political parties, nonpartisan and independent candidates as well as certificates of nomination for established party caucus candidates

**Tuesday, December 27:** Last day to file objections to nomination petitions of new political party, nonpartisan and independent candidates as well as certificates of nomination for established party caucus candidates who filed during the December 12 – 19 filing period *\*Last day to withdraw (incompatible offices)*

**Wednesday, December 28:** Last day to conduct ballot placement lottery

**Thursday, January 26:** Last day to file a Withdrawal of Candidacy with the local election official or authority

**Thursday, February 2:** Last day to file a notarized declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate (5 p.m.)

### Referenda Question Deadlines

**Tuesday, January 3:** Last day for filing petitions for referenda for the submission of questions of public policy with the local election official

**Tuesday, January 17:** Last day for local governing boards to adopt a resolution or ordinance to allow a binding public question to appear on the ballot

### Certification of Ballot Deadline

**Thursday, January 26:** Last day for the local election official to certify candidates, offices and any referenda questions to the election authority

### Voter Registration, Early Voting & Mail Voting

**Friday, February 17:** Military & overseas ballots available

**Thursday, February 23:** First day to mail ballots (if available)

**Tuesday, March 7:** Voter registration closes for deputy registrars and local election officials

**Wednesday, March 8 – Monday, April 3:** Grace period registration & voting period

**Sunday, March 19:** Online voter registration closes

**Monday, March 20 – Monday, April 3:** Early voting period

**Thursday, March 30:** Last day to apply for a ballot by mail

### Ballot Counting & Canvassing Results Dates

**Tuesday, April 18:** Deadline for validating and counting provisional ballots and late-arriving mail ballots

**Tuesday, April 25:** Last day for County Clerk to canvass election results and proclaim results

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