

MARCH 5, 2024 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ABBREVIATED ELECTION CALENDAR

Sep 14 – Nov 8 (E-173 to E-118)	<p><u>Signatures In-Lieu of Filing Fee Petitions for Contests Requiring a Filing Fee</u> During this period, petition forms may be obtained from the ROV to secure signatures in lieu of all or a portion of the filing fee. Valid signatures submitted on the Signatures in Lieu of Filing Fee Petitions may also be applied to the signature requirements for that office. Candidates will be notified of any deficiency within 10 days of filing the petition.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Elections Code 8061, 8105, 8106(b)</i></p>
Sep 14 – Mar 19 (E-173 to E+14)	<p><u>State Senator and Member of the Assembly Candidates Only</u> Period in which candidates must file an initial Form 501. If the voluntary expenditure limits are rejected in the primary election, but not exceeded during that election, the Form 501 may be amended to accept the expenditure limits for the general election. The amended Form 501 must be filled within 14 days following the primary election.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Government Code §§ 85200, 85400, 85401</i></p>
Sep 15 (E-172)	<p><u>County Central Committee Deadline</u> This is the last day for central committees to notify the Secretary of State whether a county central committee election will be held. If a county central committee election is not held, a county central committee will be convened pursuant to rules adopted by the party.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Elections Code § 7770</i></p>
Sep 29 (E-158)	<p><u>Secretary of State to Prepare Notice of Offices on the Primary Ballot</u> At least 158 days before the primary, the Secretary of State prepares and transmits to each county elections official a notice designating all the state offices for which candidates are to be nominated for this election.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Elections Code § 12103</i></p>
Sep 29 – Dec 8 (E-158 to E-88)	<p><u>Nomination Period for Central Committee Candidates</u> During this period, candidates for central committee offices must file declarations of candidacy and nomination papers.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Elections Code § 8020 (b)</i></p>
Oct 9 (E-148)	<p><u>Governor’s Proclamation – Issuance</u> On or before this date, the Governor shall issue a proclamation calling the primary election and shall state the time of the election and the offices to be up for election and transmit a copy of the proclamation to the board of supervisors of each county. The Secretary of State will send an informational copy of the proclamation to each county elections official.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Elections Code § 12000</i></p>
Oct 30 – Nov 8 (E-127 to E-118)	<p><u>Declaration of Intention Period for Judicial Candidates Only</u> Every candidate for a judicial office must file a Declaration of Intention with the county elections official. All incumbent judges seeking re-election to the same office must file during this period. The Declaration of Intention will include the seat number designated by the ROV. Nonrefundable filing fees (money, signatures, or any prorated combination of both) are due when filing the Declaration of Intention.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Elections Code §§ 8023, 8105</i></p>
Oct 30 – Nov 13 (E-127 to E-113)	<p><u>Municipal Notice of Election Publication</u> For cities consolidating with this election, the city clerk shall publish a Notice of Election during this period. This notice contains the date of the election, polling hours, any offices to be filled and/or measures to be voted on, the qualifications required for each office, the location where the Declaration of Candidacy forms will be available, where the forms are to be filed and the deadline for filing these forms.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Elections Code §§ 12101, 12111</i></p>

<p>Nov 6 – Dec 6 (E-120 to E-90)</p>	<p><u>County Notice of Election Publication</u> The ROV shall publish a Notice of Election once in a newspaper of general circulation during this period. The notice provides the date of the election, offices to be elected, qualifications required for each office, the location where the Declaration of Candidacy forms will be available, where the forms are to be filed, and the deadline for filing these forms. <i>Elections Code §§ 12112, 12113</i></p>
<p>Nov 9 – Nov 19* (E-117 to E-107)</p>	<p><u>Unopposed Superior Court Judge Write-In Campaign Deadline</u> During this period, a write-in candidate may file a petition indicating that a write-in campaign will be conducted against an unopposed incumbent superior court judicial candidate who has filed nomination Petitions. The petition must be signed by at least 0.1% (at least 100 but no more than 600) of qualified registered voters. Once the petition is complete, write-in candidates must file their write-in statement and Nomination Petitions between E-57 and E-14. <i>Elections Code §§ 8203, 8600-8606</i></p>
<p>Nov 9 – Nov 13 (E-117 to E-113)</p>	<p><u>Extension of Declaration of Intention Period for Judicial Offices Only</u> If the incumbent for a judicial office does not file a Declaration of Intention to succeed to the same office by the end of the Declaration of Intention filing period, qualified persons other than the incumbent may file a Declaration of Intention for that office during this period. Payment of the nonrefundable filing fees must be paid at the time of the Declaration of Intention. <i>Elections Code §§ 8023, 8105</i></p>
<p>Nov 12* (E-114)</p>	<p><u>Municipal Calling of Special Election to Fill Vacancy</u> This is the last date for a city council to call a special election to fill a vacancy on the day of the primary election. The vacancy cannot go to election on this established election date if the election is not called by this date. <i>Government Code § 36512(b)</i></p>
<p>Nov 13 – Dec 8 (E-113 to E-88)</p>	<p><u>Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Period</u> All candidates, including incumbents, may obtain nomination papers from the Registrar of Voters' Office during this period. Signatures in Lieu of Filing Fee Petitions can be counted toward the number of signatures required for the candidate's nomination papers. If the candidate's Signatures in Lieu of Filing Fee Petition contains the requisite number of valid signatures required for his/her nomination papers, the county elections office shall not require the candidate to circulate nomination papers. The nonrefundable filing fee (money, signatures, or a prorated, combination of both), if applicable, must be paid at the time the nomination papers are obtained. Once the candidate files a declaration of candidacy for a primary election, they may not withdraw as a candidate at that primary election. <i>Elections Code §§ 8020-8021, 8040-8041, 8060-8070, 8100-8107, 8800-8811</i></p> <p><u>Submittal of Form 700 Candidate Statement of Economic Interest</u> During this period, candidates who have not submitted a Form 700 within the previous 60 days must file Form 700. (U.S. Senate, congressional, and central committee candidates are exempt.) <i>Government Code §§ 87200-87203, 87500</i></p> <p><u>Optional Candidate Statement of Qualifications Submittal</u> During this period, all candidates who wish to include a Candidate Statement of Qualifications in the county voter information guide must submit it and pay the deposit when filing their Declaration of Candidacy. Statements may not be changed but may be withdrawn up until 5:00 p.m. of the next business day after the close of the nomination period. <i>Elections Code §§ 13307-13308</i></p> <p><u>State Senator and Assembly Candidates' Statement of Qualifications</u> During this period, statewide candidates may opt to include a 250-word Statement of Qualifications in the county voter information guide if they have agreed to accept the voluntary expenditure limits on their Candidate Intention Statement (Form 501). <i>Government Code §§ 85600, 85601</i></p>
<p>Dec 4 (E-92)</p>	<p><u>Notice of Random Alphabet Drawing</u> Each randomized alphabet drawing shall be open to the public. This is the deadline for the Secretary of State to notify the news media and other interested parties of when and where the Random Alphabet Drawing is to be held. <i>Elections Code §§ 13112(b)(1)(B), 13112(c)</i></p>

<p>Dec 6 – Mar 5 (E-90 to E-Day)</p>	<p><u>Late Contributions and Independent Expenditures of \$1,000 or More</u> Within 24 hours of the transaction, FPPC Forms 462, Form 496, or Form 497 must be filed with the appropriate filing officer. <i>Government Code §§ 82036, 82036.5, 84203, 84203.3, 84204, 84215(e), 85204, 85309</i></p>
<p>Dec 8 (E-88)</p>	<p><u>Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Period Ends at 5 p.m.</u> This is the deadline for all voter-nominated, non-presidential, and county central committee candidates to file all required nomination papers. <i>Elections Code §§ 8020, 8022</i></p> <p><u>Form 700 Candidate Statement of Economic Interest</u> This is the deadline for candidates to submit Form 700. (U.S. Senate, congressional and central committee candidates are exempt.) <i>Government Code §§ 87100-87500</i></p> <p><u>Last day for Local Measure Qualification</u> This is the deadline for local ordinances, resolutions, tax rate statements for bond measures, or orders calling for an election to be filed with the Registrar of Voters' Office. <i>Elections Code §§ 9160, 9401, 10401</i></p>
<p>Dec 9* – Dec 13 (E-87 to E-83)</p>	<p><u>Nomination Extension Period</u> If the incumbent fails to file a Declaration of Candidacy by the deadline for their office, this will be a 5-calendar-day extension period during which any candidate other than the incumbent may file for office. <i>Elections Code §§ 8022, 8024, 8100, 8105, 10225, 10407, 10516, 10604</i></p>
<p>Dec 9* – Dec 18 (E-87 to E-78)</p>	<p><u>10-Day Public Examination Period for Statement of Qualifications</u> The ROV shall make a copy of any Statement of Qualifications submitted during the nomination period available for public examination in the Registrar of Voters' Office for the duration of this 10-calendar-day period. <i>Elections Code § 13313</i></p>
<p>Dec 13 (E-83)</p>	<p><u>Last Day to Submit Political Party Endorsements</u> This is the deadline for the chairperson of any qualified political party to submit an official list of the party-endorsed candidates to the county elections official. <i>Elections Code § 13302(b)</i></p> <p><u>Appointments Submitted to the Board of Supervisors</u> The ROV shall submit a letter to the Board of Supervisors requesting all applicable appointments in lieu of election. <i>Elections Code § 10515</i></p> <p><u>Last Day to Withdraw a Local Measure</u> This is the deadline to withdraw a measure from election that has been submitted to the voters of any jurisdiction. The order of election shall not be amended or withdrawn after this date. <i>Elections Code §§ 9605</i></p>
<p>Dec 14 (E-82)</p>	<p><u>Randomized Alphabet Drawing</u> The Secretary of State and the ROV will conduct a random drawing of letters to determine the order in which candidates appear on the ballot. <i>Elections Code § 13112</i></p>
<p>Dec 14 – Dec 23* (E-82 to E-73)</p>	<p><u>10-Day Public Examination Period for Statement of Qualifications (Extended)</u> The ROV shall make a copy of any Statement of Qualifications submitted during an extended nomination period, if any, available for public examination in the Registrar of Voters' Office for the duration of this 10-calendar-day period. <i>Elections Code §§ 8022, 8024, 8204, 10225, 10407, 10516, 10604</i></p>
<p>Dec 28 (E-68)</p>	<p><u>Certified List of Candidates for Federal and State Offices</u> The Secretary of State will issue the certified list of candidates no later than this date. <i>Elections Code §§ 8147-8150</i></p>

<p>Jan 5 – Jan 20* (E-60 to E-45)</p>	<p><u>Military and Overseas Vote-by-Mail Ballots</u> During this period, ballots and balloting materials will be mailed to absent military or overseas voters who have requested them. <i>Elections Code §§ 300, 3101-3123</i></p>
<p>Jan 8 – Feb 20 (E-57 to E-14)</p>	<p><u>Write-in Candidacy Period</u> Candidates may pick up write-in candidacy nomination papers at the Registrar of Voters' Office anytime between these dates. <i>Elections Code § 8600-8606</i></p>
<p>Jan 25 (E-40)</p>	<p><u>County Voter Information Guides May Begin to be Mailed to Registered Voters</u> The Registrar of Voters' Office will begin mailing county voter information guides to registered voters no sooner than this day. <i>Elections Code § 13303</i></p> <p><u>State Voter Information Guides May Begin to be Mailed to Registered Voters</u> The Secretary of State shall begin mailing state voter information guides to voters no sooner than this day. <i>Elections Code § 9094</i></p> <p><u>First Pre-Election Financial Statement Due</u> This is the last day for candidates listed on the ballot to file a Form 460 or Form 470. <i>Government Code §§ 84200.5, 84200.8, 84218</i></p>
<p>Jan 31 (E-34)</p>	<p><u>Semi-annual Campaign Statements Due</u> This is the deadline for all required candidates, organizations, committees, and slate mailers to file semiannual campaign statements. <i>Government Code §§ 84200, 84218</i></p>
<p>Feb 5 (E-29)</p>	<p><u>Vote-by-Mail Ballot Mailing</u> This is the deadline for the Registrar of Voters to send Vote-by-Mail ballots to all registered voters. <i>Elections Code § 3001</i></p>
<p>Feb 5 – Mar 4 (E-29 to E-1)</p>	<p><u>Early Voting Period</u> During this period, voters may vote in person or drop off a ballot at the Registrar of Voters' Office.</p>
<p>Feb 6 (E-28)</p>	<p><u>Official Ballot Drop Box Deployment Deadline</u> This is the deadline for all ballot drop boxes to be deployed and made available by the ROV. Drop box locations will be printed in the county voter information guide. <i>Elections Code § 3025.5(b)</i></p>
<p>Feb 19* State Holiday (E-15)</p>	<p><u>Last Day to Register to Vote</u> This is the deadline to register to vote for this election. Postmarks, DMV submissions, and deliveries/drop-offs at the elections office are acceptable. <i>Elections Code § 2102</i></p>
<p>Feb 20 – Mar 5 (E-14 – E-Day)</p>	<p><u>Conditional Voter Registration</u> During this period, eligible voters who missed the 15-day voter registration deadline may appear in person at the Registrar of Voters' Office or a polling place on Election Day and register to vote provisionally for this election. <i>Elections Code § 2170</i></p>
<p>Feb 22 (E-12)</p>	<p><u>Second Pre-Election Financial Statement Due</u> This is the last day for committees to file Form 460. <i>Government Code §§ 84200.5, 84200.8(b), 84218</i></p>
<p>Feb 23 (E-11) (SOS-Designated Date)</p>	<p><u>Certified List of Nonpartisan Write-in Candidates</u> The Secretary of State will prepare and send to affected county elections officials a certified list of write-in candidates showing the names of every write-in candidate eligible to receive votes within the county at the primary election, their addresses, and the offices to which they seek election. This list will also be mailed to each candidate running for the affected offices. <i>Elections Code §§ 6241, 6441, 6621, 6822</i></p>

Feb 28 – Mar 5 (E-6 to E-0)	<u>Special Vote-by-Mail Requests</u> This is the deadline to submit a request for a Vote-by-Mail ballot for voters with special circumstances that cause them to be unable to vote at the polls on Election Day. <i>Elections Code § 3021</i>
Mar 5	<u>Election Day</u> All polling places will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. for drop-off or in-person voting on this day. Mailed ballots must be postmarked by this date to be counted. <i>Elections Code §§ 1000, 14212</i> <u>Semifinal Official Canvass</u> Beginning at 8 p.m. on this day and continuing until completed, the Registrar of Voters' Office conducts the semifinal official canvass of votes and reports the totals to the Secretary of State. <i>Elections Code §§ 15150, 15151</i>
Apr 2 (E+28)	<u>Official End of Canvass of the Election</u> The Registrar of Voters' Office certifies election results no later than this date. The governing bodies consolidated with this election receive a certified statement of the votes. If a judicial or county office candidate does not receive a majority of the vote in the primary election, there will be a run-off in the general election between the top two candidates for that office. <i>Elections Code §§ 15372, 15375</i>
Apr 4 (E+30)	<u>Refunds of Excess SOQ payments</u> In the event of overpayment for the total cost of printing, handling, translating, mailing, and electronically distributing candidate's statements filed, the ROV shall prorate the excess amount among the candidates and refund the excess amount paid no later than this date. <i>Elections Code § 13307 (d)</i>
Apr 12 (E+38)	<u>Statement of the Votes Filed</u> This is the deadline for the Secretary of State to compile and file the statement of the votes for this election. <i>Elections Code § 15500, 15501, 15503</i>
Jul 31 (E+148)	<u>Semi-annual Campaign Statement</u> This is the deadline for all required candidates, organizations, and committees to file semi-annual campaign statements. <i>Government Code §§ 84200, 84218</i>

*Notwithstanding any other provision of the law, whenever the deadline falls on a weekend or holiday the conduction of the action is on the next business day.

Elections Code § 15, Government Code §§ 6700, 6701, 6707

The ROV has no authority to extend filing deadlines established by law. The candidate must be aware of all deadlines and make sure that they file their appropriate documents and forms before the deadline.