



2025 Municipal Election Calendar

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2025 PENNSYLVANIA ELECTIONS IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

First day to circulate and file nomination petitions.....	February 18
Last day to circulate and file nomination petitions.....	March 11
First day to circulate and file nomination papers.....	March 12
Last day to file objections to nomination petitions.....	March 18
Ballot lottery	March 19
Last day for withdrawal by candidates who filed nomination petitions	March 26
Last day to REGISTER to vote in the primary	May 5
Last day to apply for a mail-in or civilian absentee ballot.....	May 13
Last day for County Boards of Elections to receive voted mail-in and civilian absentee ballots (must be received by 8:00 P.M.).....	May 20
MUNICIPAL PRIMARY	May 20
Last day for County Boards of Elections to receive voted military and overseas absentee ballots (submitted for delivery no later than 11:59 P.M. on May 19).....	May 27
Last day to circulate and file nomination papers.....	August 1
Last day to file objections to nomination papers.....	August 8
Last day for withdrawal by candidates nominated by nomination papers	August 8
Last day for withdrawal by candidates nominated at the primary.....	August 11
Last day to REGISTER to vote in the November election	October 20
Last day to apply for a mail-in or civilian absentee ballot.....	October 28

Last day for County Boards of Elections to receive voted mail-in and civilian absentee ballots (must be received by 8:00 P.M.)..... November 4

MUNICIPAL ELECTION..... November 4

Last day for County Boards of Elections to receive voted military and overseas absentee ballots (submitted for delivery no later than 11:59 P.M. on November 3) November 12
(Since November 11 is a legal holiday, the deadline moves to the next business day, which is November 12, 2025. 25 P.S. § 2603(e)).

Note: All dates in this calendar are subject to change without notice.

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Tuesday, May 20, 2025	Municipal Primary	Municipal Primary. Polls shall remain open continuously between the hours of 7:00 AM and 8:00 PM.
Tuesday, November 4, 2025	Municipal Election	Municipal Election. Polls shall remain open continuously between the hours of 7:00 AM and 8:00 PM.
Friday, January 3, 2025	Deadline for Judicial Vacancy to Occur for Seat Election at Municipal	Last day for justices or judges to resign in order for the seat to be placed on the ballot for the Municipal Election.
Saturday, January 4, 2025	County Deadline to Submit Voting System Malfunction Reports (2024 General)	By this date, each county board of elections must submit to the Secretary of the Commonwealth the Voting System Malfunction Report attached as Appendix A to the <i>Directive Regarding the Uniform Reporting of Voting System Malfunctions to the Department of State</i> for the November 2024 General Election.
Monday, January 6, 2025	Deadline to File Judicial Declaration of Candidacy for Retention	By this date, elected judges seeking retention in 2025 must file their declarations of candidacy for retention election in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.
Friday, January 31, 2025	2024 Campaign Finance Cycle 7 Filing Deadline	2024 Campaign Finance Cycle 7 Deadline: Last day for all candidates and all political committees and lobbyists to file annual expense reports in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth or the county boards of elections. Such reports shall be complete as of December 31, 2024.
Monday, February 3, 2025	County Deadline to Submit Election Integrity Grant (EIG) Post-Election Report (2024 General)	Last day for the county board of elections for each county receiving an Election Integrity Grant, pursuant to the grant agreement, to report to the Department of Community & Economic Development, the chairperson and minority chairperson of the State Government Committee of the Senate and the chairperson and minority chairperson of the State Government Committee of the House of Representatives, on a form prescribed by the Department of State, how the county used the grant money received under this section for the November 2024 General Election.

* The short titles for each calendar entry (in bold) are provided only to aid in navigating the calendar and may not offer complete information. Readers should always refer to the full description of the event.

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Monday, February 3, 2025	County Deadline to Mail Annual Notices to Permanent Mail-in and Absentee Voters	Not later than this day, the county boards of elections must mail absentee and mail-in ballot applications to individuals on the permanent absentee ballot and permanent mail-in ballot lists, respectively.
Tuesday, February 18, 2025	2024 Business Entity Political Contribution Reporting Deadline	Last day for any business entity which was awarded non-bid contracts from the Commonwealth or its political subdivisions during 2024 to report to the Secretary of the Commonwealth an itemized list of all political contributions made during 2024 by (1) any officer, director, associate, partner, limited partner, individual owner or member of their immediate family when the contribution exceeded an aggregate of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) by any Individual; or (2) any employee or members of his/her immediate family when the contribution exceeded an aggregate of one thousand dollars (\$1,000).
Tuesday, February 18, 2025	County Deadline to Certify County Political Parties	Last day for each county board of elections to transmit to the Secretary of the Commonwealth a list of the organizations which qualify as political parties within the county pursuant to section 801(b) of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. § 2831(b).
Tuesday, February 18, 2025	Secretary's Certification of Statewide Political Parties	Last day for the Secretary of the Commonwealth to transmit to each county board of elections a list of the organizations which qualify as political parties within the State pursuant to section 801(a) of the Election Code, 25 P.S. § 2831(a).
Tuesday, February 18, 2025	Deadline for Municipalities and School Districts to Notice Offices to be Nominated at Primary	Last day for the clerks or secretaries of cities, boroughs, towns, townships and school districts to file with their respective county boards of elections a written notice of all offices to be nominated at the ensuing primary.
Tuesday, February 18, 2025	Secretary's Certification of Statewide and State-Level Offices to be Nominated at Primary	Last day for the Secretary of the Commonwealth to send to the county boards of elections a written notice designating the public offices for which candidates are to be nominated at the ensuing primary and for which nominations candidates are required to file nomination petitions in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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Tuesday, February 18, 2025	Start of Circulation Period for Nomination Petitions	First day to circulate and file nomination petitions.
Tuesday, February 18, 2025	Deadline to Revoke Judicial Declaration for Retention – Precipitating Nominations for Vacancy by Primary Election	Last day for a justice or a judge, who has filed a declaration of candidacy for retention under the provisions of Article V, Section 15 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to revoke the declaration by notifying the Secretary of the Commonwealth in writing. The Secretary of the Commonwealth shall include such office in certifications under the provisions of Section 905 of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. § 2865.
Wednesday, February 19, 2025	County Deadline to Prepare UMOVA Notice (Primary)	Not later than this day, the county boards of elections must prepare an election notice to be used in conjunction with the Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB).
Tuesday, February 25, 2025	Start of Period for County Advertising of Offices to be Nominated and Elected	Not earlier than this day nor later than March 4, the county board of elections shall begin to publish in newspapers the names of all public offices for which nominations are to be made and the names of all party offices for which candidates are to be elected at the ensuing primary.
Tuesday, March 11, 2025	End of Circulation Period for and Deadline to File Nomination Petitions	Last day to circulate and file nomination petitions. Petitions must be received no later than 5:00 PM in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, or no later than the ordinary closing hour of any county board of elections office, as the case may be.
Tuesday, March 11, 2025	Deadline to File Statement of Financial Interests for Candidates Filing Nomination Petitions	Last day for state level public office candidates to file "Statements of Financial Interests" with the State Ethics Commission, Room 309 Finance Building, P.O. Box 11470, Harrisburg, PA 17108-1470. A copy of the "Statement" must also be appended to the nomination petition. Last day for candidates for county or local level public office to file the "Statement" with the governing authority of the political subdivisions in which they are candidates. A copy of the "Statement" must also be appended to the nomination petition.

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Wednesday, March 12, 2025	County Deadline to Fix Date for Casting of Lots for Position on Primary Ballot	By this day, the county board of elections shall fix a date for the casting of lots for the position of names upon the primary ballot for those candidates required to file nomination petitions with the county board of elections. The county board of elections shall give at least two days' notice of said date by posting thereof in a conspicuous place in its office, and by publication once in at least two newspapers of general circulation published in the county.
Wednesday, March 12, 2025	Start of Circulation Period for Nomination Papers	First day to circulate and file nomination papers nominating independent candidates of political bodies or candidates of minor political parties.
Tuesday, March 18, 2025	Deadline to File Objections to Nomination Petitions	Last day to file and serve objections to nomination petitions.
Wednesday, March 19, 2025	Secretary's Casting of Lots for Position on Primary Ballot	Day for casting of lots in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth for position of names upon the primary ballot.
Friday, March 21, 2025	Deadline for Hearings on Objections to Nomination Petitions	Last day that may be fixed by the Court of Common Pleas or the Commonwealth Court for hearings on objections that have been filed to nomination petitions.
Wednesday, March 26, 2025	Deadline for Decisions on Objections to Nomination Petitions	Last day, if possible, for the Court of Common Pleas or the Commonwealth Court to render decisions in cases involving objections to nomination petitions.
Wednesday, March 26, 2025	Deadline to Withdraw - Nomination Petitions	Last day for candidates who have filed nomination petitions for the primary election to withdraw. Withdrawals must be received no later than 5:00 PM in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, or no later than the ordinary closing hour of any county board of elections office, as the case may be.
Monday, March 31, 2025	Secretary's Unofficial List of Candidates for Primary Ballots	Last day for the Secretary of the Commonwealth to transmit to each county board of elections a list of all candidates who filed nomination petitions with him and who are not known to have withdrawn or been disqualified.

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<p>Monday, March 31, 2025</p>	<p>County Deadline to Begin Transmitting Balloting Materials to Approved UMOVA Absentee Applicants in Remote or Isolated Areas (Primary)</p>	<p>Not later than this day, the county boards of elections must begin to transmit ballots and balloting materials to all covered voters under the Uniformed Military and Overseas Voters Act (UMOVA) in extremely remote or isolated area, who by that date, submit a valid military-overseas ballot application.</p> <p><i>[The preceding includes qualified electors who are Uniformed-Service voters (members of the active or reserve components of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps or Coast Guard of the United States who are on active duty; members of the United States merchant marine, the Commissioned Corps of the Public Health Service of the Department of Health and Human Services or the Commissioned Corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration of the United States; members on activated status of the National Guard or Pennsylvania National Guard); Spouses and dependents of uniformed service members; Overseas voters; or veterans of a uniformed service who is bedridden or hospitalized due to illness or physical disability.]</i></p> <p><i>NOTE: As additional applications are received, the county board of elections must transmit ballots and balloting materials to such electors within 48 hours after the application is received by the county board of elections.</i></p>
<p>Monday, March 31, 2025</p>	<p>County Deadline to Begin Processing Civilian Absentee and Mail-In Ballot Applications (Primary)</p>	<p>First day on which county boards of elections must begin to process official applications for civilian absentee and mail-in ballots.</p> <p><i>NOTE: A county board of election may begin to process applications earlier if it deems it appropriate.</i></p> <p><i>NOTE: Notwithstanding the acceptance of any applications for civilian absentee or mail-in ballots, counties are only required to begin delivering civilian absentee and mail-in ballots as soon as possible after such ballots are printed and in no event later than the second Tuesday prior to the election. (Sections 1626(d) and 1632(a) of the Election Code, 25 P.S. §§ 3246(d) and 3252(a)).</i></p>

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Friday, April 4, 2025	County Deadline to Begin Transmitting Balloting Materials to Approved UMOVA Absentee Applicants (Primary)	<p>Not later than this day, the county boards of elections must begin transmitting ballots and balloting materials to all covered voters under UMOVA who by this date submit a valid military-overseas ballot application.</p> <p><i>[The preceding includes qualified electors who are Uniformed-Service voters (members of the active or reserve components of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps or Coast Guard of the United States who are on active duty; members of the United States merchant marine, the Commissioned Corps of the Public Health Service of the Department of Health and Human Services or the Commissioned Corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration of the United States; members on activated status of the National Guard or Pennsylvania National Guard); Spouses and dependents of uniformed service members; Overseas voters; or veterans of a uniformed service who is bedridden or hospitalized due to illness or physical disability.]</i></p> <p><i>NOTE: As additional applications are received, the county board of elections must transmit ballots and balloting materials to such electors within 48 hours after the application is received by the county board of elections.</i></p>
Tuesday, April 8, 2025	2025 Campaign Finance Cycle 1 Deadline	<p>2025 Campaign Finance Cycle 1 Deadline: Last day for candidates for statewide offices and treasurers of political committees and lobbyists which have expended money for the purpose of influencing the nomination of such candidates to file campaign expense reports or statements in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth or as otherwise required by § 1631 (§ 3251). Such reports shall be complete as of March 31.</p> <p><i>NOTE: Postmarks are acceptable as proof of timely filing where report is postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than the day prior to the filing deadline.</i></p>
Monday, April 21, 2025	Deadline to Disaffiliate Voter Registration from Political Party to Serve as Candidate for Political Body	<p>Last day for a registered voter to disaffiliate from party enrollment in order to be eligible as a candidate for a political body in an election of the same year under the Election Code.</p>

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Wednesday, April 30, 2025	County Deadline to Announce Locations of Polling Places (Primary)	By this date, the county board of elections must publicly announce the locations of polling places.
Monday, May 5, 2025	Deadline to Register or Update Voter Registration (Primary)	<p>All applications for registration (including applications to update existing registration) must be received by the county boards of elections for such registration to apply to the primary election.</p> <p><i>NOTE: The statutory deadline for voter registration is based on the hours of operation established by the county for receiving applications:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Paper and in-person registration applications may only be received during the hours when the county office is open for business.</i> • <i>Online registration applications may be submitted until 11:59 PM.</i> <p><i>NOTE: To be processed for the ensuing election a voter registration application must be received as follows:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Voter registration applications submitted to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation in conjunction with an application for or renewal of a motor vehicle driver's license must be received by the county voter registration commission not later than the deadline to register.</i> • <i>Voter Registration Mail Applications must be received by the county voter registration commission not later than the deadline to register.</i> • <i>Voter registration applications submitted to offices in Pennsylvania that provide public assistance, to the county clerk of Orphan's Court, including the Marriage License Bureau, offices in Pennsylvania that provide State-funded programs primarily engaged in providing services to persons with disabilities and armed forces recruitment centers, must be received by the county voter registration commission not later than the deadline to register.</i> <p><i>All other voter registration applications must be received by the deadline to register.</i></p>
Monday, May 5, 2025	Deadline to Change Party Enrollment (Primary)	Last day to change party enrollment or non-partisan enrollment.

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Monday, May 5, 2025	County Deadline to Submit Logic and Accuracy Attestation (Primary)	By this date, each county election board shall certify that they have completed their logic and accuracy testing on the form prescribed by the Secretary.
Tuesday, May 6, 2025	County Deadline to Begin Distribution of Civilian Absentee and Mail-In Ballots (Primary)	As soon as possible after ballots are printed and in no event later than this day, the county boards of elections must begin to deliver or mail all mail-in and civilian absentee ballots. <i>NOTE: As additional applications are received, ballots must be mailed within 48 hours after approval.</i>
Friday, May 9, 2025	2025 Campaign Finance Cycle 2 Deadline	2025 Campaign Finance Cycle 2 Deadline: Last day for all candidates and treasurers of political committees and lobbyists which have expended money for purpose of influencing the nomination of candidates file campaign expense reports or statements due by the Second Friday before the primary in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and/or the county boards of elections, as the case may be. Such reports shall be complete as of May 5. <i>NOTE: Postmarks are acceptable as proof of timely filing where the report is postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than the day prior to the filing deadline.</i>
Saturday, May 10, 2025	Beginning of Period for County to Advertise Information for Upcoming Election (Applicable Only Where Special Election or Question on Constitutional Amendment Held in Conjunction with Primary)	Not earlier than this day nor later than May 17, the county boards of elections shall publish in newspapers, notice of the date and hours of voting for any special elections, the names of offices to be elected and the names of the candidates at such special elections, the texts and explanations of Constitutional Amendments and other questions to be voted upon, and the places at which such elections are to be held in the various election districts. <i>NOTE: This provision applies only if there is a constitutional amendment or a ballot question on a primary ballot or if a special election is held in conjunction with a primary. Under those circumstances, the primary election is treated as a November election because all registered electors may vote on the constitutional amendment, the ballot question, or the special election.</i>

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Monday, May 12, 2025	Deadline for Disabled Elector to Apply for Need for Assistance on Registration (Primary)	<p>Last day before the primary election on which an elector, who has suffered a physical disability which requires him/her to have assistance in voting, may personally make application to the county registration commission in all counties to have such fact entered on his/her registration card.</p> <p><i>NOTE: If the disability is not recorded on the elector's registration card, the elector may receive assistance if the elector completes a declaration in the polling place.</i></p>
Monday, May 12, 2025	Deadline to Appeal Rejection of Voter Registration to County Board of Election (Primary)	<p>Last day for any person to file a petition with the county registration commission appealing rejection of a voter registration application.</p>
Tuesday, May 13, 2025	Deadline to Apply for an Absentee Ballot (Primary)	<p>Last day before the primary election on which official applications for civilian absentee ballots from certain persons listed as follows may be received by the county boards of elections, due at 5:00 PM.</p> <p><i>(The preceding includes qualified registered electors who will be absent from the Commonwealth or municipality of residence by reason of occupation, business or duties; persons unable to go to the polls because of illness or physical disability; persons observing a religious holiday; county employees with duties on election day relating to the conduct of the election; persons employed by the State or Federal government and their spouses or dependents who are within the territorial limits of the United States or the District of Columbia but absent from their municipality of residence. Provided further that any of the preceding qualified electors who become ill or are called away from home by business or duties, which fact was not known or could not reasonably be known prior to the preceding date, are entitled to execute and file an Emergency Application any time prior to 8:00 PM on the day of the primary. The county boards of elections will supply the forms.)</i></p>
Tuesday, May 13, 2025	Deadline to Apply for a Mail-in Ballot (Primary)	<p>Last day before the primary election on which official applications for mail-in ballots may be received by the county boards of elections, due at 5:00 PM.</p>
Tuesday, May 13, 2025	County Deadline to Post the Military, Veterans and Emergency Civilian Absentee Voters' List (Primary)	<p>From this day and until the returns are certified, the county boards of elections shall post the Military, Veterans and Emergency Civilian Absentee Voters' list.</p>

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Thursday, May 15, 2025	County Deadline to Post Sample Ballots (Primary)	Not later than this day, the county boards of elections shall make available for public inspection the forms of the ballots and ballot labels which shall be used in each election district at the primary election and shall publish on their website.
Thursday, May 15, 2025	County Deadline to Transmit Sample Ballots to Candidates Who Requested (Primary)	Not later than this day, the county boards of elections, upon request, shall furnish without charge to each candidate whose name is printed on the primary election ballot (or the candidate's authorized representative) three sample ballots for the entire district in which such candidate is to be voted for. <i>(The candidate may, at his/her own expense, have printed on different colored paper as many copies as he/she requires for conducting his/her campaign.)</i>
Thursday, May 15, 2025	County Deadline to Report Voter Registration Statistics (Primary)	Not later than this day, the county boards of elections must prepare and submit a report to the Secretary of the Commonwealth containing a statement of the total number of electors registered in each election district, together with a breakdown of registration by each political party or other designation.
Monday, May 19, 2025	Deadline to Appeal Rejection of Voter Registration to the Court of Common Pleas (Primary)	Last day for any person to file an appeal to the Court of Common Pleas for rejection of registration.
Monday, May 19, 2025	County Deadline to Deliver Supplies to Judges of Election (Primary)	Not later than this day, the county boards of elections shall deliver the necessary ballots and supplies to the judges of election.
Monday, May 19, 2025	Deadline for UMOVA Voters to Submit Absentee Ballot (Primary)	Not later than 11:59 PM this day, covered voters under UMOVA must submit their voted military-overseas ballot for mailing or other authorized means of delivery, at the place where the voter completes the ballot on the date immediately preceding the date of the election.

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Tuesday, May 20, 2025	Municipal Primary	<p>Municipal Primary. Polls shall remain open continuously between the hours of 7:00 AM and 8:00 PM.</p> <p><i>NOTE: The Courts of Common Pleas shall be in session from 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM except in judicial districts having only one judge, in which case the court shall be in session from 7:00 AM to 12 Noon; from 2:00 PM to 5:30 PM and from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM.</i></p>
Tuesday, May 20, 2025	County Deadline to Begin Pre-Canvassing Mail Ballots (Primary) (EIG Counties Only)	<p>The county boards of elections shall meet no earlier than 7:00 AM on Election Day to pre-canvass all absentee and mail-in ballots received prior to the meeting. The county boards of elections shall provide at least 48 hours (by Sunday, May 18) notice of a pre-canvass meeting by publicly posting on its publicly accessible internet website.</p> <p><i>NOTE: Counties that received an Election Integrity Grant must begin their pre-canvass at 7:00 AM on Election Day and shall continue without interruption until each mail-in ballot and absentee ballot received by 7:00 AM on election day is pre-canvassed.</i></p> <p><i>NOTE: No person observing or attending or participating in the pre-canvass meeting may disclose the results of any portion of any pre-canvass meeting prior to the close of the polls.</i></p>
Tuesday, May 20, 2025	Deadline for Completed Civilian Absentee and Mail-In Ballots to Be Received by the County (Primary)	<p>All mail-in and absentee ballots, except those received from military and overseas electors as defined by UMOVA and sections 1301(a) to (h) of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. § 3146.1(a) – (h), must be received by the county boards of elections not later than 8:00 PM on this day to be counted.</p>

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Tuesday, May 20, 2025	County Deadline to Begin Canvassing Mail Ballots (Primary) (EIG Counties Only)	<p>The county boards of elections shall meet no earlier than the close of Polls (8:00 PM) in the county on Election Day and no later than the third day following Election Day to canvass all absentee and mail-in ballots not included in the pre-canvass. The county boards of elections shall provide at least 48 hours (Sunday, May 18) notice of a canvass meeting by publicly posting on its publicly accessible internet website.</p> <p><i>NOTE: Counties that received an Election Integrity Grant must begin their canvass at 8:00 PM on Election Day and shall continue without interruption until each mail-in ballot and absentee ballot is canvassed.</i></p> <p><i>NOTE: No person observing or attending or participating in the canvass meeting may disclose the results of any portion of any canvass meeting prior to the close of the polls.</i></p>
Wednesday, May 21, 2025	County Deadline to Post Unofficial Number of Mail Ballots Received (Primary) (EIG Counties Only)	<p>By 12:01 AM on this day, the county board of elections for each county receiving an Election Integrity Grant shall, pursuant to the grant agreement, announce and post on its publicly accessible Internet website an unofficial number of absentee ballots and mail-in ballots received for the election.</p>
Wednesday, May 21, 2025	Deadline for Judges of Elections to Return Election Supplies to County (Primary)	<p>By 2:00 AM on this day, the judges of election must return to the county boards of elections all envelopes; supplies, including all uncast provisional ballots; and returns, including all provisional ballots and absentee ballots cast in the election district.</p>
Wednesday, May 21, 2025	County Deadline to Report Election Night Returns (Primary)	<p>By 3:00 AM on this day, the county boards of elections must submit to the Department of State returns received from the judges of election for each office for which a candidate must file a nomination petition with the Secretary of the Commonwealth.</p>

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Friday, May 23, 2025	County Deadline to Begin Computation and Canvass Meeting (Primary)	<p>No later than 9:00 AM on this day, the Return Boards must begin to canvass, and compute returns of the votes cast. (County boards of elections that did not receive an Election Integrity Grant must begin to canvass mail-in and absentee ballots by this time.)</p> <p><i>NOTE: Any petition to open a ballot box or to recanvass the votes on a voting machine shall be filed no later than five (5) days after the completion of the computational canvassing of all the returns of the county by the county board of elections.</i></p>
Tuesday, May 27, 2025	Deadline to Provide Proof of Identification for Mail Ballot (Primary)	Last day for the county boards of elections to receive proof of identification that can be verified from a mail-in or absentee elector whose proof of identification was not provided with the application or could not be verified by the board.
Tuesday, May 27, 2025	County Deadline to Report Unofficial Returns (Primary)	No later than 5:00 PM on this day, the county boards of elections must submit to the Secretary of the Commonwealth unofficial returns for all Statewide offices and ballot questions that appeared on the ballot in every election district throughout the Commonwealth.
Tuesday, May 27, 2025	Deadline for County to Receive Completed UMOVA Ballots (Primary)	<p>A valid military-overseas ballot cast under section 3509 of UMOVA, 25 Pa. C.S. § 3509, must be delivered by 5:00 PM to the address specified by the county board of elections, to be counted.</p> <p><i>NOTE: If, at the time of completing their military-overseas ballot, the voter affirms under penalty of perjury, that the ballot was timely submitted, the ballot MAY NOT be rejected on the basis of a late postmark, an unreadable postmark or no postmark.</i></p>
Wednesday, May 28, 2025	County Continuation of Computation & Canvass (Primary)	The Return Board shall continue the canvass through this day to canvass absentee ballots received from military and overseas electors no later than 5:00 PM on May 27.
Wednesday, May 28, 2025	Deadline for Defeated Statewide Candidate to Waive Automatic Recount (Primary)	A recount otherwise required under section 1404(g)(1)(i) of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. § 3154(g)(1)(i), shall not be ordered if the defeated candidate requests in writing by 12 Noon on this day that a recount not be made.

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Thursday, May 29, 2025	Secretary's Order for Statewide Recount (Primary)	No later than 5:00 PM on this day, the Secretary of the Commonwealth must issue an order for a recount or recanvass if it is determined, based on the unofficial returns submitted by the county boards of elections, that a statewide candidate or ballot question that appeared on the ballot in every election district throughout the Commonwealth was defeated by a margin of one-half of a percent or less.
Tuesday, June 3, 2025	County Deadline to Complete Computation of Returns (Primary)	Not later than this day, the county boards of elections must complete the computation of votes so as to meet the certification deadline in Section 302(k) of the Election Code, 25 P.S. § 2642(k).
Wednesday, June 4, 2025	County Deadline to Begin Statewide Automatic Recount (Primary)	Last day on which a recount or recanvass ordered by the Secretary of the Commonwealth can be scheduled to begin.
Friday, June 6, 2025	Secretary's Casting of Lots to Break Tie (Primary)	On this day, candidates receiving tie votes at the primary election cast lots at 12 Noon before the Secretary of the Commonwealth or the county board of elections, to determine who will be entitled to the nomination. <i>NOTE: If the fact of the tie vote is not authoritatively determined until after May 8, the time for casting lots shall be 12 Noon on the second day after the fact of such tie vote is authoritatively determined.</i>
Monday, June 9, 2025	County Deadline to Certify Official Returns (Primary)	Last day for the county boards of elections to certify returns from the primary election with the Secretary of the Commonwealth. <i>NOTE: Counties that received an Election Integrity Grant must also submit the outcome of any post-election audit required under the Election Code with their certified results. The Department shall post the audit information on its publicly accessible website.</i>
Monday, June 9, 2025	Deadline to File a Petition to Contest Primary Nomination	Last day to file a petition to contest the nomination of any candidate at the primary election. <i>NOTE: Not applicable to elections of the first class.</i>

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Tuesday, June 10, 2025	County Deadline to Complete Statewide Automatic Recount (Primary)	No later than 12 Noon on this day, a recount or recanvass ordered by the Secretary of the Commonwealth must be completed.
Wednesday, June 11, 2025	County Deadline to Report Results of Statewide Automatic Recount (Primary)	By 12 Noon on the day after completion of a recount ordered by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, the county boards of elections must submit to the Secretary of the Commonwealth the results of the recount.
Thursday, June 19, 2025	County Deadline to Submit Absentee Ballot Reimbursement Request (Primary)	Not later than this day, the county boards of elections shall file with the Secretary of the Commonwealth a statement of expenses incurred in preparing, handling, mailing, delivering, counting and storing such official Military, Veterans, and other absentee ballots as they are entitled by law to receive compensations for the sum of sixty cents each.
Thursday, June 19, 2025	County Deadline to Report District Level Vote Totals (Primary)	Last day for county boards of elections to submit to the Bureau of Elections a report stating the total number of votes cast in each voting district for each candidate for any Statewide Office, United States Representative, State Senator and State Representative.
Friday, June 20, 2025	2025 Campaign Finance Cycle 3 Deadline	<p>2025 Campaign Finance Cycle 3 Deadline: Last day for all candidates and treasurers of political committees and lobbyists to file campaign expense reports and statements due by 30 days after the primary election in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth or the county board of elections as the case may be. Such report shall be complete as of June 9.</p> <p><i>NOTE: Postmarks are acceptable as proof of timely filing where the report is postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than the day prior to the filing deadline.</i></p>
Monday, June 30, 2025	Secretary's Lottery for Audit of Campaign Expense Reports (Primary)	On this day, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall select by lottery for audit of campaign expense reports three percent of the total number of public offices for which candidates must file nomination petitions or papers with the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

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Saturday, July 19, 2025	County Deadline to Submit Voting System Malfunction Reports (Primary)	By this date, each county board of elections must submit to the Secretary of the Commonwealth the Voting System Malfunction Report attached as Appendix A to the <i>Directive Regarding the Uniform Reporting of Voting System Malfunctions to the Department of State</i> for the Municipal Primary.
Friday, August 1, 2025	Deadline to Circulate and File Nomination Papers	Last day to circulate and file nomination papers nominating minor political party candidates or political body candidates (including independent candidates) under the provisions of Sections 912.2 and 951 of the Election Code, 25 P.S. §§ 2872.2 and 2911. Papers must be received no later than 5:00 PM in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, or no later than the ordinary closing hour of any county board of elections office, as the case may be.
Friday, August 1, 2025	Deadline to File Statement of Financial Interest for Candidates Filing Nomination Papers	Last day for STATE LEVEL INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES AND MINOR POLITICAL PARTY CANDIDATES to file "Statements of Financial Interests" with the State Ethics Commission, Room 309 Financial Building, P.O. Box 11470, Harrisburg, PA 17108-1470. A copy of the "Statement" must also be appended to the nomination papers. Last day for independent and minor political party candidates for county or local level public office to file the "Statement" with the governing authority of the political and subdivision in which they are candidates. A copy of the "Statement" must also be appended to the nomination papers.
Wednesday, August 6, 2025	County Deadline to Prepare UMOVA Notice (Municipal)	Not later than this day, the county board of elections must prepare an election notice to be used in conjunction with the Federal Write-in Absentee Ballot (FWAB).
Wednesday, August 6, 2025	County Deadline to Complete Systematic List Maintenance Programs	By this day, county boards of elections must complete their programs to systematically remove the names of ineligible voters from their official lists for the Municipal Election. <i>NOTE: All county-initiated list maintenance must be completed this day. Voter-initiated changes and changes due to death may be processed after this date.</i>

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Friday, August 8, 2025	Deadline to Withdraw – Nomination Papers	Last day for candidates who have filed nomination papers to withdraw.
Friday, August 8, 2025	Deadline to File Objections to Nomination Papers	Last day to file objections to nomination papers nominating minor political party candidates or political body candidates (including independent candidates).
Monday, August 11, 2025	Deadline for Hearings on Objections to Nomination Papers	Last day that may be fixed by the Court for hearings on objections to nomination papers.
Monday, August 11, 2025	Deadline for Primary Write-In Winners to Pay Filing Fee	<p>Last day for candidates nominated at the primary election by write-in votes to pay filing fee; otherwise, the party nomination will be declared vacant.</p> <p><i>NOTE: State level write-in winners of nominations from the Primary Election must file “Statements of Financial Interests” with the State Ethics Commission, Room 309 Finance Building, P.O. Box 11470, Harrisburg, PA 17108-1470 within thirty days of having been nominated unless such person resigns nomination within that time. County and local level write-in winners of nominations from the primary election must file the “Statement” with the governing authority of the political subdivisions where they were nominated within thirty days of having been nominated unless such person resigns nomination within that time.</i></p>
Monday, August 11, 2025	Deadline to Withdraw – Primary Winner	Last day for candidates who were nominated at the primary election to withdraw.
Friday, August 15, 2025	County Deadline to Submit EIG Application	Last day for county boards of elections to submit an application to DCED for an Election Integrity Grant. (Applications may be received starting on August 1.)
Saturday, August 16, 2025	Deadline for Decisions on Objections to Nomination Papers	Last day, if possible, for the Court to render decisions in cases involving objections to nomination papers.

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Monday, August 18, 2025	County Deadline to Submit EIG Post-Election Report (Primary)	<p>Last day for the county board of elections for each county receiving an Election Integrity Grant, pursuant to the grant agreement, to report to the Department of Community & Economic Development, the chairperson and minority chairperson of the State Government Committee of the Senate and the chairperson and minority chairperson of the State Government Committee of the House of Representatives, on a form prescribed by the Department of State, how the county used the grant money received under Section 1602-A of the Election Code, 25 P.S. § 3260.2-A.</p>
Thursday, August 21, 2025	Deadline to File Substitute Nomination Certificates for Certain Party Nomination Vacancies	<p>Last day to file substituted nomination certificates to fill vacancies caused by withdrawal of candidates nominated at the primary election or by nomination papers under the provisions of Sections 907 and 951 of the Election Code, 25 P.S. §§ 2867 and 2911, respectively.</p> <p><i>NOTE: Substituted nomination certificates to fill vacancies caused by the death of candidates nominated at primaries or by nomination papers shall be filed prior to the day on which ballot printing is started. Objections to substitute nomination certificates must be filed within three days after the filing of the substitute nomination certificate.</i></p> <p><i>NOTE: State level candidates nominated by substituted nomination certificate, nomination certificate or nomination papers (see August 21, August 11 and October 7) must file a "Statement of Financial Interests" with the substituted nomination certificate, nomination certificate or nomination papers and with the State Ethics Commission, Room 309 Finance Building, P.O. Box 11470, Harrisburg, PA 17108-1470. County and local level candidates nominated by substituted nomination papers (see August 21, August 11 and October 7).</i></p>
Tuesday, August 26, 2025	Secretary's Unofficial Candidate and Referendum List (Municipal)	<p>Last day for Secretary of the Commonwealth to transmit to each county board of elections a list, as known to exist at that time, of all candidates to be voted on at the November election and a copy of all Constitutional Amendments and other questions to be voted on at the November election together with a statement of the form in which they are to be placed.</p>

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Tuesday, August 26, 2025	<p>County Deadline to Begin Transmitting Balloting Materials to UMOVA Applicants in Remote or Isolated Areas (Municipal)</p>	<p>Not later than this day, the county boards of elections must begin to transmit ballots and balloting materials to all covered voters under the Uniformed Military and Overseas Voters Act (UMOVA) in extremely remote or isolated area, who by that date, submit a valid military-overseas ballot application.</p> <p><i>[The preceding includes qualified electors who are Uniformed-Service voters (members of the active or reserve components of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps or Coast Guard of the United States who are on active duty; members of the United States merchant marine, the Commissioned Corps of the Public Health Service of the Department of Health and Human Services or the Commissioned Corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration of the United States; members on activated status of the National Guard or Pennsylvania National Guard); Spouses and dependents of uniformed service members; Overseas voters; or veterans of a uniformed service who is bedridden or hospitalized due to illness or physical disability.]</i></p> <p><i>NOTE: As additional applications are received, the county board of elections must transmit ballots and balloting materials to such electors within 48 hours after the application is received by the county board of elections.</i></p>
Thursday, September 4, 2025	<p>Deadline to Revoke Judicial Declaration for Retention – Precipitating Nominations for Vacancy by Nomination Certificate</p>	<p>Last day for a justice or a judge, who has filed a declaration of candidacy for retention under the provisions of Article V, Section 15 of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania after February 18 to revoke the declaration by notifying the Secretary of the Commonwealth in writing. The nomination to fill such vacancy shall be made in accordance with Section 993 of the Election Code, 25 P.S. Section 2953.</p>
Monday, September 15, 2025	<p>Deadline to File Nomination Certificates or Papers to Fill Certain Vacancies at the Municipal Election</p>	<p>Last day before the November election for political parties or minor political parties to file nomination certificates or for political bodies to file nomination papers in the Office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, or the county boards of elections, as the case may be, to fill vacancies in public offices which occur for any cause at a time when the Constitution or Laws require them to be filled at the ensuing election, but at a time when such nominations cannot be made under any other provision of the Election Code (Sections 993-999.1 of the Election Code, 25 P.S. §§ 2953-2960.)</p>

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<p>Monday, September 15, 2025</p>	<p>County Deadline to Begin Processing Civilian Absentee and Mail-In Ballot Applications (Municipal)</p>	<p>First day on which county boards of elections must begin to process official applications for civilian absentee and mail-in ballots.</p> <p><i>NOTE: A county board of election may begin to process applications earlier if it deems it appropriate.</i></p> <p><i>NOTE: Notwithstanding the acceptance of any applications for civilian absentee or mail-in ballots, counties are only required to begin delivering civilian absentee and mail-in ballots as soon as possible after such ballots are printed and in no event later than the second Tuesday prior to the election. (Sections 1626(d) and 1632(a) of the Election Code, 25 P.S. §§ 3246(d) and 3252(a)).</i></p>
<p>Friday, September 19, 2025</p>	<p>County Deadline to Begin Transmitting Balloting Materials to Approved UMOVA Absentee Applicants (Municipal)</p>	<p>Not later than this day, the county boards of elections must begin transmitting ballots and balloting materials to all covered voters under UMOVA who by this date submit a valid military-overseas ballot application.</p> <p><i>[The preceding includes qualified electors who are Uniformed-Service voters (members of the active or reserve components of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps or Coast Guard of the United States who are on active duty; members of the United States merchant marine, the Commissioned Corps of the Public Health Service of the Department of Health and Human Services or the Commissioned Corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration of the United States; members on activated status of the National Guard or Pennsylvania National Guard); Spouses and dependents of uniformed service members; Overseas voters; or veterans of a uniformed service who is bedridden or hospitalized due to illness or physical disability.</i></p> <p><i>NOTE: As additional applications are received, the county board of elections must transmit ballots and balloting materials to such electors within 48 hours after the application is received by the county board of elections.</i></p>

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Tuesday, September 23, 2025	2025 Campaign Finance Cycle 4 Deadline	<p>2025 Campaign Finance Cycle 4 Deadline: Last day for candidates for statewide offices and treasurers of political committees and lobbyists which have expended money for the purpose of influencing the election of such candidates to file campaign expense reports and statements due by the Sixth Tuesday before the election in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth. Such report shall be complete as of September 15.</p> <p><i>NOTE: Postmarks are acceptable as proof of timely filing where report is postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than the day prior to the filing deadline.</i></p>
Wednesday, October 15, 2025	County Deadline to Announce Locations of Polling Places (Municipal)	<p>By this date, the county board of elections must publicly announce the locations of polling places.</p>
Monday, October 20, 2025	Deadline to Register or Update Voter Registration (Municipal)	<p>All applications for registration (including applications to update existing registration) must be received by the county boards of elections for such registration to apply to the primary election.</p> <p><i>NOTE: The statutory deadline for voter registration is based on the hours of operation established by the county for receiving applications:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Paper and in-person registration applications may only be received during the hours when the county office is open for business.</i> <i>Online registration applications may be submitted until 11:59 PM.</i> <p><i>NOTE: To be processed for the ensuing election a voter registration application must be received as follows:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Voter registration applications submitted to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation in conjunction with an application for or renewal of a motor vehicle driver's license must be received by the county voter registration commission not later than the deadline to register.</i> <i>Voter Registration Mail Applications must be received by the county voter registration commission not later than the deadline to register.</i> <i>Voter registration applications submitted to offices in Pennsylvania that provide public assistance, to the county clerk of Orphan's Court, including the Marriage</i>

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		<p><i>License Bureau, offices in Pennsylvania that provide State-funded programs primarily engaged in providing services to persons with disabilities and armed forces recruitment centers, must be received by the county voter registration commission not later than the deadline to register.</i></p> <p><i>All other voter registration applications must be received by the deadline to register.</i></p>
Monday, October 20, 2025	County Deadline to Submit Logic and Accuracy Attestation (Municipal)	By this date, each county election board shall certify that they have completed their logic and accuracy testing on the form prescribed by the Secretary.
Tuesday, October 21, 2025	County Deadline to Begin Distribution of Civilian Absentee and Mail-In Ballots	<p>As soon as possible after ballots are printed and in no event later than this day, the county boards of elections must begin to deliver or mail all civilian absentee and mail-in ballots.</p> <p><i>NOTE: As additional applications are received, ballots must be mailed within 48 hours after approval.</i></p>
Friday, October 24, 2025	2025 Campaign Finance Cycle 5 Deadline	<p>2025 Campaign Finance Cycle 5 Deadline: Last day for all candidates and treasurers of political committees and lobbyists which have expended money for the purpose of influencing the election of candidates to file campaign expense reports or statements due by the Second Friday before the election in the office of the SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH and/or the county boards of elections, as the case may be. Such reports shall be complete as of October 20.</p> <p><i>NOTE: Postmarks are acceptable as proof of timely filing where report is postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than the day prior to the filing deadline.</i></p>
Saturday, October 25, 2025	Beginning of Period for County to Advertise Information for Upcoming Election (Municipal)	October 25: Not earlier than this day nor later than November 1, the county board of elections shall publish in newspapers, notice of the date and hours of voting for the November Election, the names of offices to be elected, the names of the candidates, the texts and explanations of Constitutional Amendments and other questions to be voted upon, and the places at which the election is to be held in the various election districts.

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Monday, October 27, 2025	Deadline for Disabled Elector to Apply for Need for Assistance on Registration (Municipal)	<p>Last day before the November election on which an elector, who has suffered a physical disability which requires him/her to have assistance in voting, may personally make application to the county registration commission in all counties to have such fact entered on his/her registration card.</p> <p><i>NOTE: If the disability is not recorded on the elector's registration card, the elector may receive assistance if the elector completes a declaration in the polling place.</i></p>
Monday, October 27, 2025	Deadline to Appeal Rejection of Voter Registration to County Board of Election (Municipal)	<p>Last day for any person to file a petition with the county registration commission appealing rejection of a voter registration application.</p>
Tuesday, October 28, 2025	Deadline to Apply for a Civilian Absentee Ballot (Municipal)	<p>Last day before the municipal election on which official applications for civilian absentee ballots from certain persons listed as follows may be received by the county boards of elections, due at 5:00 PM.</p> <p><i>(The preceding includes qualified registered electors who will be absent from the Commonwealth or municipality of residence by reason of occupation, business or duties; persons unable to go to the polls because of illness or physical disability; persons observing a religious holiday; county employees with duties on election day relating to the conduct of the election; persons employed by the State or Federal government and their spouses or dependents who are within the territorial limits of the United States or the District of Columbia but absent from their municipality of residence. Provided further that any of the preceding qualified electors who become ill or are called away from home by business or duties, which fact was not known or could not reasonably be known prior to the preceding date, are entitled to execute and file an Emergency Application any time prior to 8:00 PM on the day of the election. The county boards of elections will supply the forms.)</i></p>
Tuesday, October 28, 2025	Deadline to Apply for a Mail-In Ballot (Municipal)	<p>Last day before the November election on which official applications for mail-in ballots may be received by the county boards of elections, due at 5:00 PM.</p>
Tuesday, October 28, 2025	County Deadline to Post the Military, Veterans and Emergency Civilian Absentee Voters' List (Municipal)	<p>From this day and until the returns are certified, the county boards of elections shall post the Military, Veterans and Emergency Civilian Absentee Voters' list.</p>

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Thursday, October 30, 2025	County Deadline to Post Sample Ballots (Municipal)	Not later than this day, the county boards of elections shall make available for public inspection the forms of the ballots and ballot labels which shall be used in each election district at the election and shall publish on their website.
Thursday, October 30, 2025	County Deadline to Transmit Sample Ballots to Candidates Who Requested (Municipal)	Not later than this day, the county boards of elections, upon request, shall furnish without charge to each candidate whose name is printed on the election ballot three sample ballots for the entire district in which such candidate is to be voted for. <i>(The candidate may, at his/her own expense, have printed on different colored paper as many copies as he/she requires for conducting his/her campaign.)</i>
Thursday, October 30, 2025	County Deadline to Report Voter Registration Statistics (Municipal)	Not later than this day, the county boards of elections must prepare and submit a report to the Secretary of the Commonwealth containing a statement of the total number of electors registered in each election district, together with a breakdown of registration by each political party or other designation.
Monday, November 3, 2025	Deadline to Appeal Rejection of Voter Registration to the Court of Common Pleas (Municipal)	Last day for any person to file an appeal to the Court of Common Pleas for rejection of registration.
Monday, November 3, 2025	County Deadline to Deliver Supplies to Judges of Election (Municipal)	Not later than this day, the county boards of elections shall deliver the necessary ballots and supplies to the judges of election.
Monday, November 3, 2025	Deadline for UMOVA Voters to Submit Absentee Ballot (Municipal)	Not later than 11:59 PM this day, covered voters under UMOVA must submit their voted military-overseas ballot for mailing or other authorized means of delivery, at the place where the voter completes the ballot on the date immediately preceding the date of the election.

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Tuesday, November 4, 2025	Municipal Election	<p>Municipal Election. Polls shall remain open continuously between the hours of 7:00 AM and 8:00 PM.</p> <p><i>NOTE: The Courts of Common Pleas shall be in session from 7:00 AM to 10:00 PM except in judicial districts having one judge, in which case the court shall be in session from 7:00 AM to 12:00 Noon; from 2:00 PM to 5:30 PM and from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM.</i></p>
Tuesday, November 4, 2025	County Deadline to Begin Pre-Canvassing Absentee and Mail-In Ballots (Municipal) (EIG Counties Only)	<p>The county boards of elections shall meet no earlier than 7:00 AM on Election Day to pre-canvass all absentee and mail-in ballots received prior to the meeting. The county boards of elections shall provide at least 48 hours (by Sunday, November 2) notice of a pre-canvass meeting by publicly posting on its publicly accessible internet website.</p> <p><i>NOTE: Counties that received an Election Integrity Grant must begin their pre-canvass at 7:00 AM on Election Day and shall continue without interruption until each mail-in ballot and absentee ballot received by 7:00 AM on election day is pre-canvassed.</i></p> <p><i>NOTE: No person observing or attending or participating in the pre-canvass meeting may disclose the results of any portion of any pre-canvass meeting prior to the close of the polls.</i></p>
Tuesday, November 4, 2025	Deadline for Completed Civilian Absentee and Mail-In Ballots to Be Received by the County (Municipal)	<p>All mail-in and absentee ballots, except those received from military and overseas electors as defined by UMOVA and sections 1301(a) to (h) of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. § 3146.1(a) – (h), must be received by the county boards of elections not later than 8:00 PM on this day to be counted.</p>

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Tuesday, November 4, 2025	County Deadline to Begin Canvassing Absentee and Mail- In Ballots (Municipal) (EIG Counties Only)	<p>The county boards of elections shall meet no earlier than the close of Polls (8:00 PM) in the county on Election Day and no later than the third day following Election Day to canvass all absentee and mail-in ballots not included in the pre-canvass. The county boards of elections shall provide at least 48 hours (Sunday, November 2) notice of a canvass meeting by publicly posting on its publicly accessible internet website.</p> <p><i>NOTE: Counties that received an Election Integrity Grant must begin their canvass at 8:00 PM on Election Day and shall continue without interruption until each mail-in ballot and absentee ballot is canvassed.</i></p> <p><i>NOTE: No person observing or attending or participating in the canvass meeting may disclose the results of any portion of any canvass meeting prior to the close of the polls.</i></p>
Wednesday, November 5, 2025	County Deadline to Post Unofficial Number of Mail Ballots Received (Municipal) (EIG Counties Only)	<p>By 12:01 AM on this day, the county board of elections for each county receiving an Election Integrity Grant shall, pursuant to the grant agreement, announce and post on its publicly accessible Internet website an unofficial number of absentee ballots and mail-in ballots received for the election.</p>
Wednesday, November 5, 2025	Deadline for Judges of Elections to Return Election Supplies to County	<p>By 2:00 AM on this day, the judges of election must return to the county boards of elections all envelopes; supplies, including all uncast provisional ballots; and returns, including all provisional ballots and absentee ballots cast in the election district.</p>
Wednesday, November 5, 2025	County Deadline to Report Election Night Returns	<p>By 3:00 AM on this day, the county boards of elections must submit to the Department of State returns received from the judges of election for each office for which a candidate must file a nomination petition with the Secretary of the Commonwealth.</p>

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Friday, November 7, 2025	County Deadline to Begin Computation and Canvass Meeting	<p>No later than 9:00 AM on this day, the Return Boards must begin to canvass, and compute returns of the votes cast. (County boards of elections that did not receive an Election Integrity Grant must begin to canvass mail-in and absentee ballots by this time.)</p> <p><i>NOTE: Any petition to open a ballot box or to recanvass the votes on a voting machine shall be filed no later than five (5) days after the completion of the computational canvassing of all the returns of the county by the county board of elections.</i></p>
Monday, November 10, 2025	Deadline to Provide Proof of Identification for Mail Ballot (Municipal)	Last day for the county boards of elections to receive proof of identification that can be verified from an absentee or mail-in elector whose proof of identification was provided with the application or could not be verified by the board.
Tuesday, November 11, 2025	County Deadline to Report Unofficial Returns (Municipal)	No later than 5:00 PM on this day, the county boards of elections must submit to the Secretary of the Commonwealth unofficial returns for all Statewide offices and ballot questions that appeared on the ballot in every election district throughout the Commonwealth.
Wednesday, November 12, 2025	Deadline for Defeated Statewide Candidate to Waive Automatic Recount	A recount and recanvass shall not be ordered under section 1404(g)(1)(i) of the Pennsylvania Election Code, 25 P.S. § 3154(g)(1)(i), if the defeated candidate requests in writing that a recount and recanvass not be made. A request under this subsection must be made by 12 Noon on the second Wednesday following the election.
Wednesday, November 12, 2025	Deadline for County to Receive Completed UMOVA Ballots (Municipal)	<p>A valid military-overseas ballot cast under section 3609 of UMOVA, 25 Pa. C.S. § 3509, must be delivered by 5:00 PM to the address specified by the county board of elections, to be counted.</p> <p><i>NOTE: If, at the time of completing their military-overseas ballot, the voter affirms under penalty of perjury, that the ballot was timely submitted, the ballot MAY NOT be rejected on the basis of a late postmark, an unreadable postmark or no postmark.</i></p>

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Wednesday, November 12, 2025	County Continuation of Computation & Canvass (Municipal)	The Return Board shall continue the canvass through this day to canvass absentee ballots received from military and overseas electors no later than 5:00 PM on November 12.
Thursday, November 13, 2025	Deadline for Secretary to Order Statewide Recount (Municipal)	No later than 5:00 PM on this day, the Secretary of the Commonwealth must issue an order for a recount or recanvass if it is determined, based on the unofficial returns submitted by the county boards of elections, that a statewide candidate or ballot question that appeared on the ballot in every election district throughout the Commonwealth was defeated by a margin of one-half of a percent or less.
Tuesday, November 18, 2025	County Deadline to Complete Computation of Returns (Municipal)	Not later than this day, the county boards of elections must complete the computation of votes so as to meet the certification deadline in Section 302(k) of the Election Code, 25 P.S. § 2642(k).
Wednesday, November 19, 2025	County Deadline to Begin Statewide Automatic Recount (Municipal)	Last day on which a recount or recanvass ordered by the Secretary of the Commonwealth can be scheduled to begin.
Friday, November 21, 2025	Secretary's Casting of Lots to Break Tie (Municipal)	On this day, candidates receiving tie votes at the election shall cast lots at 12:00 Noon before the Secretary of the Commonwealth or the county boards of elections, as the case may be, to determine the winner. (If the fact of the tie vote is not authoritatively determined until after November 21, the time for casting lots will be 12:00 Noon on the second day after the fact of such tie is determined).

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Monday, November 24, 2025	County Deadline to Certify Official Returns (Municipal)	<p>Last day for the county boards of elections to certify returns from the November election with the Secretary of the Commonwealth.</p> <p><i>NOTE: Counties that received an Election Integrity Grant must also submit the outcome of any post-election audit required under the Election Code with their certified results. The Department shall post the audit information on its publicly accessible website.</i></p> <p><i>NOTE: State level write-in winners of elections from the November election must file "Statements of Financial Interests" with the State Ethics Commission, Room 309 Finance Building, P.O. Box 11470, Harrisburg, PA 17108-1470 within thirty days of having been elected unless said person resigns within that time. County and local-level public office write-in winners of elections must file the "Statement" with the governing authority of the political subdivision where they were elected within 30 days of having been elected unless said person resigns within that time.</i></p>
Monday, November 24, 2025	Deadline to File a Petition to Contest Election	<p>Last day to file petitions to contest the election of any candidate. (Not applicable to elections of the first class.)</p>
Tuesday, November 25, 2025	County Deadline to Complete Statewide Automatic Recount (Municipal)	<p>No later than 12 Noon on this day, a recount or recanvass ordered by the Secretary of the Commonwealth must be completed.</p>
Wednesday, November 26, 2025	County Deadline to Report Results of Statewide Automatic Recount (Municipal)	<p>By 12 Noon on the day after completion of a recount or recanvass ordered by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, but no later than 12 Noon on this day, the county boards of elections must submit to the Secretary of the Commonwealth the results of the recount or recanvass.</p>
Thursday, December 4, 2025	2025 Campaign Finance Cycle 6 Deadline	<p>2025 Campaign Finance Cycle 6 Deadline: Last day for all candidates and treasurers of political committees and lobbyists to file campaign expense reports or statements due 30 days after the election in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth and/or the county boards of elections as the case may be. Such report shall be complete as of November 24.</p> <p><i>NOTE: Postmarks are acceptable as proof of timely filing where report is postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service no later than the day prior filing deadline.</i></p>

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Thursday, December 4, 2025	County Deadline to Submit Absentee Ballot Reimbursement Request (Municipal)	Not later than this day, the county boards of elections shall file with the Secretary of the Commonwealth a statement of expenses incurred in preparing, handling, mailing, delivering, counting and storing such official Military, Veterans' and other absentee ballots as they are entitled by law to receive compensation for in the sum of sixty cents each.
Thursday, December 4, 2025	County Deadline to Report District Level Vote Totals (Municipal)	Last day for each county board of elections to submit to the Bureau of Elections a report stating the total number of votes cast in each voting district for each candidate for any Statewide Office, United States Representative, State Senator and State Representative.
Monday, December 15, 2025	Secretary's Lottery for Audit of Campaign Expense Reports (Municipal)	On this day, the Secretary of the Commonwealth shall select by lottery for audit of campaign expense reports three percent of the total number of public offices for which candidates must file nomination petitions or papers with the Secretary of the Commonwealth.
Saturday, January 3, 2026	County Deadline to Submit Voting System Malfunction Reports (Municipal)	By this date, each county board of elections must submit to the Secretary of the Commonwealth the Voting System Malfunction Report attached as Appendix A to the <i>Directive Regarding the Uniform Reporting of Voting System Malfunctions to the Department of State</i> for the November 2025 Municipal Election.
Monday, February 2, 2026	County Deadline to Submit Election Integrity Grant (EIG) Post-Election Report (Municipal)	Last day for the county board of elections for each county receiving an Election Integrity Grant, pursuant to the grant agreement, to report to the Department of Community & Economic Development, the chairperson and minority chairperson of the State Government Committee of the Senate and the chairperson and minority chairperson of the State Government Committee of the House of Representatives, on a form prescribed by the Department of State, how the county used the grant money received under this section.

2025 FILING FEES AND SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS

(for candidates who file nomination petitions to access the Municipal Primary Ballot)

The filing fees and the number of signatures that are required on nomination petitions for offices to be filled at the 2025 Elections are as follows:

OFFICE	FEE	SIGNATURE REQUIREMENT	Statement of Financial Interest
Justice of the Supreme Court	\$200	1,000 (including at least 100 in each of five different counties)	X
Judge of the Superior Court	\$200	1,000 (including at least 100 in each of five different counties)	X
Judge of the Commonwealth Court	\$200	1,000 (including at least 100 in each of five different counties)	X
Common Pleas- Philadelphia	\$100	1,000	X
Common Pleas- Allegheny	\$100	500	X
Common Pleas- all other counties	\$100	250	X
Municipal Court Judge	\$100	1,000	X
FILING PERIOD: 2/18-3/11			

Candidates who file Nomination Papers to access the Municipal Election Ballot

Signature requirements for nomination papers (filed by candidates of minor political parties or political bodies) for those public offices listed above may be obtained by calling the Bureau of Elections, Department of State 210 North Office Building, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17120, at 717-787-5280. For information regarding local offices, contact your county board of elections.



2025 Campaign Finance Reporting Dates

Not applicable to candidates running for Federal offices

Type of Report	Cycle	Complete as of	Filing Deadline**
2024 Annual Report	Cycle 7	December 31, 2024	January 31, 2025
6 th Tuesday Pre-Primary*	Cycle 1	March 31, 2025	April 8, 2025
2 nd Friday Pre-Primary	Cycle 2	May 5, 2025	May 9, 2025
24-Hour Reporting (Daily)	Cycle 10	Starts May 6, 2025	Through and including May 20, 2025
30 Day Post-Primary	Cycle 3	June 9, 2025	June 20, 2025
6 th Tuesday Pre-Election*	Cycle 4	September 15, 2025	September 23, 2025
2 nd Friday Pre-Election	Cycle 5	October 20, 2025	October 24, 2025
24-Hour Reporting (Daily)	Cycle 11	Starts October 21, 2025	Through and including November 4, 2025
30 Day Post-Election	Cycle 6	November 24, 2025	December 4, 2025
2025 Annual Report	Cycle 7	December 31, 2025	February 2, 2026

* You are **only** required to file these reports if you are a **candidate for a statewide office, an authorized committee for such a candidate, or a committee contributing to candidates** for statewide office.

For your report to be accepted as timely filed, you must postmark your report **at least one day prior to the filing deadline.

Your notarized cover page **must be received in our office ten calendar days (including weekends) after the filing deadline. Postmarks will **not** be accepted.

NOTE: All dates are **subject to change** without notice in the event of passage of any amendatory legislation.

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SIXTH TUESDAY PRE-PRIMARY or PRE-ELECTION REPORTS are required to be filed *only* by candidates for statewide office, their authorized candidate committees, and any political committee or lobbyist that has made an expenditure to influence the election of a statewide candidate. In 2025, statewide offices appearing on the ballot include the following:

**JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
JUDGE OF THE COMMONWEALTH COURT**

Political committees/lobbyists that have not made an expenditure to influence the election of a candidate for the statewide offices listed above do not need to file the Sixth Tuesday Pre Primary/Election report.

SECOND FRIDAY PRE- and THIRTY DAY POST-PRIMARY or ELECTION REPORTS are required to be filed by all candidates appearing on the ballot and all political committees and lobbyists that have made expenditures to influence the election of such candidates. In 2025, offices appearing on the ballot include:

**JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT
JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
JUDGE OF THE COMMONWEALTH COURT
JUDGE OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
JUDGE OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT (PHILADELPHIA COUNTY)
ALL LOCAL/MUNICIPAL OFFICES (FILE WITH APPROPRIATE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS)**

ANNUAL REPORTS must be filed by *all* candidates, political committees and contributing lobbyists that have not filed a termination report.

****SPECIAL ELECTIONS**** - In the event of any special election, candidates and committees should contact our bureau regarding reporting requirements and filing deadlines. A separate report will need to be filed for each Special Election Cycle. Special Elections do not follow the reporting dates for Cycles 1-7. Information regarding Special Election reporting dates can be found on our [website](#).

PENALTIES - In accordance with the Campaign Finance Reporting Law, those who file required reports after the filing deadline are assessed a late filing fee of \$20 per day for the first six days that a report is late, and \$10 per day thereafter, up to a maximum penalty of \$250 for each report.

NOTARIZED COVER PAGES - The Department allows ten (10) calendar days for the notarized cover page to be received in our office before the report is marked late. In the event that the notarized cover page is not received timely, a late fee will be assessed *from the date of the report filing deadline*. The Department does not accept postmarks for the cover pages.

POLITICAL COMMITTEE TREASURERS - It is the treasurer's responsibility to file required committee reports. Keep this schedule available for reference prior to each reporting deadline. If you need a reporting form, you may print one from the Department's [website](#) or request one from the bureau. You may also file your report online. From the website, select the link to Campaign Finance and then to Online Filing for more information. Please remember that all reports must include your filer identification number on the cover page.

24 HOUR REPORTING - Section 1628 of the Campaign Expense Reporting Law, 25 P.S. § 3248, requires any candidate or political committee, authorized by a candidate and created solely for the purpose of influencing an election on behalf of that candidate, which receives any contribution or pledge of five hundred dollars (\$500) or more, or any person making an independent expenditure of five hundred dollars (\$500) or more after the final pre-election/pre-primary report has been deemed completed shall report such contribution or expenditure to the appropriate supervisor. The candidate, chairperson or treasurer of the political committee shall send the report of late contributions within twenty-four (24) hours of receipt of the contribution. The same shall apply to persons making independent expenditures. The bureau will accept the filing of *24 Hour Reports* by facsimile at 717-705-0721, via e-mail at: ra-stcampaignfinance@pa.gov or [online](#). The filing of reports by facsimile or e-mail is permitted only for *24 Hour Reports*; it is not permitted for filing other campaign finance reports. The filing of late contribution reports does not remove the obligation to also report those contributions on the appropriate post-election/post-primary expense report filing and they should also be included in a post-election report. Please contact our office for specific reporting dates for late contribution reports.

QUESTIONS - If you have any questions about Pennsylvania's Campaign Finance Reporting Law or reporting requirements, please direct them to the bureau's Division of Campaign Finance at 717-787-5280, option 4 or via e-mail at ra-stcampaignfinance@pa.gov.