

**PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION CALENDAR
NOVEMBER 3, 2020**

All section references are to the California Elections Code unless stated otherwise. Gov't references the California Government Code; Ed. references the California Education Code.

**March 17, 2020
(E-231)**

AMENDED CANDIDATE INTENTION STATEMENT

(LEGISLATIVE CANDIDATES): Last day to file an amended Candidate Intention Statement (Form 501) to accept the expenditure ceiling for the General Election if the voluntary expenditure ceiling was rejected in the Primary Election, but not exceeded during that election. The filing of an amended Form 501 allows State Senator and Member of the Assembly candidates to qualify to purchase space for a 250-word candidate statement in the county Voter Information Guide.

Gov't §§ 85200, 85400, 85401, 85600, 85601(c)

**April 24, 2020
through
August 7, 2020
(E-193 – 88)**

INDEPENDENT PRESIDENTIAL ELECTOR CANDIDATES-

NOMINATION PAPERS: Period in which independent Presidential Elector candidates shall circulate nomination papers to obtain signatures and submit them to the county elections official for examination.

§ 8403(a)(2)

**June 8, 2020
(E-148)**

GOVERNOR'S PROCLAMATION – ISSUANCE:

By this date, the Governor shall issue a proclamation calling the General Election and shall state the time of the election and the offices to be filled 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.

§ 12000

**June 26, 2020
(E-130)**

CONSOLIDATION OF ELECTIONS – SCHOOLS:

Last day for the County Superintendent of Schools to notify governing boards in writing that a consolidated election is required to be held. Applies when there are two or more school districts of any type in the same area.

Ed. §§ 5323, 5340

**July 1, 2020
(E-125)**

BOUNDARY MAP:

Last day for secretary of a district to file with the Registrar of Voters a map showing the boundaries of the district and the divisions, if any, and a statement indicating in which division a director is to be elected and whether the directors will be elected at large or by division.

§ 10522

**July 1, 2020
(E-125)**

NOTICE OF ELECTIVE OFFICES:

District Secretary's transmittal form must be filed with the Registrar of Voters by this date. The notice shall bear the secretary's signature and the district seal and

must contain: (a) The elective offices of the district to be filled at the next general district election; and (b) Whether the district or the candidate is to pay for the publication of a Candidate's Statement of Qualifications pursuant to Elections Code Section 13307. **§ 10509**

**July 3, 2020
(E-123)**

SPECIFICATIONS OF ELECTION ORDER: At least 123 days before the election, the governing board of the school district shall by resolution, delivered to the County Superintendent of Schools and the Registrar of Voters, indicate: (a) The date of the election; and (b) The purpose of the election. **Ed. §§ 5320, 5322**

**July 6, 2020
(E-120)**

DELIVER NOTICE OF ELECTION TO THE REGISTRAR OF VOTERS: At least 120 days prior to the date of the election, the County Superintendent of Schools shall deliver to the Registrar of Voters copies of the Order of Election and the formal Notice of Election. **Ed. §§ 5324, 5325, 5361**

**July 6, 2020
through
August 5, 2020
(E-120 – 90)**

NOTICE OF ELECTION: The Registrar of Voters must publish once in a newspaper of general circulation the Notice of Election. The notice shall contain the date of the election; the offices for which candidates may file; the qualifications for each office; when and where Declarations of Candidacy may be obtained; and that appointment to each elective office will be made as prescribed by Elections Code Section 10515 in the event there are no nominees or an insufficient number of nominees for such office and a petition for an election is not filed within the time period prescribed by Elections Code Section 10515.

The Registrar of Voters shall deliver a copy of the published notice to each district secretary, who shall post it in the district office. **§§ 12112, 12113, Ed. §§ 5361, 5363**

**July 6, 2020
through
August 5, 2020
(E-120 – 90)**

GENERAL PRESS RELEASE: Between these dates, the Registrar of Voters shall issue a general press release which shall set forth the district elective offices to be filled and a telephone number that voters may use to obtain information for the elective district office. **§ 12112**

**July 13, 2020
through
August 7, 2020
(E-113 – 88)**

NOMINATION PERIOD: Declaration of Candidacy forms for all school and special district offices may be obtained from and must be filed with the Registrar of Voters' office from July 13, 2020 through August 5, 2020, 5:00 p.m. **§§ 10407, 10510, 10516, 10603, 10604**

No person shall be considered a legally qualified candidate for any office unless that person has filed a Declaration of Candidacy or a

Statement of Write-in Candidacy with the elections official.

§§ 8020, 10501, 10602

EXCEPTION: If an incumbent who is eligible for re-election fails to file a Declaration of Candidacy by **August 7, 2020**, the filing period is extended to **August 12, 2020, 5:00 p.m.** for all qualified persons other than the incumbent.

§§ 10407, 10516, 10604

**July 13, 2020
through
August 7, 2020
(E-113 – 88)**

SCHOOL AND SPECIAL DISTRICT CANDIDATES'

STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS: Each candidate may prepare a statement on a form provided by the Registrar of Voters office. The statement may contain no more than 200 words, unless the governing body of the local agency has authorized the statement to contain 400 words. The statement must be filed at the same time the Declaration of Candidacy is filed. **The statement may be withdrawn, but not changed, during the nomination period and until 5:00 p.m. of the next working day after the close of the nomination period.**

§ 13307

If the nomination period is extended because an incumbent eligible for re-election failed to file a Declaration of Candidacy, a candidate filing during the extended filing period may file a Candidate's Statement. Candidates for that contest who filed statements during the regular filing period and those who filed statements during the extended timeframe may withdraw their statements the next working day after the close of the extended filing period for that office. **A Candidate's Statement may not be changed.**

§§ 10516, 10604, 13307(a)(3)

**July 13, 2020
through
August 7, 2020
(E-113 – 88)**

CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR

CONGRESSIONAL OFFICES: All candidates for Congressional offices may prepare a Candidate's Statement, not to exceed 250 words. The statement must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 88th day prior to the election. All statements may be submitted on the form provided by the county elections official of each county in which the candidate wishes to have his/her statement printed. Cost of providing statements to voters shall be paid by the candidates. **Congressional candidates do not need to voluntarily agree to expenditure limits to prepare a Candidate's Statement.**

§ 13307.5

NOTE: If a Congressional candidate desires to have the same Candidate's Statement printed in the General Election's Voter Information Guide as printed in the Presidential Primary Guide, he/she must re-file the statement and pay the amount to do so.

**July 13, 2020
through
August 7, 2020
(E-113 – 88)**

CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR

LEGISLATIVE OFFICES: Pursuant to Proposition 34 adopted by the voters in November of 2000, all candidates for State elective offices as specified in Government Code section 82053 **who have voluntarily agreed to expenditure limits may prepare a Candidate's**

Statement. They must agree to the expenditure limits no later than March 17, 2020, 5:00 p.m. Gov't § 85601

The statement must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 88th day prior to the election. All statements may be submitted electronically to the county elections official of each county in which the candidate wishes to have his/her statement printed. Cost of providing statements to voters shall be paid by the candidates. **Gov't § 85601**

NOTE: If a State Legislative candidate desires to have the **same** Candidate's Statement printed in the General Election's Voter Information Guide as printed in the Presidential Primary Election Guide, he/she must re-file the statement and pay the amount to do so.

**July 13, 2020
through
August 7, 2020
(E-113 – 88)**

**CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS
MAY MAKE NO REFERENCE TO ANOTHER CANDIDATE:**

In addition to the restrictions set forth in Section 13307, a Candidate's Statement for any office submitted pursuant to Section 13307 shall be limited to a recitation of the candidate's own personal background and qualifications, and **shall not in any way make reference to other candidates for that office or to another candidate's qualifications, character, or activities.**

The elections official shall not cause to be printed or circulated any statement that the elections official determines is not so limited or that includes any reference prohibited by this section. **§ 13308**

**July 13, 2020
through
August 7, 2020
(E-113 – 88)**

COST OF A CANDIDATE'S STATEMENT:

The Registrar of Voters will require each candidate filing a candidate's statement to pay in advance as a condition of having his/her statement included in the Voter Information Guide. The cost is calculated to recover expenses for translation into required languages, typesetting, printing and labor in the processing of candidate's statements. This amount must be paid when the candidate statement is filed. **§ 13307**

**July 13, 2020
through
August 7, 2020
(E-113 – 88)**

CONFIDENTIALITY OF CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS:

The Candidate's Statement is confidential until after the expiration of the filing period, **August 7, 2020, 5:00 p.m.**, or in the event that a contest's filing period is extended, **August 12, 2020, 5:00 p.m.** Copies of all Candidates' Statements will be available for public inspection at the Registrar of Voters' office and on its website for 10 days prior to being submitted for printing. **§§ 13311, 13313**

**July 28, 2020
(E-98)**

CHANGE OF CANDIDATE'S DESIGNATION ON THE

BALLOT: The last day that any candidate may request in writing a different Ballot Designation than that used at the Presidential Primary Election. The written request shall be accompanied by a Ballot Designation Worksheet and should be made to **both** the Secretary of State and the Registrar of Voters for state offices.

July 31, 2020
(E-95)
(Date fixed by law)

SEMI-ANNUAL CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

The last day to file semi-annual campaign disclosure statements by all elected officers, candidates, and committees for the period ending **June 30, 2020.** Gov't §§ 84200, 84218

August 5, 2020
through
November 2, 2020
(E-90 – 1)

LATE CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION REPORTING

PERIOD: Contributions received of \$1,000 or more per source must be reported within 24 hours during this period. Gov't § 84204

August 7, 2020
(E-88)

LAST DAY TO REQUEST CONSOLIDATION OF ELECTION WITH PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION:

Resolution requesting consolidation with the Presidential General Election must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. this date. **This includes resolutions to place local measures on the General Election ballot.** § 10403

August 7, 2020
(E-88)

DEADLINE FOR MEASURE DOCUMENTS TO BE CONSOLIDATED WITH PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL

ELECTION: Last day for county, school and special districts' measure documents to be filed with the Registrar of Voters' office, including the Resolution to consolidate the election, the Text, Impartial Analysis, Fiscal Impact Statement (if applicable), Bond Project List (if applicable), and Direct Arguments.

§§ 9163, 9316, 9502

Last day* for city clerks to file municipal measure documents with the Registrar of Voters' office, including the Resolution to consolidate the election, the Text, Impartial Analysis, Fiscal Impact Statement (if applicable), Bond Project List (if applicable), and Direct Arguments.

*If arguments are filed with the city clerk on **August 7, 2020**, the deadline for the city clerks to file these arguments with the Registrar of Voters' office is extended to **August 10, 2020.** § 9286

Whenever any ballot arguments for or against any measure submitted to the voters for approval are authorized, these arguments may be withdrawn by their proponents at any time prior to and including the final date for filing arguments with the appropriate filing officer. § 9601

NOTE: There will be a **public review period** of 10-calendar days immediately following the filing deadline for submission of a measure's Text, Impartial Analysis, and Direct Arguments. County, School, and Special District measure documents will be available for review at the Registrar of Voters' office on Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and will be posted on the Registrar of Voters' website.

During this timeframe, any person may file a writ of mandate or an injunction to require any or all of the material to be amended or deleted. The writ of mandate or injunction request shall be filed no later than the end of the 10-calendar-day examination period. §§ 9190, 9380, 9509

The 10-calendar-day public review period for municipal measure documents will be conducted by the City Clerk. § 9295

**August 7, 2020
(E-88)**

DEADLINE TO FILE DECLARATIONS OF CANDIDACY

AND CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS: Last day to file Declarations of Candidacy and Candidates' Statements with the Registrar of Voters' office. §§ 10510, 10603, 13307

**August 7, 2020
(E-88)**

CANDIDATE'S WITHDRAWAL: No candidate who has filed a Declaration of Candidacy may withdraw as a candidate after 5:00 p.m. on this date. §§ 10510, 10516, 10603, 10604

**August 8, 2020
through
August 12, 2020
(E-87 – 83)**

EXTENSION OF NOMINATION PERIOD IF INCUMBENT

FAILS TO FILE: If an incumbent who is eligible to file for re-election fails to file his/her Declaration of Candidacy by **August 7, 2020**, there is a 5-day extension allowed for any qualified person other than the incumbent to file for the office.

NOTE: There is no extension of the filing period for any office where there is no incumbent eligible to be elected. §§ 10516, 10604

**August 8, 2020
through
August 17, 2020
(E-87 – 78)**

PUBLIC REVIEW FOR CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS

OF QUALIFICATIONS AND BALLOT DESIGNATIONS:

During this period, Candidates' Statements of Qualifications and Ballot Designations will be available for public examination. These Candidates' Statements and Ballot Designations will be available for review at the Registrar of Voters' office on Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and will be posted on the Registrar of Voters' website. During this timeframe, any person may file a writ of mandate or an injunction to require any or all of the material in a Candidate's Statement to be amended or deleted. For candidate names and Ballot Designations, a writ may also be filed only upon clear and convincing proof that the material in question is false, misleading, or inconsistent with requirements. §§ 13313, 13314

Note: If the nomination period is extended for a particular office, the examination period for that office shall be adjusted to **August 13 through August 21, 2020.** § 13313

August 12, 2020

PETITION TO HOLD ELECTION: Last day, if nominees do not

(E-83)

exceed offices to be filled, to file with the Registrar of Voters a petition requesting the election to be held. Petition must be signed by 10% of the voters or 50 voters, whichever is the smaller number, in the district or division. **§ 10515, Ed. § 5326**

August 12, 2020

(E-83)

POLITICAL PARTY ENDORSEMENTS: Last day for a State Chair of a qualified political party to submit to the county elections official a list of all candidates for voter-nominated office who will appear on any ballot in the county in question, and who have been endorsed by the party. The county elections official shall print any such list that is timely received in the official Voter Information Guide. **§ 13302(b)**

August 12, 2020

(E-83)

DEADLINE TO AMEND OR WITHDRAW A MEASURE: Last day for the county elections official to receive a resolution from a legislative body requesting to withdraw or amend a measure previously submitted for placement on the ballot. **§ 9605**

August 13, 2020

(11:00 a.m.)

(E-82)

(Secretary of State and Registrar of Voters)

RANDOMIZED ALPHABET DRAWING: On this day, the Secretary of State shall conduct a drawing of the letters of the alphabet, the result of which shall be known as the randomized alphabet, to determine the order in which candidates appear on the General Election ballot. The Registrar of Voters shall also conduct a drawing of the letters of the alphabet to determine the ballot order for candidates for State legislative offices when the district includes more than one county. **§§ 13111(i), 13112**

August 13, 2020

through

August 21, 2020*

(E-82 – 74)

PUBLIC REVIEW FOR CANDIDATES' STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATIONS AND BALLOT DESIGNATIONS IF NOMINATION PERIOD HAS BEEN EXTENDED: Public review period for Candidates' Statements of Qualifications and Ballot Designations filed during the extended filing period. These documents will be available for review at the Registrar of Voters' office on Monday through Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and will be posted on the Registrar of Voters' website. During this timeframe, any person may file a writ of mandate or an injunction to require any or all of the material in a Candidate's Statement to be amended or deleted. For candidate names and Ballot Designations, a writ may also be filed only upon clear and convincing proof that the material in question is false, misleading, or inconsistent with requirements. **§§ 13313, 13314**

****Per § 15: Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if the last day for the performance of any act provided for or required by this code shall be a holiday, the act may be performed upon the next business day. Gov't Code § 6702 states: Saturdays are holidays only after 12:00 p.m. The express language of Elections Code section 15 refers to the "last day", meaning the whole day must be a holiday in order for the extension to apply. Since the deadline is***

a Saturday -- a half-day – it is not considered a holiday. Therefore, there is no extension of time to the following Monday. The extended filing period deadline must be Friday, August 21, 2020, 5:00 p.m.

**August 27, 2020
(E-68)**

CERTIFIED LIST OF CANDIDATES AND ROTATION

LIST: The last day for the Secretary of State to certify and send to each county elections official a list by public office showing the name, party preference (or lack of party preference), and Ballot Designation of every person who has received the nomination as a candidate for public office and is entitled to receive votes within the county at the General Election. **§§ 8148, 8149, 13111**

**August 27, 2020
(E-68)**

FILLING A VACANCY ON THE BALLOT: No vacancy on the ballot for a nonpartisan office at a General Election shall be filled except by reason of the death occurring at least 68 days before the date of the General Election. **§ 8803(a)**

Whenever a candidate has been nominated at any Primary Election after having filed a Declaration of Candidacy, the name of the candidate shall be printed upon the ballot for the ensuing General Election unless the candidate has died and that fact has been ascertained by the officer charged with the duty of printing the ballots, at least 68 days before the day of the election. **§ 8810**

NOTE: No vacancy on the ballot for a voter-nominated office at a General Election shall be filled. If a candidate who is entitled to appear on the General Election ballot dies, the name of that candidate shall appear on the General Election ballot and any votes cast for that candidate shall be counted in determining the results of the election for that office. If the deceased candidate receives a majority of the votes cast for the office, he or she shall be considered elected to that office and the office shall be considered vacant at the beginning of the term for which the candidate was elected. The vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as if the candidate had died after taking office for that term. **§ 8803(b)**

**September 4, 2020
(E-60)**

MILITARY OR OVERSEAS VOTERS' BALLOT

APPLICATIONS: The first day the county elections official may process applications for military or overseas voters' ballots. Any applications received by the county elections official prior to this day shall be kept and processed on or after this date. If the applicant is not a resident of the county to which he or she has applied, the elections official receiving the application shall forward it immediately to the proper county.

NOTE: A request for a vote-by mail ballot from a military or overseas voter will be deemed an affidavit of registration and an application for permanent vote-by-mail status.

§§ 300(b), 321, 3101, 3102, 3103, 3105

**September 4, 2020
through
November 3, 2020
(E-60 – 0)**

LIST OF VOTE-BY-MAIL VOTERS: First day CDs are available for purchase indicating all voters who have been issued a military or overseas vote-by-mail ballot. After **October 5, 2020**, all permanent vote-by-mail voters who have been issued a vote-by-mail ballot will be available on CD.

**September 7, 2020
through
October 20, 2020
(E-57 – 14)**

WRITE-IN CANDIDATES -- NONPARTISAN OFFICES: First day the Statement of Write-in Candidacy is available for a write-in candidate. It must be filed with the Registrar of Voters' office by **October 20, 2020, 5:00 p.m.** **There are no write-in candidates for voter-nominated offices on the General Election ballot.**

§§ 8600, 8601

**September 19, 2020
(E-45)
(Date fixed by law)**

MILITARY OR OVERSEAS VOTERS' BALLOTS: Last day for the county elections official to mail ballots to absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters.

§ 3114 (a) (b), 42 U.S.C. § 1973ff-1 (MOVE Act)

**September 24, 2020
through
October 13, 2020
(E-40 – 21)**

STATE AND COUNTY MAILINGS: Between these dates, State Voter Information Guides will be mailed directly to voters by the Secretary of State and the Registrar of Voters will mail County Voter Information Guides.

§§ 9094(a), 13300, 13303, 13304

**September 24, 2020
(E-40)
(Date fixed by law)**

FIRST PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE

STATEMENTS DUE: The last day to file campaign disclosure statements for candidates and committees covering the period of **July 1, 2020 through September 19, 2020.**

Gov't §§ 84200.5

**October 5, 2020
through
October 27, 2020
(E-29 – 7)**

VOTE-BY-MAIL VOTING: Applications for vote-by-mail ballots available during this period from the Registrar of Voters' office.

§§ 3001, 3003, 3006, 3010, 3102, 3206

**October 5, 2020
through
November 3, 2020
(E-29 – 0)**

VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT APPLICATIONS FOR OUT-OF-

STATE EMERGENCY WORKERS: Period within which, upon the declaration of an out-of-state emergency by the Governor and the issuance of an executive order authorizing an out-of-state emergency worker to cast a ballot outside of his or her home precinct, an out-of-state emergency worker may request and vote a vote-by-mail ballot, which must be delivered to the elections official by mail or by hand, on or before the close of polls on Election Day. **§§ 336.7, 3021.5**

**October 5, 2020
(E-29)**

BALLOT DROP-OFF LOCATIONS: Beginning 29 days before the day of the election and through election day, all ballot drop-off locations open. **§§ 4005(a)(1)(A)&(B)**

**October 19, 2020
(E-15)**

LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN GENERAL

ELECTION: Last day to register to vote in the General Election. The Voter Registration Form shall be mailed (postmarked by this date) or delivered to the county elections official by this date and is effective upon receipt. The Voter Registration Form may also be submitted by this date to the Department of Motor Vehicles or any National Voter Registration Act designated agency.

NOTE: Last day for military or overseas voters to register to vote, to request a vote-by-mail ballot, and to send it to the county elections official. A request for a vote-by-mail ballot from a military or overseas voter will be deemed an affidavit of registration and an application for permanent vote-by-mail status. When a county elections official receives and approves an application from a military or overseas voter, the official must provide that voter with vote-by-mail ballots for each subsequent election in the state unless the voter fails to vote in four consecutive statewide general elections.

52 USCA § 20301; §§ 300(b), 321, 2102, 2170, 3102, 3206

**October 20, 2020
through
November 3, 2020
(E-14 – 0)**

CONDITIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION PERIOD:

During the period 14 days prior to Election Day and including Election Day, an individual can go to the office of his/her county elections official to conditionally register to vote and vote a provisional ballot.

§§ 2170, 2171, 2172, 2173

**October 20, 2020
(E-14 – E)**

DEADLINE FOR WRITE-IN CANDIDATES TO FILE:

Last day for write-in candidates to file the Statement of Write-in Candidacy by 5:00 p.m. with the Registrar of Voters' office.

§ 8601

**October 20, 2020
(E-14 – E)**

NEW CITIZEN REGISTRATION PERIOD: A new citizen is eligible to register and vote at the office of, or at another location designated by the county elections official, at any time beginning on **October 20, 2020** and ending at the close of polls on **November 3, 2020**.

§§ 331, 3500

A new citizen registering to vote after the close of registration shall provide the county elections official with proof of citizenship prior to voting and shall declare that he or she has established residency in California.

§ 3501

The ballots of new citizens shall be received and canvassed at the same time and under the same procedure as vote-by-mail voter ballots.

§ 3502

**October 20, 2020
(E-14)**

VOTE-BY-MAIL BOARDS COMMENCE TO PROCESS

VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS: Processing of vote-by-mail ballots may begin on the tenth business day prior to the election. Processing vote-by-mail ballots includes opening vote-by-mail ballot return envelopes, removing ballots, duplicating any damaged ballots, and preparing ballots to be machine read, but under no circumstances may a vote count be accessed or released until 8:00 p.m. on the day of the election. **§ 15101**

**October 22, 2020
(E-12)**

SECOND PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE

STATEMENTS DUE: The last day to file campaign disclosure statements for candidates and committees covering the period ending **October 17, 2020**.

Candidates being voted upon, their controlled committees, and committees primarily formed to support or oppose a candidate or measure must file the second pre-election paper statement by guaranteed overnight mail or personal delivery, in addition to any electronic filing requirements. **Gov't §§ 84200.5, 84200.8, 84218**

**October 30, 2020
(E-4)**

VOTE CENTERS OPEN: Beginning 4 days before the day of the Election and continuing daily up to Election Day, vote centers are open to the public. **§§ 3108, 4005(a)(3)(A)**

**November 3, 2020
(E-0)**

ELECTION DAY: Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Ballots will be centrally counted at the Registrar of Voters' office. **§§ 1000(c), 14212, 4005(3)(A)**

**November 3, 2020
(E-0)**

VOTE-BY-MAIL VOTER BALLOTS RETURNED: Deadline for the Registrar of Voters to receive a vote-by-mail ballot in person is **November 3, 2020, 8:00 p.m.** A voter may deliver his/her vote-by-mail ballot in person to any Vote Center or Ballot Drop Box in the county by the close of the polls on Election Day. If a voter is unable to return the ballot, he/she may designate another person to return the ballot. **§§ 3017, 3020, 14212**

Last day a military or overseas voter who is living outside of the United States (or is called for military service within the United States after **October 27, 2020**), may return his/her ballot by facsimile transmission. To be counted, the ballot returned by facsimile transmission must be received by the elections official no later than Election Day, 8:00 p.m. and must be accompanied by an identification envelope and a signed Oath of Declaration. **§§ 3101(e), 3106, 3116.5**

IMPORTANT: A mailed, voted ballot will count only if the identification envelope is signed, dated and postmarked no later than Election Day, November 3, 2020, and it is received no later than three (3) days after Election Day, November 6, 2020, 8:00 p.m. **§§ 3017, 3020**

**November 3, 2020
(E-0)**

SEMI-OFFICIAL CANVASS OF ELECTION RETURNS:

Beginning at 8:00 p.m. and continuously until completed, the Registrar of Voters shall conduct the semi-official canvass of votes and report totals to the Secretary of State at least every two hours.

§§ 15150, 15151

**November 3, 2020
(E-0)**

MILITARY OR OVERSEAS VOTERS RETURNING TO COUNTY OF REGISTRATION:

Any registered military or overseas voter who has returned to his or her county of registration on or before this day, and to whom a vote-by-mail ballot has been mailed but not voted, may apply for a second vote-by-mail ballot. The elections official shall require him or her to sign an authorization to cancel the vote-by-mail ballot previously issued, and shall then issue another vote-by-mail ballot to the voter or certify to the precinct board that the voter is eligible to vote in the precinct polling place of his or her residence. **§ 3109**

An unregistered military or overseas voter who was released from service after the close of registration, **October 19, 2020**, and who has returned to his or her county of residence may apply in person to register with the county elections official and vote in the election. Documentary proof of release from service is required. On or before the day of the election, the county elections official shall deliver to the precinct board a list of military or overseas voters registered under Elections Code Section 3108. **§§ 300(b), 321, 3108**

A military or overseas voter who returns to the county after **October 27, 2020** may appear before the county elections official and apply for registration, a vote-by-mail ballot, or both. The county elections official shall register the voter, if not registered, and shall deliver a vote-by-mail ballot which may be voted in, or outside, the county elections official's office on or before the close of the polls on Election Day and returned as are other voted vote-by-mail ballots. **§ 3110**

**November 4, 2020
(E+1)**

COMMENCE OFFICIAL CANVASS OF ELECTION

RETURNS: The Registrar of Voters will begin the official canvass of the precinct returns. **§§ 15301, 15372**

**November 13, 2020
(E+10)**

PROVISIONAL BALLOTS OF EMERGENCY WORKERS:

On or before **November 3, 2020**, if the Governor declares a

State of Emergency, a provisional ballot cast by an emergency worker outside of his or her home precinct must be received by the county elections official where the voter is registered. The elections official shall transmit for processing any ballot cast no later than the close of polls on Election Day by an emergency worker in a declared state of emergency, including any materials necessary to process the ballot, to the elections official in the county where the voter is registered to vote.

§ 14313

**November 18, 2020
(E+15)**

POST-ELECTION FILING FOR COUNTY OFFICE

CANDIDATES: Last day to file post-filing campaign disclosure statements for all county candidates and committees for the period through **November 13, 2020.** Orange County Ordinance §1-6-28

**November 20, 2020
(E+17)**

VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS – LAST DAY TO BE COUNTED

Any vote-by-mail ballot cast shall be deemed timely if it is received by the elections official via the United States Postal Service or a bona fide private mail delivery company by the seventeenth day after Election Day (**November 20, 2020**) if the ballot is postmarked on or before Election Day.

**December 3, 2020
(E+30)**

COMPLETE CANVASS OF OFFICIAL RETURNS AND

CERTIFY RESULTS BY THIS DATE: No later than this date, the county elections official must complete the canvass, certify its results, and submit it to the Board of Supervisors. § 15372

This is also the suggested deadline for the Board of Supervisors to declare the winners for each office and the results of each measure under its jurisdiction. §§ 15400, 15401

**December 4, 2020
(E+31)**

DATE OF TAKING OFFICE – SPECIAL DISTRICT

DIRECTORS: Elected Special District Directors take office on the first Friday in December after the General Election, after taking the official oath and executing such bond as may be required. § 10554

**December 4, 2020
(E+31)**

STATEMENT OF RESULTS TO SECRETARY OF STATE:

By this date, the county elections official shall send to the Secretary of State, in an electronic format, one complete copy of the returns for all candidates voted for at the General Election, including Representatives in Congress, State Constitutional Officers, Members of Congress, Members of the State Assembly, and for all statewide ballot measures. §§ 15374, 15375

**December 5, 2020
(E+32)**

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION: Approximately on this date, the elections official shall make and deliver to each person elected under its jurisdiction, a certificate of election signed by the elections official. § 15401

December 11, 2020
(E+38)

DATE OF TAKING OFFICE – SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS:

Elected School Board Members take office on the second Friday in December after the General Election.
Ed § 5017

January 4, 2021
(E+62)

DATE OF TAKING OFFICE – COUNTY OFFICERS:

Elected County Officers take office at noon on the first Monday after January 1st succeeding their election.
Gov't § 24200

January 31, 2021
(Dated fixed by law)
(E+89)

SEMI-ANNUAL CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

DUE: Last day to file semi-annual campaign disclosure statements for all candidates and committees for the period through December 31, 2020.
Gov't §§ 84200, 84218

NOTE: Candidates for federal office should contact the Federal Election Commission at the address or toll-free telephone number below to obtain information regarding campaign disclosure filing requirements and the forms on which to file.

Federal Election Commission
1050 First Street N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20002
Phone 800-424-9530; info@fec.gov