

# GENERAL ELECTION CALENDAR -- NOVEMBER 5, 2002

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Oct 29 to  
Nov 7, 2001  
*Refer to Primary  
Election calendar*

1. Declarations of Intention - Independent Candidates for State Constitutional, Legislative Offices, and Insurance Commissioner

Independent candidates for state and legislative offices must file declarations of intention during the pre-primary filing period. §8350

*NOTE: This activity occurs prior to the March 5, 2002 Primary Election.*

Nov 8 to  
Nov 12, 2001  
*Refer to Primary  
Election Calendar*

2. Declarations of Intention - Extension Period for Independent Candidates for State Constitutional, Legislative Offices, and Insurance Commissioner

If the incumbent officer has not filed a Declaration of Intention to succeed to the same office, then any other person may file such a Declaration during this extension of the pre-primary filing period. §§8022, 8350

*NOTE: This activity occurs prior to the March 5, 2002 Primary Election.*

Apr 26 to  
Jul 25, 2002  
(E-193 to E-103)

3. Signatures in Lieu of Filing Fees - Independent Candidates for U.S. House of Representatives

During this period, any independent candidate for U.S. House of Representatives may obtain his or her forms from the county elections official for circulating petitions to secure signatures in lieu of all or part of the filing fee. Signatures may also be applied to the signature requirements for office on the nomination paper.

§§8105, 8106, 8302, 8405

Jun 1-Jul 31, 2002  
(Dates fixed by law)

4. Signatures in Lieu of Filing Fees - Supreme and Appellate Courts

Between these dates, any Justice of the Supreme or Appellate Court may obtain his or her forms from the county elections official for circulating petitions and securing signatures in lieu of all or part of the filing fee.

Cal. Const. Art. VI, §16(d); Elec. Code §8106

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Jun 10 to  
Aug 9, 2002  
7 p.m.  
(E-148 to E-88)

5. Independent Candidates - Elections Official's Verification Method

Between these dates, the Secretary of State is to receive actual notice of the total number of signatures submitted in each county and the method of verification to be used. Notice must be received within two working days of the final deposit of petition sections, or close of the circulation period, whichever is earlier, but in no event later than 7 p.m. on August 9. Cal. Code Regs., Title 2, §20087

Jun 10 to  
Aug 9, 2002  
(E-148 to E-88)

6. Independent Candidates - Nomination Papers - Office for which there is a Filing Fee

Between these dates, independent candidates shall circulate nomination papers and submit them to the county elections official for examination. If the candidate is filing for a district office and if the district falls within two or more counties, the county elections official shall report in writing within two working days to the Secretary of State the total number of signatures submitted.

Supplemental signatures-in-lieu-of-filing-fee must be filed during this period. Any registered voter may sign an in-lieu-of-filing-fee petition for any candidate for whom he or she is eligible to vote. §§8106(b)(1)

Independent candidates for specified offices must have filed declarations of intention or they may not file nomination papers (See item #1). §§8350, 8403, 8454

Jun 10, 2002  
(E-148)

7. 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

Jun 27, 2002  
(E-131)

8. Initiative Measure Qualification Deadline

The last day for an initiative measure to qualify for the

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general election ballot.

Cal. Const. Art. II, §8(c); Elec. Code §9013

Jun 27, 2002  
(E-131)

9. Legislative Measure Qualification Deadline

The last day for the Legislature to adopt a constitutional amendment, bond measure or other legislative measure in order for the proposed measure to appear on the general election ballot. §9040

Jul 1, 2002  
(E-127)

10. State Measures - News Release Inviting Arguments

On this date, the Secretary of State will issue a general news release requesting voters to submit an argument in each case where either the argument for or against any measure has not been prepared and filed. §§9060-9063

Jul 9, 2002  
(E-119)

11. State Measures - Arguments Submission Deadline

By this day, legislators and their appointee(s) must submit to the Secretary of State their arguments for and against each legislative measure that qualifies by June 27 (E-131). This is also the last day for proponents of each initiative measure to submit their arguments to the Secretary of State. Once submitted, the arguments may not be changed or amended. §9043

Whenever the Legislature submits any measure to the voters of the state, the author of the measure and no more than two persons appointed by the author may draft an argument for its adoption, or the author of the measure may appoint no more than three persons to draft the argument. This argument shall not exceed 500 words in length. If the author of the measure desires separate arguments to be written in its favor by each person appointed, separate arguments may be written, but the combined length shall not exceed 500 words. §9041

If a legislative measure was not adopted unanimously, one member of each house who voted against it shall be appointed by the presiding officers of the respective houses to write an argument against the measure. This argument shall not exceed 500 words in length. §9042

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If those members appointed to write an argument against the measure so choose, each may write a separate argument opposing it, but the combined length of the two arguments shall not exceed 500 words. §9042

If legislators and their appointee(s) do not file an argument for or against any legislative measure, any voter may request the Secretary of State for permission to prepare and file an argument for either side of any such measure on which no argument has been prepared. The Secretary of State shall grant permission unless two or more voters request permission to submit arguments on the same side of a measure, in which event the Secretary of State shall designate one of the voters to write the argument. §§9044, 9067

Proponents of initiatives are given preference in submitting ballot arguments on their measures. Opposing arguments are solicited from the public, with priority given to bona fide associations of citizens, followed by individual voters, when more than one argument is submitted against the initiative measures. §§9062, 9067

Jul 10, 2002  
(E-118)

12. State Measures - Arguments Selected and Exchanged

If more than one argument for or against any measure has been filed by this date, the Secretary of State will select arguments for inclusion in the ballot pamphlet and will exchange arguments with the opposing authors so that they may prepare and submit rebuttal arguments not exceeding 250 words. §§9067, 9069

Jul 15, 2002  
(E-113)

13. Candidate Statements Due

Last day candidate's statement and picture for publication in the state ballot pamphlet will be accepted by the Secretary of State.

Jul 16 to  
Aug 15, 2002  
(Dates fixed by law)

14. Declaration of Candidacy - Supreme and Appellate Court Justices

Between these dates, each Justice of the Supreme and Appellate Court who must stand for confirmation at the general election may file a declaration of candidacy with the

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Secretary of State. The nonrefundable filing fee must be paid at the time the declaration of candidacy is filed.

Cal. Const., Art. VI, § 16; Elec. Code §§8103, 8105

Jul 19, 2002  
(E-109)

15. State Measures -Titles, Summaries, Analyses, Text, and Bond Statement Deadline

The Attorney General, Legislative Analyst and Legislative Counsel are asked to provide, no later than this date, all official titles, summaries, analyses, texts, and statements of bonded indebtedness for the measures that have qualified for the general election ballot so that the Secretary of State has sufficient time to translate the ballot pamphlet into any appropriate minority languages as well as to prepare copy for public display.

§§9050, 9087, 9088, 9091

Jul 19, 2002  
(E-109)

16. State Measures - Rebuttal Arguments Submission Deadline

The last day rebuttal arguments for or against ballot measures qualified for the general election ballot may be submitted. The arguments shall not exceed 250 words.

§§9044, 9069

Jul 23 to  
Aug 12, 2002  
(E-105 to E-85)

17. State Ballot Pamphlet Available for Public Examination

During this period, the ballot pamphlet for the general election will be available for public examination.

Govt. Code §88006; Elec. Code §9092

Jul 30, 2002  
(E-98)

18. Change of Candidate's Designation on Ballot

The last day that any candidate may request in writing a different ballot designation than that used at the primary election. This request should be made to both the Secretary of State and the county elections official.

§13107(e)

Jul 31, 2002  
(Date fixed by law)

19. Signatures in Lieu of Filing Fees - Supreme and Appellate Courts

The last day for Justices of the Supreme and Appellate Courts to turn in their petitions to the county elections official of the county in which the petition signers reside and are registered to vote. The county elections official shall notify the candidate of any deficiency within ten days

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following receipt of the petitions. The candidate may then cover the deficiency either by submitting a supplemental petition or by paying a prorated portion of the filing fee not later than August 15, 2002. §8106

Jul 31, 2002

20. Campaign Statement - Semiannual

The last day to file semiannual campaign statements for candidates and committees. Govt. Code §§84200, 84218

Jul 31, 2002

21. Supplemental Independent Expenditure Report

Last day to file supplemental independent expenditure reports for committees making independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more in a calendar year to support or oppose a candidate or measure. Independent expenditure reports are filed at the same time, and in the same places, as if the filer were primarily formed to support or oppose the candidate, measure, or measure qualification affected by the independent expenditure. Govt. Code §84203.5

Aug 5, 2002  
(E-92)

22. Randomized Alphabet Drawing - Notice

The last day for the Secretary of State to notify the news media and other interested parties of the date, time, and place of the randomized alphabet drawing to be held at 11:00 a.m. on August 15 (E-82). §13112(c)

Aug 9, 2002  
5 p.m.  
(E-88)

23. Independent Candidates - Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Papers

The last day for an independent candidate to leave his or her declaration of candidacy and to circulate and leave the nomination papers with the county elections official. Candidates for specified offices must have filed declarations of intention with the Secretary of State or county election officials between October 29 and November 7, 2001 to be allowed to file declarations of candidacy and nomination papers with the county election officials. §§8350, 8403, 8550

Aug 9, 2002  
7 p.m.  
(E-88)

24. Independent Candidates - Nomination Paper - Verification Method

The Secretary of State must receive actual notice of the total

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number of signatures submitted in each county and of the method of verification to be used by the county within either two working days of the final deposit of petition sections or by the close of the circulation period, but in no event later than 7 p.m. on this date. If notice is given by telephone, written confirmation must be transmitted to the Secretary of State on the same day that the telephone notice is given.

Cal. Code Reg., Title 2 §20087; Elec. Code §8403(c)

Note: The Secretary of State will immediately notify each affected county of the method of verification being used in each multi-county district.

Aug 12, 2002  
(E-85)

25. State Ballot Pamphlet Copy to the State Printer

The last day for the Secretary of State to deliver copy for preparation of the ballot pamphlets to the Office of State Printing. §9082

Aug 12, 2002  
(Date fixed by law)

26. Signatures in Lieu of Filing Fees - Supreme and Appellate Courts

The last day for the county elections official to determine the sufficiency of the in-lieu signatures submitted by Supreme and Appellate Court justices. If the county elections official determines that the petition is deficient, the county elections official shall notify the candidate of such deficiency within ten days of their having been left for examination. Such candidates may, before the close of the nomination period (August 15, 2002), either submit a supplemental petition or pay a prorated fee to cover the deficiency. §8106(b)(3)

Aug 13, 2002  
(E -84)

27. Independent Candidates - Nomination Papers - Multi-County Districts

Last day for county elections official to report in writing to the Secretary of State the total number of signatures submitted in that county for independent candidates seeking election in a district which includes two or more counties. §8403

Aug 14, 2002  
(E -83)

28. Independent Candidates - Written Certification Results

The last day for the Secretary of State to receive actual

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notice of each county's total valid signature certification. If the county elections official telephones the actual notice, the county elections official shall send written certification on the same day that telephone notice was given.

Cal. Code Regs., Title 2 §20089(c)

The last day for the county elections officials to report the results of the random sample signature verification for any candidate running for election in a multi-county district where at least one of the counties chooses to verify the candidate's nomination papers by the random sampling method.

Cal. Code Regs., Title 2 §20089(c)

Aug 15, 2002  
(E-82)

29. Randomized Alphabet Drawing

The Secretary of State shall conduct the randomized alphabet drawing at 11 a.m. and mail the results immediately to county elections officials so that they may determine the order in which the candidates shall appear on the general election ballot.

§13112(b)

Aug 15, 2002  
(E-82)

30. Independent Candidates - Results of Written Certification

The last day for the Secretary of State to compute the number of valid signatures submitted for each candidate's nomination paper to notify the election officials of the results and to determine whether further action is necessary.

Cal. Code Regs., Title 2 §20090; Elec. Code §8403

Aug 15, 2002  
(Date fixed by law)

31. Declaration of Candidacy – Supreme and Appellate Court Justices

The last day for each Justice of the Supreme and Appellate Court who must stand for confirmation at the general election to file with the Secretary of State a declaration of candidacy and pay the nonrefundable filing fee.

Cal. Const., Art. VI, §16; Elec. Code §8103

Aug 29, 2002  
(E-68)

32. Certified List of Candidates and Rotation List

The last day for the Secretary of State to prepare and send to each elections official a certified list by public office showing the name, party affiliation, and ballot designation of every person entitled to receive votes within the county

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at the general election who has received the nomination as a candidate for public office. §8148

By this date, the Secretary of State shall also provide to county elections official a list of candidates arranged according to the randomized alphabet drawn on August 15, 2002. §8149

Aug 29, 2002  
(E-68)

33. Death of a Candidate

The last day for the county elections official to remove a deceased candidate's name from the general election ballot. §8810

Aug 29, 2002  
(E-68)

34. Filling Vacancy on Ballot

No vacancy on the ballot for the general election shall be filled except by reason of the death of a candidate occurring on or before this date. §8803

Sep 2, 2002\*  
(E-64)

35. Independent Candidates - Nomination Papers Forwarded to the Secretary of State - Office for which there is a Filing Fee

The last day for the county elections official to file the nomination papers of an independent candidate with the Secretary of State. §8403

Sep 2, 2002\*  
(E-64)

36. Independent Candidates - Nomination Signatures - Written Certification

The last day for the county elections official to report the results of checking each signature to a nomination paper. This reporting date is used if all counties in a district choose this method of verification or if the Secretary of State orders the checking of every signature.

Cal. Code Regs., Title 2 §§20089(d), 20090(b)(2)

Sep 6, 2002  
(E-60)

37. Special Absent Voters' Ballot Applications

The first day county elections official may process applications for special absent voters' ballots. Any application received by the county elections official prior to this day shall be kept and processed on or after this date. The application must include the statement that the voter

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cannot vote an absentee ballot during the normal absentee voting period of October 7 through October 29 (E-29 to E-7) because of military or other contingencies that preclude normal mail delivery. §§300(b), 3103

Sep 6 to  
Sep 16, 2002  
(E-60 to E-50)

38. Report of Registration – 60-day County Report

During this period, county elections official shall send to the Secretary of State a summary statement of the number of persons registered by party in their counties and in each political subdivision thereof as of September 6, 2002. §2187(a), (c) & (d)(4)

Sep 6, 2002  
(E-60)

39. Registration Files Update

Counties using data processing equipment to store registered voter information set forth in the affidavits of registration shall begin their computer updates in order to send a copy of their registered voter files to the Secretary of State by September 16 (E-50). §2187(c) & (d)(4)

Sep 9 to  
Oct 22, 2002  
(E-57 to E-14)

40. Statement of Write-in Candidacy and Nomination Papers

During this period, all write-in candidates must file their statement of write-in candidacy and nomination papers with the county elections official. §8601

Sep 16, 2002  
(E-50)

41. Registrant Load Files to the Secretary of State

The last day for county elections officials to send the Secretary of State via Calvoter a copy of their voter registration files of all registered voters registered prior to September 6 (E-60). §2187(c) & (d)(4)

Sep 15, 2002\*  
(Date fixed by law)

42. Candidate Nomination - Supreme and Appellate Courts

The last day for the Governor to nominate a candidate for Justice of the Supreme Court or Justice of the Court of Appeal when an incumbent justice who was to have stood for confirmation at the general election did not file his or her declaration of candidacy with the Secretary of State.

Cal. Const. Art. VI, §16, sub(d)

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Sep 21, 2002  
(E-45)

43. State Ballot Pamphlets Furnished to Counties

By this date, the Secretary of State shall furnish copies of the state ballot pamphlet to those counties that do not use data processing equipment to maintain their registered voter files. Ballot pamphlets will also be sent to all counties for their supplemental mailings to persons who registered between September 7 and October 7 (E-59 to E-29).

§9094(b) & (c)

Sep 21, 2002  
(E-45)

44. State Ballot Pamphlets to Specified Persons and Institutions

By this date, the Secretary of State shall send a specified number of copies of the state ballot pamphlet to city and county elections officials, members of the Legislature, proponents of statewide ballot measures, public libraries, and educational institutions.

§9096

Sep 26 to  
Oct 15, 2002  
(E-40 to E-21)

45. Counties Mail Sample Ballots

Between these dates, the county elections official shall mail a polling place notice and sample ballot to each registered voter. The polling place notice shall state whether the polling place is accessible to the physically handicapped.

§§13303-13304

Sep 26 to  
Oct 15, 2002  
(E-40 to E-21)

46. State Ballot Pamphlet Mailing

Between these dates, the Secretary of State shall mail state ballot pamphlets to all households in which voters were registered by Friday, September 6 (E-60). This mailing is based on the information provided by the Calvoter load files transmitted to the Secretary of State by September 16 (E-50).

§9094(a)

In those counties in which such data processing equipment is not used, the county elections official shall mail the state ballot pamphlets to all voters registered by September 6 (E-60).

§9094(b)

Oct 6, 2002\*  
(E-30)

47. Notice of Early Tabulation

The last day for the Secretary of State to notify county elections officials that certain offices or measures to be

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voted on are of more than ordinary public interest and will require an early tabulation and announcement. §14440

Oct 7 to  
Oct 26, 2002  
(E-29 to E-10)

48. Report of Registration – 29-day Close

During this period, county elections official shall send to the Secretary of State a summary statement of the number of persons registered by party in their counties and in each political subdivision thereof as of October 7, 2002.

§2187(a), (c) & (d)(5)

Oct 7-Oct 29  
(E-29 to E-7)

49. Absent Voter Ballot Application

Between these dates, any registered voter may apply to the county elections official for an absent voter's ballot. Applications received before October 7, 2002 shall be kept and processed during this application period. §§3001, 3003

Oct 7, 2002  
(E-29)

50. First Pre-election Statement

The last day to file campaign statements for candidates and committees for the period ending September 30, 2002.

Govt. Code §§84200.5, 84200.7(b)

Oct 7, 2002

51. Supplemental Independent Expenditure Report

Last day to file supplemental independent expenditure reports for committees making independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more in a calendar year to support or oppose a candidate or measure. Independent expenditure reports are filed at the same time, and in the same places, as would be required if the filer were primarily formed to support or oppose the candidate, measure, or measure qualification affected by the independent expenditure.

Govt. Code §84203.5

Oct 15, 2002  
(E-21)

52. State Ballot Pamphlets - Mailing

The last day for the Secretary of State, or the county elections official if appropriate, to mail state ballot pamphlets to all households with voters who registered by September 6 (E-60).

§9094



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- where accepted. Govt. Code. §84220
- Oct 20 to  
Nov 4, 2002
58. 24-Hour Statement of Organization Filing Requirement for Recipient Committees and Slate Mailer Organizations
- During the 16 days immediately preceding an election, any person or entity which qualifies as a recipient committee or slate mailer organization must file the information required to be reported in the Statement of Organization within 24 hours by telegram or personal delivery.
- Govt. Code §§84101, 84108
- Oct 21, 2002  
(E-15)
59. Registration Closes
- The last day for any person to register to vote in the general election. §§2102, 2107
- Oct 21, 2002  
(E-15)
60. Notice of Change of Address within County
- The last day before the general election for any voter to send a card or letter to the county elections official advising of a change of address within the county, in lieu of re-registering. The notification may be submitted to the Department of Motor Vehicles or any NVRRA-designated agency prior to the election. The county elections official shall correct the registration records accordingly. §2119
- Oct 22, 2002  
(E-14)
61. Write-in Candidate's Declaration
- The last day for any write-in candidate to file with the county elections official his or her statement of write-in candidacy and the required number of signatures on the nomination papers. No filing fee is required. §§8601, 8604
- Oct 24, 2002  
(E-12)
62. Second Pre-election Statement
- The last day to file campaign statements for candidates and committees for the reporting period October 1 through October 17. 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 statement by guaranteed overnight mail or personal delivery. Govt. Code §§84200.5, 84200.7(b)

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- Oct 24, 2002  
(E-12)
63. Supplemental Independent Expenditure Report
- Last day to file supplemental independent expenditure reports for committees making independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more in a calendar year to support or oppose a candidate or measure. Independent expenditure reports are filed at the same time, and in the same places, as would be required if the filer were primarily formed to support or oppose the candidate, measure, or measure qualification affected by the independent expenditure.
- Govt. Code §84203.5
- Oct 26, 2002  
(E-10)
64. State Ballot Pamphlet - Supplemental Mailing
- The last day for county elections officials to mail ballot pamphlets to voters who registered after September 6 and by October 7 (E-60 to E-29). §9094(c)
- Oct 26, 2002  
(E-10)
65. Report of Registration – 29-day Close
- The last day for county elections official to send the Secretary of State via Calvoter their summary statements of the number of persons registered as of October 7 (E-29). §2187(a), (c) & (d)(5)
- Oct 29, 2002  
(E-7)
66. Absent Voter Ballot Application
- The last day for the county elections official to receive any voter's application for an absentee ballot and to issue such ballot for the general election. See Items #70 and 71 for exceptions. §3001
- Oct 29, 2002  
(E-7)
67. Computer Program to Secretary of State
- The last day for counties to verify their election night vote count computer programs and deposit copies thereof with the Secretary of State. §15001
- The last day for county elections officials to send Logic and Accuracy Test Certifications to the Secretary of State.
- Oct 29, 2002  
(E-7)
68. Computer Processing of Absentee Ballots
- Counties having the necessary computer capability may

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begin to process their absent voters ballots on this date. This process may be completed to the point of placing the ballot information on a computer tape, but under NO circumstances shall a vote count be made before the close of the polls at 8 p.m. on November 5 (E). All other county elections officials shall start to process absent voter ballots at 5 p.m. on the day before the election. §15101

Oct 30 to  
Nov 4, 2002  
(E-6 to E-1)

69. Special Absentee Voter - Recalled to Military Service

A registered special absentee voter recalled to service after October 29 but before 5 p.m. on November 4 may appear before the county elections official and obtain from the county elections official an absent voter's ballot which may be voted in the county elections official's office or outside the county elections official's office on or before the close of the polls and returned as are other voted absent voter ballots. §3110

Oct 30 to  
Nov 5, 2002  
(E-6 to E)

70. Absentee Ballots - Late Conditions

On or between these dates, any voter may apply in writing for an absent voter's ballot if he or she will be unable to go to the polls on election day. The voter may designate any authorized representative to return the voted absent voter's ballot. §3021

Oct 31, 2002  
(Date fixed by law)

71. Quarterly Statements by Ballot Measure Committees

All committees primarily formed to support or oppose the qualification, passage, or defeat of any measures must file a quarterly campaign statement for the period July 1 through September 30, during any semiannual period before the election in which the measure is not being voted upon. Govt. Code §84202.3

Nov 4, 2002  
5 p.m.  
(E-1)

72. Special Absentee Voter - Recalled to Military Service

The last day a registered special absentee voter recalled to service after October 29 but before 5 p.m. on November 4 may obtain from the county elections official an absent voter's ballot which can be voted in the county elections official's office or outside the county elections official's office on or before the close of the polls and returned as are other

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voted absent voter ballots. §3110

Nov 5, 2002  
(E)

73. Special Absentee Voters

Any registered special absentee voter who has returned on or before this day and to whom an absent voter's ballot has been mailed but not voted may apply to vote in the county election official's office or in a polling place. §§300, 3108

The last day an unregistered special absentee voter who was released from service after the close of registration 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 military service is required. On or before the day of the election the county elections official shall deliver to the precinct board a list of special absentee voters registered under Elections Code §3107. §3107

The last day a special absentee voter who returns to the county after October 29, 2002 may appear before the county elections official and make application for registration, an absent voter ballot, or both. The county elections official shall register the voter, if not registered, and shall deliver an absent voter ballot which may be voted in or outside the county elections official's office on or before the close of the polls on the day of election and returned as are other voted absent voter ballots. §3109

Nov 5, 2002  
(E)

74. General Election Day

On this date, the polls shall be open throughout the state from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. §§1000, 14212

(Voters who have moved from one address to another within the same county and not reregistered may vote a provisional ballot at the polling place for their current (new) address or at a central location. The voter should be able to provide an ID Card or Driver's License with the new address, but if not available, then two other documents must be shown to establish new residence address.) §14311

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74. Absent Voters' Ballots Returned in Order to be Counted

The last day county elections official may receive ballots cast by absent voters by mail or in person. Absent voter ballots may be received by 8 p.m. at any polling place in the county where the voter is registered, or at the office of the elections official. §§3017, 3020

Nov 5, 2002  
(E)

76. Semi-final Official Canvass

Beginning at 8 p.m. and continuously until completed, the county elections official will conduct the semiofficial canvass of votes and report totals to the Secretary of State at least every two hours. §§15150-15151

Nov 7, 2002  
(E+2)

77. Official Canvass

By this date, county election officials must begin the official canvass of the precinct returns. This canvass must be completed not later than December 3, 2002. §§15301, 15372

Nov 25, 2002  
(E+20)

78. Report of Registration – 29-day Statewide Report

The last day for the Secretary of State to compile a statewide report showing the number of registered voters, by party affiliation, in the state and in each county and political subdivision thereof. This statement is based on the summary statements sent by the county elections official by October 26, 2002 (E -10). §2187(b) & (d)(5)

Dec 3, 2002  
(E+28)

79. Official Canvass - End

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 date for the board of supervisors to declare the winners for each office and the results of each measure under its jurisdiction. The county elections official shall make and deliver to each person elected a certificate of election. §§15400-15401

*NOTE: Asterisked dates indicate that the date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a holiday; in most cases the deadline will move forward to the next working day.*

Dec 10, 2002  
(E+35)

80. Statement of Results to Secretary of State

By this date the county elections official shall send to the Secretary of State by registered mail one complete copy of the returns for all candidates for statewide office, Representative in Congress, Member of the State Senate and Assembly, member of the State Board of Equalization, and for all statewide measures. §15375

Dec 14, 2002  
(E+39)

81. Statement of the Vote

The last day for the Secretary of State to prepare, certify and file a statement of the vote from the compiled election returns. §15501

The Secretary of State issues to each elected candidate a certificate of election. §§15503, 15504

Jan 31, 2003  
(Date fixed by law)

82. Campaign Statement - Semiannual

The last day to file semiannual campaign statements for candidates and committees. Govt. Code §§84200, 84218

Jan 31, 2003

83. Supplemental Independent Expenditure Report

Last day to file supplemental independent expenditure reports for candidates or committees making independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more in a calendar year to support or oppose a candidate or measure. Independent expenditure reports are filed at the same time, and in the same places, as would be required if the filer were primarily formed to support or oppose the candidate, measure, or measure qualification affected by the independent expenditure. Govt. Code §84203.5

Feb 10 to  
Mar 1, 2003  
(Dates fixed by  
law)

84. Report of Registration

During this period, county elections official shall send the Secretary of State via Calvoter a summary statement of the number of persons registered by party in their counties and in each political subdivision thereof as of February 10, 2003. §2187(a), (c) & (d)(6)

*NOTE: Asterisked dates indicate that the date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or a holiday; in most cases the deadline will move forward to the next working day.*

Apr 13, 2003  
(E+159)

85. Supplement to the Statement of the Vote

Last day for the Secretary of State to compile a supplement to the statement of the vote, showing the number of votes cast in each county, city, Assembly district, State Senatorial district, Congressional district, and supervisory district for each candidate for the office of Governor and on each statewide ballot measure. §15502

Mar 31, 2003

86. Report of Registration - Statewide Compilation

The last day for the Secretary of State to compile a statewide report showing the number of registered voters, by party affiliations, in the state and in each county and political subdivision thereof. This statement is based on the summary statements sent by the county elections official by March 1, 2003. §2187