Special Election Calendar
Special General Election November 3, 2009
United States Representative in Congress, 10th District (Ellen Tauscher)

09/07/09 to 10/20/09 (E-57 to E-14) 1 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

09/17/09 (E-47) 2 CERTIFIED LIST OF CANDIDATES
Secretary of State sends the Certified List of Candidates to the county elections official.

09/24/09 to 10/13/09 (E-40 to E-21) 3 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

10/05/09 (E-29) 4 PRECINCT BOARD MEMBERS AND POLLING PLACES
The last day for the county elections official to appoint the members of the several precinct boards and designate the polling places. § 12286

10/05/09 (E-29) 5 VOTE-BY-MAIL VOTERS
The first day for the county elections official to process applications for vote-by-mail ballots for the special general election. § 3001

10/13/09 (E-21) 6 SAMPLE BALLOTS
The last day for the county elections official to mail sample ballots to voters for the special general election. § 13303

10/19/09 (E-15) 7 VOTER REGISTRATION
The last day to register to vote in the special general election. §§ 2102, 2107

10/20/09 to 10/27/09 (E-14 to E-7) 8 NEW CITIZEN REGISTRATION PERIOD
Registration for new citizens shall begin the 14th day prior to an election and end on the 7th day prior to election day. 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. §§ 331, 3500, 3501

10/20/09 (E-14) 9 WRITE-IN CANDIDACY
The last day to file as a write-in candidate. § 8601

10/20/09 (E-14) 10 BILINGUAL PRECINCT BOARD MEMBERS
The last day to prepare a list of precincts to which bilingual officers were appointed. A copy of this list shall be made available to the public. § 12303(d)

10/24/2009* (E-10) 11 PUBLICATION OF TALLY CENTER LOCATION
On or before this date a notice shall be published by the county elections official once in a newspaper of general circulation within the district specifying the public place to be used as the central tally center for counting the ballots. § 12109

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10/27/09 (E-7) 12 VOTE-BY-MAIL VOTERS
The last day to file an application for a vote-by-mail ballot. § 3001

10/27/09 (E-7) 13 NEW CITIZENS REGISTRATION
Last day for new citizen registration. § 3500

10/27/09 (E-7) 14 COMPUTER PROGRAM TO SECRETARY OF STATE
The last day to verify election night vote count computer programs and deposit copies thereof with the Secretary of State. § 15001

10/27/09 (E-7) 15 LOGIC AND ACCURACY
The last day to send Logic and Accuracy Test certifications to the Secretary of State. § 15000

11/03/09 (E) 16 SPECIAL GENERAL ELECTION
Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. All vote-by-mail ballots must be received by the county elections official by 8:00 p.m. §§ 14212, 3020

11/13/09 (E+10) 17 OFFICIAL CANVASS
The last day for the county elections official to complete the official canvass and certify results to the Secretary of State.

12/12/09 (E+39) 18 CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION (CANDIDATES)
The last day for the Secretary of State to determine votes cast for Congress and to certify the person having the highest number of votes for that office as duly elected. It is the intention of the Secretary of State to issue a certificate immediately after receipt of the results of the official canvass. §§ 15501, 15504

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