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| Apr 23 to Jul 22, 2010
(E-193 to E-103) | 1. <u>Signatures In-Lieu of Filing Fees – Independent Candidates</u>
Period in which any independent candidate 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 the office on the nomination paper. §§ 8106, 8302, 8403, 8405 ¹ |
| Jun 1 to Jul 31, 2010*
(E-154 to E-94)
[Dates fixed by law] | 2. <u>Signatures In-Lieu of Filing Fees – Supreme and Appellate Courts</u>
Period in which 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 |
| Jun 7, 2010
(E-148) | 3. <u>Governor's Proclamation – Issuance</u>
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 7 to Aug 6, 2010
(E-148 to E-88) | 4. <u>Independent Candidates – Nomination Papers – Office For Which There is a Filing Fee</u>
Period in which 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. § 8403

Signatures-in-lieu-of-filing-fee must be filed at least 15 days prior to the close of 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)(3) |
| Jun 7 to Aug 6, 2010
(E-148 to E-88) | 5. <u>Independent Candidates – Nomination Paper – Total Number of Signatures and Verification Method</u>
Period in which the county elections official shall notify Secretary of State of the total number of signatures submitted in each county and the method of verification to be used. Notice must be received |

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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 7:00 p.m. on August 6, 2010.

Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 20087

Jun 24, 2010
(E-131)

6. **Initiative Measure Qualification Deadline**
Last day for an initiative measure to qualify for the general election ballot. Cal. Const. art. II, § 8(c)

Jun 24, 2010
(E-131)

7. **Legislative Measure Qualification Deadline**
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 2, 2010
(E-123)
[Date designated by the Secretary of State]

8. **State Measures – Ballot Label and Title and Summary Deadline**
The Attorney General is asked to provide, no later than this date, all official ballot labels and titles and summaries for the measures that have qualified for the general election ballot so that the Secretary of State has sufficient time to translate the ballot labels and titles and summaries in any appropriate languages prior to public display. §§ 9050, 9051, 9054, 13247

Jul 5, 2010*
(E-120)

9. **State Measures – News Release Inviting Arguments**
On or before 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 ballot measure has not been prepared and filed. §§ 9060-9063

Jul 6, 2010
(E-119)
[Date designated by the Secretary of State]

10. **State Measures – Argument Submission Deadline**
Last day for arguments for and against each statewide ballot measure that qualified by June 24, 2010 (E-131), to be submitted. An argument shall not exceed 500 words. Once submitted, no argument may be changed or amended. §§ 9040, 9043, 9064

Jul 11, 2010*
(E-114)
[Date designated by the Secretary of State]

11. **Selection and Exchange of Arguments For and Against Measures**
On or before this date, the Secretary of State will select arguments for inclusion in the state Voter Information Guide where more than one has been submitted in favor of or against the same measure. The Secretary of State will exchange arguments with opposing authors and request rebuttal arguments. §§ 9067, 9069

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- Jul 12 to Aug 6, 2010
(E-113 to E-88)
12. **Candidate Statements in the County Official Sample Ballot**
Period in which United States House of Representatives and State Senate and Assembly candidates may purchase space for a 250-word candidate statement in the official sample ballot(s) of the county or counties in the jurisdiction. Candidates for State Senate and Assembly may purchase statement space only if they have agreed to voluntary expenditure limits.
Gov. Code § 85601(c); Elec. Code § 13307.5
- Jul 14, 2010
(E-111)
[Date designated by the Secretary of State]
13. **Candidate Statements in the State Voter Information Guide**
Deadline
Last day statewide candidates and United States Senate candidates may purchase space for a 250-word candidate statement in the official state Voter Information Guide. Statewide candidates may purchase statement space only if they have agreed to voluntary expenditure limits.
Gov. Code § 85601(a); Elec. Code § 9084(i)
- Jul 15, 2010
(E-110)
[Date designated by the Secretary of State]
14. **State Measures – Analysis, Text, and Bond Statement**
Deadline
The Legislative Analyst and Legislative Counsel are asked to provide, no later than this date, all official analyses and texts for the measures that have qualified for the general election ballot, as well as a Statement of Bond Debt, if necessary, so that the Secretary of State has sufficient time to prepare copy for public display and to translate the state Voter Information Guide into any appropriate languages. §§ 9087, 9088, 9091
- Jul 15, 2010
(E-110)
[Date designated by the Secretary of State]
15. **Political Party Statement of Purpose Deadline**
Last day for political parties to submit statements of purpose, not to exceed 200 words, for inclusion in the state Voter Information Guide. § 9084(e)
- Jul 15, 2010
(E-110)
[Date designated by the Secretary of State]
16. **State Measures – Rebuttal Argument and Summary**
Information Deadline
Last day rebuttal arguments and summary information for or against ballot measures qualified for the general election ballot may be submitted. Rebuttal arguments shall not exceed 250 words, and summary information shall not exceed 50 words.
§§ 9069, 9084(e)
- Jul 16 to Aug 15, 2010*
(E-109 to E-79)
[Dates fixed by law]
17. **Declaration of Candidacy – Supreme and Appellate Courts**
Period in which each Justice of the Supreme and Appellate Court who must stand for confirmation at the general election may file a

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declaration of candidacy with the 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, 8201

Jul 20 to Aug 9, 2010
(E-105 to E-85)

18. **State Voter Information Guide Available for Public Examination**

Period in which the state Voter Information Guide for the general election will be available for public examination.

Gov. Code § 88006; Elec. Code §§ 9054, 9092, 13282

Jul 22, 2010
(E-103)

19. **Signatures In-Lieu of Filing Fees – Independent Candidates**

Last day for independent candidates to turn in their petitions to the county elections official of the county in which the petition signers reside and are registered to vote. Within ten days after receipt of a petition, the county elections official shall notify the candidate of any deficiency. The candidate shall then cover the deficiency either by submitting a supplemental petition or by paying a prorated portion of the filing fee not later than August 6, 2010 (E-88). Upon receipt of the required number of in-lieu signatures, or of a sufficient combination of signatures and the prorated filing fee, the county elections official shall issue the nomination papers provisionally. Signatures may also be applied to the signature requirements on the nomination paper.

§§ 8105, 8106, 8302, 8405

Jul 27, 2010
(E-98)

20. **Change of Candidate's Designation on Ballot**

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, 2010*
(E-94)
[Date fixed by law]

21. **Signatures In-Lieu of Filing Fees – Supreme and Appellate Courts**

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 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, 2010 (E-79).

§ 8106

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- Aug 1, 2010*
(E-93)
22. **Notice of Sufficiency of Signatures in Lieu of Filing Fees – Independent Candidates**
Last day for the county elections official to determine the sufficiency of the in-lieu signatures submitted by independent candidates. Within ten days after receipt of a petition the county elections official shall notify the candidate of any deficiency. Before the close of the nomination period on August 8, 2008 (E-88), candidates shall either submit a supplemental petition or pay a prorated fee to cover the deficiency. § 8106(b)(3)
- Aug 2, 2010
(E-92)
23. **Randomized Alphabet Drawing – Notice**
Last day for the Secretary of State to notify the news media and other interested parties of the place of the randomized alphabet drawing to be held at 11:00 a.m. on August 12, 2010 (E-82). § 13112(c)
- Aug 6, 2010
(E-88)
24. **Deadline for Supplemental Signatures in Lieu of Filing Fees – Independent Candidates**
The last day for any independent candidate to submit any supplemental in-lieu signatures to the county elections official or to pay the prorated portion of the filing fee to cover any deficiency in the filing fee payment. § 8106(b)(3)
- Aug 6, 2010
(E-88)
[5:00 p.m.]
25. **Independent Candidates – Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Papers – Office For Which There is a Filing Fee**
Last day for an independent candidate to leave his or her declaration of candidacy and the nomination papers with the county elections official. §§ 8403, 8550
- Aug 6, 2010
(E-88)
[7:00 p.m.]
26. **Independent Candidates – Nomination Paper – Total Number of Signatures and Verification Method**
The Secretary of State must receive actual notice of the total 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 7:00 p.m. on August 6, 2010 (E-88). 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., tit. 2, § 20087; Elec. Code § 8403(c)

Note: The Secretary of State will immediately notify each affected county of the method of verification selected in multi-county districts.

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Gov. Code § 85601(c); Elec. Code § 13307.5
- Aug 8, 2010*
(E-86)
28. **Independent Candidates – Nomination Papers – Multi-County Districts – Total Number of Signatures**
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(c)
- Aug 9, 2010
(E-85)
29. **Last Day State Voter Information Guide Available for Public Examination and Copy Delivered to the State Printer**
Last day for the Secretary of State to deliver copy for preparation of the state Voter Information Guide s to the Office of State Publishing. Last day of public display.
Gov. Code § 88006; Elec. Code § 9082
- Aug 10, 2010
(E-84)
[Date fixed by law]
30. **Signatures In Lieu of Filing Fees – Supreme and Appellate Courts**
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 the petition having been left for examination. Such candidates may, before the close of the nomination period, either submit a supplemental petition or pay a prorated fee to cover the deficiency. § 8106(b)(3)
- Aug 11, 2010
(E-83)
31. **Independent Candidates – Written Certification Results – Random Verification**
Last day for the Secretary of State to receive actual notice of each county's total valid signature certification.
Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 20089(c)
- Last day for the county elections officials to report the results of the random sample signature verification for any candidate running for election where a county chooses to verify the candidate's

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nomination papers by the random sampling method. 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., tit. 2, § 20089(c)

Aug 12, 2010
(E-82)
[11:00 a.m.]

32. **Randomized Alphabet Drawing**

The Secretary of State shall conduct the randomized alphabet drawing at 11:00 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 12, 2010
(E-82)

33. **Independent Candidates – Results of Written Certification—
Random Verification**

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., tit. 2, § 20090; Elec. Code § 8403

Aug 15, 2010*
(E-79)
[Date fixed by law]

34. **Declaration of Candidacy – Supreme and Appellate Courts**

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, 8105

Last day for Justices of the Supreme and Appellate Courts to turn in their supplemental petitions in-lieu of filing fees to the county elections official of the county in which the petition signers reside and are registered to vote or pay a prorated portion of the filing fee.

§ 8106

Aug 26, 2010
(E-68)

35. **Certified List of Candidates and Rotation List**

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 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 officials a list of candidates arranged according to the randomized alphabet drawn on August 12, 2010. §§ 8149, 13111

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| Aug 26, 2010
(E-68) | 36. | <u>Death of a Candidate</u>
Last day for the county elections official to remove a deceased candidate's name from the general election ballot. § 8810 |
| Aug 26, 2010
(E-68) | 37. | <u>Filling Vacancy on Ballot</u>
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 |
| Aug 30, 2010
(E-64) | 38. | <u>Independent Candidates – Nomination Papers Forwarded to the Secretary of State – Office For Which There is a Filing Fee</u>
Last day for the county elections official to file the nomination papers of an independent candidate with the Secretary of State.
Cal. Code Reg., tit 2, § 20090; § 8403 |
| Aug 30, 2010
(E-64) | 39. | <u>Independent Candidates – Nomination Signatures – Written Certification – 100% Certification</u>
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., tit. 2, §§ 20089(d), 20090(b)(2) |
| Sep 3, 2010
(E-60) | 40. | <u>Special Absentee Voter Ballot Applications</u>
First day county elections official may process applications for special absentee voter ballots. Any application received by the county elections official prior to this day shall be kept and processed on or after this date. §§ 300(b), 3103 |
| Sep 3 to Sep 13, 2010
(E-60 to E-50) | 41. | <u>Report of Registration – 60-Day County Report</u>
Period in which county elections official shall send to the Secretary of State a summary statement of the number of persons registered by political party in their counties and in each political subdivision thereof as of September 3, 2010 (E-60). § 2187(a), (c) & (d)(4) |
| Sep 6* to Oct 19, 2010
(E-57 to E-14) | 42. | <u>Statement of Write-in Candidacy and Nomination Papers</u>
Period in which all write-in candidates must file their statement of write-in candidacy and nomination papers with the county elections official. § 8601 |
| Sep 13, 2010
(E-50) | 43. | <u>Voter Registration Files to the Secretary of State</u>
Last day for county elections officials to send the Secretary of State a copy of their registrant load files of all voters registered prior to September 3, 2010 (E-60). §§ 2187(c) & (d)(4) |

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- Sep 13, 2010
(E-50) 44. **Report of Registration – 60-Day County Report Summaries Due**
By this date, each county elections official shall send to the Secretary of State a summary statement of the number of persons registered as of September 3, 2010 (E-60). § 2187(d)(4)
- Sep 17, 2010
(E-46) 45. **Report of Registration – 60-Day Statewide Report Published**
Date projected by the Secretary of State to release a statewide report showing the number of registered voters, by party affiliation, in the state, each county, and each political subdivision. This statement is based on the summary statements sent by each county elections official by September 13, 2010 (E-50). § 2187(b) & (d)(4)
- Sep 15, 2010
(E-48)
[Date fixed by law] 46. **Candidate Nomination – Supreme and Appellate Courts**
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(d)
- Sep 18, 2010*
(E-45) 47. **State Voter Information Guides Furnished to Counties**
By this date, the Secretary of State shall furnish copies of the state Voter Information Guide to those counties that do not use data processing equipment to maintain their registered voter files. State Voter Information Guides will also be sent to all counties for their supplemental mailings to persons who registered between September 4, 2010, and October 4, 2010 (E-59 to E-29). § 9094(b) & (c)
- Sep 18, 2010*
(E-45) 48. **State Voter Information Guides to Specified Persons and Institutions**
By this date, the Secretary of State shall send a specified number of copies of the state Voter Information Guide to city and county elections officials, members of the Legislature, proponents of statewide ballot measures, public libraries, and educational institutions. § 9096
- Sep 23 to Oct 12, 2010
(E-40 to E-21) 49. **Counties Mail Sample Ballots**
Period in which the county elections official shall mail a polling place notice and sample ballot to each registered voter. The polling place notice may state whether the polling place is accessible to the physically handicapped. §§ 13303, 13304

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Sep 23 to Oct 12, 2010 (E-40 to E-21) 50. **State Voter Information Guide Mailing**
Between these dates, the Secretary of State shall mail state Voter Information Guides to all households in which voters were registered by September 3, 2010 (E-60). This mailing is based on the information provided by counties' voter registration files provided to the Secretary of State by September 13, 2010 (E-50). § 9094(a)

In those counties in which such data processing equipment is not used, the county elections official shall mail the state Voter Information Guides to all voters registered by September 3, 2010 (E-60). § 9094(b)

Oct 3, 2010* (E-30) 51. **Notice of Early Tabulation**
Last day for the county governing body to notify county elections officials that certain offices or measures to be voted on are of more than ordinary public interest and will require an early tabulation and announcement. § 14440

Oct 4 to Oct 26, 2010 (E-29 to E-7) 52. **Vote-by-Mail Voter Ballot Application**
Period in which any registered voter may apply to the county elections official for a vote-by-mail ballot. Applications received before October 4, 2010 (E-29), shall be kept and processed during this application period. §§ 3001, 3003

Oct 12, 2010 (E-21) 53. **State Voter Information Guide Mailing to be Completed**
Last day for the Secretary of State, or the county elections official, if appropriate, to mail state Voter Information Guides to all households with voters who registered by September 3, 2010 (E-60). § 9094

Oct 12, 2010 (E-21) 54. **Sample Ballots - County Mailing**
The last day for each county elections official to mail sample ballots to the voters. § 13303

Oct 18, 2010 (E-15) 55. **Close of Registration for the November 2, 2010, Statewide General**
The last day to register to vote in the statewide 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. §§ 2102, 2107

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- Oct 18, 2010
(E-15)
56. **Notice of Change of Address Within County**
Last day before the general election for any voter to send a notice or letter advising the county elections official of a change of address with the county. The notice or letter shall be mailed (postmarked by this date) or delivered to the county elections official by this date. The notice or letter may also be submitted to the Department of Motor Vehicles or any National Voter Registration Act designated agency prior to the election. The county elections official shall correct the registration records accordingly. The notice is in lieu of reregistering. § 2119
- Oct 18 to Oct 26, 2010
(E-15 to E-7)
57. **Report of Registration – 15-Day County Report**
Period in which county elections officials shall send to the Secretary of State a summary statement of the number of persons registered by political party in their counties and in each political subdivision thereof as of October 18, 2010 (E-15).
§ 2187(a) & (d)(5)
- Oct 19, 2010
(E-14)
58. **Statement of Write-in Candidacy and Nomination Papers**
Last day for write-in candidate to leave a statement of write-in candidacy and the required number of signatures on the nomination papers with the county elections official for filing with the Secretary of State. No filing fee is required. §§ 8601, 8604
- Oct 19 to Oct 26, 2010
(E-14 to E-7)
59. **New Citizen Registration Period**
Any person who becomes a citizen after the 15th day prior to the election may register to vote beginning on the 14th day prior to an election and ending on the seventh day prior to election day. This registration must be executed in the county elections office.
§§ 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. §§ 331, 3500, 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
- Oct 22, 2010
(E-11)
[Date designated by the Secretary of State]
60. **Certified List of Write-In Candidates**
Secretary of State will prepare and send to affected county elections official a certified list of write-in candidates showing the name of every write-in candidate eligible to receive votes

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within the county at the General election, their addresses and the offices to which they seek election. This list will also be mailed to each person in the affected offices.

Oct 22, 2010
(E-11)

61. **Computer Processing of Vote-by-Mail Ballots**
Counties having the necessary computer capability may begin to process their vote-by-mail 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 8:00 p.m. on November 2, 2010 (E). § 15101

All other county elections officials shall start to process vote-by-mail ballots at 5:00 p.m. on the day before the election. § 15101

Oct 23, 2010*
(E-10)

62. **State Voter Information Guide Supplemental Mailing by County**
Last day for county elections officials to mail state Voter Information Guide to voters who registered between September 4, 2010 and October 4, 2010 (E-59 to E-29), inclusive. § 9094(c)

Oct 26, 2010
(E-7)

63. **Report of Registration – 15-Day County Report Summaries Due**
By this date, each county elections official shall send to the Secretary of State a summary statement of the number of persons registered as of October 18, 2010 (E-15). § 2187(d)(5)

Oct 26, 2010
(E-7)

64. **Vote-by-Mail Voter Ballot Application**
Last day for the county elections official to receive any voter's application for a vote-by-mail ballot and to issue such ballot for the general election. § 3001

See items #67 and #68 for exceptions.

Oct 26, 2010
(E-7)
[5:00 p.m.]

65. **Computer Program to Secretary of State**
Last day for counties to verify their election night vote count computer programs and deposit copies thereof with the Secretary of State. § 15001

Oct 26, 2010
(E-7)

66. **New Citizens Registration Period – Last Day**
Last day a new citizen registering to vote after the close of registration can provide the county elections official with proof of citizenship prior to voting, and declare that he or she has established residency in California. §§ 331, 3500, 3501

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The county elections official shall receive and canvass the ballots of new citizens at the same time and under the same procedure as vote-by-mail ballots. § 3502

Oct 27 to Nov 1, 2010
(E-6 to E-1)

67. **Special Absentee Voter – Recalled to Military Service**

A registered special absentee voter recalled to service after October 26, 2010 (E-7), but before 5:00 p.m. on November 1, 2010 (E-1), may appear before the county elections official in the county in which the special absentee voter is registered or, if within the state, in the county in which he or she is recalled to service and apply for a vote-by-mail ballot which may be submitted by facsimile or by email or online transmission if the elections official makes the transmission option available.

The vote-by-mail ballot may be voted in the elections official's office or voted outside the elections official's office on or before the close of the polls on the day of the election and returned as are other vote-by-mail ballots. To be counted, the ballot must be returned to the elections official's office in person, by facsimile transmission, or by an authorized person on or before the close of the polls on the day of the election.

If the special absentee voter appears in the county in which he or she is recalled to service, rather than the county to which he or she is registered, the elections official shall coordinate with the elections official in the county in which the special absentee voter is registered to provide the vote-by-mail ballot that contains the appropriate measures and races for the precinct in which the special absentee voter is registered. § 3110

Oct 27 to Nov 2, 2010
(E-6 to E)

68. **Request for Vote-by-Mail Ballots – Late Conditions**

Period in which any voter may apply in writing for a vote-by-mail ballot if he or she will be unable to go to the polls on election day. A written statement is not necessary if the vote-by-mail ballot is voted in the office of the elections official at the time of the request. The voter may designate any authorized representative to return the voted vote-by-mail ballot. § 3021

Oct 29, 2010
(E-4)

69. **Report of Registration – 15-Day Statewide Report Published**

Date designated by the Secretary of State to release a statewide report showing the number of registered voters, by political party affiliation, in the state, each county, and each political subdivision. This statement is based on the summary statements sent by each county elections official by October 26, 2010 (E-7). § 2187(b) & (d)(5)

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Nov 1, 2010
(E-1)
[5:00 p.m.]

70. **Special Absentee Voter – Recalled to Military Service**
Last day a registered special absentee voter recalled to service after October 26, 2010 (E-7), but before 5:00 p.m. on November 1, 2010 (E-1), may obtain from the county elections official a vote-by-mail 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 voted vote-by-mail ballots. § 3110

Nov 2, 2010
(E)

71. **Special Absentee Voters**
Any registered special absentee voter who has returned to their 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. § 3108

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 section 3107. § 3107

Last day a special absentee voter who returns to the county after October 26, 2010 (E-7), may appear before the county elections official and make application 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 the day of election and returned as are other voted vote-by-mail ballots. § 3109

Nov 2, 2010
(E)

72. **General Election Day**
On this date, the polls shall be open throughout the state from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. §§ 1000(d), 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 the office of the county elections official or at a central location designated by

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that elections official. The voter shall be reregistered at the place of voting for future elections. § 14311

Nov 2, 2010
(E)

73. **Vote-by-Mail Voters' Ballots Returned in Order to be Counted**

Last day county elections officials may receive ballots cast by vote-by-mail voters by mail or in person. Vote-by-mail ballots must be received by 8:00 p.m. at any polling place in the county where the voter is registered, or at the office of the elections official. However, a vote-by-mail voter who, because of illness or other physical disability, is unable to return the ballot, may designate his or her spouse, child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister, or a person residing in the same household as the vote-by-mail voter to return the ballot to the elections official from whom it came or to the precinct board at any polling place within the jurisdiction before the close of the polls on election day.

Last day a special absentee voter who is temporarily living outside of the United States (or is called for military service within the United States on or after October 26, 2010 (E-7)) may return his or her ballot by facsimile transmission. To be counted, the ballot returned by facsimile transmission must be received by the voter's elections official no later than the closing of the polls on election day and must be accompanied by an identification envelope and a signed waiver of a right to a secret ballot. A special absentee voter should return a ballot by facsimile transmission only if doing so is necessary for the ballot to be received before the close of polls on election day.

§§ 3017, 3020, 3103.5, 14212

Nov 2, 2010
(E)

74. **Semi-Final Official Canvass**

Beginning at 8:00 p.m. and continuously until completed, the county elections official will conduct the semi-official canvass of votes and report totals to the Secretary of State at least every two hours. §§ 15150, 15151

Nov 4 to Nov 30, 2010
(E+2 to E+28)

75. **Official Canvass**

Beginning no later than the Thursday following the election, county election officials must begin the official canvass of the precinct returns. This canvass must be completed not later than November 30, 2010 (E+28). §§ 15301, 15372

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Nov 12, 2010
(E+10)

76. **Provisional Ballots of Emergency Workers**
On or before the 10th day following the date of the election, 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

Nov 30, 2010
(E+28)

77. **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

Dec 3, 2010
(E+31)

78. **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 for statewide office, Representative in Congress, Member of the State Senate, Member of the State Assembly, Member of the State Board of Equalization, Justice of the Court of Appeal, Judge of the Superior Court, and for all statewide measures. § 15375

Dec 10, 2010
(E+38)

79. **Statement of the Vote**
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

Feb 10 to Mar 1, 2011
(E+100 to E+119)
[Dates fixed by law]

80. **Report of Registration**
Period in which county elections official shall send 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 February 10, 2011 (E+100). § 2187(a), (c) & (d)(6)

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Apr 9, 2011*
(E+158)

81. **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 supervisorial district for each candidate for the office of Governor and United States Senator and on each statewide ballot measure. § 15502