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5/14/26 (E-173)	1. <b>VERIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURES</b>	The Verification of Independent Expenditures (Form 462) is used to identify an individual responsible for ensuring that the campaign committee’s independent expenditures were not coordinated with the listed candidate or the opponent or measure committee and that the committee will report all contributions and reimbursements as required by law. An independent expenditure is not subject to state or local contribution limits. This form must be emailed to the Fair Political Practices Commission within 10 days of an independent expenditure of \$1,000 or more. <sup>1</sup>	Gov. Code § 84213; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 18465.1
5/14/26 to 8/4/26 (E-173 to E-91)	2. <b>\$5,000 REPORT (ELECTRONIC FILERS ONLY)</b>	Period in which candidates for state office and their controlled committees, and committees primarily formed to support or oppose state measures, must file a Contribution Report (Form 497) within 10 business days if \$5,000 or more is received from a single source outside the 90-day election cycle. <sup>1</sup>	Gov. Code §§ 85204, 85309(c), (d)
		<p><b>NOTE:</b> Ongoing filing required; for the purposes of this calendar, the dates related to expenditures begin the day following the primary election (E-153).</p> <p><b>NOTES:</b> The filing period for this report begins the day following the last general election; however, for purposes of this calendar entry, the E-date shall begin at E-173.</p> <p>On an ongoing basis, recipient committees must file a disclosure report within 10 business days of making a contribution of \$5,000 or more or an independent expenditure of \$5,000 or more to support or oppose the qualification or passage of a single state ballot measure, a single local initiative, or a referendum ballot measure.<sup>1</sup></p>	Gov. Code § 84204.5
5/18/26 to 7/16/26 (E-169 to E-110)	3. <b>SIGNATURES IN LIEU OF FILING FEES — SUPREME AND APPELLATE COURTS</b>	Period in which any justice of the Supreme or Appellate Court who must stand for retention in the general election may obtain their 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)(1); § 8106(b)(3)
6/8/26 (E-148)	4. <b>GOVERNOR'S PROCLAMATION — ISSUANCE</b>	On or before 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
6/16/26 (E-140) [E+14 from primary election]	5. <b>AMENDED CANDIDATE INTENTION STATEMENT — DEADLINE</b>	Last day to file an amended Candidate Intention Statement (Form 501) to accept the voluntary expenditure limits 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 candidates for statewide constitutional offices, State Senator, and Member of the State Assembly to qualify to purchase space for a 250-word candidate statement in the state Voter Information Guide or county voter information guide of the county or counties in their jurisdiction.	Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 18520; Gov. Code §§ 85200, 85400, 85401, 85600, 85601(c)
6/25/26 (E-131) [5:00 p.m.]	6. <b>INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM MEASURE WITHDRAWAL DEADLINE</b>	The proponents of a statewide initiative or referendum measure may file a written notice of withdrawal with the Secretary of State no later than 5 p.m. on the day the Secretary of State certifies that the statewide initiative or referendum measure has qualified for the ballot pursuant to Section 9033.	§ 9604

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6/25/26 (E-131)	7. <b>INITIATIVE MEASURE QUALIFICATION DEADLINE</b> On this date, the Secretary of State shall issue certificates of qualification, when appropriate, certifying initiative measures that are qualified for the ballot.	Cal. Const. art. II, § 8(c); § 9033
6/25/26 (E-131)	8. <b>LEGISLATIVE MEASURE QUALIFICATION DEADLINE</b> 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
6/25/26 to 7/15/26 (E-131 to E-111) [Date designated by Secretary of State]	9. <b>CANDIDATE STATEMENTS IN THE STATE VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE — STATEWIDE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICE</b> Period in which statewide constitutional office candidates may purchase space for a 250-word statement in the state Voter Information Guide. A candidate for statewide constitutional office may purchase space for a statement only if a Candidate Intention Statement (Form 501) has been filed and the candidate has agreed to accept the voluntary expenditure limits.	Gov. Code § 85601(a); § 9084(i)
6/26/26 (E-130) [Date designated by Secretary of State]	10. <b>NUMBERING OF PROPOSITIONS</b> On or about this date, proposition numbers will be assigned by Secretary of State to statewide ballot measures.	§ 13117
6/30/26 to 7/15/26 (E-126 to E-111) [Date designated by Secretary of State]	11. <b>CANDIDATE STATEMENTS IN THE STATE VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE — SUPREME COURT JUSTICE</b> Period in which a justice of the California Supreme Court, who must stand for retention at the general election, may provide information to be included in the official state Voter Information Guide.	§ 9084(j)
7/3/26 (E-123) [Date designated by Secretary of State]	12. <b>STATEWIDE BALLOT MEASURES — BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY AND CONDENSED BALLOT TITLE AND SUMMARY DEADLINE</b> By this date, the Attorney General is asked to provide to the Secretary of State all official ballot titles and summaries and condensed ballot titles and summaries for the statewide ballot measures that have qualified for the general election to ensure there is sufficient time to have them translated into all required languages prior to the public examination period for the state Voter Information Guide.	§§ 303, 303.1, 9050, 9051, 9054, 13282
7/6/26 (E-120)	13. <b>STATEWIDE BALLOT MEASURES — NEWS RELEASE INVITING ARGUMENTS</b> 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 statewide ballot measure has not been prepared and filed.	§§ 9060-9063
7/7/26 (E-119) [Date designated by Secretary of State]	14. <b>STATEWIDE BALLOT MEASURES — ARGUMENT SUBMISSION DEADLINE</b> Last day for submittal of arguments for or against each qualified statewide ballot measure to the Secretary of State. Arguments shall not exceed 500 words, and, once submitted, no argument may be amended or deleted without a writ of mandate.	§§ 9041-9044, 9064, 9065, 9068

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<p>7/12/26* (E-114) [Date designated by Secretary of State]</p>	<p>15. <b>STATEWIDE BALLOT MEASURES — SELECTION AND EXCHANGE OF ARGUMENTS FOR OR AGAINST MEASURES</b></p>	<p>On or before this date, the Secretary of State will select arguments for inclusion in the state Voter Information Guide where more than one argument has been submitted in favor of or against the same measure. Following the selection, the Secretary of State will exchange arguments with opposing authors and request rebuttal arguments and summary information be submitted no later than July 16, 2026 (E-110).</p>	<p>§§ 9067, 9069</p>
<p>7/13/26 to 8/7/26 (E-113 to E-88)</p>	<p>16. <b>CANDIDATE STATEMENTS IN THE COUNTY VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE — U.S. REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, STATE SENATOR, AND MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY</b></p>	<p>Period in which candidates for United States Representative in Congress, State Senator, and Member of the State Assembly may purchase space for a 250-word candidate statement in the county voter information guide(s) of the county or counties in their jurisdiction. Candidates for State Senator and Member of the State Assembly may purchase space for a candidate statement only if they have agreed to accept the voluntary expenditure limits on their Candidate Intention Statement (Form 501).</p>	<p>Gov. Code § 85601(c); §§ 13307.5, 13307.7</p>
<p>7/14/26 (E-112) [Date designated by Secretary of State]</p>	<p>17. <b>SUBMISSION DATE FOR SUPPORTERS AND OPPONENTS LIST FOR STATEWIDE BALLOT MEASURES</b></p>	<p>On this day only, the selected author(s) of the argument in favor of a statewide ballot measure and the selected author(s) of the argument against a statewide ballot measure shall provide to the Secretary of State a listing of nonprofit organizations, businesses, or individuals in support or opposition of the statewide ballot measure, as specified in Elections Code section 9051. Each list is limited to 125 characters in length.</p>	<p>§ 9051(c)</p>
<p>7/15/26 (E-111) [Date designated by Secretary of State]</p>	<p>18. <b>CANDIDATE STATEMENTS IN THE STATE VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE — STATEWIDE CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICE — DEADLINE</b></p>	<p>Last day statewide constitutional office candidates may purchase space for a 250-word candidate statement in the state Voter Information Guide. Candidates for statewide constitutional office may purchase space for a statement only if they have agreed to accept the voluntary expenditure limits on their Candidate Intention Statement (Form 501).</p>	<p>Gov. Code § 85601(a); § 9084(i)</p>
<p>7/15/26 (E-111) [Date designated by Secretary of State]</p>	<p>19. <b>CANDIDATE STATEMENTS IN THE STATE VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE — SUPREME COURT JUSTICE — DEADLINE</b></p>	<p>Last day a justice of the California Supreme Court, who must stand for retention at the general election, may provide information to be included in the state Voter Information Guide.</p>	<p>§ 9084(j)</p>
<p>7/16/26 (E-110)</p>	<p>20. <b>SIGNATURES IN LIEU OF FILING FEES — SUPREME AND APPELLATE COURTS — DEADLINE</b></p>	<p>Last day for a justice of the Supreme or Appellate Court to submit 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 10 days following receipt of the petitions. The candidate shall then, at the time of obtaining nomination documents, pay a pro rata portion of the filing fee to cover the deficiency.</p>	<p>Cal. Const. art. VI, § 16(d)(1); § 8106(b)(3)</p>

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<p>7/16/26 (E-110) [Date designated by Secretary of State]</p>	<p>21. <b>STATEWIDE BALLOT MEASURES — ANALYSIS, "YES" AND "NO" STATEMENTS, BOND STATEMENT, AND TEXT — DEADLINE</b></p>	<p>By this date, the Legislative Analyst and Legislative Counsel must provide all official analyses, “Yes” and “No” statements, and texts of the statewide ballot measures that have qualified for the general election ballot, and a statement of bond debt, if necessary, so that the Secretary of State has sufficient time to prepare a copy for public examination and to translate the state Voter Information Guide into all required languages.</p>	<p>§§ 9085, 9087, 9088, 9091</p>
<p>7/16/26 (E-110) [Date designated by Secretary of State]</p>	<p>22. <b>POLITICAL PARTY STATEMENT OF PURPOSE — DEADLINE</b></p>	<p>Last day for political parties to submit statements of purpose, not to exceed 200 words, for inclusion in the state Voter Information Guide, if space allows.</p>	<p>§ 9084(e)</p>
<p>7/16/26 (E-110) [Date designated by Secretary of State]</p>	<p>23. <b>STATEWIDE BALLOT MEASURES — REBUTTAL ARGUMENT AND SUMMARY INFORMATION — DEADLINE</b></p>	<p>Last day for selected argument authors to submit rebuttal arguments and summary information for or against ballot measures qualified for the general election ballot. Rebuttal arguments shall not exceed 250 words, and summary information shall not exceed 50 words.</p>	<p>§§ 9069, 9084(c), (e)</p>
<p>7/17/26 to 8/15/26* (E-109 to E-80)</p>	<p>24. <b>DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY — SUPREME AND APPELLATE COURTS</b></p>	<p>Period in which a justice of the Supreme or Appellate Court, who must stand for retention at the general election, may file a declaration of candidacy with the Secretary of State. The nonrefundable filing fee must be paid at the time the declaration of candidacy is filed.</p>	<p>Cal. Const. art. VI, § 16; §§ 8103, 8105, 8201</p>
<p>7/21/26 to 8/10/26 (E-105 to E-85)</p>	<p>25. <b>STATE VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC EXAMINATION</b></p>	<p>Period in which the state Voter Information Guide for the general election will be available for public examination and in which any elector may seek a writ of mandate to amend or delete any portion thereof prior to its printing. The lists of Supporters and Opponents included in the ballot labels will be available for public examination in English on July 21, 2026 (E-105); the translated versions of those lists will be made available for public examination on July 27, 2026 (E-99).</p>	<p>Gov. Code § 88006; §§ 9051, 9054, 9082, 9092, 13282</p>
<p>7/26/26* (E-100)</p>	<p>26. <b>SIGNATURES IN LIEU OF FILING FEES — DETERMINE SUFFICIENCY — SUPREME AND APPELLATE COURTS</b></p>	<p>Last day for the county elections official to determine the sufficiency of the in-lieu signatures submitted by a justice of the Supreme or Appellate Court. If the county elections official determines that the petition is deficient, the county elections official shall notify the candidate of such deficiency within 10 days of the petition having been left for examination. The candidate shall then, at the time of obtaining nomination documents, pay a pro rata portion of the filing fee to cover the deficiency.</p>	<p>§ 8106(b)(3)</p>
<p>7/28/26 (E-98)</p>	<p>27. <b>CHANGE OF CANDIDATE'S DESIGNATION ON BALLOT</b></p>	<p>Last day that any candidate may request in writing a different ballot designation than that used at the primary election. The written request shall be accompanied by a ballot designation worksheet. This request should be made to <b>both</b> the Secretary of State and the county elections official.</p>	<p>Cal. Code Regs. tit. 2, § 20711(e); § 13107(h), 13107.3</p>
<p>7/31/26 (E-95) [Date fixed by law]</p>	<p>28. <b>CAMPAIGN STATEMENT — SEMIANNUAL</b></p>	<p>Last day to file semiannual campaign statements, if required, by all candidates, organizations, committees, and slate mailers.<sup>1</sup></p>	<p>Gov. Code §§ 84200, 84218</p>

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8/3/26 (E-92)	29. <b>RANDOMIZED ALPHABET DRAWING — NOTICE</b> 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 13, 2026 (E-82).	§ 13112(b)(1)(C), (c)
8/4/26 (E-91)	30. <b>\$5,000 REPORT (ELECTRONIC FILERS ONLY) — DEADLINE</b> Last day candidates for state office and their controlled committees, and committees primarily formed to support or oppose state measures, to file a disclosure report (Form 497) within 10 business days if \$5,000 or more was received from a single source outside the 90-day election cycle. <sup>1</sup>	Gov. Code §§ 85204, 85309(c), (d)
8/5/26 to 11/3/26 (E-90 to E)	31. <b>ELECTION CYCLE REPORTS — 24-HOUR PAYMENT REPORT (SLATE MAILER ORGANIZATIONS)</b> During the 90 days immediately preceding an election, each slate mailer organization that receives a payment of \$2,500 or more for the purpose of supporting or opposing any candidate or ballot measure in a slate mailer must report the payment within 24 hours to the Secretary of State's office by online or electronic transmission only. (Deadlines are extended to the next business day when they fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday, except for the weekend before an election.) Such payments may be reported on a Slate Mailer Late Payment Report (Form 498). <sup>1</sup>	Gov. Code § 84220
8/5/26 to 11/3/26 (E-90 to E)	32. <b>ELECTION CYCLE REPORTS — 24-HOUR CONTRIBUTION REPORT</b> During the 90 days immediately preceding an election, or on the date of the election, the following contributions that total in the aggregate of \$1,000 or more must be reported within 24 hours to the Secretary of State's office by online or electronic transmission only: contributions made to or received by a candidate (or candidate controlled committee) being voted upon on the November 3, 2026 ballot; contributions made to or received by a primarily formed candidate or ballot measure committee being voted upon on the November 3, 2026, ballot; or, contributions made to or received by a political party committee. (Deadlines are extended to the next business day when the deadline falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday, except for the weekend before the election.) Recipients of non-monetary or in-kind contributions must file within 48 hours of the date the non-monetary or in-kind contribution was received. These contributions are reported on the Contribution Report (Form 497). <sup>1</sup>	Gov. Code §§ 82036, 84203, 84203.3, 85204, 85309
8/5/26 to 11/3/26 (E-90 to E)	33. <b>ELECTION CYCLE REPORTS — 24-HOUR INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURE REPORT</b> During the 90 days immediately preceding an election or on the date of the election, an independent expenditure of \$1,000 or more made to a specific candidate or measure involved in a state election must be reported on the Independent Expenditure Report (Form 496) within 24 hours to the Secretary of State's office by online or electronic transmission only. <sup>1</sup>	Gov. Code §§ 82036.5, 84204, 84215(e), 85204
8/7/26 (E-88)	34. <b>VOTER'S CHOICE ACT COUNTIES: CALCULATE NUMBER OF VOTE CENTERS</b> On this date, the county elections officials of counties implementing the Voter's Choice Act must calculate the location and number of vote centers based on specific ratios of the number of voters registered as of this date.	§§ 4005(a)(3)(A), (a)(4)(A)
8/7/26 (E-88)	35. <b>ALL COUNTIES TO CALCULATE NUMBER OF BALLOT DROP-OFF LOCATIONS</b> On this date, the county elections officials must calculate the number of drop-off locations based on specific ratios of the number of voters registered as of this date.	§§ 3025.5, 4005(a)

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8/7/26 (E-88)	36. <b>CANDIDATE STATEMENTS IN THE COUNTY VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE — U.S. REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS, STATE SENATOR, AND MEMBER OF THE STATE ASSEMBLY — DEADLINE</b>	Last day candidates for United States Representative in Congress, State Senator, and Member of the State Assembly may purchase space for a 250-word candidate statement in the county voter information guide(s) of the county or counties in their jurisdiction. Candidates for State Senator and Member of the State Assembly may purchase space only if they have agreed to accept the voluntary expenditure limits on their Candidate Intention Statement (Form 501).	Gov. Code § 85601(c); §§ 13307.5, 13307.7
8/10/26 (E-85)	37. <b>LAST DAY STATE VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC EXAMINATION AND COPY DELIVERED TO THE STATE PRINTER</b>	Last day the state Voter Information Guide for the general election will be available for public examination and for the Secretary of State to deliver copy for preparation of the state Voter Information Guides to the Office of State Publishing.	Gov. Code § 88006; §§ 9051, 9054, 9082, 9092, 13282
8/12/26 (E-83)	38. <b>POLITICAL PARTY ENDORSEMENTS — VOTER-NOMINATED OFFICES — DEADLINE</b>	Last day for the party chairperson of any 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 received timely in the county voter information guide.	§ 13302(b)
8/13/26 (E-82) [11:00 a.m.]	39. <b>RANDOMIZED ALPHABET DRAWING</b>	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.	§§ 13111, 13112(b)(1)(C)
8/13/26 (E-82) [Date designated by Secretary of State]	40. <b>BALLOT TINT AND WATERMARK ASSIGNMENT</b>	On or before this date, the Secretary of State shall issue the tint and watermark assignment to be printed upon the general election ballots.	Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, §§ 20215, 20218; § 13002
8/15/26* (E-80) [Date fixed by law]	41. <b>DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY — SUPREME AND APPELLATE COURTS — DEADLINE</b>	Last day for a justice of the Supreme or Appellate Court, who must stand for retention 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; §§ 8103, 8105, 8201
8/22/26* (E-73)	42. <b>NOTICE TO CANDIDATES</b>	On or before this date, but not fewer than five days before sending the certified list of candidates to the county elections officials, the Secretary of State to notify each candidate for statewide constitutional office, United States Representative in Congress, State Senator, and Member of the State Assembly of the names, addresses, offices, and if applicable, ballot designations and party preferences of all other persons whose names are to appear on the general election ballot for the same office.	§ 8147.5
8/27/26 (E-68)	43. <b>DEATH OF A CANDIDATE — NAME ON BALLOT</b>	Last day for the county elections official to remove a deceased candidate's name from the general election ballot.	§§ 8803(b), 8810
8/27/26 (E-68)	44. <b>FILLING VACANCY ON BALLOT — NONPARTISAN OFFICE</b>	No vacancy on the ballot for the general election shall be filled except by reason of the death of a candidate for nonpartisan office occurring on or before this day.	§ 8803(a)

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8/27/26 (E-68)	45. <b>CERTIFIED LIST OF CANDIDATES AND ROTATION LIST</b>	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
		By this day, the Secretary of State shall also provide to county elections officials a list of candidates to be voted on throughout the state for each county arranged according to the randomized alphabet drawn on August 13, 2026 (E-82).	§ 13111
9/4/26 (E-60)	46. <b>MILITARY OR OVERSEAS VOTER APPLICATIONS</b>	First day county elections official may process applications for military or overseas voter 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 they have applied, the elections official receiving the application shall forward it immediately to the proper county.	§§ 300(b), 321, 3102, 3105
9/4/26 to 9/14/26 (E-60 to E-50)	47. <b>VOTER REGISTRATION DATA TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR STATE VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE MAILING</b>	Period in which county elections officials shall notify the Secretary of State that voter registration information is available in the California Statewide Voter Registration System (VoteCal) by indicating readiness in their Election Management System (EMS) by September 14, 2026 (E-50) with respect to voters registered as of September 4, 2026 (E-60).	§ 9094(a)
9/4/26 to 9/14/26 (E-60 to E-50)	48. <b>REPORT OF REGISTRATION — 60-DAY COUNTY READINESS</b>	Period in which county election officials shall notify to the Secretary of State that voter registration information is available in the California Statewide Voter Registration System (VoteCal) by indicating Report of Registration readiness in their Election Management System (EMS) with respect to voters registered as of September 4, 2026 (E-60).	§ 2187(a), (b), (c)(5)
9/7/26 to 10/20/26 (E-57 to E-14)	49. <b>STATEMENT OF WRITE-IN CANDIDACY AND NOMINATION PAPERS — NONPARTISAN OFFICE</b>	Period in which all write-in candidates must leave their statements of write-in candidacy and nomination papers with the county elections official for filing with the Secretary of State, if no candidate has been elected to a nonpartisan office at the primary election.	§§ 8141, 8600, 8601
9/14/26 (E-50)	50. <b>VOTER REGISTRATION DATA TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR STATE VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE MAILING — DEADLINE</b>	Last day to indicate state Voter Information Guide mailing readiness in the county's Election Management System (EMS) of all voters registered as of September 4, 2026 (E-60).	§ 9094(a)
9/14/26 (E-50)	51. <b>REPORT OF REGISTRATION — 60-DAY COUNTY READINESS — DEADLINE</b>	Last day for county elections officials to indicate Report of Registration readiness in their Election Management System (EMS) of all voters registered as of September 4, 2026 (E-60).	§ 2187(a), (b), (c)(5)
9/15/26 (E-49)	52. <b>CANDIDATE NOMINATION — SUPREME AND APPELLATE COURTS — DEADLINE</b>	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 retention at the general election did not file their declaration of candidacy with the Secretary of State.	Cal. Const. art. VI, § 16(d)(1)

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<p>9/19/26*<sup>3</sup> [Saturday] (E-45) [Date fixed by law]</p>	<p>53. <b>MILITARY OR OVERSEAS VOTER BALLOTS</b></p>	<p>Last day for the county elections official to transmit ballots and balloting materials to absent military or overseas voters who have requested them by this date. If a military or overseas voter ballot application is received after this date, the county elections official shall transmit a ballot and balloting materials as soon as practicable.</p>	<p>52 U.S.C. § 20302 (MOVE Act); § 3114</p>
<p>9/19/26* (E-45) [Date designated by Secretary of State]</p>	<p>54. <b>STATE VOTER INFORMATION GUIDES TO STATE AND LOCAL OFFICIALS AND PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS</b></p>	<p>On or before 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 specified educational institutions.</p>	<p>§ 9096</p>
<p>9/19/26 to 11/2/26 (E-45 to E-1)</p>	<p>55. <b>ISSUE ADVOCACY REPORT (ELECTRONIC FILERS ONLY)</b></p>	<p>A disclosure report (Form E-530) must be filed within 48 hours by anyone spending or promising to pay \$50,000 or more for a communication disseminated, broadcast, or otherwise published within 45 days of an election, if the communication clearly identifies a candidate for state elective office but does not expressly advocate the election or defeat of that candidate.<sup>1</sup></p>	<p>Cal. Code Regs. tit. 2, § 18539.2; Gov. Code § 85310</p>
<p>9/24/26 (E-40) [Date fixed by law]</p>	<p>56. <b>FIRST PRE-ELECTION STATEMENT</b></p>	<p>Last day to file campaign statements for candidates and committees for the period ending September 19, 2026 (E-45). Candidate controlled committees and primarily formed candidate and measure committees appearing on the ballot must file this statement. State general purpose committees making contributions or independent expenditures of \$500 or more in connection with the election must also file this statement. Candidate controlled committees by elected state officers and candidates for elective state office who are not appearing on the ballot at the next statewide election making contributions or independent expenditures of \$500 or more in connection with the election must file this statement. Political parties must file this statement if they receive contributions totaling \$1,000 or more or if contributions or independent expenditures totaling \$500 or more were made in connection with the election. State slate mailer organizations must file this statement if payments of \$500 or more are received or made to produce a slate mailer in connection with the election.<sup>1</sup></p>	<p>Gov. Code §§ 84200.5, 84200.8, 84218</p>
<p>9/24/26 to 10/13/26 (E-40 to E-21)</p>	<p>57. <b>STATE VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE MAILING</b></p>	<p>Period in which the Secretary of State shall mail state Voter Information Guides to all households in which voters were registered by September 4, 2026 (E-60). This mailing is based on the information provided by county elections officials to the Secretary of State by September 14, 2026 (E-50).</p>	<p>§ 9094(a)</p>
<p>9/24/26 to 10/13/26 (E-40 to E-21)</p>	<p>58. <b>COUNTY VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE AND POLLING PLACE NOTICE MAILING</b></p>	<p>Suggested first day for the county elections official to begin mailing a county voter information guide and a polling place notice, which includes any vote centers, to each registered voter who registered at least 29 days before the election, unless the voter has opted to receive them electronically. The polling place notice may state whether the polling place is accessible to the physically handicapped.</p>	<p>§§ 13300(b), 13300.7, 13303, 13304, 13305, 14282</p>
		<p>The county elections official shall also give county voter information guides to the chairperson of the county central committee of each political party, shall mail a copy to each candidate, and shall post a copy of the county voter information guide in a conspicuous place in the office.</p>	<p>§ 13302(a)</p>

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10/4/26* (E-30)	59. <b>NOTICE OF EARLY TABULATION</b> On or before this date, the county governing body to notify the county elections official 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
10/5/26 (E-29)	60. <b>ALL COUNTIES MAIL EVERY ACTIVE REGISTERED VOTER A VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT AND PACKET</b> Every active registered voter will be mailed a vote-by-mail ballot and packet No later than this date, county elections officials shall begin mailing each registered voter a vote-by-mail ballot, a vote-by-mail packet that includes an envelope with instructions on the use and return of the vote-by-mail ballot, and other information including the locations and hours of each vote center in the county or polling place. County elections officials shall have five days to mail a ballot to each person who is registered to vote by this date and five days to mail a ballot to each person who is subsequently registered to vote.	§§ 3000.5, 3010 §§ 3000.5, 3010, 4005(a)(8)(A), (B) §§ 3000.5, 3001
10/5/26 (E-29)	61. <b>NON-VOTER'S CHOICE ACT COUNTIES: PRECINCT BOARD MEMBERS AND POLLING PLACES</b> On or before this date, the county elections official shall appoint members of the precinct boards and designate the polling places.	§ 12286
10/5/26 (E-29)	62. <b>VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS: PROCESSING BEGINS</b> All county elections officials may begin to process vote-by-mail ballot return envelopes and vote-by-mail ballots.  This process may be completed to the point of placing the ballot information on a computer medium, but under <b>NO</b> circumstances may a vote count be accessed or released until 8:00 p.m. on November 3, 2026 (E).	§ 15101(a) § 15101(b), (c)
10/5/26 (E-29)	63. <b>ADDITIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION DATA RETRIEVAL FOR STATE VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE MAILING</b> The Secretary of State shall notify the county elections officials via email communication that a VoteCal data retrieval will occur of all voters whom registered after the 60th day before the election and before the 29th day prior to the election. No additional readiness is required in their Election Management System (EMS).	§ 9094(a)
10/5/26 to 11/3/26 (E-29 to E)	64. <b>VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT REQUEST BY OUT-OF-STATE EMERGENCY WORKERS</b> Period in 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 their home precinct, an out-of-state emergency worker may request and vote a vote-by-mail ballot, which must be returned in the same manner as all other voted vote-by-mail ballots.	§§ 336.7, 3021.5
10/6/26 to 11/3/26 (E-28 to E)	65. <b>ALL COUNTIES: DROP-OFF LOCATIONS OPEN</b> By this date, all counties shall open ballot drop-off locations. These locations shall be open at least during regular business hours beginning not less than 28 days before the election through election day. At least one ballot drop-off location shall be an accessible, secured, exterior drop box that is available for a minimum of 12 hours per day, including regular business hours.	§§ 3025.5, 4005(a)(1)
10/13/26 (E-21)	66. <b>STATE VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE MAILING — DEADLINE</b> On or before this date, the Secretary of State shall mail state Voter Information Guides to all households in which voters were registered by September 4, 2026 (E-60).	§ 9094(a)

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| 10/13/26<br>(E-21)                         | <p><b>67. COUNTY VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE AND POLLING PLACE NOTICE MAILING — DEADLINE</b></p> <p>Last day for the county elections official to mail a county voter information guide and a polling place notice, which includes any vote centers, to each registered voter who registered at least 29 days before the election, unless the voter has opted to receive them electronically. The polling place notice may state whether the polling place is accessible to the physically handicapped.</p> <p>The county elections official shall also give county voter information guides to the chairperson of the county central committee of each political party, shall mail a copy to each candidate, and shall post a copy of the county voter information guide in a conspicuous place in their office.</p>  | <p>§§ 13300(b),<br/>13300.7, 13303,<br/>13304, 13305,<br/>14282</p> <p>§ 13302(a)</p>                |
| 10/14/26<br>(E-20)                         | <p><b>68. REPORT OF REGISTRATION — 60-DAY STATEWIDE REPORT PUBLISHED</b></p> <p>On or before this date, the Secretary of State will release a statewide report showing the number of registered voters, by political party preference, in the state, in each county, and in each political subdivision thereof. This report is based on the number of persons registered as of September 4, 2026 (E-60).</p>   | <p>§ 2187(b), (c)(5)</p>   |
| 10/18/26<br>to<br>11/2/26<br>(E-16 to E-1) | <p><b>69. 24-HOUR STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION FILING REQUIREMENT — RECIPIENT COMMITTEES AND SLATE MAILER ORGANIZATIONS</b></p> <p>A recipient committee or slate mailer organization that qualifies during the 16 days prior to an election in which it must file pre-election statements must file a Statement of Organization Recipient Committee (Form 410) or Statement of Organization (Slate Mailer Organization) (Form 400) within 24 hours of qualification with the filing officer who will receive the committee's original disclosure statements by personal delivery, facsimile transmission, online transmission, or guaranteed overnight delivery.<sup>1</sup></p>   | <p>Gov. Code<br/>§§ 84101, 84108</p>   |
| 10/19/26<br>(E-15)                         | <p><b>70. 15-DAY CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION</b></p> <p>Last day to register to vote in the general election. The voter registration application shall be mailed (postmarked by this date), submitted online using the Secretary of State's online voter registration application (COVR), or delivered to the county elections official by this date and is effective upon receipt. The voter registration application may also be submitted by this date to the Secretary of State, Department of Motor Vehicles, or any National Voter Registration Act designated agency.</p> <p>A request for a vote-by-mail ballot from a military or overseas voter, if postmarked on or before this date, will be deemed an affidavit of registration. When a county elections official receives and approves a registration application from a military or overseas voter, the official must provide that voter with a vote-by-mail ballot for each subsequent election.</p> <p>See Item #75 for exception to the deadline.</p> | <p>52 U.S.C.<br/>§§ 20301, 20501;<br/>§§ 300(b), 321, 2102,<br/>2170, 3102</p> <p>§ 3102(b), (e)</p> |
| 10/19/26<br>(E-15)                         | <p><b>71. NOTICE OF CHANGE OF ADDRESS WITHIN STATE</b></p> <p>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 within the state. The notice or letter shall be mailed (postmarked by this date) or delivered to the county elections official by this date and is effective upon receipt. 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 or letter is in lieu of re-registering.</p>   | <p>§§ 2116, 2119</p>   |

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<p>10/19/26 to 10/27/26 (E-15 to E-7)</p>	<p>72. <b>REPORT OF REGISTRATION — 15-DAY COUNTY READINESS</b></p>	<p>Period in which county election officials shall notify the Secretary of State that voter registration information is available in the California Statewide Voter Registration System (VoteCal) by indicating Report of Registration readiness in their Election Management System (EMS) with respect to voters registered as of October 19, 2026 (E-15). § 2187(a), (b), (c)(6)</p>
<p>10/20/26 (E-14)</p>	<p>73. <b>STATEMENT OF WRITE-IN CANDIDACY AND NOMINATION PAPERS NONPARTISAN OFFICE — DEADLINE</b></p>	<p>Last day for nonpartisan write-in candidates to leave their statements of write-in candidacy and nomination papers with the county elections official for filing with the Secretary of State, if no candidate has been elected to a nonpartisan office at the primary election. §§ 8141, 8600, 8601</p>
<p>10/20/26 (E-14)</p>	<p>74. <b>BILINGUAL PRECINCT BOARD MEMBERS</b></p>	<p>Last day for county elections officials to prepare a list of precincts to which bilingual officers were appointed. A copy of this list shall be made available to the public, including on the county elections official’s Internet website, and the language or languages other than English in which they will provide assistance. § 12303(d)</p>
<p>10/20/26 to 11/3/26 (E-14 to E)</p>	<p>75. <b>CONDITIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION PERIOD</b></p>	<p>Period in which an elector can “conditionally” register and vote provisionally at the county elections office, a satellite office, a polling place, a vote center, or online through the Internet website of the Secretary of State after the voter registration deadline. Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 20021(b)(1); § 2170</p>
<p>10/20/26 to 11/3/26 (E-14 to E)</p>	<p>76. <b>CHANGE OF ADDRESS WITHIN SAME COUNTY AND/OR CHANGE OF POLITICAL PARTY PREFERENCE</b></p>	<p>Period in which an elector can, in lieu of executing a new affidavit of registration for a change of address within the same county and/or a change of political party preference, submit a written request that discloses specific information. The written request shall be delivered to the county elections official’s office or to any location that offers conditional voter registration and at which a ballot can be issued. §§ 2119.5, 2152</p>
<p>10/22/26 (E-12)</p>	<p>77. <b>SECOND PRE-ELECTION STATEMENT</b></p>	<p>Last day to file campaign statements for candidates and committees for the period ending October 17, 2026 (E-17). Candidate controlled committees and primarily formed candidate and measure committees appearing on the ballot must file this statement by guaranteed overnight mail or personal delivery. State general purpose committees making contributions or independent expenditures of \$500 or more in connection with the election must also file this statement. Candidate controlled committees by elected state officers and candidates for elective state office who are not appearing on the ballot at the next statewide election making contributions or independent expenditures of \$500 or more in connection with the election must file this statement. Political parties must file this statement if they receive contributions totaling \$1,000 or more or if contributions or independent expenditures totaling \$500 or more were made in connection with the election. State slate mailer organizations must file this statement if payments of \$500 or more are received or made to produce a slate mailer in connection with the election.<sup>1</sup> Gov. Code §§ 84200.5, 84200.8(b), 84218</p>
<p>10/23/26 (E-11) [Date designated by Secretary of State]</p>	<p>78. <b>CERTIFIED LIST OF WRITE-IN CANDIDATES FOR NONPARTISAN OFFICE</b></p>	<p>If no candidate has been elected to a nonpartisan statewide office at the primary election, the Secretary of State will prepare and send to county elections officials a certified list of write-in candidates showing the name of every write-in candidate eligible to receive votes at the general election.</p>

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10/24/26* (E-10)	79. <b>PUBLICATION OF CENTRAL TALLY CENTER LOCATION</b> Last day that a notice shall be published by the county elections official, at least 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, if ballots not tallied at precincts.	§ 12109
10/24/26* (E-10)	80. <b>STATE VOTER INFORMATION GUIDE SUPPLEMENTAL MAILING BY SECRETARY OF STATE — DEADLINE</b> On or before this date, the Secretary of State to mail state Voter Information Guides to voters who registered between Saturday, September 5, 2026 (E-59), and October 5, 2026 (E-29), inclusive.	§ 9094
10/24/26 to 10/30/26 (E-10 to E-4)	81. <b>VOTER'S CHOICE ACT COUNTIES: OPEN ONE VOTE CENTER FOR EVERY 50,000 REGISTERED VOTERS</b> Period in which counties that are conducting the election under the Voter's Choice Act will open one vote center for every 50,000 registered voters. The locations and hours of operation of these vote centers will be available in vote-by-mail materials and on the county website. Any voter registered in the county may visit any vote center in order to receive voter services or vote.	§ 4005(a)(2)(A), (4)(A)
10/27/26 (E-7)	82. <b>REPORT OF REGISTRATION — 15-DAY COUNTY READINESS — DEADLINE</b> Last day for county of elections officials to indicate Report of Registration readiness in their Election Management System (EMS) of all voters registered as of October 19, 2026 (E-15).	§ 2187(a), (b), (c)(6)
10/27/26 (E-7) [5:00 p.m.]	83. <b>COMPUTER PROGRAM TO SECRETARY OF STATE</b> Last day for counties to verify their election night vote count computer programs and deposit copies thereof with the Secretary of State.	§ 15001(a)
10/28/26 to 11/2/26 (E-6 to E-1)	84. <b>MILITARY OR OVERSEAS VOTER RECALLED TO SERVICE</b> Period in which a registered military or overseas voter recalled to service after October 27, 2026 (E-7), but before 5:00 p.m. on November 2, 2026 (E-1), may appear before the county elections official where they are registered, or, if within the state, in the county in which they have been recalled to service, and obtain 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 and returned as are other voted vote-by-mail ballots.	§ 3111
10/31/26** (E-3) [Date fixed by law]	85. <b>QUARTERLY STATEMENT BY BALLOT MEASURE COMMITTEES</b> Last day for committees that have qualified as a recipient committee and are primarily formed to support or oppose the qualification, passage, defeat of any measure to file a quarterly campaign statement for the period of July 1, 2026 (E-125), through September 30, 2026 (E-34), unless the committee will file preelection statements for an upcoming election. <sup>1</sup>  This statement is not required if the committee is required to file pre-election statements or if the measure was already voted on and the committee has not made contributions or expenditures to support or oppose the qualification or passage of another ballot measure. <sup>1</sup>	Gov. Code § 84202.3  Gov. Code § 84202.3
10/31/26 (E-3)	86. <b>NON-VOTER'S CHOICE ACT COUNTIES: OPEN ONE EARLY VOTING LOCATION</b> Counties that are not implementing the Voter's Choice Act, open at least one early voting location on the Saturday before the day of the election that is open for a minimum of six hours.	§ 3016.3(b)

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<p>10/31/26 to 11/3/26 (E-3 to E)</p>	<p>87. <b>VOTER'S CHOICE ACT COUNTIES: OPEN ONE VOTE CENTER FOR EVERY 10,000 REGISTERED VOTERS</b></p>	<p>Period in which counties that are conducting the election under the Voter's Choice Act will open one vote center for every 10,000 registered voters. The locations and hours of operation of these vote centers will be available in vote-by-mail materials and on the county website. Any voter registered in the county may visit any vote center in order to receive voter services or vote.</p>	<p>§ 4005(a)(3)(A)</p>
<p>11/1/26* (E-2)</p>	<p>88. <b>EARLY BALLOT PICKUP NOTIFICATION DEADLINE</b></p>	<p>If a county elections official will pick up ballots prior to the closing of the polls, at least 48 hours in advance of an election, the elections official must notify the public of the dates, times, and places at which ballot containers will be delivered.</p>	<p>Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 20142; § 14422(a)(3)</p>
<p>11/2/26 (E-1) [5:00 p.m.]</p>	<p>89. <b>MILITARY OR OVERSEAS VOTER RECALLED TO SERVICE — DEADLINE</b></p>	<p>Last day a registered military or overseas voter recalled to service after October 27, 2026 (E-7), but before 5:00 p.m. on November 2, 2026 (E-1), may obtain from the county elections official where they are registered, or, if within the state, in the county in which they have been recalled to service, and obtain 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 and returned as are other voted vote-by-mail ballots.</p>	<p>§ 3111</p>
<p>11/2/26 (E-1)</p>	<p>90. <b>ISSUE ADVOCACY REPORT (ELECTRONIC FILERS ONLY) — PERIOD ENDS</b></p>	<p>A disclosure report (Form E-530) must be filed within 48 hours by anyone spending or promising to pay \$50,000 or more for a communication disseminated, broadcast or otherwise published within 45 days of an election, if the communication clearly identifies a candidate for state elective office but does not expressly advocate the election or defeat of that candidate.<sup>1</sup></p>	<p>Cal. Code Regs. tit. 2, § 18539.2; Gov. Code § 85310</p>
<p>11/2/26 (E-1)</p>	<p>91. <b>24-HOUR STATEMENT OF ORGANIZATION FILING REQUIREMENT — RECIPIENT COMMITTEES AND SLATE MAILER ORGANIZATIONS — PERIOD ENDS</b></p>	<p>A recipient committee or slate mailer organization that qualifies during the 16 days prior to an election in which it must file pre-election statements must file a Statement of Organization Recipient Committee (Form 410) or Statement of Organization (Slate Mailer Organization) (Form 400) within 24 hours of qualification with the filing officer who will receive the committee's original disclosure statements by personal delivery, facsimile transmission, online transmission, or guaranteed overnight delivery.<sup>1</sup></p>	<p>Gov. Code §§ 84101, 84108</p>
<p>11/3/26 (E)</p>	<p>92. <b>GENERAL ELECTION DAY</b></p>	<p>The polls shall be open throughout the state from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on this date.</p> <p>An elector can “conditionally” register and vote provisionally at the county elections office, a satellite office, a polling place, a vote center, or online through the Internet website of the Secretary of State after the voter registration deadline.</p>	<p>§§ 1000(e), 14212</p> <p>Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 20021(b)(1); § 2170</p>

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(E) 93. **HAND DELIVERED OR FAXED VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS RETURNED IN ORDER TO BE COUNTED — DEADLINE**  
Voted vote-by-mail ballots hand delivered to the office of the elections official who issued the ballot or at any polling place, vote center, vote-by-mail drop-off location, or drop box in the state must be received by county elections official by the close of the polls on Election Day. §§ 3017, 14212  
  
Last day a military or overseas voter who is living outside of the United States (or is called for service within the United States on or after October 27, 2026 (E-7)), may return their ballot by facsimile transmission. To be counted, the ballot returned by facsimile transmission shall be received by the voter's elections official by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day and shall be accompanied by an identification envelope and a signed oath of declaration. § 3106
- 11/3/26  
(E) 94. **ELECTION CYCLE REPORTS — 24-HOUR PAYMENT REPORT (SLATE MAILER ORGANIZATIONS) — PERIOD ENDS**  
During the 90 days immediately preceding an election, each slate mailer organization that receives a payment of \$2,500 or more for the purpose of supporting or opposing any candidate or ballot measure in a slate mailer must report the payment within 24 hours to the Secretary of State's office online or by electronic transmission only. (Deadlines are extended to the next business day when they fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday, except for the weekend before an election.) Such payments may be reported on a Slate Mailer Late Payment Report (Form 498).<sup>1</sup> Gov. Code § 84220
- 11/3/26  
(E) 95. **ELECTION CYCLE REPORTS — 24-HOUR CONTRIBUTION REPORT — PERIOD ENDS**  
During the 90 days immediately preceding an election or on the date of the election, the following contributions that total in the aggregate of \$1,000 or more must be reported within 24 hours to the Secretary of State's office by online or electronic transmission only: contributions made to or received by a candidate or candidate controlled committee being voted upon on the November 3, 2026 ballot; contributions made to or received by a primarily formed candidate or ballot measure committee being voted upon on the November 3, 2026 ballot; or contributions made to or received by a political party committee. For purposes of the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System and the Teachers' Retirement Board, the date of the election is the deadline to return ballots. (Deadlines are extended to the next business day when they fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday, except for the weekend before an election.) Recipients of non-monetary or in-kind contributions must file within 48 hours of the date the non-monetary or in-kind contribution was received. These contributions are reported on the Contribution Report (Form 497).<sup>1</sup> Gov. Code §§ 82036, 84203, 84203.3, 85204, 85309
- 11/3/26  
(E) 96. **ELECTION CYCLE REPORTS — 24-HOUR INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURE REPORT — PERIOD ENDS**  
During the 90 days immediately preceding the date of the election, an independent expenditure of \$1,000 or more made to a specific candidate or measure involved in a state election must be reported on the Independent Expenditure Report (Form 496) within 24 hours to the Secretary of State's office by online or electronic transmission only. For purposes of the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System and the Teachers' Retirement Board, the date of the election is the deadline to return ballots, and a copy of the Form 496 must be filed with the relevant board office.<sup>1</sup> Gov. Code §§ 82036.5, 84204, 84215(e), 85204

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11/3/26 (E)	97. <b>MILITARY OR OVERSEAS VOTERS — LATE CONDITIONS</b>	<p>Any registered military or overseas voter or any individual born outside of the United States or District of Columbia whose parent or legal guardian was a resident of California when the parent was last living in the United States 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 replacement ballot pursuant to Section 3014.</p> <p>A military or overseas voter or any individual born outside of the United States or District of Columbia whose parent or legal guardian was a resident of California when the parent was last living in the United States who returns to the county after October 27, 2026 (E-7), may appear before the county elections official and apply for registration. 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 the election and returned as are other voted vote-by-mail ballots.</p>	<p>§§ 300(b), 321, 3014, 3109</p> <p>§ 3110</p>
11/3/26 (E)	98. <b>VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT REQUEST BY OUT-OF-STATE EMERGENCY WORKERS — DEADLINE</b>	<p>Last day, 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 their home precinct, that 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, and returned in the same manner as other voted vote-by-mail ballots.</p>	§§ 336.7, 3021.5
11/3/26 (E) [8:00 p.m.]	99. <b>CONDITIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION — DEADLINE</b>	<p>Last day for an elector to “conditionally” register and vote provisionally at the county elections office, a satellite office, a polling place, a vote center, or online through the Internet website of the Secretary of State after the voter registration deadline.</p>	<p>Cal. Code Regs., tit. 2, § 20021(b)(1); § 2170</p>
11/3/26 (E) [8:00 p.m.]	100. <b>CHANGE OF ADDRESS WITHIN SAME COUNTY AND/OR CHANGE OF POLITICAL PARTY PREFERENCE — DEADLINE</b>	<p>Last day for an elector, in lieu of executing a new affidavit of registration for a change of address within the same county and/or a change of political party preference, to submit a written request that discloses specific information. The written request shall be delivered to the county elections official’s office or to any location that offers conditional voter registration and at which a ballot can be issued.</p>	§§ 2119.5, 2152
11/3/26 (E) [8:00 p.m.]	101. <b>SEMIFINAL OFFICIAL CANVASS</b>	<p>Beginning at 8:00 p.m., and continuously until completed, the county elections official shall conduct the semi-official canvass of votes and report totals to the Secretary of State at least every two hours.</p>	§§ 15150, 15151
11/5/26 (E+2)	102. <b>ESTIMATED NUMBER OF UNPROCESSED BALLOTS</b>	<p>On this day, county elections official shall send to the Secretary of State an initial report containing the estimated number of outstanding unprocessed ballots.</p>	§ 15305(b)
11/5/26 to 12/3/26 (E+2 to E+30)	103. <b>OFFICIAL CANVASS — BEGINNING</b>	<p>Beginning no later than the Thursday following the election, county elections officials must begin the official canvass of the precinct returns. This canvass must be completed no later than December 3, 2026 (E+30).</p>	§§ 15301, 15372

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(E+2 to E+30)
104. **OFFICIAL CANVASS — REPORTING**  
Beginning no later than the Thursday following the election, county elections officials must post updated information on their Internet website at least two times by the following Thursday and at least twice per week thereafter. The updates shall include at least the following information: (1) Updated results for any candidate or measure appearing on the ballot; (2) The number of ballots processed and an estimated number of outstanding ballots remaining unprocessed for each of the following categories: ballots voted at a polling place, vote by mail ballots received on or before election day, vote by mail ballots received after election day, provisional ballots, and conditional registration ballots; (3) The date and time when it is expected that the next results will be posted. This information shall be posted on the homepage of an elections official’s internet website, on the stand-alone webpage for the specific election on an elections official’s internet website, or on the stand-alone website that contains updated election results for the specific election. Posting a hyperlink to a separate file containing this information does not satisfy the requirements.
- §§ 15305, 15306(a)
- The elections official may stop posting the results described above when either of the following occurs: (1) A certified statement of results is published pursuant to Section 15372; (2) The only ballots left to count are vote by mail ballots for which a voter has the opportunity either to verify their signature pursuant to Section 3019(d) or to provide their signature pursuant to Section 3019(e). If the elections official stops posting results for this reason, they shall post a notice stating this reason on their Internet website.
- § 15306(b)
- 11/9/26  
to  
12/3/26  
(E+6 to E+30)
105. **REPORT ON ESTIMATED NUMBER OF UNPROCESSED BALLOTS**  
Beginning on this day, the county elections official shall, on any day that the county elections official publicly releases updated election results, send to the Secretary of State a report on the estimated number of outstanding unprocessed ballots. The last report shall be delivered upon completion of the official canvass.
- §§ 15305(c), 15375
- 11/10/26  
(E+7)
106. **VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS RETURNED BY MAIL — 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 no later than seven days after Election Day and either of the following is satisfied: 1) the ballot is postmarked on or before Election Day or is time stamped or date stamped by a bona fide private mail delivery company on or before Election Day, or 2) if the ballot has no postmark, a postmark with no date, or an illegible postmark, the vote-by-mail ballot identification envelope is date stamped by the elections official upon receipt of the vote-by-mail ballot from the United States Postal Service or a bona fide private mail delivery company, and is signed and dated pursuant to Section 3011 on or before Election Day.
- §§ 3011, 3017, 3020(b), (c)
- 11/11/26  
(E+8)
107. **VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS RETURNED TO DIFFERENT COUNTY**  
Last day for a county elections official to forward a ballot, which was delivered to a precinct board at a polling place or vote center or to a vote-by-mail drop-off location in their county, to the county that issued the ballot.
- § 3017(a)(3)

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| 11/13/26<br>(E+10)                     | 108. <b>PROVISIONAL BALLOTS OF EMERGENCY WORKERS</b>  |                         |                   |
|  | If the Governor declares a state of emergency and issues an executive order authorizing an emergency worker to cast a ballot outside of their precinct, the provisional ballot cast by the emergency worker by the close of polls on Election Day must be received by the county elections official where the voter is registered no later than this day. The county elections official in a county included in the executive order declaring the emergency shall transmit for processing any ballot cast by 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      |                         | § 14313           |
| 11/16/26<br>(E+13)                     | 109. <b>BALLOT COUNTING — DEADLINE</b>  |                         |                   |
|  | By this date, all counties shall finish counting all ballots and release the vote count for those ballots except ballots needing to be duplicated, ballots forwarded from other counties, provisional ballots, conditional ballots, vote-by-mail ballots whose signature on their vote-by-mail ballot identification envelope did not compare with their signatures on their voter record or did not sign their vote-by-mail ballot identification envelope, ballots received after the fourth day following the election. Elections officials that will not meet this deadline shall file an extension with the Secretary of State and include the reason for the extension. |                         | § 15307           |
| 11/17/26<br>(E+14)<br>[5:00 p.m.]      | 110. <b>VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS — NOTICE TO CURE NONCOMPARABLE SIGNATURE ON IDENTIFICATION ENVELOPE OR UNSIGNED</b>  |                         |                   |
|  | By this date, the elections official shall provide to all voters identified as having a signature on the vote-by-mail ballot identification envelope that did not compare with their signatures on their voter record a notice of the opportunity to verify their signatures no later than 5:00 p.m. on November 25, 2026 (E+22). A "signature verification statement" or combined statement can be submitted in person, or by mail, email, or fax.   | § 3019(d)(1)(A), (j)(1) |                   |
|  | By this date, the elections official shall provide to all voters identified as having failed to sign the vote-by-mail ballot identification envelope a notice of the opportunity to provide a signature no later than 5:00 p.m. on November 25, 2026 (E+22). An "unsigned identification envelope statement" or combined statement can be submitted in person, or by mail, email, or fax.   | § 3019(e)(1)(A), (j)(1) |                   |
| 11/25/26<br>(E+22)<br>[5:00 p.m.]      | 111. <b>VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOTS — DEADLINE TO CURE NONCOMPARABLE SIGNATURE ON IDENTIFICATION ENVELOPE</b>  |                         |                   |
|  | Last possible day for an elections official to receive from a voter, whose signature on their vote-by-mail ballot identification envelope did not compare with their signatures on their voter record, a "signature verification statement" or combined statement. This statement can be submitted in person, or by mail, email, or fax.  |                         | § 3019(d)(4)(A)   |
|  | Last possible day for a voter who did not sign the vote-by-mail ballot identification envelope to either sign the identification envelope at the office of the elections official or complete and submit an "unsigned identification envelope statement" or combined statement. This statement can be submitted in person, or by mail, email, or fax.   |                         | § 3019(e)(1)(A)   |
| 11/26/26*<br>(E+23)<br>[State Holiday] | 112. <b>REPORT OF REGISTRATION — 15-DAY STATEWIDE REPORT PUBLISHED</b>  |                         |                   |
|  | On or before this date, the Secretary of State will release a statewide report showing the number of registered voters, by political party preference, in the state, in each county, and in each political subdivision thereof. This report is based on the number of persons registered as of October 19, 2026 (E-15).   |                         | § 2187(b), (c)(6) |

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12/3/26 (E+30)	<b>113. OFFICIAL CANVASS DEADLINE</b> No later than this date, the county elections official must complete the canvass, certify its results, and submit it to the board of supervisors.  Suggested deadline 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 under its jurisdiction a certificate of election.	§§ 15301, 15372  §§ 15400, 15401
12/3/26 (E+30)	<b>114. ESTIMATED NUMBER OF UNPROCESSED BALLOTS — FINAL REPORT</b> No later than this date, the last report on the estimated number of outstanding unprocessed ballots shall be delivered to the Secretary of State.	§§ 15305(c), 15375
12/3/26 (E+30)	<b>115. OFFICIAL CANVASS — REPORTING</b> Beginning no later than the Thursday following the election, county elections officials must post updated information on their Internet website at least two times by the following Thursday and at least twice per week thereafter. The updates shall include at least the following information: (1) Updated results for any candidate or measure appearing on the ballot; (2) The number of ballots processed and an estimated number of outstanding ballots remaining unprocessed for each of the following categories: ballots voted at a polling place, vote by mail ballots received on or before election day, vote by mail ballots received after election day, provisional ballots, and conditional registration ballots; (3) The date and time when it is expected that the next results will be posted. This information shall be posted on the homepage of an elections official’s internet website, on the stand-alone webpage for the specific election on an elections official’s internet website, or on the stand-alone website that contains updated election results for the specific election. Posting a hyperlink to a separate file containing this information does not satisfy the requirements.  The elections official may stop posting the results described above when either of the following occurs: (1) A certified statement of results is published pursuant to Section 15372; (2) The only ballots left to count are vote by mail ballots for which a voter has the opportunity either to verify their signature pursuant to Section 3019(d) or to provide their signature pursuant to Section 3019(e). If the elections official stops posting results for this reason, they shall post a notice stating this reason on their Internet website.	§§ 15305, 15306(a)  § 15306(b)
12/4/26 (E+31)	<b>116. STATEMENT OF RESULTS TO SECRETARY OF STATE</b> By this date, the county elections official shall send to the Secretary of State, in an electronic format, one complete copy of the general election returns for all candidates for statewide constitutional office, United States Representative in Congress, State Senator, Member of the State Assembly, and justices of the Supreme Court and Courts of Appeal, and for all statewide ballot measures.	§§ 15374, 15375
12/4/26 (E+31)	<b>117. BALLOT REJECTION REPORT TO SECRETARY OF STATE</b> By this date, the county elections official shall identify and provide to the Secretary of State the number of vote-by-mail ballots rejected, categorized according to the reason for the rejection.  The Secretary of State shall publish a report containing the above information on the Secretary of State’s Internet website.	§ 15377(a)  § 15377(b)

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12/11/26 (E+38)	118. <b>STATEMENT OF THE VOTE</b>  Last day for the Secretary of State to prepare, certify, and file a statement of the vote from the compiled election returns and post to the Secretary of State's Internet website.  The Secretary of State shall make official declaration of the vote upon each question submitted to the electors of the State by either initiative or referendum petition filed in the Secretary of State's office.	§ 15501  Gov. Code § 12165
12/11/26 (E+38)	119. <b>CERTIFICATES OF ELECTION</b>  The Secretary of State shall issue to each elected candidate a certificate of election.	§§ 15503, 15504, 15504.5
1/2/27* (E+60)	120. <b>CERTIFICATES OF ELECTION — INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM RESULTS</b>  Last day for the Secretary of State to deliver to the Office of State Publishing certificates showing what laws or constitutional amendments, proposed by initiative petition and approved by the people, have gone into operation, and the date of going into operation, and the result of all elections upon any questions submitted to the electors of the State by initiative or referendum petition within the preceding two years.	Gov. Code § 12167
1/26/27 (E+84) [Date fixed by law]	121. <b>CAMPAIGN STATEMENT — SEMIANNUAL</b>  Last day to file semiannual campaign statements for candidates, committees, and slate mailer organizations.	Gov. Code §§ 84200, 84218
2/10/27 to 3/1/27 (E+99 to E+118)	122. <b>REPORT OF REGISTRATION — ODD-NUMBERED YEAR REPORT READINESS</b>  Period in which county elections officials shall notify the Secretary of State that voter registration information is available in the California Statewide Voter Registration System (VoteCal) by indicating Report of Registration readiness in their Election Management System (EMS) with respect to voters registered as of February 10, 2027 (E+99).	§ 2187(a), (c)(7)
3/1/27 (E+118)	123. <b>REPORT OF REGISTRATION — ODD-NUMBERED YEAR COUNTY READINESS — DEADLINE</b>  Last day for county elections officials to indicate Report of Registration readiness in their Election Management System (EMS) of all voters registered as of February 10, 2027 (E+99).	§ 2187(a), (c)(7)
4/1/27 (E+149)	124. <b>REPORT OF REGISTRATION — ODD-NUMBERED YEAR STATEWIDE REPORT PUBLISHED</b>  On or before this date, the Secretary of State will release a statewide report showing the number of registered voters, by political party preference, in the state, in each county, and in each political subdivision thereof. This report is based on the number of persons registered as of February 10, 2027 (E+99).	§ 2187(b), (c)(7)

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4/10/27* (E+158)	<b>125. SUPPLEMENT TO THE STATEMENT OF THE VOTE</b> 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, state assembly district, state senatorial district, congressional district, and supervisorial district for each candidate for the offices of Governor and on each statewide ballot measure.	§ 15502
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\*Deadline falls on a weekend or state holiday; it does not move forward to the next business day.

\*\*Deadline falls on a weekend or state holiday; the action may be conducted on the next business day. (Elections Code § 15; Government Code § 81005)

<sup>1</sup>Paper and electronic or online filings may be required. This does not cover ALL campaign disclosure requirements. Please contact the Fair Political Practices Commission at 1-866-275-3772 for all filing obligations.

<sup>2</sup>All code references are to the California Elections Code unless otherwise stated.

<sup>3</sup> Elections Code section 3114 and the federal MOVE Act require that ballots be sent to military and overseas voters no later than 45 days prior to an election. This E-45 deadline must be adhered to and does not move forward even though the date falls on a Saturday.