

**NOVEMBER 2, 2010
GENERAL ELECTION CALENDAR**

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All references are to the California Elections Code unless otherwise noted.

<p>Apr 23 – Jul 22 (E-193 – E-103)</p>	<p>Signatures In-Lieu of Filing Fees – Independent Candidates Running for U.S. Senate, Congress and State Legislative offices During this period, a candidate for U.S. Senate, Congress and State Legislative Offices may obtain his or her forms from the county elections official or the Secretary of State for circulating petitions to secure signatures in lieu of all or part of their filing fee. §8061, 8105, 8106, 8302, 8405</p>
<p>June 7 – Aug 6 (E-148 – E-88)</p>	<p>Nomination Papers – Independent Candidates Between these dates, independent candidates for partisan office shall circulate nomination petitions to obtain signatures and submit them to the Elections Department for examination. If the district falls within two or more counties, the Elections Department shall report within two working days to the Secretary of State the total number of signatures submitted. §8403</p> <p>Independent candidates must pay the nonrefundable filing fee or present a sufficient number of valid in-lieu signatures at the time they receive their nomination Paper from the county Elections Department.</p> <p>The Elections Department shall forward the nomination papers to the Secretary of State between June 7 and August 6.</p>
<p>June 7 – Aug 6 (E-148 – E-88)</p>	<p>Statement of Economic Interests Between these dates, specified non incumbent candidates in an election shall file Statements of Economic Interests (Form 700) disclosing their investments, interests in real property and any income received during the preceding 12 months. Such statement shall not be required if the candidate has filed such a statement within the past 60 days for the same jurisdiction. §Gov. Code 87200, 87201, 87500</p>
<p>June 28 – Jul 12 (E-127 – E-113)</p>	<p>Cities Publish Election Notice Between these dates, any city that is consolidating an election with the November General will publish a Notice of Election one time in a newspaper of general circulation stating:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The date and polling hours of the election • Any offices to be filled and any measure to be voted on, including a Synopsis of each measure. §12101, 12111
<p>June 30 (E-125)</p>	<p>Special Districts & Cities Deliver Notice of Election to County Clerk Last day for district secretaries and City Clerks to deliver Notice of Election listing the elective offices to be filled and any measure (if known at the time) to be voted on and deliver a map of the District or City to the Elections Department. Cities and special districts should include the notice “how a tie vote will be resolved.” §10509, 10522, 10524, 15651</p>

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<p>July 2 (E-123)</p>	<p>Schools to Deliver Specifications of the Election Order Last day for school board to deliver a resolution known as the “Specifications of the Election Order” and file it with the county Superintendent of Schools and county elections official, stating the date and purpose of the election. Ed. Code §5322</p> <p>A clause to determine a tie vote is included in the “Specifications of the Elections Order”. Ed. Code §5016</p>
<p>July 5* (E-120)</p>	<p>County Holiday – Office Closed</p>
<p>July 5* - Aug 4 (E-120 - E-90)</p>	<p>Notice of Election Between these dates the elections official will publish a Notice of Election containing the date of the election, and location that ballots will be counted on election night. §12109</p>
<p>July 12 - Aug 6 (E-113 – E-88)</p>	<p>Candidate Nomination Period – School / Special Districts Candidate filing period for candidates running for special and school district offices. Forms are obtained from and filed with the county Elections Department. §10510, 13307, 13311</p>
<p>July 12 – Aug 6 (E-113 – E-88)</p>	<p>Candidate’s Statement of Qualifications – Run-Off/ School / Special Districts</p> <p>Run-Off Candidates: Between these dates, candidates may prepare a statement of qualifications, not to exceed 200 words, to be included in the Voter’s Information Pamphlet. The statement shall be filed and paid for by 5 pm on August 6, 2010. The Statement may not be changed, but may be withdrawn up until 5 pm on August 9, 2010.</p> <p>School / Special District Candidates Between these dates, candidates may prepare a statement of qualifications, not to exceed 200 words, to be included in the Voter’s Information Pamphlet. The statement shall be filed and paid for by August 6, 2010 or August 11, 2010 if the filing period extends. The statement may not be changed, but may be withdrawn up until 5 pm on August 9th if the contest closes on the 6th if the contest closes on the 6th or August 12th if the contest closes on the 11th after the extension period. § 13307</p>
<p>July 27 (E-98)</p>	<p>Change of Candidate’s Ballot Designation Last day <u>state</u> candidates may request in writing to both the Secretary of State and Elections Department that a different ballot designation be used for the November election than the designation used at the June primary election.</p> <p>Local Run-Off Candidates Last day for local run-off candidates to request in writing to the Elections Department that a different ballot designation be used for the November election than the designation used at the June primary election. §13107(e)</p>
<p>July 31 Date fixed by law</p>	<p>Semiannual Campaign Statement Last day to file semiannual campaign statements, if required, by all candidates and committees. Gov. Code §84200, 84218</p>

<p>Aug 6 (E-88)</p>	<p>Ballot Measure – Last Day to Submit Measure Last day for resolution calling a measure to be submitted to the Registrar of Voters. The statement of the measure to appear on the ballot shall not exceed 75 words. Also, last day to submit tax-rate statement for bond measures. Statement shall include information specified in EC §9401. Registrar of Voters will send a copy of the resolution to county counsel with instructions to prepare an Impartial Analysis.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Exam Period EC §9402, 9509 The 10 day public exam period will be from Aug 7 to Aug 16 Ed Code §5322, EC §9401, 9500
<p>Aug 12, 11 a.m. (E-82)</p>	<p>Randomized Alphabet Drawing Secretary of State and the county Elections Department shall conduct the randomized alphabet drawing to determine the order in which the candidates will appear on the general election ballot. § 13112</p>
<p>Aug 16, 5 p.m. (E-78)</p>	<p>Arguments – Last Day to Submit Last day to file arguments for or against any county or school district measure. Arguments may not exceed 300 words in length. (EC §§9162, 9163, 9315, 9316, 9401 & 9502)</p>
<p>Aug 26, 5 p.m. (E-68)</p>	<p>Rebuttals – Last Day to Submit Last day for authors of arguments for or against a county or school district measure to submit rebuttals. Rebuttals may not exceed 250 words in length. (EC §§9167, 9317 & 9504)</p>
<p>Aug 26 (E-68)</p>	<p>Certified List of Candidates – Federal and State Offices Last day for the Secretary of State to send to each elections official a list showing the name, party affiliation and ballot designation of every person who has been nominated as a candidate for public office and is entitled to receive votes within the county at the general election. §8148</p>
<p>Sept 3 (E-60)</p>	<p>Special Vote-by Mail Ballot Applications The first day county election officials may process applications for special vote-by-mail ballots. The application must include the statement that the voter cannot vote a vote-by-mail ballot during the normal vote-by-mail voting period of October 4 to October 26, 2010 because of military or other contingencies that preclude normal mail deliver. §300(b), 3103</p>
<p>Sept 3 – 13 (E-60 to E-50)</p>	<p>Report of Registration- 60-day County Report During this period, county elections officials shall send to the Secretary of State a summary statement of the number of persons registered by party in Counties and in each political subdivision thereof as of Sept 3, 2010. §2187</p>
<p>Sept 6</p>	<p>County Holiday – Office Closed</p>
<p>Sept 6* - Oct 19 (E-57 – E-14)</p>	<p>Statement of Write-in Candidacy and Nomination Papers During this period write-in candidates must file their Statement of Write-in Candidacy and Nomination Papers with the county elections official. §8601</p>
<p>Sept 23 – Oct 12 (E-40 – E-21)</p>	<p>Counties Mail Sample Ballots / State Ballot Pamphlet Mailing Between these dates the county elections official shall mail a Sample Ballot and polling place notice to each registered voter.</p> <p>Between these dates the Secretary of State shall mail state ballot pamphlets to all households in which voters were registered by Friday, Sept 3 (E-60). the county will do a supplemental mailing of state pamphlets to voters who register after Sept 3. §9094, 13303, 13304</p>

<p>Oct 4 – Oct 26 (E-29 – E-7)</p>	<p>Vote-by-Mail Ballot Application Period Between these dates voters may apply for a vote-by-mail ballot from the Elections Department. Under certain conditions voters may obtain a vote-by-mail ballot after October 26. §3001, 3003</p>
<p>Oct 4 (E-29)</p>	<p>29-Day Walking Lists Prepared The County Elections Official will prepare the 29-day county wide voter index available for purchase upon written application at a cost of \$190.00. §2184</p>
<p>Oct 5 (E-28)</p>	<p>First Pre-Election Statement Last day to file campaign statements for candidates and committees covering the period ending Sept 30 (E-33). Gov. Code §84200.5, 84200.7(b)</p>
<p>Oct 5 (E-28)</p>	<p>Supplemental Independent Expenditure Reports Candidates or committees making independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more in a calendar year to support or oppose a candidate or measure shall file independent expenditure reports as if it were formed or existing primarily to support or oppose the candidate or measure. Gov. Code §84203.5, 82031</p>
<p>Oct 17* - Nov 1 (E-16 – E-1)</p>	<p>Late Contribution / Independent Expenditure Report During this time late contribution / independent expenditure reports must be filed by FAX, telegram, mailgram, guaranteed overnight mail or deliver in person. Gov. Code §84203, 84204</p>
<p>Oct 17* - Nov 1 (E-16 – E-1)</p>	<p>24-Hour Statement of Organization Filing Requirement – Recipient Committees & Slate Mailer Organizations During the 16 days immediately preceding an election, any person or entity which qualifies as a recipient committee or slate mailer organization must file a Form 410 within 24 hours by telegram or personal delivery. Gov. Code §84101, 84108</p>
<p>No later than Oct 26 (E-7)</p>	<p>Publish Polling Places and Precinct Board Members Not less than one week before the election, the elections official shall publish the list of polling places and precinct board members. §12105 – 12108, Gov. Code §6061</p>
<p>Oct 27 – Nov 2 (E-6 – E)</p>	<p>Vote-by-Mail Ballots – Late Conditions Voters unable to go to the polls because of illness or disability or because they will be absent from their precinct on election day, may come to the Elections Department and receive a vote-by-mail ballot over the counter. Voters may designate in writing a representative to bring the vote-by-mail ballot to them. The voter may return the ballot to the Elections Department or polling place in in the county either personally or through the authorized representative. §3021</p>
<p>Nov 2 (E)</p>	<p>General Election Day Polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m. §1000, 14212</p>
<p>Nov 2 (E)</p>	<p>Unopposed Judge: Superior Court On this date, the County Clerk declares elected any incumbent superior or municipal court judge who has filed for office but whose name did not appear on either the primary or the general election ballots because he or she was unopposed. §8203</p>

<p>Nov 4 – Nov 30 (E+2 – E+28)</p>	<p>Official Canvass The official canvass of precinct returns is to be completed during this time. §15301, 15372</p>
<p>Nov 25 – 26 (E+23 – E+24)</p>	<p>County Holiday – Office Closed</p>
<p>Nov 30 (E+28)</p>	<p>Statement of Vote to Board of Supervisors – Certificates of Election Prepared The elections official shall prepare a certified statement of the results of the Election and submit it to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall 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. §15372, 15400 - 15401</p>
<p>5 days after canvass</p>	<p>Recount May Be Requested Within five (5) days after the completion of the official canvass, any voter may Request a recount by filing a written request with the Election Official and Specifying which candidates and/or measures are to be recounted. The request may specify the order of the precincts for the recount, and the Petitioning voter shall, before commencement of each day’s recount, deposit Such sum as the official requires to cover costs (approximately \$200 per day). “Completion of the canvass” shall be presumed to be the time when the Elections official signs the Certified Statement of Vote. §15620 - 15634</p>
<p>Varies between 10 days to 6 months following the certification of the vote</p>	<p>Contesting Election Any elector of a county, city or of any political subdivision of either may contest any election held therein for any of the following causes: a) That the precinct board or any member thereof was guilty of malconduct. b) That the person who has been declared elected to an office was not, at the time of the election, eligible to that office. c) That the defendant has given to any elector or member of a precinct board any bribe or reward or has offered any bribe or reward for the purpose of procuring his election or has committed any other offense against the elective franchise defined in Division 18 (commencing with Section 18000). d) That illegal votes were cast. e) That eligible voters who attempted to vote in accordance with the laws of the state were denied their right to vote. f) That the precinct board in conducting the election or in canvassing the returns, made errors sufficient to change the result of the election as to any person who has been declared elected. g) That there was an error in the vote-counting programs or summation of ballot counts. §16100</p>

	<p>The contestant shall verify the statement of contest, as provided by Section 446 of the Code of Civil Procedure and shall file it within the following times after the declaration of the result of the election by the body canvassing the returns thereof:</p> <p>a) In cases other than cases of a tie, where the contest is brought on any of the grounds mentioned in subdivision c of Section 16100, six months.</p> <p>b) In all cases of tie, 20 days.</p> <p>c) In cases involving presidential electors, 10 days.</p> <p>d) In all other cases, 30 days.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§16401</p>
Dec 6 (E+34)	<p>State Senators and State Assembly members Assume Office Terms begin on the first Monday in December following the election. CA. Const. Art. IV §2</p>
Dec 7 (E+35)	<p>Statement of Vote to Secretary of State No later than this date the elections official shall send one copy of the Statement of Vote to the Secretary of State. <p style="text-align: right;">§15375</p> </p>
Dec 11* (E+39)	<p>Certificates of Election The Secretary of State shall issue certificates of election to persons elected to U.S. Senate, Congress, and legislative offices. <p style="text-align: right;">§15503 – 15504</p> </p>
Jan 3, 2011 (E+62)	<p>Candidates Elected to County Offices, Judges Assume Office Terms begin at noon on the first Monday after January 1 succeeding their Election for county officers. Superior Court Judges also begin on this date; Although, there is no mention of the noon hour. CA. Const. Art. VI §16; Gov. Code §24200</p>
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