

# November 7, 2017 General Election

## Calendar of Events

### Important Dates for Candidates

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

Date	Description
June 30 E-130	<b>Boundary Changes (§ 12262)</b>  Last day for districts holding their elections in November to make boundary changes to be filed with the Elections Official by June 30.
July 4	<b>County Holiday</b>  Office Closed
July 5 E-125	<b>Special Districts Deliver Notice of Election to Elections Official (§ 10509, 10522, 10524, 10551, 15651)</b>  Last day for district secretaries to deliver a Notice of Election to the Elections Department listing the elective office to be filled, who will pay for any candidate's statement of qualifications, and any measure to be voted on in November. A map of the district must accompany the Notice. Special districts should include in the notice how a tie vote will be resolved.
July 10 to Aug 9 E-120 to E-90	<b>Notice of Election (§ 12112, 10515; Ed Code §5324, 5325)</b>  Between these dates the Elections Official will publish a Notice of Election containing the date of the election, the offices to be filled, qualifications for candidacy required by the principal act, where nomination papers are available, deadline for filing Declarations of Candidacy, and a notice that appointment will be made in lieu of election in accordance with state law.  Notice of central counting place may be combined with this notice. (§ 12109)  The county elections official will forward copies of all published notices to each special district. (§ 12133)
July 17 thru Aug 11 E-113 thru E-88	<b>Candidate Nomination Period (EC §§ 10510, 13307, 13311)</b>  Candidates for special district boards obtain and file their Declarations of Candidacy along with their Candidate's Statement of Qualifications if they choose to submit one. Statements shall remain confidential until the expiration of the filing deadline. Forms are obtained from and filed with the county Elections Department.

<p>July 31</p> <p>E-99</p>	<p><b>Semi-annual Campaign Statement (Govt Code § 84200; 84128)</b></p> <p>Last day to file semiannual campaign statements, if required, by all candidates and committees for period ending 3/30/17.</p>
<p>Aug 9 – Nov 7</p> <p>E-90 to E</p>	<p><b>24-hour Contribution Reports (Gov Code §84203, 84220, 85204)</b></p> <p>During the 90 days immediately preceding an election and including Election Day, the following contributions that total in the aggregate of \$1,000 or more must be reported within 24 hours to the county elections official.</p> <p>File by personal delivery, e-mail, guaranteed overnight service, fax or online, if available.</p>
<p>Aug 11</p> <p>E-88</p>	<p><b>Last Day to Submit Resolutions of Consolidation (EC §10401, 10402)</b></p> <p>Final deadline for the governing body of a district, city, school or other political subdivision which requests consolidation of a local election for candidates and/or measures to file the request with the county Elections Department. Earlier filing dates are encouraged in order to meet printing schedules.</p>
<p>August 12* - Aug 16</p> <p>E-87 to E-83</p>	<p><b>Candidate Filing Extension (EC §10516)</b></p> <p>If the incumbent does not file by 5 pm on August 11, there is a 5-day filing extension for anyone other than the incumbent to file for office.</p> <p>The extension does not apply when there is no incumbent to be elected. This occurs when there is a vacant seat or a termed out incumbent.</p>
<p>Aug 16</p> <p>E-83</p>	<p><b>Insufficient Number of Nominees (EC §10515)</b></p> <p><u>Special Districts:</u> If by 5 pm on this day, no one has filed candidacy papers or an insufficient number of persons has filed candidacy papers to fill an office or offices, and a petition signed by 19% or 50 voters (whichever is the smaller number) has not been submitted, the elections official shall certify this fact to the Board of Supervisors. A person who has filed a Declaration of Candidacy shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors at a regular or special meeting held prior to the Monday before the first Friday in December. If no one filed, another qualified person shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors on or before November 7, 2017 and shall take office and serve as if elected.</p>
<p>August 17 11 am</p> <p>E-82</p>	<p><b>Drawing of Randomized Alphabet (EC § 13112)</b></p> <p>(11:00 am) Secretary of State will conduct a drawing of the alphabet for determining the order of candidate's names on the ballot.</p>

Sept 4 E-64	<b>County Holiday – Office Closed</b>
Sept 8 E-60	<p><b>Military or Overseas Vote-by-Mail Ballot Applications (EC §300(b), 321, 3102, 3105)</b></p> <p>First day the 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 he or she has applied, the elections official receiving the application shall forward it immediately to the proper county.</p> <p>A request for a vote-by-mail ballot from a military or overseas voter will be deemed an affidavit of registration and an application for permanent voter-by-mail status.</p>
Sept 11 – Oct 24 E-57 to E-14	<p><b>Statement of Write-In Candidacy and Nomination Papers – Non Partisan Offices (EC § 8600)</b></p> <p>During this period write-in candidates must file their Statement of Write-in Candidacy and Nomination Papers with the county elections official for nonpartisan offices.</p>
Sept 29 – Oct 18 E-40 to E-21	<p><b>Voter Information Guide Mailing (§ 9094, 13303, 13304)</b></p> <p>Between these dates the county elections official shall mail a Voter Information Guide and Sample Ballot with a polling place notice to each registered voter.</p>
Sept 28 Date fixed by law	<p><b>Filing period for First Pre-Election Campaign Disclosure Statement (GC §§ 84200.5, 84200.8)</b></p> <p>Covers period July 1 thru September 23. Statements must be sent by first class mail or hand delivered.</p>
Oct 9* E-29	<p><b>Federal Holiday – no mail delivery</b></p> <p>County offices open.</p>
Oct 9 E-29	<p><b>Last Day to Register to Vote to Ensure receipt of Sample Ballot (EC §9094, 13303)</b></p> <p>Voter registration cards received by this date (postmark NOT ACCEPTABLE) will be added to the rolls and the voters will receive a Sample Ballot booklet prepared by the county elections official. The voters who submit cards after this date will NOT receive a County Voter Information guide and Sample Ballot, only a notice verifying their registration and advising them of their polling place.</p>
Oct 9 – Oct 31 E-29 to E-7	<p><b>Vote-by-Mail Ballot Application Period (EC § 3001, 3003)</b></p> <p>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 31.</p>

<p>Oct 9 – Nov 7 E-29 to E</p>	<p><b>Early Voting at Elections Department</b></p> <p>Beginning 29 days before the election, the Imperial County Elections Department will operate as a polling place providing voters with ballots, assisting voters, and serving as a ballot drop location. Office will be open during regular business hours and on Election Day from 7am to 8pm.</p>
<p>October 23 E-15</p>	<p><b>15-day Voter Registration (EC § 2107)</b></p> <p>Last day to register to vote in the general election. The Voter Registration Form shall be mailed (postmarked by this date), received online by midnight, 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 Secretary of State, Department of Motor Vehicles, or any National Voter Registration Act designated agency. (52 U.S.C. § 20301; § 300(b), 321, 2102, 2107, 3102)</p> <p>Last day for military or overseas voters to register to vote. 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 and an application for permanent vote-by-mail status. 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 for federal office in the state unless the voter fails to vote in four consecutive statewide general elections.</p>
<p>Oct 26 E-12</p>	<p><b>Second Pre-Election Statement (Gov Code §84200.5, 84200.7)</b></p> <p>Last day to file campaign statements for candidates and committees for the period ending October 21.</p>
<p>Oct 28* E-10</p>	<p><b>Notice of Central Counting Place (EC §12109)</b></p> <p>Last day for county elections official to publish the notice that the general election ballots will be counted at a specified public place. The notice shall be published one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the county and may have been published with the Notice of Election.</p>
<p>No later than Oct 31 E-7</p>	<p><b>Publish Polling Places and Precinct Board Members (§12105 – 12108, Gov Code §6061)</b></p> <p>Not less than one week before the election, the elections official shall publish the list of polling places and precinct board members.</p>
<p>Nov 1 – Nov 7 E-6 to E</p>	<p><b>Vote-by-Mail Ballots – Late Conditions (EC §3021)</b></p> <p>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 the county either personally or through the authorized representative.</p>
<p>Nov 7 E</p>	<p><b>Election Day</b></p> <p>Polls open at 7 am and will close at 8 pm.</p>

<p>Nov 9 – Nov 27 E+2 to E+20</p>	<p><b>Canvass of Election / Certificate of Election (EC § 15372)</b></p> <p>The official canvass of precinct returns is to be completed during this time.</p>
<p>Nov 10 E+3</p>	<p><b>Vote-by-Mail Ballots Returned Via Post Office – Deadline ( EC §3017, 3020)</b></p> <p>Vote-by-mail ballots that are postmarked on or before election Day or are time stamped or date stamped by a bona fide private mail delivery company on or before Election Day, and received by the county elections official shall be considered received on time.</p> <p>If the ballot has no postmark, a postmark with no date, or an illegible postmark, the vote by mail ballot identification envelope must be signed and dated by the voter pursuant to Section 3011 on or before Election Day in order to be considered received on time.</p>
<p>Nov 21 E+14</p>	<p><b>Board of Supervisors to appoint Candidates In-Lieu of Election ( EC §10515)</b></p> <p>Candidates who filed a Declaration of Candidacy shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors at a regular or special meeting held prior to the first Monday before the first Friday in December. This is the last regularly scheduled board meeting before this statutory deadline.</p>
<p>Nov 23 – Nov 24 E+16 to E+17</p>	<p><b>County Holiday – Office Closed</b></p>
<p>Dec 1  E+24</p>	<p><b>Assuming Office (EC § 10554)</b></p> <p><u>Special Districts:</u> Candidates declared elected or appointed (i.e. as provided in § 10554) take office this date at noon after having taken the oath or posted any bond required by the principal act.</p>
<p>Dec 8 E+30</p>	<p><b>Statement of Vote to Board of Supervisors – Certificates of Election Prepared (EC §15372, 15400-15401)</b></p> <p>The elections official shall prepare a certified statement of the results of the election and submit it to the Board of Supervisors.</p> <p>The Board of Supervisors shall declare the nominees or 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.</p>
<p>Dec 9 E+31</p>	<p><b>Statement of Vote to Secretary of State (EC §15375)</b></p> <p>No later than this date the elections official shall send one copy of the Statement of Vote to the Secretary of State.</p>
<p>5 days after canvass</p>	<p><b>Recount May Be Requested (EC § 15620 – 15634)</b></p> <p>Within five (5) days after the completion of the official canvass, any voter may request a recount by filing a written request with the Elections official and specifying that candidates and/or measures are to be recounted.</p> <p>The request may specify the order of the precincts for the recount,</p>

	<p>and the petitioning voter shall, before commencement of each day's recount, deposit such sum as the official requires to cover costs. "Completion of the Canvass" shall be presumed to be the time when the elections official signs the certified Statement of Vote.</p>
<p>Varies between 10 days to 6 months following the certification of the vote</p>	<p><b>Contesting Election (EC §16100, 16401)</b></p> <p>Any elector of a county, city, or of any political subdivision of either may contest any election held therein for any of the following grounds:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) That the precinct board or any member thereof was guilty of malconduct.</li> <li>b) That the person who has been declared elected to an office was not, at the time of the election, eligible to that office.</li> <li>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).</li> <li>d) That illegal votes were cast.</li> <li>e) That eligible voters who attempted to vote in accordance with the laws of the state were denied their right to vote.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>g) That there was an error in the vote-counting programs or summation of ballot counts.</li> </ol> <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> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> <li>b) In all cases of tie, 20 days.</li> <li>c) In cases involving presidential electors, 10 days.</li> <li>d) In all other cases, 30 days.</li> </ol>
<p>Period following election</p>	<p><b>Document Retention (EC Div 17, commencing with § 17000)</b></p> <p>Nomination documents and signatures in-lieu of filing fee petitions (if applicable) shall be held during the term of office for which they were filed and for four years after the expiration of the term. They may be destroyed as soon as practicable thereafter provided no legal action or proceeding is pending.</p> <p>Since the November 2017 election is conducted under the Uniform District Election Law, precinct supplies and voted ballots must be preserved for 6 months following the election. If no legal action is pending at the time, the documents may be destroyed or recycled. Unused ballots may be destroyed or recycled after the November 2017 election.</p> <p>Initiative, referendum and recall petitions must be preserved for eight months following certification of the election for which the petition qualified or eight months after final examination of the</p>

	petition by the clerk. If no legal action or proceeding is then pending, the petitions may be destroyed as soon as practicable.
January 31, 2018	<p><b>Filing Period for Semi-Annual Campaign Disclosure Statement (GC § 84200, 84218)</b></p> <p>Last day to file semiannual campaign statements, if required, by all candidates and committees.</p>
<p><b>Note: Whenever a date prescribed by law falls on a weekend or holiday, such act may be performed on the next business day. (EC § 15; GC §6701)</b></p>	