

## Office of the Secretary of the State

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### November 3, 2026 – State Election Calendar

The following is a chronological summary of certain requirements for the 2026 Election Year, applicable in the absence of a Special Act to the contrary. Section references are to the General Statutes of Connecticut. All entries and references are subject to legislative revision.

#### 1. Major Parties (§ 9-372(5))

##### Town Committee Members (§ 9-391)

Party endorsements:.....January 6 – 13, 2026

Certification of endorsements:.....January 14, 2026 (4:00 p.m.)

Primary petitions filed by:.....January 28, 2026 (4:00 p.m.)

Primary (6:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.):.....March 3, 2026

##### Selection of Delegates to State and District Conventions (§ 9-391)

Party selections:.....March 24 –31, 2026

Certification of selection:.....April 1, 2026 (4:00 p.m.)

##### Candidates for State and District Office Governor and Lieutenant Governor, U.S. Senator, Representative in Congress, Secretary of the State, Treasurer, Comptroller, Attorney General, and multi-town State Senator, State Representative, and Judge of Probate (§§ 9-372(5); 9-383; 9-391; 9-400; 9-404a; 9-405; 9-409)

Party endorsements:.....May 5 – 26, 2026 (Conventions)

Certification of endorsements:.....14th day after close of convention (4:00 p.m.)

"15% candidate" certificates filed by:..... 14th day after close of convention (4:00 p.m.)

Statewide / Rep. in Congress petitions issued: .....April 28, 2026

District office petitions issued beginning: .....May 26, 2026

Primary petitions filed by:.....June 9, 2026 (4:00 p.m.)

Primary (6:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.):.....August 11, 2026

##### Candidates for Municipal Office<sup>1</sup> (§§ 9-372(5); 9-391; 9-400; 9-404a; 9-405; 9-406; 9-409, 9-409(b))

Party endorsements:.....May 19 – 26, 2026

Certificate of endorsements:..... 14th day after endorsement meeting (4:00 p.m.)

Municipal office petitions issued beginning:..... day after endorsement or May 27, 2026 (earliest)

Municipal office of state senator/representative petitions issued beginning:.....May 26, 2026

Primary petitions filed by:.....June 9, 2026 (4:00 p.m.)

Primary (6:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.):.....August 11, 2026

#### 2. Minor Parties (§§9-372(6); 9-451 - 9-452a)

Party rules filed by: .....July 6, 2026

Notice/Nomination meeting to municipal clerk or SOTS by: ..... Five days before the meeting

Nomination & certification by:.....September 2, 2026

#### 3. Nominating Petitions ("New Party" or "No Party") (§§ 9-453a - 9-453u)

Nominating petitions issued beginning: .....January 2, 2026

Nominating petitions filed with SOTS by:.....July 29, 2026 (4:00 p.m.)

Nominating petitions filed with TC by: .....August 5, 2026 (4:00 p.m.)

#### 4. Early Voting (§§ 9-163aa)

Primary: ..... August 3 – August 9, 2026

General Election:.....October 19 – November 1, 2026

#### 5. Election – November 3, 2026 (6:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.)

Governor and Lieutenant Governor, U.S. Senator, Representative in Congress, State Senator, State Representative, Secretary of the State, Treasurer, Comptroller, Attorney General, Judge of Probate, and Registrar of Voters

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<sup>1</sup> Unless otherwise specified, candidates for municipal office include candidates for registrar of voters and candidates for state senator, state representative, and judge of probate representing a single-town district.

### Deadlines to Transmit a Notice of Acceptance or Rejection for Mail-In Voter Registrations

The Office of the Secretary of the State is required to provide the following deadlines not later than December 31<sup>st</sup> annually pursuant to CGS § 9-23g(c).

<b>March 3, 2026 - Town Committee Primary</b>	
Application Received	Deadline to Transmit Notice of Acceptance or Rejection
January 1, 2026, through January 27, 2026	Within 10 days of receipt
January 28, 2026, through February 13, 2026	On the same day of receiving the application
February 14, 2026, through March 2, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. noon	On the same day of receiving the application, if: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the application has been postmarked February 13, 2026, and received by ROV's office during such period noted to the left, <b>or</b>;</li> <li>• the application is received by the DMV or a voter registration agency ("VRA") by February 13, 2026</li> </ul>
March 4, 2026, through July 7, 2026	Within 10 days of receipt
<b>August 11, 2026 – Primary</b>	
Application Received	Deadline to Transmit Notice of Acceptance or Rejection
July 8, 2026, through July 24, 2026	On the same day of receiving the application
July 25, 2026, through August 10, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. noon	On the same day of receiving the application, if: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the application has been postmarked July 24, 2026, and received by ROV's office during such period noted to the left, <b>or</b>;</li> <li>• the application is received by the DMV or VRA on July 24, 2026</li> </ul>
August 12, 2026, through September 3, 2026	Within 10 days of receipt
<b>November 3, 2026 – Election</b>	
Application Received	Deadline to Transmit Notice of Acceptance or Rejection
September 4, 2026, through October 3, 2026	Not later than four days following the receipt of the application
October 4, 2026, through October 16, 2026	On the same day of receiving the application
October 17, 2026, through November 3, 2026	On the same day, if the application was received by the DMV or VRA by October 16, 2026
November 4, 2026, through December 31, 2026	Within 10 days of receipt

The following calendar provides key dates for the 2026 elections for the convenience of local election officials. Please refer to the general statutes for more details.

<b>November 2025</b>	
November 7, 2025 (Friday) <b>Political Parties</b>	<p><b>Party Rules – Town Committee.</b> Last day to file a change in party rules with the Secretary of the State regarding party endorsement for candidates to run for <b>town committee</b> if endorsement is made on <b>January 6, 2026</b>. If endorsement is made on <b>January 13, 2026</b>, then <b>November 14, 2025</b>, is the last day.</p> <p>At least 60 days before endorsement, one copy of the party rules governing such endorsement must be filed with the Secretary of the State. One copy of revised local party rules (and any amendments thereto) must also be filed forthwith with the municipal clerk and with the state central committee. (Applies only when new rules are adopted or existing rules are amended or rescinded.) (§§ 9-374 and 9-375)</p>
<b>December 2025</b>	
December 3, 2025 (Wednesday) <b>Registrars</b>	<b>Party Transfer – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Last day that an enrolled elector can transfer from one party to another and be eligible to vote in the <b>town committee</b> primary of new party. (§ 9-59)
December 3, 2025 (Wednesday) <b>Registrars &amp; Municipal Clerk</b>	<b>Polling Place – Adjacent District – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Last day for registrars, when necessary, to designate to the municipal clerk a polling place in an adjacent voting district for the <b>town committee</b> primary. Within 10 days after such filing, the municipal clerk is to publish notice. (§ 9-168b)
December 3, 2025 (Wednesday) <b>Legislative Body</b>	<p><b>Voting Districts – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Last day to make changes in the boundaries of voting districts for the <b>town committee</b> primary. (§ 9-169)</p> <p>Note: 90-day requirement does not apply in a year of redistricting (§9-169b)</p> <p>Any changes made within 90 days prior to election/primary shall not apply to such election. (§ 9-169)</p>
December 31, 2025 (Wednesday) <b>Town Chairperson</b>	<b>Notice of Caucus – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Last day to publish notice of town committee endorsement caucus if the caucus is held on January 6 <sup>th</sup> . Notice must be published at least five full days before the caucus. Party rules may require earlier notice. (§ 9-390)
<b>January 2026</b>	
January <b>Registrars</b>	<p><b>Permanent Absentee Ballot Notice.</b> Registrars of voters must send written notice to each elector with permanent absentee ballot status in January of each year to determine if such elector continues to reside at the address indicated on the permanent absentee ballot application. (§ 9-140e(b))</p> <p><b>Admission of Electors at Public High Schools.</b> Between January 1st and the last day of the school year, registrars must hold one registration session at each public high school in town. (§ 9-17(c))</p>
January 1, 2026, to April 30, 2026 (Thursday - Thursday)	<b>Canvass.</b> Period for conducting annual house-to-house canvass of electors to be done (1) in person, (2) by mail or by the National Change of Address System (NCOA) of the U. S. Postal Service, (3) by telephone, or (4) by a combination

<b>Registrars</b>	<p>thereof, by registrars or their designees.</p> <p>Canvass by mail should be completed by <b>March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026</b>, because regulations give electors 30 days to respond to canvass by mail. May 1<sup>st</sup> is the last day to send Confirmation of Voting Residence Notice to electors based on the canvass. (§ 9-32, and CT Agency Regs. 9-32-1 to 9-32-9)</p>
<p>January 2, 2026 (Friday) <b>Secretary of the State</b></p>	<p><b>Nominating Petition Forms – Election.</b> Secretary of the State may begin issuing nominating petition forms for offices to be contested at the regular election on the first business day of the year. (§ 9-453b)</p>
<p>January 2, 2026 (Friday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Waiver of Accessibility of Polling Place – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Last day that registrars may file with the local building official a request for a waiver to provide an accessible polling place for physically disabled people for the town committee primary. (§ 9-168d)</p>
<p>January 6, 2026, to January 13, 2026 (Tuesday - Tuesday)  <b>Political Parties &amp; Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Party Endorsement – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Endorsement for <b>town committee</b> members by caucus between these days. (§§ 9-390 and 9-391) <b>Primary Petitions Available – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Petition forms for people desiring to oppose party-endorsed candidates for <b>town committee</b> must be available from the registrar of voters beginning on the day following the making of the party's endorsement of candidates for <b>town committee</b> or beginning on the day following the final day for the making of such endorsements, whichever comes first. (§ 9-409)</p>
<p>January 8, 2026 (Thursday) <b>Town Chairperson</b></p>	<p><b>Notice of Caucus – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Last day to publish notice of town committee endorsement caucus if caucus is held on January 13, 2026. Notice must be published at least five full days before the caucus. Party rules may require earlier notice. (§ 9-390)</p>
<p>January 13, 2026 (Tuesday)  <b>Political Parties &amp; Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Direct Primary for Town Committee.</b> In the case of any municipality having a population of 100,000 or more and in which a party by its rules provides that the town committee members of such party be chosen at direct primaries, if, by 4:00 p.m. on the 49<sup>th</sup> day preceding the first Tuesday in March in even-numbered years, the number of people who have requested petition forms for candidacies for election as members of such town committee and filed a signed statement consenting to be a candidate for such position is equal to or less than the number of town committee members to be elected by such party, but at least 25% of such number then (1) the requirements regarding such individual's filing of candidacies for election using signed petitions shall not apply, (2) the requirements regarding the registrar's receipt of petition pages and certification of signatures on such pages shall not apply, and (3) no primary shall be held by such party for town committee members and such people shall be deemed to have lawfully been elected to such positions.</p>
<p>January 14, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. (Wednesday) <b>Political Parties &amp; Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Party Endorsements – Certification – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Last day for the chairperson or presiding officer <b>or</b> the secretary of the caucus to certify to the municipal clerk the names and street addresses of party-endorsed candidates for <b>town committee</b>. Clerk must forthwith publish notice of certification and that list of candidates is on file. (§§ 9-391 and 9-395)</p>

<p>January 23, 2026 (Friday)</p> <p><b>Political Parties</b></p>	<p><b>Party Rules – Delegate Selection.</b> Last day to file with the Secretary of the State change in party rules regarding the method of party selection for candidates to be selected as <b>delegates</b> if selection is made on <b>March 24, 2026</b>.</p> <p>If endorsement is made on <b>March 31, 2026</b>, then <b>January 30, 2026</b>, is last day. At least 60 days before selection, one copy of the party rules governing such selection must be filed with the Secretary of the State. One copy of revised local party rules (and any amendments thereto) must also be filed forthwith with the municipal clerk and state central committee. (Applies only when new rules are adopted or existing rules are amended or rescinded.) (§§ 9-374, 9-375, 9-391(b))</p>
<p>January 28, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. (Wednesday)</p> <p><b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Primary Petitions – Filing - Town Committee Primaries.</b> Primary petitions for opposition candidates for <b>town committee</b> must be submitted to respective registrars by 4:00 p.m. on this day. Registrar of voters, deputy registrar or assistant registrar must be in their office or office facilities between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to accept petitions. (§§ 9-405 and 9-406)</p>
<p>Forthwith After Filing of Valid Petition</p> <p><b>Registrars &amp; Municipal Clerks</b></p>	<p><b>Notice of Primary – Town Committee Primaries.</b> On filing of valid petition for <b>town committee</b>, and after checking the same, registrar notifies municipal clerk that primary is to be held and clerk publishes registrar's notice and information concerning candidates, primary date, hours and location of polls, files one copy with Secretary of the State, and records said notice. If central counting is designated by registrars, the notice of primary must include such central location. (§§ 9-147a and 9-435)</p> <p><b>Submission of Translated Election-Related Materials to the Translation Advisory Committee – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Forthwith, after the notice of primary, town clerks and registrars in towns that are subject to the federal and/or CT Voting Rights Act must submit translated materials for review to the Translation Advisory Committee. (PA 25-168, §§ 297 &amp; 298)</p> <p><b>Printing Absentee Ballots – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Immediately after the deadline for the certification of all town committee candidates whose names are to appear on the ballot, the municipal clerk must begin making arrangements to have the primary absentee ballots printed. (§ 9-135b(a))</p> <p><b>Sample Absentee Ballot Available – Town Committee Primaries.</b> A layout model of each different absentee ballot must be available for public inspection at the municipal clerk's office before printing. (§ 9-135b(b))</p> <p><b>Absentee Ballots – Filing – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Immediately upon receiving the printed absentee ballots for <b>town committee</b> primary, municipal clerk must file a printed absentee ballot for the municipality or for each different political subdivision, as the case may be, with Secretary of the State, and file an affidavit as to number of such ballots printed. (§ 9-135b(c))</p> <p><b>Blank Ballots to Electors Temporarily Living (Or Expecting to Be Traveling) Outside U.S. and to Servicemen, Spouses and Dependents, Whether Living Within or Outside U.S. – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Beginning as soon as possible after a complete list of candidates is available, blank ballots (for the <b>town committee</b> primaries), together with a complete list of candidates, should be sent to electors residing (or expecting to be traveling) outside the United States and to servicemen, spouses and dependents whether living within or outside the United States who have applied for an absentee ballot</p>

	<p>and are eligible to vote in the primary. (§ 9-153f)</p> <p>Registrars may direct the clerk to mail such blank ballot set to a qualified elector or applicant for admission as an elector who (1) is living outside the U.S. or (2) is a member of the armed forces, spouse or dependent. Municipal clerk also may act on his own motion. (§ 9-153d)</p>
<p>January 28, 2026, to February 24, 2026 (Wednesday – Tuesday) <b>Registrars and Institutional Administrators</b></p>	<p><b>Supervised Balloting Designation – Town Committee Primaries.</b> To have supervised absentee balloting in a nursing home or rest home, etc., with fewer than 20 electors, a written designation must be made between these dates by either registrar of voters or the administrator of the institution for the town committee primary. These deadlines do not apply to a nursing home or rest home, etc., with 20 or more electors because supervised voting is mandated at such institutions. (§§ 9-159q and 9-159r)</p>
<p>January 28, 2026, to February 13, 2026 (Wednesday – Friday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Notice of Acceptance or Rejection – Registration by Mail – Town Committee Primaries.</b> When a mail-in application is received during this period, a notice of acceptance or rejection must be sent by first-class mail on the day the application is received. The privileges as an elector attach immediately upon approval of the application, and the new elector's name is added to the registry list. If a notice of approval is later returned undelivered, registrars must proceed with confirmation of voting residence notice under CGS § 9-35 or § 9-43 and may challenge applicants at the polls. (§ 9-23g(c) and (d))</p>
<b>February 2026</b>	
<p>February 1, 2026, to February 7, 2026 (Sunday – Saturday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Report To Secretary – Number of Tabulators.</b> Municipal clerks must notify the Secretary of the State during the first week of February in each year of the total number of tabulators, by district, in such town. If the number of tabulators is less than the number required under § 9-238 (at least one per district), the municipal clerk must include an explanation of the discrepancy. Each municipal clerk must also file a duplicate copy of such notification with officials who are required to provide tabulators under § 9-238. (§ 9-238a)</p>
<p>February 2, 2026, to February 12, 2026 (Monday – Thursday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Notice of 14<sup>th</sup> Day Before Primary Day Enrollment Session – Town Committee Primaries.</b> If a town committee primary is held, notice of the enrollment session to be held 14 days before the primary must be published not more than 15 days nor less than five days before such session; such notice must state that the registrars will, at such time, hear requests by people removed for adding their names to the registry list. This notice need not be a legal notice. (§§ 9-37 and 9-53)</p>
<p>February 2, 2026 (Monday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Polling Places – Primary – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Deadline to determine polling places for <b>town committee</b> primary. Polling places may be changed within 31-day period only if municipal clerk and registrars of voters unanimously find that polling place has been rendered unusable. If polling place is found unusable, another polling place must be designated forthwith and adequate notice of such change given. (§§ 9-2, 9-168 and 9-169)</p>
<p>February 2, 2026 (Monday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Certification of Location of Polling Place – Town Committee Primaries.</b> The registrars of voters must certify to the Secretary of the State the location of each polling place that will be used at the <b>town committee</b> primary. The certification must detail the name, address, relevant contact information and corresponding district information associated with each polling place to be</p>

	used. Such report must also include the names and addresses of each moderator for each polling place listed on such report. (§ 9-228a)
February 10, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Municipal Clerks</b>	<p><b>Secure Drop Box</b> – Beginning 21 days before the primary, and on each weekday thereafter until the close of the polls, the municipal clerk must retrieve from the secure drop box each such ballot deposited in such drop box. (§§ 9-140(f) and 9-140(g))</p> <p><b>Absentee Ballots – Town Committee Primary.</b> Absentee ballots for town committee primaries become available on this day. Registrars may direct the municipal clerk to mail absentee ballot forms to a qualified elector or applicant for admission as an elector who (1) is living outside the U.S., or (2) is a member of the armed forces, a spouse or dependent of a member of the armed forces, living where such member is stationed. Municipal clerk may act on their own. (§§ 9-133f, 9-135, 9-140(f), 9-153d)</p>
February 10, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Registrars &amp; Candidates</b>	<p><b>List of Moderators – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Last day for candidates to submit to registrars list of desired certified primary moderators for town committee primary. Registrar must notify all candidates of their right to submit a list of designees. (§ 9-436)</p> <p><b>List of Primary Officials – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Last day for candidates to submit to registrar lists of desired primary day officials for town committee primary. Registrars must notify all candidates of their right to submit a list of designees. (§ 9-436)</p>
February 11, 2026 (Wednesday) <b>Registrars &amp; Municipal Clerks</b>	<p><b>Central Counting – Absentee Ballots – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Last day for registrars to designate in writing to the municipal clerk the central location for the counting of absentee ballots for <b>town committee</b> primary. Such location must be published by the municipal clerk in the notice for the primary. The registrars can also agree to count absentee ballots at each polling location. (§ 9-147a(a))</p>
February 13, 2026 (Friday) <b>Registrars</b>	<p><b>Primary Enrollment Session – Town Committee Primaries.</b> If a primary is to be held in a town with a population of 25,000 people or more, a mandatory enrollment session must be held on this date (18<sup>th</sup> day before the primary). At least two consecutive hours are required, between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. (§ 9-17)</p>
February 13, 2026 (Friday) <b>Registrars</b>	<p><b>Registration and Enrollment (By-Mail) Cut-Off – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Deadline for registering and/or enrolling for voting in town committee primaries, unless the individual registers in person with the municipal clerk or registrar, or they file an application for enrollment in person with the registrar. (§ 9-23g(d)(2))</p> <p>Mail-in applications for new voters must be received by the registrar of voters of the town of residence by this day, except that a mail-in application of a new voter postmarked by this day, or an application that is received by the DMV or VRA by this day may be received by the registrar of voters until 12:00 noon on <b>March 2, 2026.</b> (§ 9-23g(c)(iv) and (d))</p> <p>An application for party enrollment by an unaffiliated voter must be <b>received</b> by this day, unless the unaffiliated voter files an application for enrollment <b>in person</b> with the registrar of voters by 12:00 noon on <b>March 2, 2026.</b> (§ 9-56)</p>

<p>February 17, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Primary Enrollment Session – Town Committee Primaries.</b> If a primary is to be held, a mandatory enrollment session must be held on this date (14<sup>th</sup> day before primary) for registration and/or enrollment of electors entitled to vote in the town committee primary. At least two consecutive hours are required, between 12:00 noon and 9:00 p.m. (§ 9-51)</p>
<p>February 17, 2026, to March 2, 2026 (Tuesday – Monday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Final Registry List.</b> If primary is to be held, registrars must also hold a session to revise and correct the preliminary registry list. This session may be held simultaneously with the enrollment session on February 17, 2026. When completed, this list is “the final registry list.” (§ 9-37)</p> <p><b>Enrollment List.</b> The registrars must print a complete enrollment list and make such list available to the public upon request at least once during the calendar year. (§ 9-55)</p>
<p>February 24, 2026- March 2, 2026 (Tuesday-Monday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Absentee Ballot Check-Off – Town Committee Primary.</b> Whether central counting of absentee ballots has been designated or not, ballots received prior to 11 a.m. on each day, the registrars may begin sorting by district and checking the absentee ballots and each weekday before the town committee primary. The ballots must be checked no later than the last weekday before the primary, <b>March 2, 2026.</b></p> <p>Without opening the outer envelopes, the names of such absentee voters on the official check list to be used at such primary by indicating “absentee” or “A” preceding such name. In the case of central counting, such designation must be placed on the duplicate list. After checking is completed, municipal clerk seals unopened ballots for delivery between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, primary day. (§ 9-140c)</p>
<p>February 24, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Institutional Administrators &amp; Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Supervised Balloting Designation – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Deadline to request supervised absentee balloting in a nursing home or rest home, etc. with fewer than 20 electors. A written designation must be made by this date by either registrar of voters or the administrator of the institution for the town committee primary. This deadline does not apply to nursing or rest homes, etc. with 20 or more electors because supervised voting is mandated at such institutions. (§§ 9-159q &amp; 9-159r)</p>
<p><b>March 2026</b></p>	
<p>March 1, 2026, at 6:00 a.m. (Sunday) <b>Candidates</b></p>	<p><b>Unofficial Checkers – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Deadline for candidates or candidates’ representatives to submit a list of designees for unofficial checkers to the registrar of voters. Such list must be submitted at least 48 hours prior to the opening of the polls for town committee primary. The registrar must notify all candidates for town committee of their right to submit a list of designees. (§§ 9-436a, 9-476)</p> <p>Any person, other than a candidate or primary official, may serve as a runner. (§ 9-235b)</p>
<p>March 2, 2026, at 12:00 noon (Monday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Registration by Mail – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Deadline for the registrar to receive a mail-in application, postmarked by <b>February 13, 2026</b> (the eighteenth day before the primary), so the applicant may be enrolled in time to vote in the town committee primary. (§§ 9-23a, 9-23g(c) and (d))</p> <p><b>Registration and Enrollment Cut-Off – In Person – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Deadline for registering in person with the registrar of voters or</p>

	<p>municipal clerk of the town of residence, and deadline for enrolling in person with the registrar of voters for voting in town committee primaries. Deadline for cross-town registrations to be received by the registrar. Applications from servicemen and people out of the country under §§ 9-26 and 9-23a may be received throughout the day. (§§ 9-19e, 9-23a, 9-56 and 9-57)</p>
<p>March 2, 2026 (Monday) <b>Registrars &amp; Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Deadline for Supervised Absentee Balloting – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Supervised absentee balloting must take place not later than the last business day before the town committee primary. (§§ 9-159q, 9-159r)</p> <p><b>Deadline to Issue Absentee Ballots – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Absentee ballots for town committee primary may not be issued on primary day, except for electors who suddenly became ill within six days immediately preceding the close of the polls at the primary, or who are patients in a hospital or nursing home within such six-day period, may be issued an absentee ballot up to the close of polls. (§§ 9-140(h), 9-150c)</p> <p><b>Enrollment List Supplement – Town Committee Primaries.</b> The Registrars must compile a supplement consisting of people who became eligible to vote in the town committee primary after the printing of the enrollment list, completed on <b>February 17, 2026</b>, and before noon on <b>March 2, 2026</b>. The registrars may incorporate this separate compilation with the original enrollment list by reprinting the entire list or incorporating the updated list. (§ 9-55(d))</p> <p><b>Removal from Enrollment List – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Last day to remove electors from the registry and enrollment list who have died, become disfranchised, or confirmed in writing that they moved out of town before the town committee primary. An elector is deemed to have confirmed in writing that they have moved out of town if (1) the registrars have received a cancellation form or (2) the elector has notified DMV of a change of address out of town concerning a driver's license. (DMV notifies the registrars, and the registrars send Notice of Removal.) The names of people removed are not sent to the polls, and such people may be restored on primary day only if the registrar is contacted and consents to approve the applicant's request for restoration. (§§ 9-32 and 9-35)</p> <p><b>Inactive List.</b> The registrars prepare an inactive list of (1) any person whose notice of approval of mail-in was returned undeliverable and who did not respond to a Confirmation of Voting Residence Notice between January 2025 – May 2025, January 2024 – May 2024, January 2023 – May 2023 and January 2022 and May 2022 on the basis of the canvass and did not respond within 30 days after it was sent (and was not restored.) The inactive list is sent to the polls. Electors on the inactive list may sign a restoration form at the polls and if the registrar or assistant registrar in the polls consents, such elector may vote. (§§ 9-42, 9-23g(c) and 9-35)</p> <p><b>Removal from Inactive List.</b> Last day to remove electors from the inactive registry list (and enrollment list) before the primary who were sent a Confirmation of Voting Residence Notice four years ago and did not respond within 30 days after it was sent (and were never restored to the active list.) (§ 9-35)</p>

<p>March 3, 2026, 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Tuesday) <b>All Election Officials</b></p>	<p><b>Primary Day – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Primary for <b>town committee</b>, if valid petition(s) have been filed. Hours: 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>Absentee Ballots.</b> To be cast at a primary, the absentee ballot must be received by the municipal clerk (1) by the close of the polls if it is mailed or if it is returned by a member of the immediate family of the applicant in person or by the qualified designee of an ill or physically- disabled ballot applicant in person, or (2) by the day before the primary if it is returned in person by the applicant. (§ 9-140b)</p> <p>All absentee ballots received at or before 11:00 a.m. on <b>March 2, 2026</b>, are to be delivered to the registrars of voters between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon on primary day. Absentee ballots received after 11:00 a.m. on <b>March 2, 2026</b>, must be sorted by the municipal clerk and held until delivery to the registrars on primary day. Absentee ballots received after 11:00 a.m. on March 2, 2026, but before 6:00 p.m. on primary day, must be delivered to the registrars at 6:00 p.m. on primary day. Any absentee ballots received after 6:00 p.m. on primary day must be delivered to the registrars no later than the close of polls. (§ 9-140c)</p> <p><b>Absentee Ballots – Central Counting.</b> In municipalities that have central counting of absentee ballots, at the close of polls, registrars or assistant registrars must deliver the official checklist to the moderator of the central location for checking. When the counting of absentee ballots is complete, the moderator delivers the checklist and other information to head moderator. (§ 9-140c(3))</p>
<p>March 5, 2026, at 8:00 p.m. (Thursday) <b>Moderators</b></p>	<p><b>Return of Votes to Secretary of the State – Town Committee Primary.</b> No later than 48 hours following the close of polls, the head moderator must transmit one copy of the duplicate certificate of votes cast for candidates for town committee. (§§ 9-314 and 9-440) The other copy of the return is filed with the municipal clerk on or before this date.</p>
<p>March 6, 2026 (Friday) <b>Moderators</b></p>	<p><b>Discrepancy Recount – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Last day for the head moderator <b>to order</b> a recount of the town committee primary when there is a discrepancy in the returns. (§§ 9-310 and 9-311)</p>
<p>March 10, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Moderators</b></p>	<p><b>Close Vote or Discrepancy Recount – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Last day to <b>conduct</b> a close vote or discrepancy recount for the town committee primary. (§§ 9-310, 9-311, 9-311a, 9-311b, 9-370a, 9-445 and 9-446)</p>
<p>March 13, 2026 (Friday) <b>Municipal Clerks</b></p>	<p><b>Absentee Ballot Report – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Deadline for municipal clerks to file with the Secretary of the State a statement accounting for the number of absentee voting forms and challenged ballot forms used at the town committee primary. (§§ 9-139c and 9-232e)</p>
<p>March 17, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Registrars &amp; Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Tabulators – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Tabulators used at the town committee primary are to remain locked through this day. (§§ 9-310 and 9-447)</p>

March 17, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Candidates</b>	<b>Complaint – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Deadline for bringing complaint to the Superior Court contesting the ruling of an election official or the count of votes at the town committee primary. (§ 9-329a)
March 19, 2026 (Thursday) <b>Town Chairperson</b>	<b>Notice of Caucus – Delegate Selection.</b> Last day to publish notice of the selection caucus, if the caucus is the selecting authority for delegates if the caucus is held on March 24, 2026. If the caucus is held March 31, 2026, then March 26, 2026, is the last day. Notice must be published at least five full days before the caucus. Party rules may require earlier notice. (§ 9-390)
March 24, 2026, to March 31, 2026 (Tuesday – Tuesday) <b>Political Parties</b>	<b>Party Selection of Delegates.</b> Selection for delegates to state and district conventions by the town committee or caucus between these dates. (§§ 9-390 and 9-391)
<b>April 2026</b>	
April 1, 2026 (Wednesday) <b>Political Parties &amp; Municipal Clerk</b>	<b>Certification – Party Delegate Selection.</b> Last day for the chairperson, presiding officer, the secretary of the caucus, or the town committee, as the case may be, to certify to the municipal clerk the names and street addresses of party-selected delegates. Certification must also be accompanied by the name and the number of political subdivisions or districts for which each person is selected. The clerk must forthwith publish notice of certification and the list of candidates on file. (§§ 9-391 and 9-395)
April 17, 2026, to April 24, 2026 (Friday – Friday) <b>Political Parties</b>	<b>Party Rules – Candidate Endorsements.</b> Deadline to file with the Secretary of the State any change in party rules regarding the method of party endorsement for a candidate to run for municipal office if the endorsement is made on <b>June 16, 2026</b> . If the endorsement is made on <b>June 26, 2026</b> , then <b>April 24, 2026</b> , is the last day.  At least 60 days before endorsement, one copy of party rules governing such endorsement must be filed with the Secretary of the State. One copy of revised local party rules (and any amendments thereto) must also be filed forthwith with municipal clerk and state central committee. (Applies only when new rules are adopted or existing rules are amended or rescinded.) (§§ 9-372(5)(B), 9-374 and 9-375)
April 28, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Secretary of the State</b>	<b>Primary Petitions Available.</b> Petition forms for people desiring to oppose party-endorsed candidates for state office or the district office of Representative in Congress are available from the Secretary of the State beginning on this day. (§ 9-404a)
<b>May 2026</b>	
May 1, 2026 (Friday) <b>Registrars</b>	<b>Notice of Confirmation of Voting Residence.</b> Last day to send Notice of Confirmation of Voting Residence to electors on the basis of the canvass. (§ 9-35)
May 2, 2026 (Saturday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b>	<b>Machine Reports – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Reports of registrars of voters and party watchers provided for in Sections 9-244 and 9-246 from the town committee primary are to be kept by the municipal clerk through this date. (§§ 9-245 and 9-436)

	<p><b>Primary Forms – Town Committee Primaries.</b> If no contest is pending and no subpoena is issued by the State Elections Enforcement Commission, the municipal clerk must destroy the following forms used at the town committee primary: (1) sealed depository envelopes by district containing inner and outer envelopes from which absentee ballots have been removed, together with the contents of serially-numbered outer envelopes marked “rejected”; (2) all executed absentee ballot applications and direction by registrar forms; (3) the numerical list of serially-numbered absentee envelopes issued; (4) the list of applicants who have been issued more than one absentee ballot under Sec. 9-153c; (5) all unused printed absentee ballots; (6) absentee ballots received after the polls close; (7) and the list of absentee ballot applicants who returned their absentee ballots. (§§ 9-140(e), 9-150a(f), 9-150b(f), (h) and (j), and 9-153c(c))</p>
<p>May 2, 2026 (Saturday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Voter History – Town Committee Primaries. Deadline</b> for registrars to update the voter registration system to indicate whether the eligible voters on the registry list voted in the town committee primary and, if so, if they voted in person or by absentee ballot. (§ 9-50b)</p>
<p>May 5, 2026, to May 26, 2026 (Tuesday – Tuesday) <b>Political Parties</b></p>	<p><b>Conventions.</b> The period of time when major party conventions must be held to endorse candidates for state and district office. Party-endorsed candidates must file a certificate of endorsement signed by the candidates and attested by either (1) the chairperson or presiding officer of the convention, or (2) the secretary of the convention, plus a statement of consent, with the Secretary of the State not later than 4:00 p.m. on the 14<sup>th</sup> day following the close of the convention. In order to primary, a 15% candidate must file with the Secretary of the State a certificate signed by them, stating that they received 15% of the convention vote on any roll call, and attested to by either (1) the chairperson or presiding officer of the convention, or (2) the secretary of the convention, plus a statement of consent, not later than 4:00 p.m. of the 14<sup>th</sup> day following the close of the convention. (§§ 9-383, 9-388 and 9-400)</p> <p>If a state convention voted that roll call be taken by town delegation, the chairperson of town delegations to State Convention must file a list of names and votes of each delegate with the Secretary of the State within 48 hours after the close of the State Convention. (§ 9-385a)</p>
<p>May 11, 2026 (Monday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Party Transfer – State and District Office Primary.</b> Deadline for an enrolled elector to transfer from one party to another and be eligible to vote in the state and district office primary of the new party. (§ 9-59)</p>
<p>May 13, 2023 (Wednesday) <b>Secretary of the State</b></p>	<p><b>Declaratory Judgment Action by the Secretary of the State – Primary.</b> Beginning this day and continuing through primary day, the Secretary may commence a declaratory judgment action under section 52-29 for a determination as to whether elector(s) have been aggrieved and for an order to ensure election administration procedures are properly executed, and the electors’ rights are adequately protected. (§ 9-3(c), as amended by PA 26-1, § 89)</p>
<p>May 13, 2026 (Wednesday) <b>Registrars and Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Polling Place – Adjacent District – Primary.</b> Deadline for registrars, when necessary, to designate to the municipal clerk a polling place in an adjacent voting district for the primary. Within 10 days after such filing, the municipal clerk must publish notice. (§ 9-168b)</p>

<p>May 13, 2026 (Wednesday) <b>Legislative Body</b></p>	<p><b>Voting Districts – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Last day to make changes in the boundaries of voting districts for the <b>state, district, and municipal</b> primary. (§ 9-169)</p>
<p>May 14, 2026 (Thursday) <b>Town Chairperson</b></p>	<p><b>Notice of Caucus – Endorsement of Municipal Office.</b> Deadline to publish notice of endorsement caucus if the caucus is held on <b>May 19, 2026</b>, and if the caucus is the endorsing authority for municipal office. If the caucus is held on <b>May 26, 2026</b>, then <b>May 21, 2026</b>, is the deadline. Notice must be published at least five full days before the caucus. Party rules may require earlier notice. (§ 9-390)</p>
<p>May 19, 2026, to May 26, 2026 (Tuesday – Tuesday) <b>Political Parties</b></p>	<p><b>Party Endorsement – Municipal Office.</b> Endorsement by major parties for municipal office by town committee, caucus, or convention between these dates. (§§ 9-390 and 9-391) The certification of endorsement must be filed with the Secretary’s office not later than 4:00 p.m. on the 14<sup>th</sup> day following such endorsement. (§ 9-391(c)) Please see the entry for June 2 – June 9, 2026.</p> <p>No party may endorse more candidates for municipal office than the number for which an elector may vote. (§ 9-414)</p>
<p>May 19, 2026, to June 9, 2026 (Tuesday – Tuesday) <b>Political Parties</b></p>	<p><b>Certification of Party Endorsement – State and District Offices.</b> Certificates of party endorsement for state and district offices must be filed with the Secretary of the State not later than 4:00 p.m. on the 14<sup>th</sup> day following the close of the convention. The certification must be signed by the candidate and attested by either: (1) the chairperson or presiding officer of the convention, or (2) the secretary of the convention. In order to primary, a 15% candidate must file with the Secretary of the State a certificate signed by him, stating that they received 15% of the convention vote on any roll call, and attested by either (1) the chairperson or presiding officer of the convention or (2) the secretary of the convention plus statement of consent not later than 4:00 p.m. of the 14<sup>th</sup> day following close of convention. (§§ 9-383, 9-388 and 9-400)</p>
<p>May 20, 2026, to May 27, 2026 (Wednesday – Wednesday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Primary Petitions Available – Municipal Office.</b> Primary petitions for people desiring to oppose candidates of a major party for municipal office must be available from the registrar of voters on the day following the making of the party’s endorsement or May 27<sup>th</sup>, whichever is earlier. (§ 9-409)</p>
<p>May 26, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Primary Petitions Available – Municipal Office of State Senator and State Representative.</b> Primary petitions for people desiring to oppose candidates of a major party for the municipal office of state senator or state representative (i.e., those representing a single-town district) must be available from the registrar of voters on the 77<sup>th</sup> day before the primary. (§ 9-409(b))</p>
<p>May 26, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Secretary of the State</b></p>	<p><b>Primary Petitions Available – District Office.</b> Petition forms for people desiring to oppose candidates for the district offices of state senator, state representative, or judge of probate must be available from the Secretary of the State. (§ 9-404a)</p>

<b>June 2026</b>	
<p>June 1, 2026 (Monday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Inactive List.</b> The registrars prepare inactive registry and enrollment lists of (1) any person whose notice of approval of mail-in was returned undeliverable and who did not respond to a Confirmation of Voting Residence Notice <b>sent 30 days before this date</b>, and (2) any person who was sent a Confirmation of Voting Residence Notice between January, 2026 – May, 2026, or between January, 2025 – May, 2025, or between January 2024 - May, 2024, or between January, 2023 – May, 2023, on the basis of the canvass and did not respond within 30 days after it was sent (and was not restored). The inactive list is sent to the polls. Electors on the inactive list may sign a restoration form at the polls and, if the registrar or assistant registrar of voters in the polls consents, such elector may vote. (§§ 9-23g(c), 9-35 and 9-42(c))</p> <p><b>Removal from Inactive List.</b> The registrars remove from the inactive registry list (and enrollment list) all electors who were sent a Confirmation of Voting Residence Notice between January 2022 – May 2022 and did not respond within 30 days after it was sent (and were never restored to the active list). (§ 9-35)</p>
<p>June 2 – June 9, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. (Tuesday – Tuesday) <b>Political Parties, Endorsed Candidates &amp; Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Party Endorsements – Certification – Municipal Office.</b> Certification by a major political party to the Secretary of the State of party endorsement for municipal office must occur no later than 4:00 p.m. of the 14<sup>th</sup> day after the making of such endorsement. Each endorsement must be certified by either the chairperson or presiding officer, or the secretary of the town committee, caucus, or convention that made the endorsement. The endorsed candidate must sign the certification. (§§ 9-391 and 9-395)</p> <p>If the endorsement occurs on May 19, 2026, the certification is due on <b>June 2, 2026</b>. If the endorsement occurs on May 26, 2026, the certification is due on <b>June 9, 2026</b>.</p>
<p>June 7, 2026 (Sunday) <b>Registrars and Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Submission of Translated Election-Related Materials to the Translation Advisory Committee – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Towns that are subject to the federal and/or CT Voting Rights Act must submit translated materials for review to the Translation Advisory Committee by this date. (PA 25-168, §§ 297 &amp; 298)</p>
<p>June 9, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. (Tuesday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Primary Petitions – Filing – State and District Office.</b> Primary petitions for opposing candidates of the major party for state office and district office, including Representative in Congress, must be submitted to the respective registrars of voters by 4:00 p.m. on this date. Registrars must be in their offices between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to accept petitions. (§ 9-400)</p> <p><b>Primary Petitions – Filing – Municipal Office.</b> Primary petitions for opposition candidates of a major party for municipal offices must be submitted to respective registrars by 4:00 p.m. on this date. Registrars must be in their offices between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to accept petitions. (§§ 9-405 and 9-406)</p>

<p><b>Forthwith</b></p> <p><b>Municipal Clerk and Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Notice of Primary – Municipal Office.</b> Upon the filing of valid petition(s) for municipal office, and checking the same, the registrar must notify the municipal clerk that a primary is to be held. The clerk must publish registrar’s notice and information concerning candidates, the days, hours, and locations of early voting, as well as the primary date, hours, and location of polls. One copy must be filed with the Secretary of the State and records said notice within three business days of receipt from the registrars. If central counting is designated by the registrars, the notice of the primary must include such central location. (§§ 9-147a and 9-435)</p> <p><b>Submission of Absentee Ballots to the Secretary for Approval Before Printing.</b> Before printing any absentee ballots, the municipal clerk must file with the Secretary the absentee ballot(s) to be used in each voting district in the municipality. No absentee ballot shall be used unless it has been approved by the Secretary. (§ 9-135a(a), as amended by PA 26-1, § 85)</p> <p><b>Printing Absentee Ballots.</b> Immediately after the challenge candidates for municipal office are known from the registrars, and candidates for all the state and district offices are known from the Secretary of the State, the municipal clerk must begin making arrangements to have the absentee ballots printed for the primary. (§ 9-135b(a))</p> <p><b>Sample Absentee Ballot Available.</b> A layout model of each different absentee ballot must be available for public inspection at the municipal clerk’s office prior to printing. (§ 9-135b(b))</p> <p><b>Absentee Ballots – Filing.</b> Immediately upon receiving the printed absentee ballots, the municipal clerk must file a printed absentee ballot for the municipality or for each different political subdivision, as the case may be, with the Secretary of the State, and file an affidavit as to the number of such ballots printed. (§ 9-135b(c))</p> <p><b>Blank Ballots to Electors Temporarily Living (or Expecting to be Traveling Outside the U.S. and to Servicemen, Spouses, and Dependents, Whether Living Within or Outside the U.S.</b> Beginning as soon as possible after a complete list of candidates is available, blank ballots (for all offices being contested at the state, district and municipal primary), together with a complete list of candidates, should be sent to electors residing (or expecting to be traveling) outside the United States and to servicemen, spouses and dependents whether living within or outside the United States who have applied for an absentee ballot and are eligible to vote in the primary. (§ 9-153f)</p> <p>Registrars may direct the municipal clerk to mail a blank ballot set to a qualified elector or applicant for admission as an elector who is (1) living outside of the U.S. or (2) is a member of the armed forces, spouse, or dependent. The municipal clerk may also so act on their own motion. (§ 9-153d)</p>
<p>June 12, 2026 (Friday)</p> <p><b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Certification of Early Voting Location – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> The registrars of voters must certify to the Secretary of the State the location designated for the conduct of early voting that will be used at the state, district, and municipal primary. The certification must detail (1) the name, street address and relevant contact information associated with such location, (2) the number of election or primary officials to be appointed by the registrars of voters to serve at such location and the roles of such officials, and</p>

	<p>(3) a description of the design of such location and a plan for effective conduct of such early voting.</p> <p><b>Waiver of Accessibility of Polling Place – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Deadline for registrars to file with the local building official a request for a waiver to provide an accessible polling place for the physically disabled for the state, district and municipal primary. (§ 9-168d)</p>
<p>June 16, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Primary Petitions Filed with Secretary of the State – State and District Office.</b> For State and District primary petitions, the Registrars must forthwith certify on each such page the number of signers of the page who were enrolled party members and file such certified page in person or by mail to the Secretary of the State within seven days following receipt of the page. (§ 9-404c)</p>
<p>June 26, 2026 (Friday) <b>Municipal Clerk &amp; Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Overseas Ballot.</b> Beginning on this date, the primary overseas ballot is available from the municipal clerk upon application properly made if a Congressional primary is being held. (§ 9-158c(b)(2)) <b>Ballots must go out by close of business on this day to all voters whose applications have been received before this date if municipal clerk will not be in the office on June 27, 2026.</b> (§ 9-158c(b))</p> <p>Registrars may direct the municipal clerk to mail such overseas ballot set to an eligible U.S. citizen, and the municipal clerk may also so act on their own motion. Such ballot will not be counted unless a prescribed application is received by the municipal clerk before Primary Day, August 11, 2026.</p>
<b>July 2026</b>	
<p>July 6, 2026 (Monday) <b>Minor Parties</b></p>	<p><b>Minor Party Rules.</b> Deadline for minor parties to file party rules regulating the manner in which the party nominates candidates for public office for which it has minor party status with the Secretary of the State. One copy of revised local party rules (and any amendments thereto) must also be filed with the municipal clerk. (§ 9-372(6), 9-374 and 9-375)</p>
<p>July 8, 2026 – August 4, 2026 (Wednesday – Tuesday) <b>Institutional Administrators and Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Supervised Balloting Designation – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> To have supervised absentee balloting in a nursing or rest home, etc., with fewer than 20 electors, a written designation must be made between these dates by either the registrars of voters or the administrator of the institution for the state, district, and municipal primary. These deadlines do not apply to a nursing or rest home, etc., with 20 or more electors, because supervised voting is mandated at such institutions. (§§ 9-159q and 9-159r)</p>
<p>July 8, 2026 – July 24, 2026 (Wednesday – Friday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Registration by Mail – Primary for State, District, and Municipal Offices – Notice of Acceptance or Rejection to be Sent on Day of Receipt.</b> When an application for registration by mail is received during the period beginning on the 34<sup>th</sup> day before a primary and ending on the 18<sup>th</sup> day before a primary, registrar must send by first-class mail a notice of acceptance or rejection on day of receipt of application. The privileges as an elector attach immediately upon approval of the application, and the new elector's name is added to the registry list. If a notice of approval is later returned undelivered, registrars must proceed with confirmation of voting residence notice under Conn. Gen. Stat. Sec. 9-35 or Sec. 9-43 and may challenge applicant at polls. (§ 9-23g(c) and (d))</p>

<p>July 11, 2026 (Saturday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Polling Places – State, District and Municipal Primary.</b> Deadline to determine polling places for the state, district and municipal primary. Polling places may be changed within the 31-day period <b>only</b> if the municipal clerk and registrars of voters unanimously find that the polling place has been rendered unusable. If a polling place is found unusable, another polling place must be designated forthwith and adequate notice of such change published. (§§ 9-168 and 9-169)</p> <p><b>Certification of Location of Polling Place(s) – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> The registrars of voters must certify to the Secretary of the State the location of each polling place that will be used at the state, district, and municipal primary. The certification must detail the name, address, and relevant contact information and corresponding district information associated with each polling place to be used. Such report must also include the names and addresses of each moderator for each polling place listed on such report. (§ 9-228a)</p>
<p>July 13, 2026 (Monday) <b>Registrars &amp; Municipal Clerks</b></p>	<p><b>Certification of Ballots Ordered – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> The registrars of voters and municipal clerk must jointly certify to the Secretary of the State the number of ballots for each polling place in the municipality that have been ordered for the state, district or municipal primary. If the registrars of voters and municipal clerk fail to certify the number of ballots ordered, they must order a number of ballots equal to the total number of registered voters in their municipality. (§ 9-255a)</p>
<p>July 13, 2026 – July 23, 2026 (Monday – Thursday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Notice of 14<sup>th</sup> Day Before Primary Enrollment Session – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> If a state, district or municipal primary will be held, notice must be published at least once on or between these dates of the enrollment session to be held on Tuesday, July 28, 2026; such notice must state that the registrars will, at such time, hear requests by people removed for adding their names to the registry list. This newspaper notice need not be a legal notice. (§§ 9-37, 9-53, and 9-16)</p>
<p>July 20, 2026 (Monday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>List of Moderators – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Deadline for the registrars to provide a written report to the Secretary setting forth the names, addresses, and cellular mobile telephone numbers (if available) of each moderator for each polling place, early voting location, and same-day election registration location. (§ 9-228a(b) as amended by PA 26-1, § 72)</p>
<p>July 21, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Candidates</b></p>	<p><b>List of Moderators – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Deadline for candidates to submit to the registrars a list of desired certified primary moderators for state, district, and municipal primary. The registrars must notify all candidates of their right to submit a list of designees. (§ 9-436)</p> <p>*Note: This deadline extends beyond the statutory deadline for registrars to provide a written report of moderators to the Secretary. Plan accordingly and submit a list of desired certified primary moderators to the registrars before July 20, 2026.</p>
<p>July 21, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Candidates &amp; Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>List of Primary Officials – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Deadline for candidates to submit to registrars a list of desired primary day officials for the state, district, and municipal primary. The registrars must notify all candidates of their right to submit a list of designees. (§ 9-436)</p>

<p>July 21, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Municipal Clerk &amp; Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Absentee Ballots – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Absentee ballots become available on this date for the State, District, and Municipal Primary. (§ 9-140(f))</p> <p>Registrars of voters may direct municipal clerk to mail absentee ballot forms to a qualified elector or applicant for admission as an elector who (1) is living outside the U.S. or (2) is a member of the armed forces or the spouse or dependent of a member of the armed forces living where such member is stationed. The municipal clerk also may act on their own motion. (§§ 9-133f, 9-140(f) and 9- 153d)</p> <p><b>Secure Drop Boxes.</b> On this day, and on each weekday thereafter until the close of polls at the State, District, and Municipal Primary, the municipal clerk must retrieve each ballot deposited into each secure drop box in the municipality. (§ 9-140b(2)(A))</p>
<p>July 22, 2026 (Wednesday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Central Counting – Absentee Ballots – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Deadline for registrars to designate, in writing to the municipal clerk, a central location for the counting of absentee ballots for the State, District, and Municipal Primary. Such location must be published by the municipal clerk in the notice for the primary. Registrars may also agree to count absentee ballots at each polling location. (§ 9-147a)</p>
<p>July 24, 2026 (Friday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>18<sup>th</sup> Day Before Primary Enrollment Session – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> If a state, district, and municipal primary will be held in your town and if your town's population is over 25,000, a mandatory registration session must be held on this date. Hours: any two hours between 5:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. (§ 9-17)</p>
<p>July 24, 2026 (Friday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Registration and Enrollment (By-Mail) Cut-Off – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Deadline for registering and/or enrolling for voting in the State, District, and Municipal Primary, unless the individual registers <b>in person</b> with the municipal clerk or registrar, or they file an application for enrollment in person with the registrar. (§ 9-23g(d)(2))</p> <p>Mail-in applications for new voters must be received by the registrar of voters of the town of residence by this day, except that a mail-in application of a new voter postmarked by this day, or an application that is received by the DMV or VRA by this day may be received by the registrar of voters until 12:00 noon on <b>August 10, 2026</b>. (§ 9-23g(c)(iv) and (d))</p> <p>An application for party enrollment by an unaffiliated voter must be <b>received</b> by this day, unless the unaffiliated voter files an application for enrollment <b>in person</b> with the registrar of voters by 12:00 noon on <b>August 10, 2026</b>. (§ 9-56)</p>
<p>July 24, 2026 (Friday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Submission of Official Primary Ballots.</b> Deadline for the municipal clerk to file the official ballot(s) to be used in each voting district in such municipality with the Secretary of the State. No ballot shall be used unless it has been approved by the Secretary. (§ 9-437(j), as amended by PA 26-1, § 84)</p>
<p>July 28, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Primary Enrollment Session – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> If a primary is to be held, a mandatory enrollment session must be held on this date (14<sup>th</sup> day before primary day) for the purpose of registration and/or enrollment of electors entitled to vote in state, district, and municipal</p>

	<p>primary. At least two consecutive hours are required between the hours of 12:00 noon and 9:00 p.m. (§ 9-51)</p> <p>If primary is to be held, registrars must also hold a session to hear requests for adding names to the registry list by people removed. This session may be held simultaneously with the enrollment session. (§ 9-37)</p> <p><b>Enrollment List.</b> The registrars must cause to be printed at least once during the calendar year a complete enrollment list. They must make such list available to the public upon request. (§ 9-55)</p>
<p>July 29, 2026 (Wednesday)</p> <p><b>Candidates &amp; Secretary of the State</b></p>	<p><b>Nominating Petitions.</b> Last day for filing nominating petitions for state, district, or municipal office with the Secretary of the State. (§ 9-453i(a))</p>
<p>July 31, 2026 (Friday)</p> <p><b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Tabulator Testing.</b> Before the commencement of the early voting period, the registrars must insert test ballots into each voting tabulator to be used at the polling place(s) and early voting location(s), ensuring each tabulator is prepared and ready for use. (§ 9-247, as amended by PA 26-1, § 73)</p>
<p><b>August 2026</b></p>	
<p>August 3, 2026, to August 9, 2026 (Monday – Sunday)</p> <p><b>All Election Officials</b></p>	<p><b>Early Voting Period – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> The early voting period for the State, District, and Municipal Primary takes place between these dates.</p> <p><b>Hours:</b> 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on August 3, 5, 7, 8, and 9, 2026. 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on August 4 and 6, 2026. (§ 9-174(c)(1))</p> <p>At the conclusion of each day during the early voting period, registrars of voters must transport the receptacles containing the day’s early voting ballots to the municipal clerk who must secure and store them in a manner as similar as possible to the security and storage of absentee ballots. If this type of storage is not practical, the registrars must prepare an alternate plan and submit it to the Secretary of the State for approval. (§ 9-163aa(f))</p>
<p>August 4, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. (Tuesday)</p> <p><b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Absentee Ballot Check-Off. State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Whether central counting of absentee ballots has been designated or not, beginning as soon as 11:00 a.m. on this day, the registrars may begin checking the absentee ballots on this day and each weekday thereafter before the state, district, and municipal primary. The ballots must be checked not later than the last weekday before the primary. The registrars must check without opening the outer envelopes the names of such absentee voters on the official checklist to be used at such primary by indicating "Absentee" or "A" preceding such name, and in the case of central counting, must also note such designation on a duplicate list. After checking is completed, the municipal clerk seals unopened ballots for delivery between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, primary day. (§ 9-140c(b)(1))</p>

<p>August 4, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Institutional Administrators and Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Supervised Balloting Designation – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Deadline to request supervised absentee balloting in a nursing or rest home, etc., with fewer than 20 electors. A written designation must be made by this date by either the registrars of voters or the administrator of the institution for the state, district, and municipal primary. This deadline does not apply to a nursing or rest home, etc., with 20 or more electors, because supervised voting is mandated at such institutions. (§§ 9-159q and 9-159r)</p>
<p>August 5, 2026 (Wednesday) <b>Secretary of the State</b></p>	<p><b>Declaratory Judgment Action by the Secretary of the State – Election.</b> Beginning this day and continuing through election day, the Secretary may commence a declaratory judgment action under section 52-29 for a determination as to whether elector(s) have been aggrieved and for an order to ensure election administration procedures are properly executed, and the electors’ rights are adequately protected. (§ 9-3(c), as amended by PA 26-1, § 89)</p>
<p>August 5, 2026 (Wednesday) <b>Registrars &amp; Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Polling Place – Adjacent District – Election.</b> Last day for registrars, when necessary, to designate to the municipal clerk a polling place in an adjacent voting district for the November 3<sup>rd</sup> election. Within 10 days after such filing, municipal clerk to publish notice. (§ 9-168b)</p>
<p>August 5, 2026 (Wednesday) <b>Legislative Body</b></p>	<p><b>Voting Districts – Election.</b> Last day to make changes in the boundaries of voting districts for the November 3, 2026, election. (§ 9-169)</p>
<p>August 5, 2026 (Wednesday) <b>Candidates &amp; Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Nominating Petitions.</b> Last day for filing nominating petitions for state, district or municipal office with the municipal clerk. The municipal clerk or assistant municipal clerk must be in their office between 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to accept petitions. (§ 9-453i(a))</p> <p>The clerk must file each petition page with Secretary of the State within 2 weeks after receiving it. (§ 9-453n)</p>
<p>August 5, 2026 (Wednesday) <b>Municipal Clerk &amp; Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Special 90-Day Military Blank Ballot – Election.</b> The special 90-day military blank ballot for all offices for military contingencies becomes available on this day upon a properly made application. (§ 9-153e) Constitutional Pamphlet. (§§ 2-30a, 9-140(d)) Explanatory text and/or arguments regarding local questions (optional). (§§ 9-140(d) and 9-369b)</p> <p>Registrars may direct the clerk to mail such special ballot set to qualified people or municipal clerk may so act on his own motion. (§ 9-153d)</p>
<p>August 9, 2026, at 6:00 a.m. (Sunday) <b>Candidates</b></p>	<p><b>Unofficial Checkers for State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Deadline for candidates to submit list of designees for unofficial checkers to the registrar of voters. Such list must be submitted at least 48 hours prior to the opening of the polls. The registrar must notify all candidates of their right to submit a list of designees. (§ 9-436a)</p> <p>Any person other than a candidate or primary official may serve as a runner. (§ 9-235b)</p>

<p>August 9, 2026, at 6:00 a.m. (Sunday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Printing of Sample Ballots - State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Municipal clerk prepares primary ballots for primaries, if any, for nomination of state, district, and municipal candidates, and at least 48 hours before the primary provides a number of sample ballots for distribution as they deem necessary. (§ 9-437)</p>
<p>August 10, 2026 (Monday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Deadline to Issue Absentee Ballots – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Absentee ballots may not be issued on day of the state, district, and municipal primary, except overseas ballots and except electors who suddenly become ill within six days immediately preceding the close of the polls at the primary or who are patients in a hospital or nursing home within such six-day period, may apply for and be issued an absentee ballot up to the close of the polls. (§§ 9-140(h) and 9-150c)</p>
<p>August 10, 2026 (Monday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Supervised Balloting Deadline - State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Supervision of absentee balloting must be not later than the last business day before the state, district, and municipal primary. (§§ 9-159q and 9-159r)</p> <p><b>Enrollment List - State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> A supplement to the enrollment list completed on <b>July 28, 2026</b>, must be compiled by the registrars of people who become eligible to vote in state, district, and municipal primary after printing of the enrollment list and prior to 12:00 pm of the last business day before the primary. The registrars may incorporate this separate compilation with the original enrollment list by reprinting the entire list or incorporating the updated list. (Sec. 9-55)</p> <p>Last day before primary to remove electors from registry list (and enrollment list) who have died, become disfranchised or confirmed in writing that they have moved out of town. An elector is deemed to have confirmed in writing that they have moved out of town if (1) the registrars have received a cancellation form or (2) the elector has notified DMV of a change of address out of town concerning a driver's license. (DMV notifies the registrars, and the registrars send Notice of Removal.) The names of people removed are not sent to the polls and such people may be restored on primary day only if the registrar is contacted and consents to approve the applicant's request for restoration. (§§ 9-32 and 9-35)</p> <p><b>Inactive List.</b> The registrars prepare an inactive list of (1) any person whose notice of approval of mail-in was returned undeliverable and who did not respond to a Confirmation of Voting Residence Notice between January 2026 – May 2026, January 2025 – May 2025, January 2024 – May 2024 and January 2023 and May 2023 on the basis of the canvass and did not respond within 30 days after it was sent (and was not restored.) The inactive list is sent to the polls. Electors on the inactive list may sign a restoration form at the polls and if the registrar or assistant registrar in the polls consents, such elector may vote. (§§ 9-42, 9-23g(c) and 9-35)</p> <p><b>Removal from Inactive List.</b> Last day to remove electors from the inactive registry list (and enrollment list) before the primary who were sent a Confirmation of Voting Residence Notice four years ago and did not respond within 30 days after it was sent (and were never restored to the active list.) (§ 9-35)</p>
<p>August 10, 2026, at 12:00 noon (Monday)</p>	<p><b>Registration and Enrollment Cut-Off – In Person – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Deadline for <b>registering in person</b> with the registrar of</p>

<b>Registrars &amp; Municipal Clerk</b>	voters or municipal clerk of the town of residence and deadline for <b>enrolling in person</b> with the registrar of voters for voting in primary for state, district, and municipal office. Deadline for cross-town registrations to be received by registrar of town of residence. Applications from servicemen and people out of the country under §§ 9-26 and 9-23a may be received throughout the day. (§§ 9-19e, 9-23a, 9-56 and 9-57)
August 11, 2026, from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (Tuesday) <b>All Election Officials</b>	<p><b>Primary – State, District, and Municipal Office.</b> Primary day if valid petition(s) are filed, or consent by 15% candidates have been filed.  Hours: 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (§§ 9-376 and 9-423) (P.A. 03-241)</p> <p><b>Absentee Ballots.</b> In order to be cast at a primary, the absentee ballot must be received by the municipal clerk (1) by the close of the polls on primary day if it is mailed or if it is returned by a member of the immediate family of the applicant in person or the qualified designee of an ill or physically disabled ballot applicant in person, or (2) by the day before the primary (<b>August 10, 2026</b>) if it is returned in person by the applicant. (§ 9-140b)</p> <p>Absentee ballots are to be delivered to the registrars of voters between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, at 6:00 p.m. (optional), and again, immediately after the close of the polls. Those ballots that are received timely after 11:00 a.m. of the last weekday before the primary (<b>August 10, 2026</b>) are to be delivered to the registrars of voters at 6:00 p.m. and/or 8:00 p.m. In municipalities which have central counting of absentee ballots, at close of polls, registrars or assistant registrars must deliver official check list to central counting moderator. When counting of absentee ballots is complete, central counting moderator delivers check list, duplicate check list and returns required by Sec. 9-150b to head moderator. Absentee ballots may be delivered at other times that are mutually agreed upon by the municipal clerk and registrars provided such time is not later than the close of the polls. (§ 9-140c)</p> <p><b>Overseas Ballots.</b> Overseas ballots may be issued up to the close of the polls. However, they must be received by municipal clerk by close of the polls on primary day in order to be cast. (§§ 9-158c and 9-158g)</p> <p><b>Voter’s Bill of Rights, HAVA Posters &amp; Two Sample Ballots.</b> To be posted in each polling place (§ 9-236b).</p> <p><b>Voter Registration Receipt.</b> On primary day, an applicant whose name is not on the check- list may vote if, at the polls, they (1) present a voter registration receipt from the DMV or other prescribed voter registration agency that their application was received by the deadline, (2) fills out a new voter registration card, (3) the card is approved by the registrar, and (4) the voter presents the required identification. (§ 9-23g(d)).</p>
August 11, 2026, at 12:00 midnight (Tuesday) <b>Head Moderators</b>	<p><b>Return of Votes to the Secretary of the State – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> The head moderator must file a preliminary list of the vote totals produced by the tabulator not later than midnight on primary day. (§ 9-309)</p>
August 13, 2026, at 8:00 p.m. (Thursday) <b>Moderator</b>	<p><b>Head Moderator’s Return – State, District and Municipal Primary.</b> The head moderator must file a complete Head Moderator’s Return with the Secretary of the State by electronic means not later than 48 hours after the close of the polls. (§ 9-309)</p>

<p>August 14, 2026 (Friday) <b>Moderators</b></p>	<p><b>Original Head Moderator’s Return to be Delivered to the Secretary of the State.</b> No later than the third day following the primary, the head moderator must seal and deliver the original Head Moderator’s Return to the Secretary of the State. The head moderator must also deliver to the municipal clerk one copy of duplicate certificate of votes cast for candidates. (§§ 9-314 and 9-440)</p> <p><b>Discrepancy Recount – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Last day for the head moderator to order a recount when there is a discrepancy in returns. (§§ 9-310 and 9-311)</p>
<p>August 18, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Moderators</b></p>	<p><b>Close Vote or Discrepancy Recount - State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Deadline to conduct a close vote or discrepancy recount. (§§ 9-310, 9-311, 9-311a, 9-311b, 9-370a, 9-445 and 9-446)</p>
<p>August 18, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>List of Candidates – Election.</b> Deadline for the municipal clerk to file a list of candidates for municipal offices with the Secretary of the State. (§ 9-461)</p>
<p>August 19, 2026 (Wednesday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Nominating Petitions - Election.</b> Last day for the municipal clerk to file nominating petition pages, received by the clerk on August 5, 2026, with the Secretary of the State. (§§ 9-453i and 9-453n)</p>
<p>August 21, 2026 (Friday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Absentee Ballots Report – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Deadline for the municipal clerk to file with the Secretary of the State a statement accounting for the number of absentee voting forms and challenged ballot forms used at the state, district, and municipal primary. (§§ 9-139c and 9-232e)</p>
<p>August 25, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Candidates &amp; Electors</b></p>	<p><b>Complaint – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Deadline to bring a complaint to the Superior Court contesting a ruling of an election official or the count of votes at the state, district, and municipal primary. (§ 9-329a)</p>
<p>August 25, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Registrars &amp; Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Tabulators – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Tabulators used at the state, district, and municipal primary are to remain locked through this date. (§ 9-447)</p>
<p>August 30, 2026 (Sunday) <b>Registrars &amp; Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Submission of Translated Election-Related Materials to the Translation Advisory Committee – Election.</b> Towns that are subject to the federal and/or CT Voting Rights Act must submit translated materials for review to the Translation Advisory Committee by this date. (PA 25-168, §§ 297 &amp; 298)</p>
<p>August 30, 2026 (Sunday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Primary Forms – Town Committee Primaries.</b> Municipal clerk destroys if no contest is pending, and no subpoena has been issued by the State Elections Enforcement Commission, the following forms used at town committee primary, if any: sealed depository envelopes by district containing absentee ballots counted, and absentee ballot counters' notes, worksheets or written materials and record of votes cast by absentee ballot for each candidate; sealed depository envelope containing challenged ballots; affidavit of municipal clerk attesting to accuracy of endorsement of date and time of receipt of outer envelopes; and the affidavit(s) regarding municipal clerk's delivery and registrars receipt of ballots. (§§ 9-140c(a) and (j), 9-150a(m), 9-150b(f), (i) and (j), and 9-232f)</p>

<b>September 2026</b>	
September 2, 2026 (Wednesday) <b>Minor Parties</b>	<p><b>Minor Party Nominations and Certification – Election.</b> All minor party nominations and certification for state, district and municipal office must be made and certified by this date and certified to Secretary of the State. Such certification must include each candidate’s name as authorized by each candidate, the signature of each candidate, the full street address of each candidate and the title and district of the office for which each candidate was nominated. (§ 9-452)</p> <p>Written notice of the date, time, location, and purpose of the nominating meeting for state and district office must be filed with Secretary of the State, and for municipal office with municipal clerk, not later than five days before the meeting. In addition, written notice must also be published in a newspaper with a general circulation in the applicable town for such office. (§9-452a)</p>
September 2, 2026 (Wednesday) <b>Nominating Petition Party Designations</b>	<p><b>Statement of Endorsement – Nominating Petition Candidates – Election.</b> Last day that the party designation committee, chairperson or secretary of a minor party may file a statement of endorsement of a nominating petition candidate with a party designation with the Secretary of the State. (§ 9-453o)</p>
September 4, 2026 (Friday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b>	<p><b>Questions on Ballot.</b> Last day for a municipality to approve a question to appear on the ballot at the state election, unless otherwise provided by the general statutes. (§ 9-370)</p> <p>The municipal clerk must keep full text of question on file in his office open to public inspection from time question is approved for submission through election. (§ 9-369a)</p>
September 4, 2026 (Friday) <b>Registrars</b>	<p><b>Certification of Early Voting Location – Election.</b> The registrars of voters must certify to the Secretary of the State the location designated for the conduct of early voting that will be used at the state, district, and municipal primary. The certification must detail (1) the name, street address and relevant contact information associated with such location, (2) the number of election or primary officials to be appointed by the registrars of voters to serve at such location and the roles of such officials, and (3) a description of the design of such location and a plan for effective conduct of such early voting.</p> <p><b>Waiver of Accessibility of Polling Place – Election.</b> Last day that registrars may file with the <b>local building official</b> a request for a waiver to provide an accessible polling place for physically disabled electors for the election. (§ 9-168d(c))</p>
September 15, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Secretary of the State &amp; Municipal Clerk</b>	<p><b>List of Candidates – Election.</b> A list of candidates for <b>state</b> and <b>district</b> offices is sent out to municipal clerks by the Secretary of the State on this date. (§ 9-462)</p> <p><b>Submission of Absentee Ballots to the Secretary for Approval Before Printing – Election.</b> Before printing any absentee ballots, the municipal clerk must file with the Secretary the absentee ballot(s) to be used in each voting district in the municipality. No absentee ballot shall be used unless it has been approved by the Secretary. (§ 9-135a(a), as amended by PA 26-1, § 85)</p> <p><b>Printing Absentee Ballots – Election.</b> Immediately after the deadline for the certification of all candidates whose names are to appear on the ballot, the</p>

<p>Registrars</p>	<p>municipal clerk must begin making arrangements to have the absentee ballots for the election printed. (§ 9-135b(a))</p> <p><b>Sample Absentee Ballot Available for Inspection – Election.</b> A layout model of each different absentee ballot must be available for public inspection at municipal clerk's office prior to printing. (§ 9- 135b(b))</p> <p><b>Absentee Ballots – Filing - Election.</b> Immediately upon receiving the printed absentee ballots, the municipal clerk must file a printed absentee ballot for the town or for each different political subdivision, as the case may be, with the Secretary of the State, and file an affidavit as to the number of such ballots printed. (§ 9-135b(c))</p> <p><b>Blank Ballots to Electors Temporarily Living (or expecting to be Traveling Outside U.S. and to Servicemen, Spouses, and Dependents, Whether Living Within or Outside U.S. – Election.</b> Beginning as soon as possible after a complete list of candidates and questions is available, blank ballots (for all offices), together with a complete list of candidates and questions, should be sent to electors residing (or expecting to be traveling) outside the United States and to servicemen, spouses, and dependents whether living within or outside the United States who have applied for an absentee ballot. (§ 9-153f) Constitutional Pamphlet. (§§ 2- 30a, 9-140(d)). Explanatory text and/or arguments regarding local questions (optional). (§§ 9- 140(d) and 9-369b.)</p> <p>Registrars may direct the clerk to mail such blank ballot set to a qualified elector or applicant for admission as an elector who (1) is living outside the U.S. or (2) is a member of the armed forces, spouse or dependent. Municipal clerk also may so act on his own motion. (§ 9-153d)</p>
<p>September 18, 2026 (Friday) <b>Registrars &amp; Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Certification of Ballots Ordered – Election.</b> The registrars of voters and municipal clerk must jointly certify to the Secretary of the State the number of ballots for each polling place in the municipality that have been ordered for the election. If the registrars of voters and municipal clerk fail to certify the number of ballots ordered, they must order a number of ballots equal to the total number of registered voters in their municipality. (§9-255a)</p> <p><b>Overseas Ballot – Election.</b> Beginning on this date, the election overseas ballots for the offices of Representative in Congress and US Senator only are available from the municipal clerk upon application properly made. <b>Ballots must go out by close of business on this day to all voters whose applications have been received before this date if municipal clerk will not be in the office on September 19, 2026.</b> (§ 9-158c(b))</p> <p>Registrars may direct the clerk to mail such overseas ballot set to an eligible U.S. citizen, and the municipal clerk may also so act on his own motion, but such ballot will not be counted unless a prescribed application is received by the municipal clerk prior to election day. (§ 9-153d)</p>
<p>September 18, 2025 (Friday) <b>Candidates</b></p>	<p><b>Candidate Withdrawal Deadline – Election.</b> Final date for a nominee to withdraw by filing a letter of withdrawal with the Secretary of the State or Municipal clerk depending on the office. Candidates may withdraw at any time prior to the opening of the polls. However, in order for a replacement nominee to be selected, a withdrawal must be filed by this date. (§ 9-460)</p>

<p>September 19, 2026 – October 27, 2026 (Saturday – Tuesday) <b>Institutional Administrators &amp; Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Supervised Balloting Designation - Election.</b> In order to have supervised absentee balloting in a nursing home or rest home, etc., with less than 20 electors a written designation must be made between these dates by either the registrar of voters or the administrator of the institution for the election. These deadlines do not apply to a nursing home or rest home, etc., with 20 or more electors because supervised voting is mandated at such institutions. (§§ 9-159q and 9-159r)</p>
<p>September 21, 2026 (Monday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Certification of SDR Location – Election.</b> The registrars of voters must certify to the Secretary of the State the location of each polling place that will be used at the election. The certification must detail the name, address, relevant contact information and corresponding district information associated with each polling place to be used. (§§ 9-2 and 9-19j(c)(1)(B))</p>
<p>September 21, 2026 (Monday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Questions on Ballot.</b> Last day for the municipal clerk to file with the Secretary of the State a statement setting forth the designation of each question to be voted on as it will appear on the voting machine, the date upon which the submitting action was taken, and a reference to the law under which such action was taken. (§§ 9-2 and 9-369a)</p>
<p>September 22, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Voter Registration Information to Public High Schools.</b> The registrars must distribute each year, on the fourth Tuesday of September, at each public high school in such town, information regarding eligibility for admission and procedures for applying for such admission as an elector. The registrars of voters and the principal of any such public high school must determine the best means of distributing such information at such public high school. (§§ 9-2 and 9-17(c)(2))</p>
<p>September 22, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Political Parties</b></p>	<p><b>Candidate Replacement Deadline – Election.</b> Final date to file a replacement nomination with the Secretary of the State or Municipal clerk, depending on the office. Although a candidate can withdraw at any time prior to the opening of the polls, if a nominee filed a withdrawal by <b>September 18, 2026</b>, the candidate in question can be replaced no later than 42 days prior to the opening of the polls on election day. (§ 9-460)</p>
<p>September 24, 2026 (Thursday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Notice of Tuesday of the Fifth Week Before Election – Corrections Session to Complete Preliminary Registry List.</b> Publication of a newspaper notice and posting of a notice of the registrar's session on <b>September 29, 2026</b>, for completing the preliminary registry list. Applicable to the registrars of voters of <b>all towns</b>. (§ 9-35)</p>



<p>October 2, 2026 (Friday)</p> <p><b>Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Secure Drop Box.</b> Beginning on this day, and on each weekday thereafter until the close of the polls, the municipal clerk must retrieve from the secure drop box each such ballot deposited in such drop box. (§§ 9-2, 9-140b(c)(2)(A) and 9-140(f))</p>
<p>October 4, 2026, to October 14, 2026 (Sunday – Wednesday)</p> <p><b>Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Warning of Election.</b> Municipal clerk or assistant municipal clerk must publish, once, in a newspaper and on the town’s website, on or between any of these dates, notice of election, which notice must include the days, hours, and location(s) of early voting, the location designated for same-day registration, the time and location of the polling places, and record each such warning. (§ 9-225)</p> <p>If central counting of absentee ballots is timely designated by registrars of voters, the warning for the election must include such central location. (§ 9-147a)</p> <p>The warning must also include a statement concerning any question to be included on the ballot. (§§ 9-369 and 9-369a)</p>
<p>October 5, 2026 (Monday)</p> <p><b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Polling Places – Election.</b> Last day for determining polling place(s) for the election. Polling place(s) may be changed after this date only if the municipal clerk and registrars of voters unanimously find that a polling place has been rendered unusable. If a polling place is found unusable, another polling place must be designated forthwith and adequate notice of such change published. (§§ 9-2, 9-168 and 9-169)</p> <p><b>Certification of Location of Polling Place – Election.</b> The registrars of voters must certify to the Secretary of the State the location of each polling place that will be used at the election. The certification must detail the name, address, relevant contact information and corresponding district information associated with each polling place to be used. Such report must also include the names, addresses, and cellular mobile telephone numbers (if available) of each moderator for each polling place, early voting location, and same-day election registration location listed on such report. (§§ 9-2 and 9-228a(b) as amended by PA 26-1, § 72))</p>
<p>October 5, 2026 (Monday)</p> <p><b>Secretary of the State</b></p>	<p><b>Certification of SDR Location – Deadline to Approve or Disapprove of SDR Location – Election.</b> The Secretary of the State must approve or disapprove of the written certification of the SDR locations by this date. (§ 9-19j(c))</p>
<p>October 5, 2026, at 4:00 p.m. (Monday)</p> <p><b>Write-In Candidates</b></p>	<p><b>Write-In Registration – All Offices – Election.</b> Deadline for write-in candidates for any office being contested at the November 3<sup>rd</sup> election to register as write-in candidates with Secretary of the State. (§ 9-373a)</p>

<p>October 9, 2026 (Friday) <b>Registrars &amp; Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Special Registration Session – Application – Election.</b> Last day that 25 or more people who are employed by the same employer at the same place of employment in a town, or 25 or more people who attend the same school, college or university, or who reside at the same hospital, residential care home, rest home, nursing home or convalescent home and believe themselves qualified to become electors in any Connecticut town, may sign and submit a request to the municipal clerk or either registrar of voters for an admitting official to go to such place of employment, school or residence in order to take and act upon applications for admission as electors. (§§ 9-19c and 9-19d)</p> <p><b>Sample Ballot - Election.</b> Last day for registrars to file with the Secretary of the State a sample of a completed ballot. (§ 9-256)</p>
<p>October 9, 2026 (Friday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Submission of Official Election Ballots.</b> Deadline for the municipal clerk to file the official ballot(s) to be used in each voting district in such municipality with the Secretary of the State. No ballot shall be used unless it has been approved by the Secretary. (§ 9-250, as amended by PA 26-1, § 83)</p>
<p>October 10, 2026 (Saturday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Primary Forms.</b> Municipal clerk destroys if no contest is pending, and the State Elections Enforcement Commission has issued no subpoena, the following forms used at the August 11, 2026, state, district, and municipal primary: sealed depository envelopes by district containing inner and outer envelopes from which absentee ballots have been removed, together with the contents of serially- numbered outer envelopes marked "rejected"; all executed absentee ballot applications and direction by registrar forms; the numerical list of serially-numbered absentee envelopes issued; the list of applicants who have been issued more than one absentee ballot under Sec. 9-153c; all unused printed absentee ballots; absentee ballots received after the polls close; and list of absentee ballot applicants who returned their absentee ballots. (§§ 9-140(e), 9-150a(f), 9-150b(f), (h) and (j), and 9-153c(c))</p> <p>If a primary for Representative in Congress is held, all of these forms (except unused printed absentee ballots for Congressional primary) are to be retained until <b>June 12, 2028</b>. (§ 9-2 and 52 USC 20701)</p>
<p>October 12, 2026 (Monday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Machine Reports – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Reports of registrars and party watchers provided for in Sections 9-244 and 9-246 from state, district, and municipal primary are to be kept by the municipal clerk through this day. (§§ 9-245 and 9-436)</p>
<p>October 12, 2026 (Monday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Voter History – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Last day for registrars to update voter registration system to indicate whether the eligible voters on the registry list voted in the state, district &amp; municipal primary and, if so, if they voted in person or by absentee ballot. (§§ 9-2 and 9-50b)</p>

<p>October 14, 2026 (Wednesday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Central Counting – Absentee Ballots – Election.</b> Last day for registrars of voters to notify the municipal clerk in writing if they decide to count absentee ballots at a central location, which location must be published in the warning for the election. Registrar of Voters may also agree to count absentee ballots at each polling location as well. (§ 9-147a)</p> <p><b>Election Officials – Election.</b> Last day for registrars to appoint election officials. Registrars of voters and moderators must instruct election officials. (§ 9-249)</p> <p><b>Tabulator Testing.</b> Before the commencement of the early voting period, the registrars must insert test ballots into each voting tabulator to be used at the polling place(s) and early voting location(s), ensuring each tabulator is prepared and ready for use. (§ 9-247, as amended by PA 26-1, § 73)</p>
<p>October 16, 2026 (Friday) <b>All Voter Registration Officials</b></p>	<p><b>18<sup>th</sup> Day Before Election Enrollment Session.</b> A mandatory registration session must be held on this date. This is the last regular session for admission of electors for those who become 18 years of age, U.S. citizens, or residents of the municipality on or before October 16, 2026.</p> <p><b>Hours:</b> 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. (§ 9-17)</p> <p>Those whose rights as to age, citizenship, or residence mature after the above date may apply in the office on a daily basis until the opening of the limited session on November 2, 2026, or at such limited session. (§ 9-19b(d))</p> <p>People who do not fall into a "matured rights" category may apply for admission in the office between the cut-off date and the opening of the matured rights session, but such applications are not effective until the third day following the date of the election. (§ 9-19g)</p> <p>Final date to apply for cross-town admission. Actual approval by town of residence may occur after this date. (§ 9-19e)</p> <p>Last day for an elector to make a signed written request to the registrars of voters for erasure of his name from the registry list. (§ 9-35b)</p>
<p>October 16, 2026 (Friday) <b>Registrars &amp; Municipal Clerk</b></p>	<p><b>Registration and Enrollment (By-Mail) Cut-Off – Election.</b> Deadline for registering and/or enrolling for voting in the election, unless the individual registers in person during the early voting period or in person, on election day, utilizing Same Day Registration. (§§ 9-19j and 9-23g(d)(2))</p>
<p>October 17, 2026 (Saturday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Registry List - Election.</b> Last day for registrars to file with the municipal clerk a final registry list that contains the names and addresses of electors to be transferred, restored, or added to such list. The list must also be on file and available for public inspection in the registrars of voters' office. Whenever the registrars of voters are not in their office, the list must be available at another municipal office. (Sec. 9-38)</p>
<p>October 19, 2026, to October 29, 2026 (Monday – Thursday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Notice of Limited Registration Session to be Held on the Last Weekday before Election.</b> Notice to be published at least once on or between these dates of <b>November 2, 2026</b>, limited session of registrars of voters of all towns. This newspaper notice need not be a legal notice. (§§ 9-16 and 9-17)</p>

<p>October 19, 2026, to November 1, 2026 (Monday – Sunday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Early Voting Period and Same-Day Registration (SDR) – Election.</b> Early voting is available between these dates. Early voting locations must also provide for SDR. (§ 9-19j)</p> <p>Early voting begins on the 15<sup>th</sup> day before and concludes on the second day before the election. The hours of early voting are 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. every day, except that the hours are extended to 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the last Tuesday and Thursday (<b>October 27 &amp; 29, 2026</b>) before the election. (§§ 9-163aa(a)(1)(B) and 9-174(c)(1))</p>
<p>October 20, 2026, to November 2, 2026 (Tuesday – Monday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Registry List – Election.</b> The registrars of voters must be available for at least one day during the 14 days before the election for the purpose of making revisions and corrections to the registrar list. (§9-37)</p>
<p>October 27, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Institutional Administrators &amp; Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Supervised Balloting Designation Deadline – Election.</b> In order to have supervised absentee balloting in a nursing home or rest home, etc., with less than 20 electors a written designation must be made by this date by either the registrar of voters or the administrator of the institution for the election.</p> <p>These deadlines do not apply to a nursing home or rest home, etc., with 20 or more electors because supervised voting is mandated at such institutions. (§§ 9-159q and 9-159r)</p>
<p>October 27, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Absentee Ballot Check-Off – Election.</b> Whether central counting of absentee ballots has been designated or not, beginning as soon as 11:00 a.m. on this day, the registrars <b>may</b> begin checking the absentee ballots on this and each weekday before the election. The ballots <b>must</b> be checked not later than the last weekday before the election, <b>November 2, 2026</b>. The registrars must check, without opening the outer envelopes, the names of such absentee voters on the official check list to be used at such election by indicating "Absentee" or "A" preceding such name, and in the case of central counting must also note such designation on a duplicate list. After checking is completed, municipal clerk seals unopened ballots for delivery between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, on election day. (§ 9-140c(b))</p>
<p><b>November 2026</b></p>	
<p>November 1, 2026, at 6:00 a.m. (Sunday) <b>Registrars &amp; Candidates</b></p>	<p><b>Unofficial Checkers.</b> Deadline for Town Chairperson or candidates (if qualified) to designate unofficial checkers to the registrars of voters. Registrar, at the request of his town chairperson, must change appointments up to the close of polls. (§ 9-235)</p> <p>Any person (other than a candidate or election official) may serve as a runner. (Sec. 9-235b)</p> <p><b>Unofficial Checkers for Questions.</b> Registrars must notify (1) each committee and person on whose behalf a political committee statement of organization or a certificate of exemption has been filed for a question with the municipal clerk, and (2) each other group known to be for or against a referendum issue, of their right to submit designees to the registrars at least 48 hours before the opening of the polls, indicating their position on the question. (Sec. 9-235(e))</p>

<p>November 2, 2026 (Monday) <b>Registrars &amp; Municipal Clerks</b></p>	<p><b>Limited Registration Session the Last Weekday Before Election.</b> Session of Registrars of Voters of all towns to admit those seeking to vote in the election whose qualification as to age, citizenship or residence was attained since <b>October 16, 2026</b>. Hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (§ 9-17)</p> <p><b>Absentee Ballots. Deadline To Issue – Election.</b> Absentee ballots may not be issued on election day, except overseas ballots and except electors who suddenly become ill within six days immediately preceding the close of the polls at the election, or who are patients in a hospital or nursing home within such six-day period, may apply for and be issued an absentee ballot up to the close of the polls. (§§ 9-140(h) and 9-150c)</p> <p><b>Supervised Balloting Deadline – Election.</b> Supervision of absentee balloting must not be later than the last business day before the election. (§§ 9-159q and 9-159r)</p> <p><b>Election Materials.</b> Registrars of voters to provide election materials to Moderators before 8:00 p.m. on this date. (§ 9-259(a))</p> <p><b>Registry List - Election.</b> Last day before election to remove electors from registry list who have died, become disfranchised or confirmed in writing that they have moved out of town. An elector is deemed to have confirmed in writing that they have moved out of town if (1) the registrars have received a cancellation form or (2) the elector has notified DMV of a change of address out of town concerning a driver's license. (DMV notifies the registrars, and the registrars send Notice of Removal.) The names of people removed are not sent to the polls and such people may be restored on election day only if both registrars are contacted and consent to approve the applicant's request for restoration. (§§ 9-32 and 9-35)</p>
<p>November 2, 2026 (Monday) <b>Registrars</b></p>	<p><b>Inactive List.</b> The registrars prepare an inactive list of (1) any person whose notice of approval of mail-in was returned undeliverable and who did not respond to a Confirmation of Voting Residence Notice between January 2026 – May 2026, January 2025 – May 2025, January 2024 – May 2024 and January 2023 and May 2023 on the basis of the canvass and did not respond within 30 days after it was sent (and was not restored.) The inactive list is sent to the polls. Electors on the inactive list may sign a restoration form at the polls and if the registrar or assistant registrar in the polls consents, such elector may vote. (§§ 9-42, 9-23g(c) and 9-35)</p> <p><b>Removal from Inactive List.</b> Last day to remove electors from the inactive registry list (and enrollment list) before the primary who were sent a Confirmation of Voting Residence Notice four years ago and did not respond within 30 days after it was sent (and were never restored to the active list.) (§ 9-35)</p>
<p>November 2, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. (Monday) <b>Admitting Officials</b></p>	<p><b>Servicemen – Special Sessions – Election.</b> Admitting officials, on written request received at any time before 5:00 p.m. on this date, may admit as electors, members of armed forces and former members of armed forces discharged within the calendar year immediately preceding such request, if found qualified. (§ 9-25)</p> <p>Applications from servicemen and people out of the country may be received throughout the day. (§§ 9-25 and 9-26)</p>

## Election Day – November 3, 2026

<p>November 3, 2026 (Tuesday) 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. <b>All Election Officials</b></p>	<p><b>Meeting of Election Officials</b> at polling places by 5:15 a.m. (§§ 9-174 and 9-259)</p> <p><b>Meeting of Moderator and Assistants</b> by 5:40 a.m. to place 75-foot and 20-foot distance markers. (§ 9- 236 and PA 25-168 § 296)</p> <p><b>Demonstrator Device</b> to be available inside the polling place. (§ 9-260)</p> <p>Two Sample Ballots. Three Constitutional Amendment Posters (if applicable). HAVA Posters and Voter’s Bill of Rights Posters (and, if town so elects, 3 local question posters of explanatory text and/or arguments re local questions) to be posted in each polling place. (§§ 9-255, 9-369b, 2-30a(b), and 9-236b)</p> <p><b>Tabulators - Election.</b> Tabulators must be prepared and delivered to polling places with all necessary furniture and equipment not later than one hour before the opening of the polling place. (§§ 9-238 and 9-247)</p> <p><b>Voter Registration Receipt.</b> On election day, an applicant whose name is not on the check- list may vote if, at the polls, they (1) present a voter registration receipt from the DMV or other prescribed voter registration agency that his application was received by the deadline, (2) fills out a new voter registration card, (3) the card is approved by the registrar, and (4) the voter presents the required identification. (§ 9-23g(d)).</p> <p><b>Hours of Voting.</b> Polls to be open 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Electors in line by 8:00 p.m. permitted to vote. (§ 9-174)</p>
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<p>Election Day November 3, 2026, cont.</p>	<p><b>Overseas Ballots.</b> Overseas ballots may be issued up to the close of the polls. However, they must be received by municipal clerk by close of the polls on election day in order to be cast. (§§ 9-158c and 9-158g)</p> <p><b>Absentee Ballots.</b> In order to be cast at an election, the absentee ballot must be received by the municipal clerk (1) by the close of the polls on election day if it is mailed or if it is returned by a member of the immediate family of the applicant in person or by the qualified designee of an ill or physically disabled ballot applicant in person, or (2) by the day before the election (<b>November 2, 2026</b>) if it is returned in person by the applicant. (§ 9-140b)</p> <p>Absentee ballots are to be delivered to the registrars of voters between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon, at 6:00 p.m. (optional), and again, immediately after the close of the polls. Those ballots that are received timely after 11:00 a.m. of the last weekday before the election (<b>November 2, 2026</b>) are to be delivered to the registrars of voters at 6:00 p.m. and/or 8:00 p.m. In municipalities which have central counting of absentee ballots, at close of polls, registrars or assistant registrars must deliver official check list to central counting moderator. When counting of absentee ballots is complete, central counting moderator delivers check list, duplicate check list and returns required by Sec. 9-150b to head moderator. Absentee ballots may be delivered at other times that are mutually agreed upon by the municipal clerk and registrars provided such time is not later than the close of the polls. (§ 9-140c)</p> <p><b>Same-Day Registration.</b> Registrars of voters must designate a location for completing and processing SDR applications. The location must be one where registrars can access the statewide CVRS. No individual can be within 75 feet of the entrance to the SDR location or in any hallway or other approach to it to solicit support for, or opposition to, a candidate or ballot question. Registrars may appoint election officials to serve at the designated location. Individuals may register and vote in person on Election Day if they meet the eligibility requirements for voting in this state and are (1) not already an elector or (2) registered in one municipality but want to change their registration because they currently reside in another municipality. By law, a person is eligible to register and vote if they are (1) a U. S. citizen, (2) age 18 or older, and (3) a bona fide resident of the municipality in which they apply for admission as an elector. (§ 9-19j)</p>
<p>November 3, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Moderators</b></p>	<p><b>Immediately After the Close of Polls – Election.</b> Immediately after close of polls, checkers must deliver to moderator a certificate in duplicate, stating whole number of names on registry list and number checked thereon as having voted. Names of people requesting a challenged ballot are crossed off registry list and added at end of list. (§§ 9-158j, 9-232e and 9-307)</p> <p>Registrars at the respective polls must add their certificate to the check-list. Moderator must lock duplicate copy of moderator's return with ballots. (§§ 9-307 and 9-309). In municipalities which have central counting of absentee ballots, the head moderator must add the results from the voting machines (on each polling place moderator's returns) to the absentee count recorded on the central counting moderator's return for the corresponding voting district. (§ 9-150b(c))</p> <p><b>Return of Votes to Secretary of the State – Election.</b> The head moderator must file a preliminary list of the vote totals produced by the tabulator not later than midnight on election day. (§ 9-314(a))</p>

Forthwith <b>Secretary of the State</b>	<b>Notification of Close Vote Recanvass for State or District Office.</b> The Secretary of the State must notify the municipal clerks in the state or district for offices that qualify for an automatic recanvass, as well as each candidate for any such office. (§ 9-311a)
November 5, 2026, at 8:00 p.m. (Thursday) <b>Moderators</b>	<b>Return of Votes to Secretary of the State – Election.</b> Not later than 48-hours after the close of polls, the head moderator must file a complete Head Moderator’s Return with the Secretary of the State by electronic means. The head moderator must also seal and deliver an original Head Moderator’s Return to the Secretary of the State not later than the third day after the election, being <b>Friday, November 6, 2026.</b> (§§ 9-314 and 9-369a)  Head moderator in each town to deliver to the municipal clerk one copy of the duplicate certificate of votes cast for candidates. (§ 9-314)
November 5, 2026, at 8:00 p.m. (Thursday) <b>Registrars</b>	<b>Certified Checklist – Election.</b> Not later than 48 hours after the close of polls, the certified checklist used in the election must be deposited with the municipal clerk. (§ 9-307)  <b>Results to be Provided to Municipal Clerk – Election.</b> Not later than 48 hours following the election, the registrars must provide the results of the votes cast at such election to the municipal clerk. (§ 9-322a(a))
November 6, 2026 (Friday) <b>Moderators</b>	<b>Discrepancy Recanvass – Election.</b> Last day for the head moderator to order a recount when there is a discrepancy in returns. (Secs. 9-310 and 9-311)  <b>Recanvass on Close Vote Question – Election.</b> A recanvass on a close vote question must be made as nearly as may be in the manner provided for a discrepancy recanvass. (§§ 9-310, 9-311, and 9-370a)
November 6, 2026 (Friday) <b>Moderator, Registrars, and Municipal Clerk</b>	<b>Correction of Errors in Returns – Election.</b> Not later than 9 a.m. on the third day following the election, the head moderator, registrars of voters, and municipal clerk for all towns must meet to identify any errors in the returns filed with the Secretary of the State. Once identified, the error must be corrected, and an amended head moderator’s return must be filed with the Secretary of the State no later than 1:00 p.m. on this date. (§9-322a, as amended by PA 26-1, § 77)
November 10, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Moderators</b>	<b>Discrepancy Recanvass – Election.</b> Last day for the recanvass officials to conduct a discrepancy or close vote question recanvass. (§§ 9-311(a))  A recanvass on a <b>close vote question</b> must be made as nearly as may be in the manner provided for a discrepancy recanvass. (§§ 9-310, 9-311, and 9-370a)  <b>Close Vote Recanvass – Election.</b> Last day for the recanvass officials to conduct a state or district candidate close vote recanvass. (§ 9-311a)
November 13, 2026 (Friday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b>	<b>Absentee Ballot Report – Election.</b> Last day for the municipal clerk to file with the Secretary of the State statement accounting for the number of absentee ballot forms received from said Secretary for the election. (§§ 9-139c and 9-232e)
November 17, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Candidates and Electors</b>	<b>Election Contest – Election.</b> Last day for bringing any complaint contesting a ruling of the moderator or the count of votes to the proper court. (§§ 9-323, 9-324 and 9-328)
November 17, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Registrars</b>	<b>Tabulators – Election.</b> Tabulators are to remain locked through this date. (§§ 9-266 and 9- 310)

November 18, 2026 (Wednesday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b>	<b>Report of Referendum Results.</b> Municipal clerk to file with Secretary of the State the result of a referendum (a) on charter or charter amendment, or (b) on the question of the acceptance of a special act, or (c) conducted in accordance with the provisions of a special act. (§ 9-371)
November 24, 2026 (Tuesday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b>	<b>Voting District Returns – Election.</b> Last day that municipal clerk of towns divided into voting districts may file voting district returns in tabular or summary form with the Secretary of the State. (§ 9-322a)  <b>Run-Off Election.</b> Run-off election for offices in which tie-vote resulted is to be held three weeks after election. At least three days' notice of such adjourned election must be published by municipal clerk. (§ 9-332)
<b>December 2026</b>	
December 3, 2026 (Thursday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b>	<b>Copies of Charters.</b> Last day for the clerk to file with Secretary of the State three certified copies of any charter, charter amendments or home rule ordinance amendments approved at the election, with the effective date indicated and in the case of the approval of charter or home rule ordinance amendments, three certified copies of the complete charter or ordinance incorporating such amendments. (§ 7-191(g))
December 3, 2026 (Thursday) <b>Registrars</b>	<b>Certificate of Canvass Completion.</b> Last day for registrars of voters to file with Secretary of the State a certificate signed under penalties of false statement stating that the annual canvass of voters was completed. (§ 9-32(c))
<b>January 2027</b>	
January 4, 2027 (Monday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b>	<b>Election Forms.</b> Municipal clerk destroys all unused printed absentee ballots for the 2026 state election if there is no contest pending and the State Elections Enforcement Commission has issued no subpoena. (§§ 9-2 and 9-150b(h))  Reports of registrars and party watchers provided for in §§ 9-244 and 9-246 for state election to be kept by municipal clerk through this day. (§§ 9-2 and 9-245)
January 4, 2027 (Monday) <b>Registrars</b>	<b>Voter History – Election.</b> Last day for registrars to update voter registration system to indicate whether the eligible voters on the registry list voted in the election and, if so, if they voted in person or by absentee ballot. (§§ 9-2 and 9-50b(c))
January 4, 2027 (Monday) <b>Municipal Clerk</b>	<b>Election Forms.</b> Municipal clerk destroys if no contest is pending, and the State Elections Enforcement Commission has issued no subpoena, the following forms used at the November 3, 2026, election: sealed depository envelopes by district containing inner and outer envelopes from which absentee ballots have been removed, together with the contents of serially- numbered outer envelopes marked "rejected"; all executed absentee ballot applications and direction by registrar forms; the numerical list of serially-numbered absentee envelopes issued; the list of applicants who have been issued more than one absentee ballot under Sec. 9-153c; all unused printed absentee ballots; absentee ballots received after the polls close; and list of absentee ballot applicants who returned their absentee ballots. (§§ 9-2, 9-140(e), 9-150a(f), 9-150b(f), (h) and (j), and 9-153c(c))  If an election for Representative in Congress is held, all these forms are to be retained until <b>September 4, 2028.</b> (§ 9-2 and 52 USC 20701)

## Revisions

Revision Date	Calendar Entry Date	Previous Entry	Revised Entry
<b>January 16, 2026</b>	February 26, 2026 (prior)	Duplicate	The correct date and entry for this deadline appear on February 13, 2026.
<b>January 30, 2026</b>	June 1, 2026	The previous entry concerning the inactive list had the wrong years listed, being 2024, 2023, 2022, and 2021.	Please be advised that all electors sent a confirmation notice of voting residence between January 2025 – May 2025, January 2024 – May 2024, January 2023 – May 2023, or January 2022 – May 2022, who did not respond within 30 days after the notice was sent should be moved to the inactive list.
<b>January 30, 2026</b>	June 1, 2026	The previous entry concerning removal from the inactive list had the wrong year listed, being January 2021 – May 2021.	Please be advised that all electors who were sent a Confirmation of Voting Residence Notice between January 2022 - May 2022 and did not respond within 30 days after it was sent and were never restored to the active list must be removed from the inactive list.
<b>January 30, 2026</b>	August 10, 2026	The previous entry concerning the inactive list had the wrong years listed, being 2025, 2024, 2023, and 2022.	Please be advised that any elector whose notice of approval of mail-in was returned undeliverable and who did not respond to a Confirmation of Voting Residence Notice between January 2026 – May 2026, January 2025 – May 2025, January 2024 – May 2024 and January 2023 and May 2023 and did not respond within 30 days after it was sent and were never restored to the active list must be removed from the inactive list.
<b>January 30, 2026</b>	Page one (overview)	Single-town State Representative appeared under municipal offices.  Municipal office petitions issued beginning...May 26, 2026.	Single-town State Representative has been relocated to appear under "Candidates for State and District Office." Municipal office petitions issued beginning...day after endorsement or May 27, 2026 (earliest) to reflect the statutory language more closely.
<b>March 9, 2026</b>	July 12, 2026 (prior)	The previous entry concerning overseas primary ballots was located on July 12, 2026.	The correct date and entry for the issuance of overseas primary ballots appear on June 26, 2026.
<b>March 17, 2026</b>	June 1, 2026 September 29, 2026 November 2, 2026	The previous entry listed the dates of the canvass for prior years as January, 2025 – May, 2025, or between January, 2024 – May, 2024, or between January 2023 - May, 2023, or between January, 2022 – May, 2022.	The correct dates are as follows: January, 2026 – May, 2026, or between January, 2025 – May, 2025, or between January 2024 - May, 2024, or between January, 2023 – May, 2023.
<b>May 19, 2026</b>	June 2 – June 9, 2026	The previous entry listed the dates as June 2 – June 23, 2026.	The correct period of time for the certification of endorsements for municipal office is June 2 – June 9, 2026.

<b>May 26, 2026</b>	June 9, 2026	The previous entry was entitled "Primary Petitions – Filing – Municipal Office."	The current entry has a title which now reads: "Primary Petitions – Filing – Municipal Office, including single-town State Senator or Representative, single-town Judge of Probate, and Registrars of Voters."
<b>May 26, 2026</b>	Page one (overview)	n/a	The first page of the calendar now provides that petitions for municipal State Senator/Representative are issued beginning May 26, 2026, as provided by CGS § 9-409(b).

## Additions

Date of Addition	Addition	Date in Calendar	Reason for Addition
March 17, 2026	<b>Declaratory Judgment Action by the Secretary of the State – Primary.</b> Beginning this day and continuing through primary day, the Secretary may commence a declaratory judgment action under section 52-29 for a determination as to whether elector(s) have been aggrieved and for an order to ensure election administration procedures are properly executed, and the electors’ rights are adequately protected.	May 13, 2026	§ 9-3(c), as amended by PA 26-1, § 89
	<b>Submission of Absentee Ballots to the Secretary for Approval Before Printing.</b> Before printing any absentee ballots, the municipal clerk must file with the Secretary the absentee ballot(s) to be used in each voting district in the municipality. No absentee ballot shall be used unless it has been approved by the Secretary.	“Forthwith,” immediately following June 9, 2026, entry	§ 9-135a(a), as amended by PA 26-1, § 85
	<b>List of Moderators – State, District, and Municipal Primary.</b> Deadline for the registrars to provide a written report to the Secretary setting forth the names, addresses, and cellular mobile telephone numbers (if available) of each moderator for each polling place, early voting location, and same-day election registration location.	July 20, 2026	§ 9-228a(b) as amended by PA 26-1, § 72
	. . . <b>*Note:</b> This deadline extends beyond the statutory deadline for registrars to provide a written report of moderators to the Secretary. Plan accordingly and submit a list of desired certified primary moderators to the registrars before July 20, 2026.	July 21, 2026	Notice to candidates
	<b>Submission of Official Primary Ballots.</b> Not later than 10 days before the early voting period commences for the <b>State, District, and Municipal Primary</b> , the municipal clerk must file the official ballot(s) to be used in each voting district in such municipality with the Secretary of the State.	July 24, 2026	§ 9-437(j), as amended by PA 26-1, § 84
	<b>Tabulator Testing.</b> Before the commencement of the early voting period, the registrars must insert test ballots into each voting tabulator to be used at the polling place(s) and early voting location(s), ensuring each tabulator is prepared and ready for use.	July 31, 2026	§ 9-247, as amended by PA 26-1, § 73
	<b>Declaratory Judgment Action by the Secretary of the State – Election.</b> Beginning this day and continuing through election day, the Secretary may commence a declaratory judgment action under section 52-29 for a determination as to whether elector(s) have been aggrieved and for an order to ensure election administration procedures are properly executed, and the electors’ rights are adequately protected.	August 5, 2026	§ 9-3(c), as amended by PA 26-1, § 89
	<b>Submission of Absentee Ballots to the Secretary for Approval Before Printing.</b> Before printing any absentee ballots, the municipal clerk must file with the Secretary the absentee ballot(s) to be used in each voting district in the municipality. No absentee ballot shall be used unless it has been approved by the Secretary.	September 15, 2026	§ 9-135a(a), as amended by PA 26-1, § 85
	<b>Certification of Location of Polling Place – Election.</b> . . . Such report must also include the names, addresses, and cellular mobile telephone numbers (if available) of each moderator for each polling place, early voting location, and same-day election registration location listed on such report.	October 5, 2026	§§ 9-2 and 9-228a(b) as amended by PA 26-1, § 72

	<b>Submission of Official Election Ballots.</b> Deadline for the municipal clerk to file the official ballot(s) to be used in each voting district in such municipality with the Secretary of the State. No ballot shall be used unless it has been approved by the Secretary.	October 9, 2026	§ 9-250, as amended by PA 26-1, § 83
	<b>Tabulator Testing.</b> Before the commencement of the early voting period, the registrars must insert test ballots into each voting tabulator to be used at the polling place(s) and early voting location(s), ensuring each tabulator is prepared and ready for use.	October 14, 2026	§ 9-247, as amended by PA 26-1, § 73
	<b>Correction of Errors in Returns – Election.</b> Not later than 9 a.m. on the third day following the election, the head moderator, registrars of voters, and municipal clerk for all towns must meet to identify any errors in the returns filed with the Secretary of the State. Once identified, the error must be corrected, and an amended head moderator’s return must be filed with the Secretary of the State no later than 1:00 p.m. on this date.	November 6, 2026	§9-322a, as amended by PA 26-1, § 77
<b>May 26, 2026</b>	<b>Primary Petitions Available – Municipal Office of State Senator and State Representative.</b> Primary petitions for people desiring to oppose candidates of a major party for the municipal office of state senator or state representative (i.e., those representing a single-town district) must be available from the registrar of voters on the 77 <sup>th</sup> day before the primary. (§ 9-409(b)) (§ 9-409(b))	May 26, 2026	n/a