



May 4, 2021 ELECTION - LIST of DEADLINES

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By 4:00 p.m. Jan. 19	Partisan and nonpartisan candidates file nominating petitions and Affidavits of Identity. Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4:00 pm on January 22. (168.322)
By January 25	City clerks forward names and addresses of candidates to county clerk. (168.321)
By 5:00 p.m. January 28	Petitions to place proposals on ballot filed with county and local clerks. (If governing law sets an earlier petition filing deadline, earlier deadline must be observed.) (168.646a)
By 5:00 p.m. January 29	Last day a recall petition can be filed for May election. (168.963)
By 4:00 p.m. Feb. 9	Ballot wording of county and local proposals to be presented at the election certified to county and local clerks; local clerks receiving ballot wording forward to county clerk within two days. (168.646a)
By March 5	Final date cities and townships can establish, move or abolish a polling place for the May election. (168.662)
By March 20	Delivery of military and overseas AV ballots must begin for the May election by this date. All requests received since November 5, 2019 from a military or overseas voter must be honored for all 2020 elections. (168.759a)
By March 20	County clerks deliver absent voter ballots for the May election to local clerks. (168.714)
By March 20	Absent voter ballots must be available for issuance to voters. (168.714)
March 25 through April 13	Precinct inspectors for May election appointed by city and township election commissions. (168.674)
By April 5	Notice of voter registration for May election published. One notice required. (168.498)

By April 5	Clerk shall post and notify the Secretary of State of hours the clerk's office will be open on the Saturday or Sunday or both immediately before the election to issue and receive absent voter ballots. (168.761b)
By April 5	Clerk shall post and notify the Secretary of State of any additional locations and hours the clerk will be available to issue and receive absent voter ballots, if applicable. (168.761b)
April 19	Last day to register in any manner other than in-person with the local clerk for the May election. (168.497)
April 20 through 8:00 p.m. May 4	In-person registration with local clerk with proof of residency. (168.497)
By 4:00 p.m. April 23	Write-in candidates file Declaration of Intent forms for the May election. (168.737a)
By April 27	Notice of May election published. One notice required. (168.653a)
By April 29	Public accuracy test must be conducted. (R 168.778) Notice of test must be published at least 48 hours before test. (168.798)
Up to 5:00 p.m. April 30	Electors may obtain an absent voter ballot via First Class mail. (168.759)
Up to 5:00 p.m. April 30	Electors may submit a written request to spoil their absent voter ballot to receive a new ballot by mail. (168.765b)
Up to 10 a.m. May 3	Electors who have returned their absent voter ballot may submit a written request in person to spoil their absent voter ballot and receive a new ballot in the clerk's office. (168.765b)
Up to 4:00 p.m. May 3	Electors may obtain an absent voter ballot in person in the clerk's office. (168.761)
Up to 4:00 p.m. May 3	Electors who have lost their absent voter ballot or not yet received their ballot in the mail may submit a written request in person to spoil their absent voter ballot and receive a new ballot in the clerk's office. (168.759b)
By 4:00 p.m. May 4	Emergency absentee voting for May election. (168.759b)
Up to 8:00 p.m. May 4	Election Day registrants may obtain and vote an absent voter ballot in person in the clerk's office or vote in person in the proper precinct. (168.761)
May 4	ELECTION DAY, Polls open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
By 9:00 a.m. May 6	Boards of county canvassers meet to canvass May election. (168.821)