



*MARCH 5, 2024*  
*PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION*

**CANDIDATE HANDBOOK  
& RESOURCE GUIDE**  
*Central Committees*

# I M P O R T A N T

This Candidate Handbook & Resource Guide provides general information to assist candidates and committees. It is not intended to provide legal advice and should not be substituted for legal counsel. In case of conflict, the law, regulation, or rule will apply.

Candidates and others using this handbook bear the full responsibility to make their own determination as to all standards and duties. Thus, the references are for convenience only. The Registrar of Voters strongly recommends any prospective candidate obtain legal advice, to assist in complying with applicable laws and regulations.

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## MESSAGE FROM THE REGISTRAR

Congratulations on your decision to run for office. For many candidates, the process of running for office can be confusing, with resulting errors and misunderstandings. Although this handbook is a guide for candidates, it is for general information only and does not have the force and effect of law, regulation, or rule. In case of conflict, the law, regulation, or rule will apply. This handbook does not contain all information concerning elections, but a summary of major provisions related to candidates running for office. Candidates and others using this handbook must bear full responsibility to make their own determinations as to all legal standards and duties.

We have attempted to make this handbook as informative as possible and will make every effort to answer your questions. However, the law precludes the Registrar of Voters or staff from answering legal questions. This handbook is NOT intended to be a substitute for legal advice. Candidates are strongly encouraged to consult legal counsel when legal questions arise.

The best advice for all candidates is **FILE EARLY**. The filing deadlines are rigid and cannot be waived or changed. Waiting until the last minute may result in errors or omissions that cannot be corrected and may impact your right to appear on the ballot. Most errors and/or oversights can be mitigated given adequate time.

We hope you find this Candidate Handbook & Resource Guide useful and wish you the best of luck in your campaign. Regardless of who wins, we hope you have a positive experience.

Good luck,

Donna Hillegass  
Yuba County Clerk/Recorder – Registrar of Voters

## AN OVERVIEW – WHAT TO EXPECT

### IMPORTANT: ELECTIONS OFFICE VISITS – ALLOW ADEQUATE TIME

Each step of the filing process is essential and must be completed correctly. Candidates should be prepared to spend *at least 30-45* minutes to begin the filing process. Some future visits will take more time and some less, but it is important candidates are prepared to take whatever time is necessary to complete and review all appropriate documents.

### APPOINTMENTS

Appointments are not required but are *strongly recommended*. Individuals with an appointment will be given priority over walk-in applicants. NOTE: Beginning September 7, 2023, candidates may contact our office to schedule their candidate filing appointment. For Central Committees, candidate filing begins September 29, 2023.

### THE FIRST VISIT

During a candidate's first appointment, they will receive information regarding the entire filing process. Elections staff will explain optional and required documents, provide information about deadlines, and answer any questions. Questions are encouraged. It is important candidates understand the process and requirements.

### DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY

There are several steps to the filing process. It is important to remember the final step is filing a Declaration of Candidacy. *Only candidates who have filed a Declaration of Candidacy will have their name placed on the ballot.* Candidates who have not filed a Declaration of Candidacy will not appear on the ballot.

### DEADLINES

Yuba County Elections has no authority to extend filing deadlines. It is important candidates are aware of all deadlines and ensure that they file all documents by the appropriate deadline. Candidates are encouraged to file well in advance of deadlines to address any corrections needed.

## KEY DATES FOR CANDIDATES

Date(s)	Activity
09/29/2023 – 12/08/2023	<b>Nomination Papers &amp; Declaration of Candidacy</b> Between these dates, candidates for Member of the County Central Committee and County Council must file their Nomination Papers and Declaration of Candidacy. EC § 8020
12/14/2023	<b>Randomized Alphabet Drawing</b> Randomized alphabet drawing to be held by the Secretary of State and Counties to determine the order of candidates on the ballot. This is conducted at 11:00 a.m. § 13112
12/23/2023	<b>Candidate Appointment(s) When Fewer Candidates File than available membership</b> If the number of candidates nominated for election to a committee from a Supervisorial District does not exceed the number of seats to elect, the designation of the seats and the names of the candidates shall not be printed on a party's ballot. In lieu, thereof, the Board of Supervisors shall declare elected the candidates who have been nominated. EC § 7728, 7422, 7673, 7772.1

## OFFICES FOR FILING

The following central committees / county councils have elected to use the public ballot to elect members at the March 5, 2024 Presidential Primary Election.

COMMITTEE/COUNCIL	MEMBERS TO BE ELECTED
Republican Central Committee	
Supervisor District 1 .....	3
Supervisor District 2 .....	4
Supervisor District 3 .....	3
Supervisor District 4 .....	6
Supervisor District 5 .....	7
Peace & Freedom Central Committee .....	7
Green Party County Council .....	5
<b><u>Pending Notification</u></b>	
Libertarian Party .....	7

## CANDIDATE FILING DOCUMENTS

### NOMINATION PETITION

Filing Period .....	09/29/2023 – 12/08/2023
Signatures Required.....	20 - 40

Candidates must submit nomination papers signed by the required number of voters (20 – 40). No more than the maximum number of signatures shall be secured for any candidate.

No signer shall, at the time of signing a nomination paper, have signed his or her name to more nomination papers for candidates for that office than there are seats to be filled. (*Elections Code §8069*)  
*Example: There are five seats for Party A in Supervisor District 1. A signer may sign nomination papers for five candidates to Party A Central Committee District 1.*

See “*Signature Gathering Guidelines*” for additional information regarding petition signature gathering.

### DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY

Filing Period .....	11/13/2023 – 12/08/2023
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The Declaration of Candidacy is the official nomination document required of all candidates. On the Declaration of Candidacy, the candidate indicates how their name and ballot designation will appear on the ballot. The candidate further declares that they meet the statutory and/or constitutional qualification for the office sought, and if nominated, the candidate will accept the nomination and not withdraw.

Candidates are required to execute the Declaration of Candidacy in the office of the elections official. Exception: A written statement is signed and dated by the candidate designating a person to receive the Declaration of Candidacy form from the elections official and deliver it to the candidate. The written statement from the candidate must include language indicating the candidate is aware the Declaration of Candidacy must be properly executed and delivered to the elections official in the county of the candidate's residence by the 88<sup>th</sup> day prior to the election. **The Declaration must be completed correctly by the filing deadline. There is no provision for extending the filing period for forms that are completed incorrectly.** (*Elections Code §8020, 8023, 8028, 8101*)

**NAME ON THE BALLOT**

A qualified candidate's name will appear on the ballot exactly as it appears on their Declaration of Candidacy. This should be recognizable as the name under which the candidate is registered, though the two need not be identical. Example: A candidate registered as "Jonathan William Smith" may use such variations as "John W Smith," "John Smith," or "J William Smith."

**OPTIONAL CANDIDATE INFORMATION & DOCUMENTS -Fee may apply-**

**BALLOT DESIGNATION**

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Filing Period ..... File with Declaration of Candidacy  
 Fee ..... No Fee

A ballot designation is a title printed under the candidate's name on the ballot. Any candidate who wishes to have a ballot designation printed on the ballot **must** complete a Ballot Designation Worksheet (*Elections Code §13107.3*). This worksheet will help a candidate determine an acceptable ballot designation. Please see the Ballot Designation guidelines handout in the candidate packet for more information.

Designations will be reviewed for compliance. If a designation doesn't comply, the first alternate will be used, and the candidate will be notified. If no alternate or no acceptable alternate is provided, the candidate will be contacted by certified mail to provide an acceptable designation in person within three days from the date he or she receives the notice (excluding Saturday, Sunday, and state holidays). NOTE: If the candidate fails to provide an acceptable designation within three days, no designation will appear on the ballot.

**CODE OF FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES**

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Filing Period ..... Due no later than the Declaration of Candidacy  
 Fee ..... No fee

The County Clerk is required to provide each candidate with a copy of the provisions of the Code of Fair Campaign Practices and a form on which to subscribe to the code. **Subscription to the code is voluntary.** Completed forms are retained for public inspection until 30 days after the election. (*Elections Code §20400 - 20444*)

# SIGNATURE GATHERING GUIDELINES

Petition circulators perform the important duty of obtaining signatures of properly registered voters for the Petition In-Lieu and/or Nomination Petition. If the signatures are not obtained properly and in accordance with the law, the candidate's right to be placed on the ballot could be questioned. Candidates should try to obtain and submit the required number of signatures as soon as possible for their nomination papers to be examined and certified.

## CIRCULATOR REQUIREMENTS

Any individual circulating Petitions In-Lieu of Filing Fee or Nomination Petitions must be 18 years of age. Candidates may obtain signatures and sign their own nomination petition. Their signature will be given the same effect as that of any other qualified signer. (*Elections Code §106, 102*)

## AFFIDAVIT OF CIRCULATOR

Per Elections Code §104, all petition circulators must complete, in his/her own hand:

- 1) The printed name of the circulator.
- 2) The residence address of the circulator giving street and number, or if no street or number exists, adequate designation of residence so that the location may be readily ascertained.
- 3) The dates between which all the signatures to the petition or paper were obtained.

Each declaration submitted pursuant to this section shall also set forth the following:

- 1) That the circulator circulated that section and witnessed the appended signatures being written.
- 2) That according to the best information and belief of the circulator, each signature is the genuine signature of the person whose name it purports to be.
- 3) That the circulator is 18 years of age or older.

The circulator shall certify the content of the declaration as to its truth and correctness, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, with the signature of his or her name. The circulator shall state the date and place of execution on the declaration immediately preceding his or her signature.

## QUALIFIED SIGNERS

Petition signers must be a registered qualified voter at the time they sign a petition. Each voter shall **personally affix** his or her signature, printed name, and place of residence, giving street and number. If no street or number exists, then a designation of the place of residence which will enable the location to be readily ascertained. (*Elections Code §100*)

- Signers shall be registered voters in the district or political subdivision in which the candidate is to be voted on. (*Elections Code §8068*)
- Signers must be registered voters who have disclosed a party preference for the same party as the candidate seeking election.
- No signer shall, at the time of signing the petition, have his or her name signed to any other petition for any other candidate for the same office. Or, in case there are several places to be filled in the same office, signed to more nomination papers for candidates for that office than there are seats to be filled. (*Elections Code §8069*)

# WRITE-IN CANDIDACY

Filing Period: ..... 01/08/2024 – 02/20/2024  
Fee ..... No fee

Anyone who did not file a Declaration of Candidacy to have their name placed on the ballot may run for office as a write-in candidate. **IMPORTANT:** Votes will only be counted and certified in the Statement of Vote for **qualified write-in candidates**.

To qualify as a write-in candidate, a person must file with the Elections Department the following documents no later than 14 days prior to Election Day:

- A **“Statement of Write-in Candidacy”** which shall contain the candidate's name, residence address, a declaration stating that he or she is a write-in candidate, the title of the office for which he or she is running, and the date of the election. For voter-nominated offices, the statement must also include a certification of the candidate’s complete voter registration and party affiliation/preference history for the preceding 10 years, or for as long as he or she has been eligible to vote in the state if less than 10 years.
- **“Nomination Papers”** with the required number of signatures for the office sought.

Signers of nomination papers for write-in candidates shall be voters in the district or political subdivision in which the candidate is to be voted on. In addition, if the candidate is seeking a party nomination for an office, the signers shall also be affiliated with the party whose nomination is sought. **No filing fee or charge shall be required of a write-in candidate.** (*Elections Code §8600-8604*)

Write-in candidates are subject to the same requirements as other candidates with regard to disclosure of economic interests and campaign disclosure. (*Gov. Code §82007; Elections Code §305*)

The Elections Department will provide polling places with a list of qualified write-in candidates.

**IMPORTANT:** Write-in candidacy is possible only if the office appears on the ballot.

- Central Committee offices will not appear on the ballot if the number of candidates does not exceed the number of seats.

# CONFIDENTIAL VOTER DATA FILE

Eligible individuals and/or organizations may purchase a voter data file. For an application, please contact the Elections Department at (530) 749-7855 or email [elections@co.yuba.ca.us](mailto:elections@co.yuba.ca.us).

*All applications must be reviewed and approved to ensure compliance with the law. Typically review takes 2-3 business days but could take significantly longer if legal review is required. Items such as mailing labels require additional processing time.*



## VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVES

Candidates and/or committees wishing to distribute voter registration cards may obtain voter registration cards from the Elections Department during regular office hours. For any quantity of 50 or more, the individual requesting the cards must fill out an application. For quantities of 2,000 or more, the distribution form shall be sent to the Secretary of State's Office. (*California Administrative Code §20001(g)(2)*)

**Citizens or organizations distributing voter registration cards shall give a voter registration card to any person requesting it.**

Completed cards must be returned to the Elections Department within three business days or by the close of registration, whichever is earlier. Failure to do so is a misdemeanor. (*Elections Code §18103, 2138*).

California Secretary of State Guide to Voter Registration Drives:

<http://www.sos.ca.gov/elections/publications-and-resources/guide-vr-drives/>

## CAMPAIGNING RESTRICTIONS

### POLITICAL SIGNS

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Candidates are provided information on Political Sign Ordinance / Rules during the candidate filing process. This packet includes county, city, and California Department of Transportation rules and regulations on sign placement. **Any questions, concerns, or complaints regarding campaign signs should be directed to the appropriate jurisdiction.**

### ELECTIONEERING ON ELECTION DAY

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The following is prohibited within 100 feet of the entrance to a building that contains a polling place, an elections official's office, a satellite location, or an outdoor site, including a curbside voting area, at which a voter may cast or drop off a ballot.

- Circulate an initiative, referendum, recall, or nomination petition or any other petition.
- Solicit a vote or speak to a voter on the subject of marking the voter's ballot.
- Place a sign relating to voters' qualifications or speak to a voter on the subject of the voter's qualifications except as provided in Section 14240.
- Visibly display or audibly disseminate information that advocates for or against any candidate or measure on the ballot. Prohibited electioneering information or activity includes, but is not limited to, any of the following:
  - A display of a candidate's name, likeness, or logo.
  - A display of a ballot measure's number, title, subject, or logo.
  - Buttons, hats, pencils, pens, shirts, signs, or stickers containing electioneering information.
  - Dissemination of audible electioneering information.
  - Obstructing access to, loitering near, or disseminating visible or audible electioneering information at vote by mail ballot drop boxes.

*Elections Code Section 18541* provides that any person who violates the above provisions is punishable by imprisonment in county jail for not more than 12 months or state prison. Any person who conspires to violate this section is guilty of a felony.

## **POLL WATCHERS**

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Poll watchers are allowed at the polling place as long as they obey the law and election procedures. Persons observing the polls may:

- Inspect the Roster of Voters. Any such inspection, however, must be done without impeding, interfering, or interrupting the normal process of voting and counting.
- Inspect the Public's Alpha Index (Street Index) updated regularly by the precinct workers. The index may not be removed from the polling place.
- Observe all activities at the polling place, including activities after the polls close, providing they do not interfere with the normal processing of voters.

## **PRESS & MEDIA EXIT POLLING**

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The Secretary of State and Attorney General have reviewed the Electioneering provisions and have determined that these provisions do not apply to the Press and Media conducting "Exit Polls." However, no one may interfere with the conduct of the election. Therefore, news media have been advised to remain at least 25 feet from the entrance to the polls. The media may take pictures or run a television camera inside the polling place providing they respect the voters' privacy and do not interfere with voting. They may not speak to voters regarding how they are voting within 25 feet of the entrance to the polling place.

## **FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION (FPPC) REPORTING**

FPPC filing information and requirements can be extensive. It is the candidate's responsibility to understand and comply with Fair Political Practices Commission filing requirements.

The following documents will be provided during the candidate filing process:

- Fast Facts – Campaign Basics
- Local Candidate / Committee Checklist
- Fast Facts – Terminating Your Committee

The FPPC Candidate Toolkit can be found online at:

[www.fppc.ca.gov/learn/campaign-rules/candidate-toolkit-getting-started.html](http://www.fppc.ca.gov/learn/campaign-rules/candidate-toolkit-getting-started.html)

Candidates for county central committee that do not raise or spend \$2,000 or more in a calendar year:

- Are not required to file a Form 501
- Are not required to file campaign disclosure statements (Form 470 or Form 460)

**IMPORTANT: The fine imposed for not filing campaign statements by the mandated deadline is \$10 per day, up to a maximum fine of \$100, payable to Yuba County Elections. Late filings may be subject to additional fines by the FPPC.**

## NETFILE

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Yuba County Ordinance *2.66.040. Electronic Filing of Campaign Statements* requires candidates or committees to electronically file semi-annual campaign statements, pre-election campaign statements, amended campaign statements, supplemental pre-election campaign statements, reports disclosing contributions received by or made to a candidate, local ballot measure, or intended expenditure made for or against a candidate or local ballot measure of \$2,000 or more.

To submit electronic campaign filings, as required by Yuba County Ordinance, committees must create a NetFile User Account. Candidates will be provided additional information regarding NetFile during their candidate filing appointment.

## ELECTION RESULTS

### SEMI-FINAL OFFICIAL CANVASS OF THE VOTE – ELECTION NIGHT

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The day after an election, candidates are often surprised to learn there are ballots still uncounted. These uncounted ballots may leave some close races undecided for days or even weeks. The below information is being provided to explain and help answer any questions about the logistics of election night ballot counting and follow-up tabulations which occur during the official audit of an election known as Canvass. The official results of an election will be certified following the completion of Canvass.

The vote tallying process begins before election night with the vote by mail ballots. Counties may begin processing vote by mail ballots 29 days before the election. Having verified the signatures on the return envelopes, election officials remove the voted ballots and process them through their vote tallying system. Under no circumstances may they tabulate the results until after the close of polls on Election Day.

Immediately upon the close of polls on Election Day, elections staff begin the "semi-final official canvass of the vote" - the tallying of early-returned vote by mail ballots and the ballots cast in voting precincts within the county. The semi-final official canvass begins at 8:00 p.m. on election night and continues until the last precinct is counted and reported to the Secretary of State.

There are three categories of ballots that **cannot** be processed on Election Night:

- 1. Vote by Mail Ballots.** Vote by mail ballots turned in at a polling place on Election Day. These ballots are received on election night and there is not sufficient time to perform the necessary processing steps for the ballots to be included in the election night tally results. Before the ballots can be tallied, the signature of the voter must be verified against the signature on file and the ballot must be inspected to verify it can be counted by the tabulating equipment.

Vote by Mail Ballots received in the mail:

- on the Saturday or Monday before the election
- on Election Day
- ballots postmarked on or before Election Day and received no later than three days after

- the election
- ballots originally missing signatures now signed
- ballots with signatures that originally did not match their voter registration that were verified; and
- ballots received timely by other counties.

Like the ballots turned in at a polling site on Election Day, these ballots are not included in the election night tally. These ballots will be processed during Canvass and will then be included in the final tally.

- 2. Provisional and Conditional Voter ballots.** A Provisional ballot is cast when an individual’s eligibility to vote cannot be verified at the polls. Provisional ballots are sealed in special envelopes at the polls and must be individually researched and verified at the Elections Office before the ballot can be rejected or approved for counting. Conditional Voters may conditionally register to vote during the 14-day period through Election Day and vote a conditional ballot at the Yuba County Elections Office.
- 3. Damaged Ballots.** Ballots that are received damaged or contain stray marks must be further inspected and reviewed by elections staff. Ballots determined to require remediation will be duplicated.

We understand it is difficult for candidates/campaigns in close races to wait for results that confirm whether they won or not. We hope this information will provide a better understanding of the activities and complexities of an election and the reasons results take so long. The canvass process is open to the public and all people are welcome and encouraged to view the process.

## ELECTION NIGHT TALLY REPORTING

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Vote by mail results will be released after 8:00 p.m. with additional updates released as precincts complete their closing activities and report in.

### Election Results

<b>In Person</b> - The public is welcome to view the ballot counting process on election night.	Yuba County Board of Supervisors Chambers 915 8th Street Marysville, California 95901
<b>Online</b> - For the viewing public, election tally/results are posted online as they are released.	Yuba County Elections Department Webpage <a href="http://www.yubaelections.org">www.yubaelections.org</a>  Yuba County Webpage <a href="http://www.yuba.org">http://www.yuba.org</a>

## OFFICIAL CANVASS ACTIVITIES

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The California Elections Code requires that the official canvass begin no later than the Thursday following the election, that it be open to the public, and that it continues daily (Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays excluded) for not less than six hours each day until completed. The county elections officials must complete the official canvass no later than the 30th day after the election and submit a certified statement of the results of the election to the Secretary of State by the 31st day.

The activities undertaken during the official canvass include:

- Process and count any valid vote by mail, provisional, and conditional registration ballots not included in the semifinal official canvass.
- Inspect all materials and supplies returned by poll workers.
- Reconcile the number of signatures on the roster of voters with the number of ballots recorded.
- Verify the number of ballots counted, spoiled, or duplicated due to identifying marks or over votes against the number of votes counted, including vote by mail and provisional ballots.
- Count any valid write-in votes.
- Reproduce any damaged ballots.

# IMPORTANT CONTACT INFO

## YUBA COUNTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS

General Information ..... (530) 749-7855  
Fax ..... (530) 749-7854  
Website ..... [www.yubaelections.org](http://www.yubaelections.org)  
Office hours: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays

## POLITICAL SIGNS

County of Yuba ..... (530) 749-5430  
Website ..... [www.co.yuba.ca.us](http://www.co.yuba.ca.us)  
  
City of Marysville ..... (530) 749-3901  
Website ..... [www.marysville.ca.us](http://www.marysville.ca.us)  
  
City of Wheatland ..... (530) 633-2761  
Website ..... [www.wheatland.ca.gov](http://www.wheatland.ca.gov)  
  
CA Department of Transportation ..... (916) 654-6473  
Website ..... [www.dot.ca.gov](http://www.dot.ca.gov)

## OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Election Division ..... (916) 657-2166  
Fax ..... (916) 653-3214  
Website ..... [www.sos.ca.gov](http://www.sos.ca.gov)  
Political Reform Division ..... (916) 653-6224

## FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

General Information ..... (866) 275-3772 \*2  
Fax ..... (916) 322-0886  
Website ..... [www.fppc.ca.gov](http://www.fppc.ca.gov)  
Enforcement Division ..... (866) 275-3772

## STATE FRANCHISE TAX BOARD ..... (800) 852-5711

Automated Information ..... (800) 338-0505  
Website ..... [www.ftb.ca.gov](http://www.ftb.ca.gov)  
CA Relay Service -- TDD ..... (800) 822-6268

## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION ..... (800) 424-9530

Website ..... [www.fec.gov](http://www.fec.gov)

## ATTORNEY GENERAL ..... (800) 952-5225

Website ..... <http://oag.ca.gov>

## REGISTRAR-RECORDER OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Campaign Finance Information ..... (562) 462-2339  
Fax ..... (562) 462-2354  
Website ..... [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net)

## DEPARTMENT OF ELECTION-CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

Campaign Statements ..... (415) 554-4375  
Fax ..... (415) 554-7344  
Website ..... [www.sfgov.org/elections](http://www.sfgov.org/elections)

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS - *Subject to Change*

All code sections are Elections Code unless otherwise noted. Dates marked with an "\*" fall on a weekend or holiday and have been moved to the next business day.

"E-" dates represent the number of days before Election Day.

"E+" dates represent the number of days after Election Day.

NOTE: Refer to the FPPC Filing Schedule for all campaign finance reporting deadlines.

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09/29/2023 – 12/08/2023	<p><b>Nomination Papers &amp; Declaration of Candidacy</b> Between these dates, candidates for Member of the County Central Committee and County Council must file their Nomination Papers and Declaration of Candidacy.</p> <p><b>No Candidate May Withdraw</b> No candidate whose Declaration of Candidacy has been filed for any primary election may withdraw as a candidate at that primary election.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">EC § 8020</p>
11/23/2023 - 11/24/2023	<b>County Holiday – Office Closed</b>
12/14/2023	<p><b>Randomized Alphabet Drawing</b> Randomized alphabet drawing to be held by the Secretary of State and Counties to determine the order of candidates on the ballot. This is conducted at 11:00 a.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§ 13112</p>
12/23/2023	<p><b>Candidate Appointment(s) When Fewer Candidates File than available membership</b> If the number of candidates nominated for election to a committee from a Supervisorial District does not exceed the number of seats to elect, the designation of the seats and the names of the candidates shall not be printed on a party's ballot. In lieu, thereof, the Board of Supervisors shall declare elected the candidates who have been nominated.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">EC § 7728, 7422, 7673, 7772.1</p>
12/25/2023 – 12/26/2023	<b>County Holiday – Office Closed</b>
01/01/2024	<b>County Holiday – Office Closed</b>
E-57 to E-14  01/08/2024 – 02/20/2024	<p><b>Statement of Write-in Candidacy and Nomination Papers</b> During this period, write-in candidates must file their Statement of Write-in Candidacy and Nomination Papers with the County elections official.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§8601</p>
E-40 to E-21  01/25/2024 – 02/13/2024	<p><b>State Voter Information Guide Mailing</b> Between these dates, the Secretary of State shall mail state voter information guides to all households in which voters were registered by Friday, Jan 5<sup>th</sup> (E-60).</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§9094</p>
E-40 to E-10  01/25/2024 – 02/24/2024	<p><b>County Voter Information Guide Mailing</b> Between these dates, the County elections official shall mail a county voter information guide and polling place notice to each registered voter.</p> <p>Voters who register after Jan 5<sup>th</sup> may request a state voter information guide with their Elections Department.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§§9094, 13303, 13304</p>
02/05/2024	<p>County Election officials shall begin mailing each registered voter a vote-by-mail ballot.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§§3001, 3003</p>

Date	Activity
E-15* 02/19/2024 *	<p><b>15-day Voter Registration</b></p> <p>The county elections official shall accept an affidavit of registration executed as part of a voter registration card in the forthcoming election if the affidavit is executed on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> day prior to the election, and if any of the following apply:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) The affidavit is postmarked on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> day prior to the election and received by mail by the County elections official.</li> <li>2) The affidavit is submitted to the Department of Motor Vehicles or accepted by any other public agency designated as a voter registration agency pursuant to the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C. §1973gg) on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> day prior to the election.</li> <li>3) The affidavit is delivered to the County elections official by means other than those prescribed in paragraphs (1) and (2) on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> day prior to the election.</li> <li>4) The affidavit is submitted electronically on the Internet Web Site of the Secretary of State pursuant to EC § 2196 on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> day prior to the election.</li> </ol> <p style="text-align: right;">§2119(d)</p>
E13 to E 02/21/2024 – 03/05/2024	<p><b>Conditional Voter Registration (CVR)</b></p> <p>Period in which an individual can go to their local county election official’s office to conditionally register to vote and vote a conditional provisional ballot. The voter must complete an affidavit of registration before a conditional provisional ballot can be issued. County election officials will process the registration, determine the individual’s eligibility, and validate their information. If the individual is verified and eligible, the registration becomes permanent, and the ballot will be counted.</p> <p>§§2170-2173</p>
E-14 to E 02/20/2024 – 03/05/2024	<p><b>New Citizens Registration Period</b></p> <p>Registration for new citizens shall begin the 14<sup>th</sup> day prior to an election and end at the close of polls on election day. A new citizen registering to vote after the close of registration shall provide the county elections official with proof of citizenship prior to voting and shall declare that he or she has established residency in California. New citizens vote a regular ballot.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§§331, 3500, 3501</p>
E 03/05/2024	<p><b>Primary Election Day</b></p> <p>Polls open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§§1000, 14212</p>
E+30 04/04/2024	<p><b>Canvass</b></p> <p>Deadline for completion of the Official Canvass by the Elections Office.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§15372</p>