

Key Dates and Deadlines

Presidential Primary Election – March 5, 2024

| Description of Event | Deadline* | E-Date |
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| Voter-Nominated Office: Signatures-In-Lieu of Filing Fee Period | September 14 – November 8, 2023 | E-173 – E- 118 |
| Last day for propositions to qualify to appear on the ballot | October 26, 2023 | E-131 |
| Voter Information Guide: Proposition Ballot Label and Title and Summary Deadline | November 3, 2023 | E-123 |
| US President: Nomination Paper Period for Presidential Candidates not selected by the Secretary of State | November 6 – December 15, 2023 | E-120 – E-81 |
| Voter Information Guide: Proposition Argument Submission Deadline | November 7, 2023 | E-119 |
| Voter Information Guide: Proposition Argument Selection and Exchange | November 12, 2023* | E-114 |
| Voter-Nominated Office: Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Paper Period | November 13 – December 8, 2023 | E-113 – E-88 |

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| Voter-Nominated Office: Candidate Statement Period for County Voter Information Guides (U.S. House of Representatives, State Senate, and State Assembly) | November 13 – December 8, 2023 | E-113 - E-88 |
| Voter Information Guide: U.S. Senate Office Candidate Statement Deadline | November 15, 2023 | E-111 |
| Voter Information Guide: Legislative Analyst's Office Proposition Analysis and Proposition Text Deadline | November 16, 2023 | E-110 |
| Voter Information Guide: Rebuttal Argument and Summary Information Deadline | November 16, 2023 | E-110 |
| Voter Information Guide: Available for Public Display and Examination | November 21 – December 11, 2023 | E-105 – E-85 |
| US President: Proof of Generally Advocated for or Recognized Candidate | On or before November 28, 2023 | E-98 |
| US President: Announcement of Selected Presidential Candidates | On or before December 8, 2023 | E-88 |
| Voter-Nominated Office: Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Paper Extension Period if Incumbent Does Not File | December 9 – December 13, 2023 | E-87 – E-83 |
| Randomized alphabet drawing for the order of the candidates on the ballot | December 14, 2023 | E-82 |
| Voter-Nominated Office: Notice to Candidates | December 23, 2023* | E-73 |

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| US President: Deadline for Selected or Unselected Presidential Candidates to Withdraw | December 28, 2023 | E-68 |
| Certified List of Candidates for the March 5, 2024, Election will be posted | December 28, 2023 | E-68 |
| Voters can check their status at My Voter Status to confirm their mailing address and voting status. | December 28, 2023 | E-68 |
| US President: Candidate Statement Deadline for the Secretary of State's Website | December 29, 2023 | E-67 |
| Voter Information Guide : Online Version Available | January 5, 2024 | E-60 |
| Voter-Nominated Office: Statement of Write-In Candidacy and Nomination Paper Period | January 8 – February 20, 2024 | E-57 – E-14 |
| Secretary of State's office will mail the Voter Information Guide during this period | January 25 – February 13, 2024 | E-40 – E-21 |
| County Election offices will mail the County Voter Information Guide during this period | January 25 – February 24, 2024* | E-40 – E-10 |
| No later than this date, county elections officials shall begin mailing each registered voter a vote-by-mail ballot | February 5, 2024 | E-29 |
| Early Voting sites open | February 5, 2024 | E-29 |
| By this date, all counties shall open ballot drop-off locations for vote-by-mail ballots. To find a location please | February 6 – March 5, 2024 | E-28 – E |

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| visit: https://caearlyvoting.sos.ca.gov/ | | |
| US President: Statement and Endorsement of Write-in Candidacy Deadline | February 13, 2024 | E-21 |
| Last day to register to vote for the primary election. To check your voter registration status visit MyVoterStatus | February 20, 2024** | E-14 |
| Same Day Registration available. Voters can "conditionally" register and vote a provisional ballot during this time (Note: E-13 due to State Holiday on February 19) | February 21 – March 5, 2024 | E-13 – E |
| Certified List of Write-In Candidates | February 23, 2024 | E-11 |
| Counties that are part of the Voter's Choice Act will open Vote Centers | February 24, 2024* | E-10 |
| Election Day – Polls shall be open throughout the state from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. | March 5, 2024 | E |
| Beginning at 8:00 p.m., county elections officials begin reporting election results; counties shall conduct the semifinal official canvass of votes and report totals to the Secretary of State at least every two hours until completed. | March 5, 2024 | E |
| Vote By Mail Ballots returned by mail - in order to be counted, must be postmarked on or before Election Day and received by your county elections office | March 12, 2024 | E+7 |
| US President: Counties to send Statement of Results to Secretary of State | April 2, 2024 | E+28 |
| Last day for county elections officials to certify election results | April 4, 2024 | E+30 |

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| The county elections official shall send to the Secretary of State, in an electronic format, one complete copy of the primary election returns | April 5, 2024 | E+31 |
| US President: primary results compiled by the Secretary of State | April 6, 2024* | E+32 |
| Statement of Vote is the final official election results certified by the Secretary of State and posted on the website | April 12, 2024* | E+38 |
| Voter-Nominated Office: Certificates of Nomination | April 15, 2024 | E+41 |
| Last day for Secretary of State to release the official Supplement to the Statement of the Vote | August 10, 2024* | E+158 |

*Date falls on a weekend or state holiday; it does not move forward to the next business day.

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1. "E-" days indicate the number of days prior to Election Day. "E+" days indicate the number of days after Election Day. ↑