

Student Vote Project



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Important 2015 Election Dates

November 3, 2015 -- Uniform Election Date

Authority conducting elections	County Elections Officer/Local political subdivisions
Deadline to post notice of candidate filing deadline	Thursday, June 25, 2015 Saturday, July 25, 2015 for local political subdivisions that do not have a first day to file for their candidates
First Day to File for Place on General Election Ballot ¹	Saturday, July 25, 2015
Last Day to Order General Election or Election on Measure	Monday, August 24, 2015
Last Day to File for Place on General Election Ballot	Monday, August 24, 2015 at 5:00 P.M.
First Day to Apply for Ballot by Mail	Tuesday, September 1, 2015 (does not apply to FPCA) * NEW LAW: Effective September 1, 2015, there will no longer be a "first day" to file a regular application for ballot by mail.
Last Day to Register to Vote	Monday, October 5, 2015
First Day of Early Voting	Monday, October 19, 2015
Last Day to Apply for Ballot by Mail (Received , <u>not</u> Postmarked)	Friday, October 23, 2015 (ABBM and FPCA*) * NEW LAW: Effective September 1, 2015, the FPCA deadline is the same as the ABBM deadline.
Last Day of Early Voting	Friday, October 30, 2015
Last day to Receive Ballot by Mail	Tuesday, November 3, 2015 (election day) at 7:00 p.m. (unless overseas deadline applies)

¹Local political subdivisions might not have a "first day" to file. **However, under new law, most local entities now have a first day to file.** Write-in deadlines for general and special elections also vary; the deadline for most local (city, school, other) general elections is now the same day as the filing deadline for application for a place on the ballot in a May election or November of an odd-numbered year; special election write-in rules vary, see long calendars for details.

Generally, the filing deadline is the 71st day prior to Election Day (78th day prior to November General Election in even-numbered years); however, the Election Code may provide a different special election-filing deadline. See Section 201.054 of the Texas Election Code.