

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE BUREAU OF ELECTIONS

2026 PENNSYLVANIA ELECTIONS IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

First day to circulate and file nomination petitions	February 17
Last day to circulate and file nomination petitions	March 10
First day to circulate and file nomination papers	March 11
Last day to file objections to nomination petitions	March 17
Ballot lottery	March 18
Last day for withdrawal by candidates who filed nomination petitions without a court order	March 25
Last day to REGISTER to vote in the primary	May 4
Last day to apply for a mail-in or civilian absentee ballot	May 12
Last day for County Boards of Elections to receive voted mail-in and civilian absentee ballots (must be received by 8:00 P.M.)	May 19
GENERAL PRIMARY	May 19
Last day for County Boards of Elections to receive voted military and overseas absentee ballots (submitted for delivery no later than 11:59 P.M. on May 18)	May 26
Last day to circulate and file nomination papers	August 3
Last day to file objections to nomination paper	August 10
Last day for withdrawal by candidates nominated by nomination papers without a court order	August 10
Last day for withdrawal by candidates nominated at the primary without a court order	August 10
Last day to REGISTER to vote in the November election	October 19
Last day to apply for a mail-in or civilian absentee ballot	October 27
Last day for County Boards of Elections to receive voted mail-in and civilian absentee ballots (must be received by 8:00 P.M.)	November 3
GENERAL ELECTION	November 3
Last day for County Boards of Elections to receive voted military and overseas absentee ballots (submitted for delivery no later than 11:59 P.M. on November 2)	November 10

Note: All dates in this calendar are subject to change without notice.