

## Important Election Dates

<b>First Day to Apply for Ballot by Mail</b>	<b>Thursday, January 1, 2026*</b> <i>*First day to file does not move because of New Year's Day holiday. An "Annual ABBM" or FPCA for a January or February 2026 election may be filed earlier, but not earlier than the 60th day before the date of the January or February election.</i>
<b>Last Day for Candidates Planning to File for a Place on the General Election Ballot (Local Non-County Political Subdivisions Only) to Register to Vote or Update Voter Registration</b>	<b>Tuesday, January 13, 2026</b>
<b>First Day to File for a Place on the General Election Ballot (Local Non-County Political Subdivisions Only)<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Wednesday, January 14, 2026</b>
<b>Last Day to Order General Election or Special Election on a Measure</b>	<b>Friday, February 13, 2026</b>
<b>Last Day to File for a Place on the General Election Ballot (Local Non-County Political Subdivisions Only)<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Friday, February 13, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.</b> See note below relating to four-year terms <sup>3</sup>
<b>Last Day to File a Declaration of Write-in Candidacy (Local Non-County Political Subdivisions Only)</b>	<b>Tuesday, February 17, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Last Day to Register to Vote</b>	<b>Thursday, April 2, 2026</b>
<b>First Day of Early Voting by Personal Appearance</b>	<b>Monday, April 20, 2026</b>
<b>Last Day to Apply for Ballot by Mail (Received, not Postmarked)</b>	<b>Monday, April 20, 2026</b> (deadline falls on San Jacinto Day, moves to preceding business day)
<b>Last Day of Early Voting by Personal Appearance</b>	<b>Tuesday, April 28, 2026</b>
<b>Last day to Receive Ballot by Mail</b>	<b>Saturday, May 2, 2026 (Election Day) at 7:00 p.m.</b> if carrier envelope is <b>not</b> postmarked, <b>OR</b> Monday, May 4, 2026 (next business day after Election Day) at 5:00 p.m. if carrier envelope is postmarked by 7:00 p.m. at the location of the election on Election Day (unless overseas or military voter deadlines apply) <sup>4</sup>

<sup>2</sup> Filing deadlines: generally, the filing deadline is the 78th day prior to Election Day. The Election Code may provide a different special election filing deadline. See Section 201.054 of the Texas Election Code (the "Code"). Write-in deadlines for general and special elections vary. See the long calendar for this election date for details. The write-in deadline for most local (city, school, other) **special elections** is now the same day as the filing deadline for application for a place on the ballot. Section 201.054.

<sup>3</sup> If no candidate for a **four-year term** has filed an application for a place on the ballot for a **city office**, the filing deadline for that office is extended to 5 p.m. of the 57th day before the election. For the May 2, 2026 election, this is Friday, March 6, 2026. See Section 143.008 of the Election Code.