

Calendar for the June 5, 2012 California Primary Election

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All references are to the California Elections Code unless otherwise noted.

Calendar Key – “E” stands for Election. The minus sign and the number after “E” indicates the number of days until the election. The plus sign and the number after “E” indicates the number of days after the election.

*If there is an asterisk by the date, the deadline falls on a weekend or holiday and, in most cases, has been moved to the next business day.

Presidential Primary Date

The Legislature and Governor have consolidated the Presidential Primary election with the June 5, 2012 Statewide Direct Primary.

Top Two Primary

Under California's new law, Proposition 14 enacted by voters in June 2010, all voters from all parties will receive a ballot with all candidates from all parties for all partisan contests except for U.S. President and political party county central committees.

<p>Dec. 30, 2011 to Feb. 8, 2012 (E-158 to E-118)</p>	<p>Signatures in Lieu of Filing Fee – Judicial Candidates</p> <p>Between these dates a judicial candidate may obtain signature-in-lieu forms from the county elections official for circulating petitions to secure signatures in-lieu of paying all or part of the filing fee. Signatures may also be applied to the nomination signature requirements for office.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(§8061, 8105, 8106)</p> <p>The In-Lieu Petition must be filed by the last day to file the Declaration of Intention since the filing fee must be satisfied by that day. The county election department will notify the candidate of any deficiency within 10 days of filing. The candidate may then submit by March 9, 2012 additional signatures to replace those that were rejected or pay the balance of the fee.</p>
<p>Dec. 30, 2011 to Feb. 23, 2012 (E-158 to E-103)</p>	<p>Signatures In Lieu of Filing Fee – U.S. Senate, Congressional, County Candidates, Legislative Candidates</p> <p>Between these dates, candidates for the above offices may obtain signature-in-lieu forms from the county elections official or the Secretary of State for circulating petitions to secure signatures in-lieu of paying all or part of the filing fee. Signatures may also be applied to the nomination signature requirements for office.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§8061, 8105, 8106</p> <p>The In-Lieu Petition must be filed by Feb. 23, 2012. The county elections department will notify the candidate of any deficiency within 10 days of filing. The candidate may then submit by March 9, 2012, additional signatures to replace those that were rejected or pay the balance of the fee.</p>
<p>Dec. 30, 2011 (E-158)</p>	<p>Secretary of State to Prepare Notice of Offices on Primary Ballot</p> <p>At least 158 days before the primary, the Secretary of State shall prepare and transmit to each county elections official a notice designating all the offices, except those of county officers and judges, for which candidates are to be nominated.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§12103</p>
<p>Jan. 2, 2012 (E-155)</p>	<p>County Holiday Office Closed</p>
<p>Jan. 3 (E-154)</p>	<p>Registration in New Party</p> <p>The last day any person may register to vote and declare intention to affiliate with a particular party in order to qualify that party to participate in the June 5, 2012 primary election candidate nominating process.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§2187, 5100</p>
<p>Jan. 3 to Jan. 23* (E-154 to E-135)</p>	<p>Report of Registration – 154-day Report</p> <p>During this period, each county elections official shall prepare to send to the Secretary of State a summary statement of the number of persons registered by party affiliation, by county, and by each political subdivision.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§2187</p>
<p>Jan. 16 (E-141)</p>	<p>County Holiday Office Closed</p>

<p>Jan. 23* (E-135)</p>	<p>New Party Qualification The last day for the Secretary of State to determine whether a new political party has qualified either by registration or by filing a petition.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§5100</p>
<p>Jan. 23* (E-135)</p>	<p>County Central Committees – Republican, Democratic & American Independent Parties By this date, the county elections official shall compute the number of members of the Democratic, Republican and American Independent county central committee to be elected in each supervisorial district.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§7226, 7421</p>
<p>Jan. 30 to Feb. 8 (E-127 to E-118)</p>	<p>Declaration of Intent Between these dates judicial candidates file their Declaration of Intention with the County Elections Department. Candidates must pay the entire filing fee at this time, represented by money, signatures or any prorated combination of money and signatures. Must state which office they wish to become a candidate. The filing fee is non-refundable.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§8023</p>
<p>Jan. 30 to Feb. 13* (E-127 to E-113)</p>	<p>Cities Publish Election Notice Between these dates, any city that is consolidating an election with the June primary will publish a Notice of Election one time in a newspaper of general circulation stating:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The date and polling hours of the election • Any offices to be filled and any measure to be voted on, including a synopsis of each measure. <p style="text-align: right;">§12101, 12111</p>
<p>Feb. 6 to Mar. 7 (E-120 to E-90)</p>	<p>Notice of Election Between these dates the county elections official, as a matter of policy, will publish a Notice of Election containing the date of the election, the offices to be filled, where nomination papers are available, and the deadline for filing Declarations of Candidacy.</p> <p>Notice of central counting place may be combined with this notice.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§12109, 12112</p>
<p>Feb. 13 (E-113)</p>	<p>County Holiday Office Closed</p>
<p>*Feb. 13 to Mar. 9 (E-113 to E-88)</p>	<p>Candidate’s Statement of Qualifications – Judicial and County Candidates Between these dates, candidates for judicial and county offices may prepare a statement of qualifications, not to exceed 200 words, to be included in the Voter’s Information Pamphlet. The statement shall be filed and paid for at the time the Declaration of Candidacy is filed. The statement may not be changed, but may be withdrawn up until 5 p.m. on March 12th if the contest closes on the 9th or March 15th if the contest closes on the 14th after the extension period.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§13307, 13311</p>

Feb. 13* to Mar. 9 (E-113 to E-88)	Candidate Nomination Period Candidate filing period. Persons, who want to run for any office on the ballot, including incumbents running for re-election, must file Candidate Nomination Documents during this time period. Forms are obtained and filed with the County Elections Department. <p style="text-align: right;">§10510, 13307</p>
Feb. 13* to Mar. 9 (E-113 to E-88)	Candidate’s Statement of Qualifications— State Legislative and Congressional Candidates Between these dates, candidates for State Legislative and Congressional offices may prepare a Statement of Qualifications, not to exceed 250 words, to be included in the Voter’s Information Pamphlet. The statement shall be filed and paid for no later than March 9th. The statement may not be changed, but may be withdrawn up until 5 p.m. of the next working day after the close of the nomination period. <p style="text-align: right;">G.C. §85601 (c), E.C. §13307</p>
Feb. 20 (E-106)	County Holiday Office Closed
Mar. 9 (E-88)	Last Day to Submit Resolutions of Consolidation Final deadline for the governing body of a district, city, school or other political subdivision which requests consolidation of a local election for candidates and/or measures to file the request with the County Elections Department. Earlier filing dates are encouraged in order to meet printing schedules. <p style="text-align: right;">§ 10401, 10402, 10403</p>
Mar. 9 (E-88)	Deadline for Filing Tax Rate Statement for Bond Measures Last day to file Tax Rate Statement for any bond measure appearing on the June ballot. <p style="text-align: right;">§9401</p>
Mar. 9 (E-88)	Notification of Mail Ballot Precincts Last day for the county elections official to determine that there are 250 or fewer persons registered to vote in any precinct. The county elections official may then mail to each voter a Vote by Mail ballot along with a statement that there will be no polling place for the primary election. §3005
Mar 10 – Mar 19 (E-87 to E-78)	10-day Public Inspection for Local Measures on the Ballot 10-day public inspection of ballot text and abbreviated ballot statements (ballot questions) will begin the day after the ballot materials are filed and continue for 10 consecutive days. Documents will be on public display. During this period, any voter of the jurisdiction or the county elections official may seek a writ of mandate or an injunction requiring any or all of the materials to be amended or deleted. §9190, 9380
Mar. 10 – Mar. 14 (E-87 to E-83)	Extension of Nomination Period Extension period for anyone other than the incumbent to file a Declaration of Candidacy and Nomination Petition if the incumbent did not file by March 9. This provision does not apply if there is no incumbent eligible to be elected. <p style="text-align: right;">§8022, 8024, 8204</p>

<p>Mar. 13 (E-84)</p>	<p>Arguments Due for Measures Deadline to submit arguments for or against ballot measures. §9163, 9316</p>
<p>Mar. 14 – Mar. 23 (E-83 to E-74)</p>	<p>10-day Public Inspection for Arguments 10-day public inspection of arguments filed. Documents will be on public display at the county elections department. During this period, any voter of the jurisdiction or the county elections official may seek a writ of mandate or an injunction requiring any or all of the materials to be amended or deleted. § 9190, 9380</p>
<p>Mar. 15, 11 a.m. (E-82)</p>	<p>Randomized Alphabet Drawing Secretary of State shall conduct the randomized alphabet drawing to determine the order in which the candidates will appear on the Primary Election ballot. On this same day, the county elections official shall conduct a randomized alphabet drawing for the offices of State Senate and Assembly. §13112</p>
<p>Mar. 20 (E-77)</p>	<p>Deadline for Filing Rebuttals and Analyses to Measures On this date Rebuttal Arguments, if applicable, will be due by 5 p.m. §9167, 9317 County Counsel to submit analysis (§9160, 9313) for county and school/special district measures; City attorney to submit analysis of city measures. (§9280) County Auditor, if previously directed by the Board of Supervisors, to submit fiscal analysis of measures. §9160 Rebuttals and analyses are public after the 5 p.m. deadline. (Department Policy)</p>
<p>Mar. 21 – Mar. 30 (E-76 to E-67)</p>	<p>10-day Public Inspection for Rebuttals and Analyses 10-day public inspection of rebuttals and analyses filed. Documents will be on public display at the Lassen county elections department. During this period, any voter of the jurisdiction or the county elections official may seek a writ of mandate or an injunction requiring any or all of the materials to be amended or deleted. §9190, 9380</p>
<p>March 22 (E-75)</p>	<p>First Pre-Election Statement Last day to file campaign statements for candidates and committees covering the filing extension period ending March 17(E-80). Gov. Code §84200.5, 84200.7(a)</p>
<p>March 22 (E-75)</p>	<p>Supplemental Independent Expenditure Report Independent expenditure reports are filed at the same time and in the same places as would be required if the filer were primarily formed to support or oppose the candidate, measure, or measure qualification affected by the independent expenditure. Gov. Code §84203.5</p>

<p>Mar. 29 (E-68)</p>	<p>Certified List of Candidates – Federal and State Offices Last day for the Secretary of State to send to each elections official a list showing the name, party affiliation, and ballot designation of every person who has been nominated as a candidate for public office and is entitled to receive votes within the county at the primary election. For each nominee for a voter-nominated office, the name of the party preference, or lack of party preference, as designated by the candidate in accordance with Section 8002.5.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§8148</p>
<p>Apr. 6 (E-60)</p>	<p>Military and Overseas Voters Ballot Applications The first day county elections official may process applications for military and overseas voters requesting ballots. The application must include the statement that the voter cannot vote a Vote by Mail ballot during the normal voting period of May 7 to May 29 because of military or other contingencies that preclude normal mail delivery.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§300(b), 3103</p>
<p>Apr. 6 to Apr. 16 (E-60 to E-50)</p>	<p>Report of Registration – 60-day County Report During this period, county elections official shall send to the Secretary of State a summary statement of the number of persons registered by party in their counties and in each political subdivision thereof as of April 6th.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§2187</p>
<p>Apr. 9 to May 22 (E-57 to E-14)</p>	<p>Statement of Write-in Candidacy and Nomination Papers 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>
<p>Apr. 12 (E-54)</p>	<p>54- Day Voter Index List Prepared The county elections official can prepare the 54-day voter index, available for purchase in hard copy, upon written application at a cost \$10 for first 5,000 voters and \$2 for each additional 1,000. Lists are available approximately 5 working days after request is made.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§2184</p>
<p>Apr. 23* (E-45)</p>	<p>State Ballot Pamphlets Available By this date, the Secretary of State shall furnish copies of the State Ballot Pamphlet to cities, counties, members of the Legislature, proponents of statewide ballot measures, public libraries, and educational institutions.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§9096</p>
<p>Apr. 26 to May 15 (E-40 to E-21)</p>	<p>State Ballot Pamphlet Mailing Between these dates the Secretary of State shall mail State Ballot Pamphlets to all households in which voters were registered by Friday, April 6 (E-60).</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§9094</p>
<p>Apr. 26 to May 26 (E-40 to E-10)</p>	<p>Counties Mail Sample Ballots/State Ballot Pamphlet Mailing Between these dates the county elections official shall mail a Sample Ballot and polling place notice to each registered voter. The Secretary of state shall mail State Pamphlets to all households in which voters are registered by Friday April 6 (E-60). The county will do a supplemental mailing of State Pamphlets to households who register after April 6.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§9094,13303, 13304</p>

<p>May 7 (E-29)</p>	<p>Establish Precinct Boards and Polling Places Last day for the county elections department to appoint members and polling places and provided a copy to each county central committee and make a copy available to the public. §12286, 12318</p>
<p>May 7 (E-29)</p>	<p>Last Day to Register to Vote to Ensure Receipt of Voter Information Voter registration cards received by this date (POSTMARK NOT ACCEPTABLE) will be added to the rolls and the voters will receive a Sample Ballot booklet prepared by the county elections official. The voters who submit cards after this date may not receive a Sample Ballot booklet, only a notice advising the late registrant that he/she will not receive a Sample Ballot and Voter's Information Pamphlet. §9094, 13303</p>
<p>May 7 – May 29 (E-29 to E-7)</p>	<p>Vote by Mail Ballot Application Period Between these dates voters may apply for a Vote by Mail ballot from the county elections department. Under certain conditions voters may obtain a Vote by Mail ballot after May 29. §3001, 3003</p>
<p>May 7 (E-29)</p>	<p>29-Day Voter Index List Prepared The county elections official can prepare the 29-day voter index available for purchase in hard copy, upon written application at a cost \$10 for first 5,000 voters and \$2 for each additional 1,000. Lists are available approximately 5 working days after request is made. §2184</p>
<p>May 20 to June 4 (E-16 to E-1)</p>	<p>Late Contribution/Independent Expenditure Report During this time late contribution/independent expenditure reports must be filed by facsimile transmission, guaranteed overnight delivery, or personal delivery within 24 hours of the time the contribution is made. Gov. Code §84203, 84204</p>
<p>May 20 to June 4 (E-16 to E-1)</p>	<p>24-Hour Statement of Organization Filing Requirement – Recipient Committees & Slate Mailer Organizations During the 16 days immediately preceding an election, any person or entity that qualifies as a Recipient Committee or Slate Mailer Organization must file a Form 410 within 24 hours by facsimile transmission, guaranteed overnight delivery, or personal delivery. Gov. Code §84101, 84108</p>
<p>May 21 (E-15)</p>	<p>15-day Voter Registration 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 15th day prior to the election, and if any of the following apply:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The affidavit is postmarked on or before the 15th day prior to the election and received by mail by the county elections official. 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. Sec. 1973gg) prior to the election. 3) The affidavit is delivered to the county elections official by means other than those described in paragraphs (2) and (3) on or before the 15th day prior to the election. <p style="text-align: right;">§2107</p>

<p>May 22 to May 29 (E-14 to E-7)</p>	<p>New Residents Registration Period Registration for new residents shall begin the 14th day prior to an election and end on the 7th day prior to Election Day. This registration must be executed in the county elections office and the new resident shall vote a new resident's ballot containing the contest of President and Vice President only in the county elections official's office. §332, 3400</p>
<p>May 25 to Jun. 1 (E-14 to E-7)</p>	<p>New US Citizens Registration Period Registration for new citizens shall begin the 14th day prior to an election and end on the 7th day prior to 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. §331, 3500, 3501</p>
<p>May 24 (E-12)</p>	<p>Second Pre- Election Statement The last day to file campaign statements for candidates and committees covering the period from 3/18/12 to 5/19/12. Gov. Code 84200.5, 84200.7</p>
<p>May 24 (E-12)</p>	<p>Supplemental Independent Expenditure Reports Last day to file supplemental independent expenditure reports for committees making independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more in a calendar year to support or oppose a candidate or measure. Independent expenditure reports are filed at the same time and in the same places as would be required if the filer were primarily formed to support or oppose the candidate, measure, or measure qualification affected by the independent expenditure. Gov. Code §84203.5, 82031</p>
<p>May 26 (E-10)</p>	<p>Notice of Central Counting Place Last day for county elections official to publish the notice that the primary election ballots will be counted at a specified public place. The notice shall be published one time in a newspaper of general circulation in the county. §12109</p>
<p>May 28* -(E-8)</p>	<p>County Holiday - Office Closed</p>
<p>May 29 (E-7)</p>	<p>Publish Polling Places and Post Precinct Board Members Not less than one week before the election, the county elections official shall publish the list of polling places and post a list of precinct board members. §12105-12108, Gov. Code §6061</p>
<p>May 30 to June 5 (E-6 to E)</p>	<p>Vote by Mail Ballots – Late Conditions Voters unable to go to the polls because of illness or disability or because they will be absent from their precinct on election day, may come to the county elections department and receive a Vote by Mail ballot over the counter. Voters may designate in writing a representative to bring the ballot to them. The voter may either personally or through the authorized representative return the ballot to the county elections department or any polling place in Lassen County on Election Day. §3021</p>

<p>June 6 (E)</p>	<p>Primary Election Day Polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§1000, 14212</p>
<p>June 7 – July 3 (E+2 to E+28)</p>	<p>Official Canvass The official canvass of precinct returns is to be completed during this time.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§15301, 15372</p>
<p>July 6 (E+28)</p>	<p>Statement of Vote to Board of Supervisors – Certificates of Election Prepared The county elections official shall prepare a certified statement of the results of the election and submit it to the Board of Supervisors by this date.</p> <p>The Board of Supervisors shall declare the nominees or winners for each office and the results of each measure under its jurisdiction. The county elections official shall make and deliver to each person elected a certificate of election.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§15372, 15400-15401</p>
<p>July 3 (E+28)</p>	<p>Nonpartisan Candidates Elected if Majority Vote Received Any candidate for a nonpartisan office who at a primary election receives a majority of the votes cast for candidates for that office shall be elected to that office. The office shall not appear on the general election ballot, notwithstanding the death, resignation, or other disqualification of the candidate at a time subsequent to the primary election.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§8140</p>
<p>July 3 (E+28)</p>	<p>No Candidate Elected to Nonpartisan Office If no candidate has been elected to a nonpartisan office where only one person may be elected, then the two candidates who received the highest number of votes cast for nomination to that office shall appear on the November ballot.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§8141</p> <p>In the case of a tie vote, both candidates will appear on the November ballot. In no case shall the candidates determine the tie by lot. §8142</p>
<p>5 days after canvass</p>	<p>Recount May Be Requested Within five (5) days after the completion of the official canvass, any voter may request a recount by filing a written request with the county elections official specifying which candidates and/or measures are to be recounted.</p> <p>The request may specify the order of the precincts for the recount, and the petitioning voter shall, before commencement of each day's recount, deposit such sum as the official requires covering costs (approximately \$500 per day).</p> <p>"Completion of the Canvass" shall be presumed to be the time when the county elections official signs the certified Statement of Vote.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§15620 – 15634</p>

<p>Varies between 10 days to 6 months following the certification of the vote</p>	<p>Contesting Election Any elector of a county, city, or of any political subdivision of either may contest any election held therein for any of the following grounds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) That the precinct board or any member thereof was guilty of misconduct. b) That the person who has been declared elected to an office was not, at the time of the election, eligible to that office. c) That the defendant has given to any elector or member of a precinct board any bribe or reward, or has offered any bribe or reward for the purpose of procuring his election, or has committed any other offense against the elective franchise defined in Division 18 (commencing with Section 18000). d) That illegal votes were cast. e) That eligible voters who attempted to vote in accordance with the laws of the state were denied their right to vote. f) That the precinct board in conducting the election or in canvassing the returns, made errors sufficient to change the result of the election as to any person who has been declared elected. g) That there was an error in the vote-counting programs or summation of ballot counts. <p style="text-align: right;">§16100</p> <p>The contestant shall verify the statement of contest, as provided by Section 446 of the Code of Civil Procedure, and shall file it within the following times after the declaration of the result of the election or the declaration of the results of any post canvass risk-limiting audit conducted pursuant to Section 15560 by the body canvassing the returns thereof:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) In cases other than cases of a tie, where the contest is brought on any of the grounds mentioned in subdivision (c) of Section 16100, six months. b) In all cases of tie, 20 days. c) In cases involving presidential electors, 10 days. d) In all other cases, 30 days. <p style="text-align: right;">§16401</p>
<p>July 3 (E+28)</p>	<p>Statement of Vote to Secretary of State No later than this date the county elections official shall send one copy of the Statement of Vote to the Secretary of State.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§15375</p>
<p>July 13 (E+38)</p>	<p>Certificates of Election or Nomination to be prepared The county elections official will prepare certificates of election for each member elected to a central committee as well as certificates of nomination for each candidate nominated for nonpartisan offices voted for wholly within one county.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§8145, 8146</p> <p>The Secretary of State will prepare certificates of nomination for Congressional and Legislative candidates.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">§8147</p>
<p>Jul. 31 (E+56)</p>	<p>Semiannual Campaign Statement Last day to file semi-annual campaign statements, if required, by all candidates and committees.</p>

**Jul. 31
(E+53)**

Supplemental Independent Expenditure Reports

Last day to file supplemental independent expenditure reports for committees making independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more in a calendar year to support or oppose a candidate or measure. Independent expenditure reports are filed at the same time and in the same places as would be required if the filer were primarily formed to support or oppose the candidate, measure, or measure qualification affected by the independent expenditure.

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