



FLORIDA
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ELECTIONS

Election Dates and Activities Calendar

2022-2023

(including 2022 Highlights)

Florida Department of State

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Candidate Qualifying Period (in Year of Apportionment - 2022)

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| Judicial, State Attorney (6th and 20th Judicial Circuit Only), Public Defender (20th Judicial Circuit Only), Justice of the Supreme Court, District Court of Appeal, Circuit Court Judges | Noon, April 25 - Noon, April 29 (Qualifying documents may be pre-filed, starting April 11, 2022) |
| U.S. Senator, Representative in Congress, Governor, Attorney General, Chief Financial Officer, Commissioner of Agriculture, State Senator, State Representative, County Office, and Multi-Special Districts | Noon, June 13 - Noon, June 17 (Qualifying documents may be pre-filed, starting May 30, 2022) |

Primary Election 2022

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| Vote-by-Mail Ballot Send Deadline - UOCAVA Voters (Absent Stateside and Overseas Uniformed and Civilian Voters)(45 days before election) | July 9, 2022 |
| Vote-by-Mail Ballot Send Deadline - Domestic Voters (7-day mailing window) | July 14 -21, 2022 |
| Voter Registration Deadline (book closing) | July 25, 2022 |
| Early Voting Period - Optional Days (A county may offer early voting on one or more of these days including Sunday before Election Day in addition to mandatory EV period.) | August 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 21 |
| Deadline to Request that Ballot Be Mailed | August 13, 2022 |
| Early Voting Period - Mandatory (8-day period starting on the 10th day and ending on the 3rd day before Election Day) | August 13 - August 20, 2022 |
| Primary Election Day | August 23, 2022 |

General Election 2022

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| Vote-by-Mail Ballot Send Deadline - UOCAVA Voters (Absent Stateside and Overseas Uniformed and Civilian Voters)(45 days before election) | September 24, 2022 |
| Vote-by-Mail Ballot Send Deadline - Domestic Voters (7-day mailing window) | September 29, 2022 - October 6, 2022 |
| Voter Registration Deadline (book closing) | October 11, 2022 |
| Early Voting Period - Optional Days (A county may offer early voting on one or more of these days including Sunday before Election Day in addition to mandatory EV period.) | October 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, and November 6, 2022 |
| Deadline to Request that Ballot Be Mailed | October 29, 2022 |
| Early Voting Period - Mandatory (8-day period starting on the 10th day and ending on the 3rd day before Election Day) | October 29, 2022 - November 5, 2022 |
| General Election Day | November 8, 2022 |

| Date | Event | Legal Reference |
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| January 11 (Tue) | First day of regular Legislative Session | Art. III, §3(b), Fla. Const. - Regular legislative session shall convene on the 2nd Tuesday after the 1st Monday in January of each even-numbered year |
| January 31 (Mon) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to certify to the Division of Elections address and registration list maintenance activities conducted in the prior six months | §§98.065 and 98.075, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.041 F.A.C – No later than January 31 of each year |
| February 1 (Tue) | Deadline for initiative petitions to make ballot position for upcoming General Election | Art. XI, §5, Fla. Const. and §100.371(1), F.S. – No later than February 1 of the year in which the General Election is held. <i>(Secretary announces final initiative petition ballot position, if any, thereafter (no later than February 2))</i> |
| February 2 (Wed) | Supervisors of Elections to set and post actual cost of signature verification on website for next 2-year cycle | §101.371(11)(b), F.S. - Actual cost of signature verification cost for initiative petitions to be published online for next 2-year cycle to make ballot |
| March 11 (Fri) | Last day of regular Legislative Session | Art III, §3(d), Fla. Const. – Regular session not to extend beyond 60 days |
| March 26 (Sat) | Department of State to publish Notices of General Election in a newspaper of general circulation in each county twice before beginning of the specified qualifying period | §100.021, F.S. – During the 30 days prior to the 1st day of qualifying (1st qualifying period begins April 25, 2022.) |
| March 28 (Mon) | Deadline to qualify by petition method for candidates for judicial, state attorney and public defender offices | §§99.095 and 105.035, F.S. - Before noon of the 28th day preceding the 1st day of the qualifying period for the office sought |
| March 31 (Thu) | Public audits from end of prior year are due from state executive committees and county executive committees are to the Department of State and the Supervisor of Elections, respectively | §103.121, F.S. – Before April 1 of the ensuing year after audit |
| April 11 (Mon) | 14-day pre-qualifying period begins for qualifying officers to accept qualifying papers for candidates for judicial, state attorney (6th and 20th judicial circuit only), and public defender (20th judicial circuit only) offices in advance of the official qualifying period | §§99.061 and 105.031, F.S. – Not earlier than 14 days prior to the beginning of the applicable qualifying period |

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| April 15 (Fri) | Written resignations due for officers seeking to qualify as a candidate for judicial, state attorney (6th and 20th judicial circuit only) and public defender (20th judicial circuit only) office if the terms of the offices, or any part thereof, will run concurrently with each other | §99.012, F.S. - At least 10 days prior to the 1st day of the applicable qualifying period. <i>(Note: In year of apportionment, federal candidates follow different schedule)</i> |
| April 18 (Mon) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to certify number of valid signatures for candidates who qualified by the petition method for judicial, state attorney (6th and 20th judicial circuit only) and public defender (20th judicial circuit only) offices | §§99.095, 105.035, and 105.035 (4)(b) F.S.– No later than the 7th day before the 1st day of the qualifying period |
| April 25 (Mon) | Start of official qualifying period for candidates for judicial, state attorney (6th and 20th judicial circuit only) and public defender (20th judicial circuit only) offices | §§99.061 and 105.031, F.S. – Noon of the 120th day prior to the date of the Primary Election |
| April 29 (Fri) | End of official qualifying period for candidates for judicial, state attorney (6th and 20th judicial circuit only) and public defender (20th judicial circuit only) | §§99.061 and 105.031, F.S. – No later than noon of the 116th day prior to the date of the Primary Election |
| May 6 (Fri) | Deadline for Department of State to certify to the Supervisors of Elections the names of all duly qualified candidates for judicial, state attorney (6th and 20th judicial circuit only) and public defender (20th judicial circuit only) office | §99.061, F.S. – Within 7 days after close of qualifying |
| May 12 (Thu) | First day of 90-day window in which an overseas voter may request a state write-in vote-by-mail ballot based on military or other contingencies that preclude mail delivery and voting during the normal vote-by-mail period | §101.6951, F.S. – 180 days prior to a general election |
| May 16 (Mon) | Deadline to qualify by petition for candidates for U.S. Senator, U.S. Representative, Governor, Attorney General, Chief Financial Office, Commissioner of Agriculture, state senator, state representative, multicounty, county and district offices (other than judicial, state attorney (6th and 20th judicial circuit only) or public defender (20th judicial circuit only) | §99.095, F.S. – Before noon of the 28th day preceding the 1st day of the qualifying period for the office sought |
| May 19 (Thu) | Deadline for Department of State to remit to the respective state executive committees of political parties their share of filing fees and party assessments from state attorney and public defender candidates | §99.103, F.S. – No later than 20 days after the close of qualifying |

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| May 25 (Wed) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to notify overseas voters about vote-by-mail procedures for upcoming Primary Election | §100.025, F.S. – At least 90 days prior to the primary and general election, and when possible special election |
| May 25 (Wed) | Last day for Supervisors of Elections to complete any address list maintenance activities program | §98.065, F.S. - Not later than 90 days prior to the date of a federal election (<i>Exception for list maintenance procedures/programs associated with voters ineligible for reasons such as felony conviction, mental incapacity, death, not a U.S. citizen, etc., can still be removed at any time pursuant to section 98.075, F.S.</i>) |
| May 30 (Mon) | 14-day pre-qualifying period begins for qualifying officers to accept qualifying papers for candidates for U.S. Senator, U.S. Representative, Governor, Attorney General, Chief Financial Office, Commissioner of Agriculture, state senator, state representative, multicounty, county, and district offices in advance of the official qualifying period | §99.061, F.S. – No earlier than 14 days prior to the 1st day of qualifying |
| June 3 (Fri) | Written resignations due for officers qualifying as a candidate for U.S. Senator, U.S. Representative, Governor, Attorney General, Chief Financial Office, Commissioner of Agriculture, state senator, state representative multicounty, county, or district office (other than judicial, state attorney, and public defender candidates) if the terms of the offices, or any part thereof, will run concurrently with each other | §99.012, F.S. – At least 10 days prior to the 1st day of qualifying |
| June 6 (Mon) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to certify the number of valid signatures for U.S. Senator, U.S. Representative, Governor, Attorney General, Chief Financial Office, Commissioner of Agriculture, state senator, state representative, multicounty, county and district candidates seeking to qualify by the petition method | §99.095, F.S. – No later than the 7th day before the first day of qualifying |
| June 13 (Mon) | Start of official qualifying period for candidates for U.S. Senator, U.S. Representative, Governor, Attorney General, Chief Financial Office, Commissioner of Agriculture, state senator, state representative, multicounty, county, and district offices (other than judicial, state attorney, and public defender candidates) | §99.061, F.S. – Noon of the 71st day prior to the date of the Primary Election |

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| June 17 (Fri) | End of official qualifying periods ends for candidates for U.S. Senator, U.S. Representative, Governor, Attorney General, Chief Financial Office, Commissioner of Agriculture, state senator, state representative, multicounty, county, and district offices (other than, judicial, state attorney, and public defender candidates) | §99.061, F.S. – No later than noon of the 67th day prior to the date of the Primary Election |
| June 18 (Sat) | Supervisors of Elections to submit to the Department of State a list containing the names, party affiliations, and addresses of all candidates who have qualified with them, and the offices for which persons qualified | §99.092, F.S. – Immediately after the last day for qualifying |
| June 24 (Fri) | First day for Supervisors of Elections to submit daily electronic files of vote-by-mail ballot request information to the Department of State for the Primary Election and General Election | §101.62, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.043, F.A.C. – 60 days prior to the Primary Election on a daily basis by 8 a.m. and continuously until 15 days after the General Election |
| June 24 (Fri) | Deadline for Department of State to certify to the Supervisors of Elections the names of all duly qualified candidates for U.S. Senator, U.S. Representative, Governor, Attorney General, Chief Financial Office, Commissioner of Agriculture, state senator, state representative, multicounty and district offices | §99.061, F.S. – Within 7 days after the closing date for qualifying |
| June 24 (Fri) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to submit any revisions to county security procedures to the Department of State to take effect in the Primary Election <i>(Date herein is based on county choosing to start early voting as early as 15 days before Election Day. Mandatory EV period begins 10 days before Election Day.)</i> | §101.015, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.015, F.A.C. – At least 45 days before early voting (EV) starts <i>(Specific date will vary for each county depending on when county schedules start of early voting.)</i> |
| July 7 (Thu) | Deadline for Department of State to remit to the respective state executive committees of political parties their share of filing fees and party assessments from U.S. Senator, U.S. Representative, Governor, Attorney General, Chief Financial Office, Commissioner of Agriculture, state senator, state representative, multicounty, county, and district candidates | §99.103, F.S. – No later than 20 days after the close of qualifying |
| July 9 (Sat) | 45-day deadline for Supervisors of Elections to send vote-by-mail ballots to absent uniformed and overseas voters (UOCAVA) with requests on file for the Primary Election | §101.62, F.S. – No later than 45 days before the Primary Election |

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| July 9 (Sat) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to mail certified notice of time and location of logic and accuracy test (L&A test) for Primary Election to county party chairs and candidates who did not receive such notice at qualifying <i>(Date herein is based on county choosing to start early voting as early as 15 days before Election Day. Mandatory EV period begins 10 days before Election Day.)</i> | §101.5612, F.S. – At least 30 days before early voting (EV) starts <i>(Specific date will vary for each county depending on when county schedules start of early voting.)</i> |
| July 11 (Mon) | Deadline for the Division of Elections to report to the U.S. Department of Justice on State's compliance with 45-day UOCAVA vote-by-mail ballot send-out for the Primary Election | 43 days before the Primary Election. |
| July 14 (Thu) | Start of mandatory 7-day window for Supervisors of Elections to mail vote-by-mail ballots to all domestic voters (non-UOCAVA) with requests on file for the Primary Election | §101.62, F.S. – Between 40th and 33rd day before Election Day |
| July 14 (Thu) | Earliest date that canvassing boards can conduct logic and accuracy (L&A) test for Primary Election <i>(Date herein is based on county choosing to start early voting as early as 15 days before Election Day. Mandatory EV period begins 10 days before Election Day.)</i> | §101.5612, F.S. – No more than 25 days before early voting (EV) starts <i>(Specific date will vary for each county depending on when county schedules start of early voting.)</i> |
| July 14 (Thu) | Earliest date that canvassing boards can canvass vote-by-mail ballots after completion of logic and accuracy (L&A) test for Primary Election <i>(Date herein is based on county choosing to start early voting as early as 15 days before Election Day and conducting L&A no more than 25 days before EV start. Mandatory EV period begins 10 days before Election Day.)</i> | §101.68, Fla. Stat. - Canvassing may begin after L&A test is completed <i>(Specific date will vary for each county depending on when county schedules start of early voting.)</i> |
| July 17 (Sun) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to remit filing fees to the state executive committee of the political parties of the candidates qualifying with the supervisors of elections | §99.061(2), F.S. – Within 30 days after the close of qualifying |
| July 21 (Thu) | End of mandatory 7-day window for Supervisors of Elections to mail vote-by-mail ballots to all domestic voters with requests on file for the Primary Election | §101.62, F.S. – Between 40th and 33rd day before the election |
| July 24 (Sun) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to designate early voting sites for the Primary Election and to provide the Division of Elections with addresses, dates and hours for early voting sites | §101.657, F.S. – No later than the 30th day prior to the election |

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| July 24 (Sun) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to designate the locations of secure ballot intake stations for deposit of vote-by-mail ballots for Primary Elections and to provide the Division of Elections with addresses | §101.69 F.S. – No later than the 30th day prior to the election |
| July 24 (Sun) | Earliest date a registered voter or poll watcher within county may file a voter challenge for the Primary Election | §101.111, F.S. – No sooner than 30 days before an election |
| July 25 (Mon) | Deadline to register to vote (book closing) for the Primary Election | §97.055, F.S. – On the 29th day before each election |
| July 25 (Mon) | Deadline for political parties, candidates, and political committees formed for passage or defeat of ballot issue, to submit poll watcher designations for early voting sites for Primary Election <i>(Date herein is based on county choosing to start early voting as early as 15 days before Election Day. Mandatory EV period begins 10 days before Election Day.)</i> | §101.131, F.S. – Before noon at least 14 days before early voting (EV) begins <i>(Specific date will vary for each county depending on when county schedules start of early voting.)</i> |
| July 31 (Sun) | Deadline to submit federal grant “Balance” Reports (i.e., outstanding balances of grant funds awarded in prior years) | Help America Vote Act (HAVA)(52 U.S.C. §§ 20901–21145) |
| July 31 (Sun) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to certify to the Division of Elections address and registration list maintenance activities conducted in the prior six months | §§98.065 and 98.075, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.041, F.A.C. – No later than July 31 of each year |
| August 1 (Mon) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to approve poll watchers for early voting sites for the Primary Election <i>(Date herein is based on county choosing to start early voting as early as 15 days before Election Day. Mandatory EV period begins 10 days before Election Day.)</i> | §101.131, F.S. – No later than 7 days before early voting (EV) begins <i>(Specific date will vary for each county depending on when county schedules start of early voting.)</i> |
| August 3 (Wed) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to appoint election board (poll workers) for Primary Election | §102.012, F.S. – At least 20 days prior to any election |
| August 8 (Mon) | Earliest date that early voting period may start for the Primary Election | §101.657, F.S. - On the 15th day before an election (county option) |
| August 9 (Tue) | First day after start of early optional early voting period for Primary Election for Supervisors of Elections to submit daily electronic files of early voting summary and details to the Division of Elections <i>(Date herein is based on county choosing to start early voting as early as 15 days before Election Day. Mandatory EV period begins 10 days before Election Day.)</i> | §101.657, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.043, F.A.C. – No later than noon of each day for the previous day’s activities <i>(Specific date will vary for each county depending on when county schedules start of early voting.)</i> |

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| August 9 (Tue) | Deadline for political parties, candidates, and political committees formed for passage or defeat of ballot issue, to submit poll watcher designations for Election Day for Primary Election | §101.131, F.S. – Prior to noon of the 2nd Tuesday preceding Election Day |
| August 9 (Tue) | Optional day of early voting for Primary Election (county option) | §101.657, F.S. - On the 14th day before an election (county option) |
| August 10 (Wed) | Optional day of early voting for Primary Election | §101.657, F.S. - On the 13th day before an election (county option) |
| August 10 (Wed) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to post election readiness/preparation report for General Election on official website | §100.032, F.S. – At least 3 months before a general election |
| August 10 (Wed) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to notify overseas voters about vote-by-mail procedures for upcoming General Election | §100.025, F.S. – At least 90 days prior to regular primary and general elections |
| August 10 (Wed) | Last day of 90-day window in which an overseas voter may request for a state write-in vote-by-mail ballot based on military or other contingencies that preclude mail delivery and voting during the normal vote-by-mail period | §101.6951, F.S. – 180 to 90 days prior a general election |
| August 11 (Thu) | Optional day of early voting for Primary Election | §101.657, F.S. - On the 12th day before an election (county option) |
| August 12 (Fri) | Optional day of early voting for Primary Election | §101.657, F.S. - On the 11th day before an election (county option) |
| August 13 (Sat) | Start of mandatory early voting period for Primary Election | §101.657, F.S.– Early voting shall begin on the 10th day before an election |
| August 13 (Sat) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to receive requests from voters to have vote-by-mail ballots mailed to them for Primary Election | §101.62, F.S. – No later than 5 p.m. on the 10th day before the election |
| August 14 (Sun) | First day after start of mandatory early voting period for Primary Election for Supervisors of Elections to submit daily electronic files of early voting summary and details to the Division of Elections | §101.657, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.043, F.A.C. – No later than noon of each day for the previous day’s activities (specific date will vary if county opted for earlier start date for every voting) |
| August 14 (Sun) | First day that a voter's designee can pick-up a vote-by-mail ballot for Primary Election | §101.62, F.S. - On election day or up to 9 days prior to the date of the election |
| August 15 (Mon) | Last day for Supervisors of Elections to mail vote-by-mail ballots requested for Primary Election | §101.62, F.S. – No later than 8 days before the election |
| August 16 (Tue) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to approve poll watchers for Election Day for Primary Election | §101.131, F.S. – On or before the Tuesday before the election |

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| August 16 (Tue) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to email, or if no email address on record, to mail sample ballots to voters for Primary Election (in lieu of publication) | §101.20, F.S. – At least 7 days prior to any election |
| August 19 (Fri) | Deadline for late registration for Primary Election for specified subcategory of UOCAVA individuals: An individual or accompanying family member who has been discharged or separated from the uniformed services or the United States Merchant Marine, has returned from a military deployment or activation, or has separated from employment outside the territorial limits of the United States | §97.0555, F.S. – 5 p.m. (local time) on the Friday before the election |
| August 20 (Sat) | End of mandatory early voting period for Primary Election | §101.657, F.S. - Mandatory early voting shall end on the 3rd day before an election |
| August 21 (Sun) | Last optional day of early voting for Primary Election | §101.657, F.S. - On the 2nd day before an election (county option) |
| August 22 (Mon) | Last day for Supervisors of Elections to submit daily electronic files of early voting summary and details for Primary Election to the Department of State <i>(Date herein is based on county choosing to end early voting on the Sunday before Election day. If county ends early voting on August 20, last report is due August 21, 2022)</i> | §101.657, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.043, F.A.C.– No later than noon of each day for the previous day’s early voting activities |
| August 22 (Mon) | Last day to publish sample ballot for Primary Election in newspaper of general circulation in the county (if county did not opt to email or mail sample ballot to voter or voter household) | §101.20, F.S. – Upon completion of the list of qualified candidates but no later than the day before Election Day |
| August 22 (Mon) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to upload into county election management system the results of all early voting and vote-by-mail ballots that have been canvassed and tabulated by the end of the early voting period in preparation for election night reporting on Primary Election day | §102.141 (4)(a), F.S. – By 7 p.m. (local time) on the day before the election. |
| August 23 (Tue) | ELECTION DAY - PRIMARY ELECTION | §100.061, F.S. – On the Tuesday 11 weeks prior to the General Election |

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| August 23 (Tue) | "Emergency excuse" affidavit required for delivery of vote-by-mail ballot on election day. Supervisors of Elections may not deliver vote-by-mail ballots to a voter or an voter's immediate family members on Election Day unless voter submits an affidavit affirming that an emergency circumstance keeps the voter from voting at designated polling place. | §101.62, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.052, F.A.C. - Election day delivery of vote-by-mail ballot requires emergency excuse affidavit. An exception exists for supervised voting in assisted living facilities as provided in §101.655. |
| August 23 (Tue) | Supervisors of Elections required to report hourly online live voter turnout data and transmit data concurrently to the Division of Elections | §98.0981(4), F.S. - Report live voter turnout data on Election Day 7 am - 7 pm (local time) |
| August 23 (Tue) | Deadline for receipt of vote-by-mail ballots for Primary Election | §101.67, F.S. – All vote-by-mail ballots must be received by 7 p.m. (local time) election day |
| August 23 (Tue) | Supervisors of Elections required to report hourly online after polls close the number of vote-by-mail ballots received and uncounted vote-by-mail ballot ballots | §102.072, F.S. – Vote-by-mail accounting; Report received and uncounted vote-by-mail ballots on Election Day starting at 7 pm (local time) |
| August 23 (Tue) | Deadline for county canvassing boards to begin filing preliminary election night results for Primary Election with the Department of State | §102.141, F.S. – Within 30 minutes after the polls close and at least every 45 minutes until all results reported with exception of provisional ballots and vote-by-mail ballots with signature deficiencies |
| August 23 (Tue) | Deadline for Department of State to remit remainder of filing fees and party assessments to the respective political party state executive committees | §99.103, F.S. – No later than the date of the primary election |
| August 24 (Wed) | Deadline for all precincts to report and submit returns for Primary Election day from all polling places to the county canvassing board | §102.141, F.S. – On or before 2 a.m. (local time) of the day following any election |
| August 25 (Thu) | Deadline for voters to submit signature cure affidavit for a missing or mismatched signature on a returned vote-by-mail ballot for Primary Election | §101.68(4), F.S. – Until 5 p.m. (local time) on the 2nd day after the election |
| August 25 (Thu) | Deadline for provisional ballot voters to provide, as may be applicable, written evidence of eligibility to Supervisor of Elections or to submit a signature cure affidavit for a missing or mismatched signature on a provisional ballot for Primary Election | §101.048, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.037, F.A.C.– No later than 5 p.m. (local time) on the 2nd day after the election |

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| August 26 (Fri) | Deadline for county canvassing boards to file 1st Unofficial Results for Primary Election with the Department of State | §102.141, F.S. – No later than noon of the 3rd day after any primary election |
| August 26 (Fri) | As soon thereafter (receipt of 1st Unofficial Results), machine recount to be ordered by county canvassing board or Department of State, as applicable, if 1st Unofficial Results for Primary Election contest indicate candidate was defeated or eliminated or judicial candidate was retained or not retained or measure was approved or not approved by 1/2 of 1% unless defeated or eliminated candidate requests recount not be made | §102.141, F.S. -Machine recount is ordered as soon after 1st Unofficial Results show threshold is triggered |
| August 28 (Sun) | Deadline for county canvassing boards to file 2nd Unofficial Results for Primary Election, only if machine recount was conducted per §102.141, F.S. | §102.141, F.S. – No later than 3 p.m. of the 5th day after any primary election |
| August 28 (Sun) | As soon thereafter (receipt of 2nd Unofficial Results), manual recount to be ordered by county canvassing board or Department of State, as applicable, if 2nd unofficial results for contest indicate candidate defeated or eliminated or judicial candidate retained or not retained or measure approved or not approved by 1/4 of 1% unless candidate requests recount not be made or number of overvotes and undervotes is fewer than number needed to change outcome of election | §102.166, F.S. - Manual recount is ordered only if 2nd Unofficial Results show threshold is triggered |
| August 28 (Sun) | First period in which proposed constitutional amendments on the General Election ballot are advertised in a newspaper of general circulation in each county | Art XI, §5(d), Fla. Const. - Publication once in the 10th week, and once in the 6th week immediately preceding the week in which the election is held |
| August 30 (Tue) | Deadline for county canvassing boards to submit Official Results for Primary Election to the Department of State for the Primary Election | §102.112, F.S. – By 5 p.m. on the 7th day following any primary election |
| August 30 (Tue) | Deadline for county canvassing boards to submit reports on the conduct of the Primary Election to the Division of Elections | §102.141(10), F.S. –At the same time as the official results are submitted as certified to the Department of State |
| August 30 (Tue) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to file with the Department of State a copy of or an export file from the results database of the county’s voting system for the Primary Election | §102.141(11), F.S. & 1S-2.053, F.A.C. - At the same time as the official results are submitted as certified to the Department |

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| August 30 (Tue) | County canvassing boards to begin publicly noticed post-election voting system audit for Primary Election unless manual recount was conducted per §102.166, F.S. | §101.591, F.S. – Immediately following the certification of the election by the county canvassing board |
| September 1 (Thu) | Elections Canvassing Commission meets to certify Official Results for Primary Election for federal, state, and multicounty and district contests | §102.111, F.S. – 9 a.m. on the 9th day after the Primary Election |
| September 6 (Tue) | Deadline for county canvassing boards to complete the post-election voting system audit for Primary Election and for the results to be made public unless manual recount was conducted per §102.166, F.S. | §101.591, F.S.; Rule 1S-5.026, F.A.C. – No later than 11:59 p.m. on the 7th day following certification of the election by the county canvassing board. |
| September 9 (Fri) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to submit revisions to county security procedures, if any, to the Department of State to take effect in the General Election <i>(Date herein is based on county choosing to start early voting as early as 15 days before Election Day. Mandatory EV period begins 10 days before Election Day.)</i> | §101.015, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.015, F.A.C. – At least 45 days before early voting (EV) starts <i>(Specific date will vary for each county depending on when county schedules start of early voting.)</i> |
| September 22 (Thu) | Deadline for Supervisor of Elections to make provisional ballot information available to individual voter as to whether their ballot counted for Primary Election, and if not, the reason why | §101.048, F.S. – No later than 30 days after Election Day |
| September 24 (Sat) | 45-day deadline for Supervisors of Elections to send vote-by-mail ballots to absent uniformed and overseas voters (UOCAVA) with requests for the General Election | §101.62, F.S. – Not less than 45 days before the General Election |
| September 25 (Sun) | Second publication period in which proposed constitutional amendments on the General Election ballot are advertised in a newspaper of general circulation in each county | Art XI, §5(d), Fla. Const. - Once in the 10th week, and once in the 6th week immediately preceding the week in which the election is held, the proposed amendment shall be published in one newspaper of general circulation in each county |
| September 26 (Mon) | Deadline for Division of Elections to report to the U.S. Department of Justice information on State's compliance with 45-day UOCAVA vote-by-mail ballot send-out for the General Election | 43 days before the General Election |

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| September 29 (Thu) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to mail notice of time and location of logic and accuracy test (L&A test) for General Election to county party chairs and candidates who did not receive notice at qualifying <i>(Date herein is based on county choosing to start early voting as early as 15 days before Election Day. Mandatory EV period begins 10 days before Election Day.)</i> | §101.5612, F.S. – At least 30 days before early voting (EV) begins <i>(Specific date will vary for each county depending on when county schedules start of early voting.)</i> |
| September 29 (Thu) | Start of mandatory 7-day window for Supervisors of Elections to mail vote-by-mail ballots to all domestic voters (non-UOCAVA) with requests on file for the General Election | §101.62, F.S. – Between 40th and 33rd day before the election |
| September 29 (Thu) | Earliest date that canvassing boards may conduct logic and accuracy (L&A) test for General Election <i>(Date herein is based on county choosing to start early voting as early as 15 days before Election Day. Mandatory EV period begins 10 days before Election Day.)</i> | §101.5612, F.S. – No more than 25 days before early voting (EV) begins <i>(Specific date will vary for each county depending on when county schedules start of early voting.)</i> |
| September 29 (Thu) | Earliest date that canvassing boards can begin to canvass vote-by-mail ballots after completion of logic and accuracy (L&A) test for General Election | §101.68, Fla. Stat. - Canvassing may begin after L&A test is completed |
| October 1 (Sat) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to submit to the Division of Elections updated official voting history, precinct-level election results and a reconciliation of voting history and precinct-level election results for the Primary Election | §98.0981, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.053, F.A.C. – Within 30 days after certification of election results by Elections Canvassing Commission for the election |
| October 6 (Thu) | End of mandatory 7-day window for Supervisors of Elections to mail vote-by-mail ballots to all domestic voters with requests on file for the General Election | §101.62, F.S. – Between 40th and 33rd day before the election |
| October 9 (Sun) | Earliest date a registered voter or poll watcher within county may file a voter challenge for the General Election | §101.111, F.S. – No sooner than 30 days before an election. |
| October 9 (Sun) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to designate early voting sites for the General Election and to provide the Division of Elections with addresses, dates, and hours for early voting sites | §101.657, F.S. – No later than the 30th day prior to the election. |
| October 9 (Sun) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to designate locations of secure ballot intake stations (formerly "drop boxes") for deposit of vote-by-mail ballots for the General Election and to provide the Division of Elections with addresses | §101.69 F.S. – No later than the 30th day prior to the election |

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| October 10 (Mon) | Deadline for political parties, candidates, and political committees formed for passage or defeat of ballot issue, to submit poll watcher designations for early voting sites for the General Election <i>(Date herein is based on county choosing to start early voting as early as 15 days before Election Day. Mandatory EV period begins 10 days before Election Day.)</i> | §101.131, F.S. – Before noon at least 14 days before early voting (EV) begins <i>(Specific date will vary for each county depending on when county schedules start of early voting.)</i> |
| October 11 (Tue) | Deadline to register to vote (book closing) for the General Election | §97.055, F.S. – On the 29th day before each election. *By law, if the 29th day falls on a Sunday or a legal holiday, the registration books must be closed on the next day that is not a Sunday or a legal holiday. |
| October 16 (Sun) | Deadline for Department of State to submit 2022 Primary Election Recap report (voter registration and voting history information) to the Florida Legislature | §98.0981, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.053, F.A.C. – Within 45 days after certification by the Elections Canvassing Commission of the election results for the election |
| October 17 (Mon) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to approve poll watchers for early voting sites for the General Election <i>(Date herein is based on county choosing to start early voting as early as 15 days before Election Day. Mandatory EV period begins 10 days before Election Day.)</i> | §101.131, F.S. – No later than 7 days before early voting (EV) begins <i>(Specific date will vary for each county depending on when county schedules start of early voting.)</i> |
| October 19 (Wed) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to appoint election board (poll workers) for the General Election | §102.012, F.S. – At least 20 days prior to any election |
| October 24 (Mon) | Earliest date that early voting period may start for the General Election (county option) <i>Date herein is based on county choosing to start early voting as early as 15 days before Election Day. Mandatory EV period begins 10 days before Election Day.)</i> | §101.657, F.S. – On the 15th day before an election (county option) |
| October 25 (Tue) | First day after start of early optional early voting period for General Election for Supervisors of Elections to submit daily electronic files of early voting summary and details to the Division of Elections <i>(Date herein is based on county choosing to start early voting as early as 15 days before Election Day. Mandatory EV period begins 10 days before Election Day.)</i> | §101.657, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.043, F.A.C. – No later than noon of each day for the previous day's activities <i>(Specific date will vary for each county depending on when county schedules start of early voting.)</i> |

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| October 25 (Tue) | Deadline for political parties, candidates, and political committees formed for passage or defeat of ballot issue, to submit poll watcher designations for Election Day for General Election | §101.131, F.S. – Before noon on the 2nd Tuesday preceding the election |
| October 25 (Tue) | Optional day of early voting for the General Election | §101.657, F.S. – On the 14th day before an election (county option) |
| October 26 (Wed) | Optional day of early voting for the General Election | §101.657, F.S. – On the 13th day before an election (county option) |
| October 27 (Thu) | Optional day of early voting for the General Election | §101.657, F.S. – On the 12th day before an election (county option) |
| October 28 (Fri) | Optional day of early voting for the General Election | §101.657, F.S. – On the 11th day before an election (county option) |
| October 29 (Sat) | Start of mandatory early voting period for the General Election | §101.657, F.S. – Early voting shall begin on the 10th day before an election |
| October 29 (Sat) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to receive requests for vote-by-mail ballots to be mailed to voters for the General Election | §101.62, F.S. – No later than 5 p.m. on the 10th day before the election |
| October 30 (Sun) | First day after start of mandatory early voting period for the General Election for Supervisors of Elections to submit daily electronic files of early voting summary and details to the Department of State | §101.657, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.043, F.A.C.– No later than noon of each day for the previous day's activities <i>(Specific date will vary for if county opted for earlier start date for early voting)</i> |
| October 30 (Sun) | First day that a voter's designee can pick up a vote-by-mail ballot for the General Election | §101.62, F.S. - On election day or up to 9 days prior to the date of the election |
| October 31 (Mon) | Last day for Supervisors of Elections to mail vote-by-mail ballots requested for the General Election | §101.62, F.S. – No later than 8 days before the election |
| November 1 (Tue) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to approve poll watchers for Election Day for the General Election | §101.131, F.S. – On or before the Tuesday before the election |
| November 1 (Tue) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to email or if no email address, to mail sample ballots to voters for the General Election (in lieu of publication) | §101.20, F.S. – At least 7 days prior to any election |
| November 4 (Fri) | Deadline for late registration for specified subcategory of UOCAVA individuals: An individual or accompanying family member who has been discharged or separated from the uniformed services or the United States Merchant Marine, has returned from a military deployment or activation, or has separated from employment outside the territorial limits of the United States | §97.0555, F.S. 5 p.m. on the Friday before the election |

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| November 5 (Sat) | End of mandatory early voting period for the General Election | §101.657, F.S. – On the 3rd day before an election |
| November 6 (Sun) | Last optional day of early voting for the General Election | §101.657, F.S. – On the 2nd day before an election (county option) |
| November 7 (Mon) | Last day for Supervisors of Elections to submit daily electronic files of early voting summary and details to the Department of State <i>(Date herein is based on county choosing to schedule early voting on Sunday before Election Day. If early voting ended with mandatory EV period, then files due November 6, 2022)</i> | §101.657, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.043, F.A.C. – No later than noon of each day for the previous day’s activities (Specific date will vary for each county depending on when county schedules start of early voting.) |
| November 7 (Mon) | Last day to publish sample ballot for the General Election in newspaper of general circulation in the county (if county did not opt to email or mail sample ballot to voter or voter household) | §101.20, F.S. – Before the day of the election |
| November 7 (Mon) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to upload into county election management system the results of all early voting and vote-by-mail ballots that have been canvassed and tabulated by the end of the early voting period in preparation for election night reporting on General Election day | §102.141(4)(a) - By 7 p.m. on the day before the election. |
| November 8 (Tue) | ELECTION DAY - GENERAL ELECTION | §100.031, F.S. – On the 1st Tuesday after the 1st Monday in November of each even numbered year |
| November 8 (Tue) | “Emergency excuse” affidavit required for delivery of vote-by-mail ballot on election day. Supervisors of Elections may not deliver vote-by-mail ballots to electors or electors’ immediate family members on election day unless voters completes affidavit that an emergency keeps them from being able to vote at their designated polling place | §101.62, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.052, F.A.C. - Election day delivery of vote-by-mail ballot requires emergency excuse affidavit. An exception exists for supervised voting in assisted living facilities as provided in §101.655. |
| November 8 (Tue) | Supervisors of Elections required to report hourly online live (polling place) voter turnout data and transmit concurrently to the Division of Elections | §98.0981(4), F.S. - Report live voter turnout data on Election Day 7 am - 7 pm |
| November 8 (Tue) | Deadline for receipt of vote-by-mail ballots returned from domestic stateside voters | §101.67, F.S. – Vote-by-mail ballots must be received by 7 p.m. (local time) on Election Day (10-day extension exception for overseas civilians and military) |

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| November 8 (Tue) | Supervisors of Elections required to report hourly online after polls close the number of vote-by-mail ballots received and uncouncted vote-by-mail ballots | §102.072, F.S. – Vote-by-mail accounting; Report received and uncouncted vote-by-mail ballots on Election Day starting at 7 pm (local time) |
| November 8 (Tue) | Deadline for county canvassing boards to begin filing preliminary election night results with the Department of State | §102.141, F.S. – Within 30 minutes after the polls close and at least every 45 minutes until all results reported with exception of provisionals, vote-by-mail ballots with signature deficiencies |
| November 9 (Wed) | Deadline for all precincts to report and submit returns from all polling places to the county canvassing board | §102.141, F.S. – On or before 2 a.m. of the day following any election |
| November 10 (Thu) | Deadline for voters to submit signature cure affidavit for a missing or mismatched signature on a returned vote-by-mail ballot for General Election | §101.68(4), F.S. – Until 5 p.m. (local time) on the 2nd day after the election |
| November 10 (Thu) | Deadline for provisional ballot voters to provide, as may be applicable, written evidence of eligibility to Supervisor of Elections or to submit a signature cure affidavit for a missing or mismatched signature on a provisional ballot for General Election | §101.048, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.037, F.A.C.– No later than 5 p.m. (local time) on the 2nd day after the election |
| November 12 (Sat) | Deadline for county canvassing boards to file 1st Unofficial Results of the General Election with the Department of State | §102.141, F.S. – No later than noon of the 4th day after a general election |
| November 12 (Sat) | As soon thereafter (receipt of 1st Unofficial Results), machine recount is ordered by county canvassing board or Department of State, as applicable, if 1st Unofficial Results for General Election contest indicate candidate was defeated or eliminated or judicial candidate was retained or not retained or measure was approved or not approved by 1/2 of 1% unless candidate requests recount not be made | §102.141, F.S. -Machine recount is ordered as soon after 1st Unofficial Results show threshold is triggered |
| November 17 (Thu) | Deadline for county canvassing boards to file 2nd Unofficial Results of the General Election with the Department of State, only if machine recount was conducted | §102.141, F.S. – No later than 3 p.m. of the 9th day after the election |

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| November 17 (Thu) | As soon thereafter (receipt of 2nd Unofficial Results), manual recount is ordered by county canvassing board or Department of State, as applicable, if 2nd unofficial results for contest by applicable board if candidate defeated or eliminated or judicial candidate retained or not retained or measure approved or not approved by 1/4 of 1% unless candidate requests recount not be made or number of overvotes and undervotes is fewer than number needed to change outcome of election | §102.166, F.S. - Manual recount is ordered only if 2nd Unofficial Results Results show threshold is triggered |
| November 18 (Fri) | Deadline for receipt of overseas ballots for General Election | §101.6952(5), F.S. - Ballot must be postmarked or signed and dated no later than the date of the election and received no later than 10 days from the date of the election. |
| November 20 (Sun) | Deadline for county canvassing boards to submit Official Results to the Department of State for the General Election | §102.112, F.S. – By noon on the 12th day following the election |
| November 20 (Sun) | Deadline for county canvassing boards to submit reports on the conduct of the General Election to the Division of Elections | §102.141(10), F.S. – At the same time that the canvassing board files as certified official returns |
| November 20 (Sun) | Deadline for Supervisors of Election to file with the Department of State a copy of, or an export file, from the results database of the county’s voting system | §102.141(11), F.S. & 1S-2.053, F.A.C - At the same time the official results are certified |
| November 20 (Sun) | County canvassing boards to begin publicly noticed post-election audit of the voting system for the General Election unless manual recount conducted per §102.166, F.S. | §101.591, F.S.; Rule 1S-5.026, F.A.C. – Immediately following the certification of the election by the county canvassing board |
| November 22 (Tue) | Elections Canvassing Commission meets to certify Official Results for federal, state, and multicounty offices | §102.111, F.S. – 9 a.m. on the 14th day after a General Election |
| November 23 (Wed) | Last day for Supervisors of Elections to submit daily electronic files of vote-by-mail ballot request information to the Department of State for the General Election | §101.62, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.043, F.A.C. – Beginning 60 days prior to the Primary Election on a daily basis by 8 a.m. until 15 days after the General Election |
| November 27 (Sun) | Deadline for county canvassing boards to complete the post-election voting system audit for General Election and for the results to be made public unless manual recount was conducted per §102.166, F.S. | §101.591, F.S.; Rule 1S-5.026, F.A.C. – No later than 11:59 p.m. on the 7th day following certification of the election by the county canvassing board |

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| December 1 (Tue) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to submit signature verification reimbursement requests to Department of State for processing by Chief Financial Officer for petition signatures verified at no charge to a candidate or political committee based on filed undue burden affidavit | §99.097, F.S. – No later than December 1 of the general election year |
| December 8 (Thu) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to make information available through free access system to individual provisional ballot voter as to whether ballot counted for the General Election, and if not, the reason why | §101.048, F.S. – No later than 30 days after Election Day |
| December 15 (Thu) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to submit post-election voting system audit report for General Election or if manual audit conducted, certify that manual recount was conducted and conducted in lieu of audit | §101.591, F.S.; Rule 1S-5.026 F.A.C – By December 15 of each general election year |
| December 15 (Thu) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to submit reports on voter education programs to the Department of State. | §98.255, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.033, F.A.C. - By December 15 of each general election year |
| December 15 (Thu) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to submit reports on the total number of overvotes and undervotes in the Governor and Lt. Governor race to the Department of State | §101.595, F.S. – No later than December 15 of each general election year |
| December 22 (Thu) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to update and submit official voting history, precinct-level election results of the General Election and reconciliation report of voting history and precinct-level election results | §98.0981, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.053, F.A.C. – Within 30 days after certification of election results by Elections Canvassing Commission of the election |
| December 31 (Sat) | Deadline for Supervisors of Elections to submit to the Department of State federal grant funds expenditure reports for use of funds (if any outstanding funds from prior years) relating to voter education, poll worker training, federal election activities, voting systems assistance, optical scan and ballot-on-demand for the prior reporting period: October 1 through September 30 | Help America Vote Act (HAVA) (52 U.S.C. §§ 20901–21145) |
| December 31 (Sat) | Deadline for supervisors of Elections to remove from the official rolls all designated inactive voters who have not voted or attempted to vote, requested a vote-by-mail ballot, or updated their voter registration record in two general elections since they were first made inactive | §98.065(4)(c), F.S.; Rule 1S-2.041(2), F.A.C.; and 52 U.S.C. §2057 National Voter Registration Act (NVRA). - No later than December 31 in the same year of the second federal election |

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| December 31 (Sat) | Vote-by-mail requests submitted prior to the General Election expire after close of business and would need to be renewed for future elections | §101.62, F.S.- One request to receive a vote-by-mail ballot is sufficient for all elections through the end of the calendar of the next regularly scheduled general election |
| December 31 (Sat) | All login accounts for access to statewide vote-by-mail ballot request information automatically expire | Rule 1S-2.043, F.A.C. - At the end of each general election year |
| December 31 (Sat) | Election offices to review records against Records Retention Schedule for Election Records (GS-3)(eff. 06/2022) and any internal office retention schedule and identify and schedule disposition of records that have met retention | GS-3, Florida Public Records Law |

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| April 22 (Sat) | 365 -day party affiliation deadline for candidates of federal, state attorney and public defender offices to change party affiliation to run as party nominee or without party affiliation, as may be applicable | §99.021, F.S. – If running as party candidate, must be registered with the political party for 365 days prior to applicable qualifying period or if running as candidate with no party affiliation, must not be registered without party affiliation for 365 days prior to applicable qualifying period (i.e., start of qualifying for these offices is April 22, 2024) |
| May 5 (Fri) | Last day of regular Legislative Session. | Art III, §3(d), Fla. Const. – Regular session not to extend beyond 60 days. |
| June 10 (Sat) | 365 -day party affiliation deadline for candidates for State Senator, State Representative, County Office and Special District to change party affiliation to run as party nominee or without party affiliation, as may be applicable | §99.021, F.S. – If running as party candidate, must be registered with the political party for 365 days prior to applicable qualifying period or if running as candidate with no party affiliation, must not be registered without party affiliation for 365 days prior to applicable qualifying period (i.e., start of qualifying for these offices is June 10, 2024) |
| July 31 (Mon) | Deadline for Supervisor of Elections to submit federal grant “Balance” Report (i.e., remaining balance of federal grants awarded previously) | Help America Vote Act (HAVA)(52 U.S.C. §§ 20901–21145). |
| July 31 (Mon) | Last day for Supervisors of Elections to certify to the Division of Elections address and registration list maintenance activities for prior six months | §§98.065 and 98.075, F.S.; Rule 1S-2.041, F.A.C. – No later than July 31 of each year |
| November 30 (Thu) | Last day for political parties to submit to the Secretary of State a list of presidential candidates to be placed on the Presidential Preference Primary Election ballot | §103.101, F.S. – By November 30, parties to submit list of presidential candidates |
| December 1 (Fri) | Each supervisor shall post on his or her website the aggregate number of verified valid signatures and the distribution of such signatures by congressional district for each proposed amendment proposed by initiative, along with the following information specific to the reporting period: the total number of signed petition forms received, the total number of signatures verified, the distribution of verified valid signatures by congressional district, and the total number of verified petition forms forwarded to the Secretary of State | §100.371 (11), F.S. – On the last day of each month, or on the last day of each week from December 1 of an odd-numbered year through February 1 of the following year |



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