



June 21, 2022 Primary Election Calendar of Important Dates and Deadlines

Candidates for:

Delegate to the United States House of Representatives

Mayor of the District of Columbia

Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia

At-large Member of the Council of the District of Columbia

Ward Member of the Council of the District of Columbia (Wards 1, 3, 5 & 6)

Attorney General for the District of Columbia

United States Representative

National and Local Party Committee Members (Held at the Request of the Eligible Parties)

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Board determined eligibility of parties to conduct Congressional and Council primary from the November 3, 2020 General Election results [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(h)(2)].

Thursday, December 23, 2021

Last day to file plan for election of local party committee members [D.C. Official Code §1-1001.08(1)(1); 3 DCMR §1700.3 (no later than 180 days before the election)].

Friday, December 24, 2021

Office Closed (Observation of Christmas)

Friday, December 31, 2021

Office Closed (Observation of New Year's Day)

Friday, January 28, 2022

Board determines signature requirements and makes nominating petitions available for the following offices: [D.C. Official Code §§1-1001.08(i)(3)-(4) (144 days before the election)]:

Delegate to the United States House of Representatives - 2,000 or 1% (whichever is less) of the total number of registered qualified electors in the same political party as the candidate [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(i)(1)(B); 3 DCMR § 1603.1];

This calendar is subject to change based upon any amendments to the current legislation and regulations.

Mayor of the District of Columbia – 2,000 or 1% (whichever is less) of the total number of registered qualified electors in the same political party as the candidate [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(i)(1)(B); 3 DCMR § 1603.1];

Chairman of the Council – 2,000 or 1% (whichever is less) of the total number of registered qualified electors in the same political party as the candidate [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(i)(1)(B); 3 DCMR § 1603.1];

At-large Member of the Council - 2,000 or 1% (whichever is less) of the total number of registered qualified electors in the same political party as the candidate [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(i)(1)(B); 3 DCMR § 1603.1];

Ward Member of the Council - 250 or 1% (whichever is less) of the total number of duly registered qualified electors in the same political party as the candidate who reside in the ward from which the candidate seeks election [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(i)(2); 3 DCMR § 1603.2];

Attorney General for the District of Columbia – 2,000 or 1% (whichever is less) of the total number of registered electors in the same political party as the candidate. [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(i)(1)(B); 3 DCMR § 1603.1];

U.S. Representative - 2,000 or 1% (whichever is less) of the total number of registered qualified electors in the same political party as the candidate [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-123(d)(2) and § 1-1001.08(i)(1)(B); 3 DCMR § 1603.1];

National Committeemen/National Committeewomen - 500 or 1% (whichever is less) of the total number of registered qualified electors in the same political party as the candidate [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(a)(1)(A); 3 DCMR § 1703.1];

Local Party Committee Member (Ward Chairperson) - 100 or 1% (whichever is less) of the total number of registered qualified electors who reside in the same ward from which the candidate seeks election who are of the same political party as the candidate [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(a)(2); 3 DCMR § 1703.3].

Computation of the exact number of registered qualified electors and the entire list of registered qualified electors upon which such count was based are posted in the Board's offices until the end of the petition challenge period [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(i)(3)].

Monday, February 21, 2022

Office Closed (Observation of Presidents' Day)

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

Last day to submit a petition for an initiative measure to appear on the ballot [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.16(o)(1), (p)(1); 3 DCMR §§ 1009.1, 1010.1 (Board must certify within 30 days after receipt of the petition whether the measure meets signature requirement. Election must be scheduled at least 90 days after Board certifies that the petition meets signature requirement)].

Monday, February 28, 2022

First day any nominating petition may be filed with the Board [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.08(i)(4), 1-1021.01 (no earlier than 115 days before the election)].

Wednesday, March 23, 2022 (5:00 p.m.)

Last day to file nominating petitions, petition supplements, Declarations of Candidacy, and any other affidavits, forms, or declarations required for the particular office sought [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-123(d)(2), 1-1001.05(b)(2), (b)(3)(A), 1-1001.08(a)(1)(B), (a)(2), (i)(1)(A), (i)(2), (q); 3 DCMR §§ 601.5, 1605.2, 1705.2 (90 days before the election)].

Saturday, March 26, 2022

Nominating petitions are posted for 10-day challenge period [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(o)(1); 3 DCMR §§ 1606.1, 1706.1 (third day after nominating petition filing deadline)].

Sunday, March 27, 2022 - Thursday, April 14, 2022

Period during which signers of nominating petitions may file change of address forms with the Board. [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(o)(3)(B); 3 DCMR §§ 1607.1(b), 1707.1(b) (within ten days after the challenge to the nominating petition has been filed.)].

Monday, March 28, 2022

Last day for Executive Director to provide preliminary determination of candidates' eligibility [3 DCMR § 601.6 (third business day after the deadline for filing a Declaration of Candidacy)].

Deadline (4:45 p.m.) to submit Statement of Slate Registration forms (for candidates for Local Committees of Political Parties and National Committeepersons. [3 DCMR § 1701.1 (third business day after nominating petition filing deadline)].

Tuesday, March 29, 2022

Last day to submit petition for a referendum measure to appear on the ballot. [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.16(o)(1), (p)(1); 3 DCMR §§ 1009.1, 1010.2 (Board must certify within 30 days after receipt of petition whether measure meets signature requirement. If a previously scheduled primary, general, or special election will occur between 54 and 114 days of receipt of Board's certification that measure meets signature requirement, Board may present the referendum measure at that election)].

Last day to submit petition for a recall measure to appear on the ballot [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.17(k)(1), (l); 3 DCMR §§ 1109.1, 1110.1) (Board must certify within 30 days after receipt of petition whether measure meets signature requirement. If a previously scheduled primary, general, or special election will occur between 54 and 114 days of receipt of Board's certification that measure meets signature requirement, Board may present the recall measure at that election)].

Monday, April 4, 2022 (5:00 p.m.)

Close of 10-day nominating petition challenge period. [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(o)(1); 3 DCMR §§ 1606.1, 1706.1].

Friday, April 15, 2022

Office Closed (Observation of Emancipation Day)

Friday, April 22, 2022

Deadline for Board to provide notice to persons eligible to vote absentee in federal elections pursuant to the Uniformed and Overseas Citizen Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) of all contests and questions appearing on the ballot and any specific Federal Write-in Ballot (FWAB) instructions. Notice shall be provided on the Board's website, www.dcboe.org. [D.C. Official Code §1-1061.16(a) (60 days before the election)].

Monday, April 25, 2022

Last day for Board to determine the validity of challenges to nominating petitions [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.08(o)(2), 1-1021.01; 3 DCMR §§ 1406.5, 1606.5, 1706.5) (within 20 days after the challenge to the nominating petition is filed)].

[TENTATIVE] Last day for Board to give notice on its website of the pre-election logic and accuracy ("L & A") testing of the voting equipment to be used in the election [assumes testing begins Monday, May 2, 2022] [3 DCMR § 801.3 (at least seven days before the L & A testing period begins)].

Thursday, April 28, 2022

Last day for either challenger or nominee to appeal to D.C. Court of Appeals for review of the Board's determination regarding the validity of nominating petition challenge. [D.C. Official Code § 1001.08(o)(2) (within three days after Board determines validity of challenge)].

Last day for candidates to submit affidavits withdrawing their nominations so that their names are not printed on the official election ballot. (The names of candidates who submit affidavits of withdrawal after this deadline may still appear on the ballot, but the Board shall provide notice of any withdrawals to voters in the affected polling places and early voting centers.) [3 DCMR § 603.4 (54 days before the election)].

Last day to submit amendments to Statement of Slate Registration forms and Statements of Slate Withdrawals (for candidates for Members of Local Committees of Political Parties and National Committeepersons. [3 DCMR § 1701.8 (54 days before the election)]).

Friday, April 29, 2022

[TENTATIVE] Board to conduct public lottery to determine ballot positions [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(p); 3 DCMR § 1204.1].

Monday, May 2, 2022

[TENTATIVE] Board to begin conducting pre-election L & A testing of the voting equipment to be used in the election [assumes notice given on or before Monday, April 25, 2022]. [3 DCMR § 801.2]

Friday, May 6, 2022

Deadline for Board to transmit validly requested absentee ballots to persons eligible to vote pursuant to the Uniformed and Overseas Citizen Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA) where requests were received at least 45 days before the election. [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1061.09(a), 1-1021.01 (no later than 45 days before the election)].

Deadline for Board to publish, if necessary, updated election notice for UOCAVA voters. Notice originally posted on Board's website on **Friday, April 22, 2022**. [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1061.16(c), 1-1021.01 (no later than 45 days before the election)].

Deadline for Board to publish fictitious sample ballot in the *D.C. Register* [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.05(a)(5), 1-1021.01; 3 DCMR § 1201.1 (no later than 45 days before the election)].

Monday, May 9, 2022

Last day for registered qualified electors to submit application to correct the voter registration list or challenge the right to vote of a person named on the list [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.07(e)(5)(A), 1-1021.01; 3 DCMR § 521.2 (no later than 45 days before the election)].

Deadline for Board to post the list of registered qualified electors current as of 60 days preceding the election (**Friday, April 22, 2022**) in public libraries as follows: one citywide listing in main public library, and one ward listing in every branch library located within the respective wards [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.07(h)(1), 1-1021.01 (no later than 45 days before the election)].

Monday, May 16, 2022

[Tentative] Board begins mailing ballots to registered voters.

Friday, May 27, 2022

[Tentative] Mail ballot drop boxes become available for use.

Monday, May 30, 2022

Office Closed (Observation of Memorial Day)

Tuesday, May 31, 2022

Deadline for registered qualified electors to change party affiliation status [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.07(g)(4); 3 DCMR § 504.5 (no later than 21 days before the election; requests for change of party affiliation status received after the 21st day before a primary election shall be held and processed after the election.)].

Deadline for receipt of all voter registration applications (including federal postcard applications (FPCAs), federal write in absentee ballots (FWABs)) and updates except for those submitted in person at the Board or at voter registration agencies [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.07(g)(1)-(3); 3 DCMR § 504.3 (21 days before the election)].

First day the Board can publish a sample copy of the official ballot in at least one newspaper of general circulation [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.05(a)(6); 3 DCMR § 1201.2 (not more than 21 days before the election)].

Monday, June 6, 2022

Deadline for receipt of absentee ballot requests from non-UOCAVA voters [3 DCMR § 720.5 (no later than 15 days before the election)].

Tuesday, June 7, 2022

Deadline for Board to post a revised citywide list of registered qualified electors in the main public library, and a revised ward list of registered voters in every branch library located within the respective wards [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.07(h)(2) (no earlier than 14 days before the election)].

Deadline to petition for poll watcher and election observer credentials at specific early voting centers, polling places, and counting places; the Board may accept additional petitions after this date based upon available space [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.09(c); 3 DCMR § 706.3 (no earlier than 14 days before the election)].

Friday, June 10, 2022

Deadline for Board to make a determination on petitions for poll watchers and election observers credentials [D.C. Official Code § 1-1021.01; 3 DCMR § 706.8 (no earlier than 10 days before the election)].

Friday, June 10, 2022 – Sunday, June 19, 2022

Period during which qualified electors may register and cast ballots at early voting centers. Early voting centers are open every day during this period between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.09(b-1)(1)-(2); 3 DCMR §§ 700.4, 702.2 (for no more than 12 days before the election)].

Tuesday, June 14, 2022 – Thursday, June 16, 2022

Period during which registered qualified electors may challenge the qualifications of prospective non-UOCAVA voters who submitted written requests for absentee ballots [3 DCMR § 721.4 (for three days beginning seven days before the election)].

Wednesday, June 15, 2022 – Tuesday, June 21, 2022 (8:00 p.m. or close of polls)

Period during which certain registered qualified electors may cast emergency absentee ballots [3 DCMR § 722.1 (Period begins six days before the election and extends through the time the polls close on Election Day)].

Friday, June 17, 2022

[TENTATIVE] Board shall publicly announce the date and method by which it intends to randomly select precincts, voter-verifiable records tabulated centrally, and contests for the manual audit, and the date on which the manual audit will begin. [D.C. Official Code § 1001.09a(d), (e)].

Saturday, June 18, 2022

Deadline for UOCAVA voters to request an absentee ballot. [3 DCMR § 720.5 (no later than three days before the election)].

Monday, June 20, 2022

Office Closed (Observation of Juneteenth)

TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 2022 – PRIMARY ELECTION DAY

On Election Day, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., qualified electors may register to vote and cast full ballots at the polling places for their precincts of residence. [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-123(d)(2), 1-1001.05(b)(1), 1-1001.07(g)(5), 1-1001.10(a)(1), (a)(3)(A)-(B), (b)(1) (third Tuesday in June)].

Deadline (8:00 p.m.) for receipt of all electronically transmitted absentee ballots. [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.05(a)(10A)].

Wednesday, June 22, 2022

Deadline by which Board must provide toll-free telephone service (1-866-DCVOTES (1-866-328-6837)) and website service, www.dcboe.org, where any voter who cast a challenged or special ballot can learn the Board's preliminary decision whether to count or reject their ballot and the reason for the decision. [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.09(e)(2) (In sufficient time to comply with the requirements of UOCAVA)].

[TENTATIVE] Board publicly conducts and announces the results of the random selection of precincts, voter-verifiable records tabulated centrally, and contests for the manual audit. [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.09a (d); 3 DCMR § 812.8.]

Thursday, June 23, 2022

Board holds special or challenged ballot hearings [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.09(e)(3)-(4); 3 DCMR § 712.4 (no later than two days after the election)].

Board makes final determination on validity of special and challenged ballots [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.09(e)(3)-(4); 3 DCMR § 712.7 (the day after the hearing)].

Last day for voters who cast special ballots to present verification of eligibility to vote in the election.

Friday, June 24, 2022

Last day to appeal Board's decision on the validity of special ballots [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.09(e)(3)-(4); 3 DCMR § 712.8 (the day after the Board's decision)].

Deadline (4:45 p.m.) for write-in candidate to file an Affirmation of Write-In Candidacy or Declaration of Candidacy with the Board to be eligible for nomination to office [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.08(r)(2); 3 D.C.M.R. § 602.1 (no later than three days after the election)].

Tuesday, June 28, 2022

Deadline for receipt of all mailed ballots. [D.C. Official Code §§ 1-1001.05(a)(10A)].

Friday, July 1, 2022

Final count of absentee and special ballots.

Monday, July 4, 2022

Office Closed (Observation of Independence Day)

Tuesday, July 5, 2022 - Thursday, July 7, 2022

[TENTATIVE] Board conducts public manual audit of the voter-verifiable records tabulated. [D.C. Official Code § 1001.09a(b), (c); 3 DCMR §§ 812.2, 812.5(b)].

Thursday, July 7, 2022

[TENTATIVE] Board to publish on its website and make available for public inspection a report of results of the manual audit [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.09a(j) (prior to certification of election results)].

Friday, July 8, 2022

[TENTATIVE] Certification of election results [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.05(a)(11); 3 DCMR § 813.1].

Friday, July 15, 2022

[TENTATIVE] Last day for a voter in the election to file a petition for review of the results of the election in the D.C. Court of Appeals [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.11(b)(1) (within seven days after the certification)].

[TENTATIVE] Last day for a candidate in the election to request a recount of the certified votes cast in one or more voting precincts [D.C. Official Code § 1-1001.11(a)(1) (within seven days after the certification)].