

## 2024 Election Calendar

This calendar is intended to be a reference to significant dates in the election year. Efforts were made to ensure calendar complies with applicable law. If in any case the calendar conflicts with state or federal law, applicable laws control. For complete information regarding dates and deadlines, be sure to consult applicable law. Calendar is subject to change.

| Date                          | Event  | Statutes               |
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| September 6                   | First day persons who will turn 18-years-old on or before November 5, 2024, may register to vote.  | 7-5-180                |
| December 12                   | Deadline for candidates to withdraw and have name removed from <b>Democratic PPP</b> ballot.   |                        |
| December 18                   | Deadline for SEC to provide the <b>Democratic PPP</b> database to county boards.   |                        |
| December 19                   | Deadline for county boards to publish second public notice of PPPs (must be published two weeks after first notice).   | 7-13-35                |
| December 20                   | Deadline for county boards to mail PPP absentee ballots to military and overseas citizens for <b>Democratic PPP</b> .  | 7-15-405               |
| December 29                   | Deadline for SEC and county boards to create all known 2024 elections and add offices in VREMS.  |                        |
| January 1, 2024               | Voters may begin applying for absentee ballots for all 2024 elections.   | 7-15-330               |
| January 2                     | Deadline for candidates to withdraw and have name removed from <b>Republican PPP</b> ballot.   |                        |
| January 4                     | Deadline to register to vote for <b>Democratic PPP</b> . By mail applications must be postmarked by this date.   | 7-5-150                |
| January 10                    | Deadline for county boards to mail PPP absentee ballots to military and overseas citizens for <b>Republican PPP</b> .  | 7-15-405               |
| January 22<br>8:30 a.m.       | Early voting for <b>Democratic PPP</b> begins at county voter registration offices and other early voting centers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.</li> <li>• Closed Sunday, January 28.</li> </ul> | 7-13-25                |
| January 23                    | Deadline for voters to apply for an absentee ballot for <b>Democratic PPP</b> .  | 7-15-330               |
| January 25                    | Deadline to register to vote for <b>Republican PPP</b> . By mail applications must be postmarked by this date.   | 7-5-150                |
| February 1<br>7:00 a.m.       | Earliest possible time county boards can begin opening <b>Democratic PPP</b> absentee mailing envelopes and removing secrecy envelopes.  | 7-15-420               |
| February 2<br>6:00 p.m.       | Deadline to vote early in person for <b>Democratic PPP</b> .   | 7-13-25                |
| <b>February 3</b>             | <b>Democratic Presidential Preference Primary.</b> Polls open 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.  | 7-11-20                |
| February 3<br>7:00 a.m.       | Earliest possible time county boards can begin opening absentee secrecy envelopes and processing ballots for <b>Democratic PPP</b> .   | 7-15-420               |
| February 3<br>7:00 p.m.       | Deadline for county boards to receive absentee ballots for <b>Democratic PPP</b> (military and overseas voters' ballots accepted through 5:00 p.m., February 7).   | 7-15-420<br>7-15-700   |
| February 3<br>After 7:00 p.m. | County boards begin reporting <b>Democratic PPP</b> election results locally and through scVOTES.gov.  | 7-13-1110<br>7-13-1160 |

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| February 5<br>5:00 p.m.         | Deadline for county boards to conduct hand-count audit for <b>Democratic PPP</b> and provide results to SEC.   | 7-3-20(C)(2)   |
| February 8<br>Before 1:00 p.m.  | <b>Democratic PPP</b> deadline for county boards to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hold provisional ballot hearing.</li> <li>• Complete canvass of votes.</li> <li>• Certify results.</li> </ul>  | 7-17-510   |
| February 9<br>10:00 a.m.        | State Board of Canvassers meets to canvass votes and declare results of <b>Democratic PPP</b> .  | 7-17-510   |
| February 12<br>8:30 a.m.        | Early voting for <b>Republican PPP</b> begins at county voter registration offices and other early voting centers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.</li> <li>• Closed Sunday, February 18 and Monday, February 19.</li> </ul>  | 7-13-25  |
| February 13<br>5:00 p.m.        | Deadline for voters to apply for an absentee ballot for <b>Republican PPP</b> .  | 7-15-330   |
| February 22<br>7:00 a.m.        | Earliest possible time county boards can begin opening <b>Republican PPP</b> absentee mailing envelopes and removing secrecy envelopes.  | 7-15-420   |
| February 22<br>6:00 p.m.        | Deadline to vote early in person for <b>Republican PPP</b> .   | 7-13-25  |
| <b>February 24</b>              | <b>Republican Presidential Preference Primary.</b> Polls open 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.  | 7-11-20  |
| February 24<br>7:00 a.m.        | Earliest possible time county boards can begin opening absentee secrecy envelopes and processing ballots for <b>Republican PPP</b> .   | 7-15-420   |
| February 24<br>7:00 p.m.        | Deadline for county boards to receive absentee ballots for <b>Republican PPP</b> (military and overseas voters' ballots accepted through 5:00 p.m., February 28).  | 7-15-420<br>7-15-700   |
| February 24<br>After 7:00 p.m.  | County boards begin reporting <b>Republican PPP</b> election results locally and through scVOTES.gov.  | 7-13-1110<br>7-13-1160   |
| February 26<br>5:00 p.m.        | Deadline for county boards to conduct hand-count audit for <b>Republican PPP</b> and provide results to SEC.   | 7-3-20(C)(2)   |
| February 29<br>Before 1:00 p.m. | <b>Republican PPP</b> deadline for county boards to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hold provisional ballot hearing.</li> <li>• Complete canvass of votes.</li> <li>• Certify results.</li> </ul>  | 7-17-510   |
| March 1<br>10:00 a.m.           | State Board of Canvassers meets to canvass votes and declare results of <b>Republican PPP</b> .  | 7-17-510   |
| March 10                        | Deadline for county boards to provide early voting centers to be used for Primaries and General Election to SEC.   | 7-13-25  |
| March 12                        | SEC provides Public Notice of Primaries template to county boards.   | 7-13-35  |
| March 16<br>12:00 noon          | Filing opens for candidates seeking political party nominations for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• U.S. House of Representatives</li> <li>• State Senate</li> <li>• State House of Representatives</li> <li>• Multi-county district offices</li> <li>• Solicitor (Circuits 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 16)</li> <li>• Various countywide and less than countywide offices</li> </ul> Candidates file Statement of Intention of Candidacy/Party Pledge (SICPP) and any filing fees with appropriate election office. | 7-11-15<br>7-11-210<br>7-11-220<br>S.C.<br>Constitution,<br>Article IV |

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| March 31               | Deadline for political parties to hold county conventions.   | 7-9-70                |
| April 1<br>12:00 noon  | Deadline for sheriff and coroner candidates to file affidavit with the county party executive committee.   | 17-5-130<br>23-11-110 |
| April 1<br>12:00 noon  | Candidate filing closes.   | 7-11-15               |
| April 3<br>12:00 noon  | Deadline for SEC and county boards to provide SICPP forms, filing fee receipts and filing fee checks to the appropriate state or county party executive committee.   | 7-11-15               |
| April 5<br>12:00 noon  | Deadline for political parties holding primaries to certify candidates to appropriate election office (SEC or county board).   | 7-13-40               |
| April 11<br>12:00 noon | Deadline for county parties to file sheriff and coroner affidavits with county boards.   | 17-5-130<br>23-11-110 |
| April 19<br>5:00 p.m.  | Deadline for candidates to withdraw and have name removed from the Primary ballot.   |                       |
| April 27               | Deadline to mail Primary absentee ballots to military and overseas citizens.   | 7-15-650<br>7-15-680  |
| April 27               | Deadline for political parties to submit list of prospective poll managers for Primaries to county boards.   | 7-13-72               |
| May 5                  | Latest possible date for parties to publicly announce date of state convention (must be publicly announced at least 10 days prior to state convention).  | 7-9-100               |
| May 10<br>5:00 p.m.    | Deadline to register to vote in person for Primaries (unless county board holds weekend hours).  | 7-5-150               |
| May 12<br>11:59 p.m.   | Deadline to register to vote online or by fax or email for Primaries.  | 7-5-155<br>7-5-185    |
| May 13                 | Deadline to register to vote by mail for Primaries (must be postmarked by this date).  | 7-5-155               |
| May 15                 | Deadline for political parties to hold state conventions.  | 7-9-100               |
| May 28                 | Early voting for Primaries begins at county voter registration offices and other early voting centers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Monday – Friday).</li> <li>• Closed weekends and state holidays.</li> </ul> | 7-13-25               |
| May 31<br>5:00 p.m.    | Deadline for voters to apply for an absentee ballot for Primaries.   | 7-15-330              |
| May 31<br>5:00 p.m.    | Deadline for county boards to process voter registration applications to be included on Primary paper voter registration lists.  |                       |
| June 7<br>5:00 p.m.    | Deadline to vote early in person for Primaries.  | 7-13-25               |
| June 9<br>7:00 a.m.    | Earliest possible time county boards can begin opening absentee mailing envelopes and removing secrecy envelopes.  | 7-15-420              |
| <b>June 11</b>         | <b>Statewide Primaries.</b> Polls open 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.   | 7-13-40<br>7-13-60    |
| June 11<br>7:00 a.m.   | Earliest possible time county boards can begin opening absentee secrecy envelopes and processing ballots.  | 7-15-420              |
| June 11<br>7:00 p.m.   | Deadline for county boards to receive absentee ballots (military and overseas voters' ballots accepted through 5:00 p.m., June 12).  | 7-15-420<br>7-15-700  |

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| June 11<br>After 7:00 p.m. | County boards begin reporting primary election results locally and through scVOTES.gov.   | 7-13-1110<br>7-13-1160           |
| June 12<br>5:00 p.m.       | Deadline for county boards to conduct hand-count audit and provide results to SEC.  | 7-3-20(C)(2)                     |
| June 13<br>1:00 p.m.       | Deadline for county boards to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hold provisional ballot hearing.</li> <li>• Complete canvass of votes.</li> <li>• Certify results.</li> <li>• Order any necessary runoffs and recounts for county-level offices</li> </ul>  | 7-17-510<br>7-17-610<br>7-17-280 |
| June 14<br>12:00 noon      | Deadline for county boards to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Notify SEC VREMS team of any county-level runoffs and mark county-level offices for the Runoff in VREMS (do not mark state-level offices).</li> <li>• Update statuses of county-level candidates in VREMS (do not update state-level candidates).</li> <li>• Enter Primary provisional ballot data in VREMS.</li> </ul> | Help<br>America<br>Vote Act      |
| June 14<br>3:00 p.m.       | State Board of Canvassers meets to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete canvassing of votes.</li> <li>• Certify results.</li> <li>• Order any necessary runoffs and recounts for state-level offices.</li> </ul>  | 7-17-510<br>7-17-610<br>7-17-280 |
| June 14<br>After SEC cert. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• County boards may begin transmitting absentee ballots for Runoffs.</li> </ul>  | 7-15-370                         |
| June 14                    | SEC generates e-pollbook files for Runoff   |                                  |
| June 17<br>12:00 noon      | Deadline for filing protest of Primary with appropriate county or state party executive committee.  | 7-17-520<br>7-17-560             |
| June 19                    | Early voting for Runoffs begins at county voter registration offices and other early voting centers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Wednesday – Friday).</li> </ul>  | 7-13-25                          |
| June 20                    | Protest hearings for Primaries held by appropriate county or state party executive committee.   | 7-17-530<br>7-17-570             |
| June 21<br>3:00 p.m.       | Deadline for notice of appeal to the state party executive committee from decisions by county party executive committee.  | 7-17-540                         |
| June 21<br>5:00 p.m.       | Deadline to vote early in person for Primary Runoffs.   | 7-13-25                          |
| June 22<br>12:00 noon      | Deadline for state party executive committee to hear appeals.   | 7-17-550                         |
| June 23<br>7:00 a.m.       | Earliest possible time county boards can begin opening absentee mailing envelopes and removing secrecy envelopes.   | 7-15-420                         |
| June 25                    | <b>Primary Runoffs.</b> Polls open 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.  | 7-13-40                          |
| June 25<br>7:00 a.m.       | Earliest possible time county boards can begin opening absentee secrecy envelopes and processing ballots.   | 7-15-420                         |
| June 25<br>7:00 p.m.       | Deadline for county boards to receive absentee ballots (military and overseas voters' ballots accepted through 5:00 p.m., June 26).   | 7-15-420<br>7-15-700             |
| June 25<br>After 7:00 p.m. | County boards begin reporting election results locally and through scVOTES.gov.   | 7-13-1110<br>7-13-1160           |

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| June 27<br>1:00 p.m.    | Deadline for county boards to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hold provisional ballot hearing.</li> <li>• Complete canvass of votes.</li> <li>• Certify results.</li> <li>• Order any necessary runoffs and recounts for county-level offices.</li> </ul>   | 7-17-510<br>7-17-610<br>7-17-280             |
| June 28<br>12:00 noon   | Deadline for county boards to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Notify SEC VREMS team of any county-level runoffs and mark county-level offices for the Runoff in VREMS (do not mark state-level offices).</li> <li>• Update statuses of county-level candidates in VREMS (do not update state-level candidates).</li> <li>• Enter Primary provisional ballot data in VREMS.</li> </ul>   | Help<br>America<br>Vote Act                  |
| June 28<br>3:00 p.m.    | State Board of Canvassers meets to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete canvassing of votes.</li> <li>• Certify results.</li> <li>• Order any necessary runoffs and recounts for state-level offices.</li> </ul>  | 7-17-510<br>7-17-610<br>7-17-280             |
| June 28                 | Deadline for Sheriff candidates to make fingerprints available to SLED for search of local, state, and federal files for any criminal record.   | 23-11-110                                    |
| July 1<br>12:00 noon    | Deadline for filing protest of Runoff with appropriate county or state party executive committee.   | 7-17-520<br>7-17-560                         |
| July 5                  | Protest hearings for Runoffs held by appropriate county or state party executive committee.   | 7-17-530<br>7-17-570                         |
| July 5<br>3:00 p.m.     | Deadline for notice of appeal to the state party executive committee from decisions by county party executive committee.  | 7-17-540                                     |
| July 6<br>12:00 noon    | Deadline for state party executive committee to hear appeals.   | 7-17-550                                     |
| July 8                  | Date on which number of signatures required for candidate petitions is determined.  | 7-11-70                                      |
| July 15<br>12:00 noon   | Deadline to submit petition to appropriate election official for name to be placed on General Election ballot.  | 7-13-351                                     |
| July 25                 | Deadline for county board to submit election expense reimbursement request to the SEC for Runoff.   |  |
| August 6                | SEC provides Public Notice of General Election template to county boards.   | 7-13-35                                      |
| August 15<br>12:00 noon | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deadline to check petitions and certify petition candidates.</li> <li>• Deadline to certify referendum questions to county boards to be placed on General Election ballot.</li> <li>• Deadline for political parties to certify candidates to appropriate county board or SEC.</li> <li>• Deadline for nonpartisan candidates to file and be certified for General Election ballot (actual filing deadlines for some non-partisan offices could differ according to local legislation).</li> </ul> | 7-13-350<br>7-13-351<br>7-13-352<br>7-13-355 |
| August 16               | Deadline for SEC to make sample ballot available for General Election.  | 7-15-740                                     |
| September 6             | Deadline to publish first public notice of General Election in newspaper of general circulation in county.  | 7-13-35                                      |

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| September 13<br>5:00 p.m.     | Deadline for candidates to withdraw and have name removed from the General Election ballot.  |                        |
| September 21                  | Deadline to mail General Election absentee ballots to UOCAVA voters (Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act).   | 7-15-650<br>7-15-680   |
| October 4<br>5:00 p.m.        | Deadline to register to vote in person for General Election (unless county board holds weekend hours).   | 7-5-150                |
| October 6<br>11:59 p.m.       | Deadline to register to vote online or by fax or email for General Election.   | 7-5-155<br>7-5-185     |
| October 7                     | Deadline to register to vote by mail for General Election (must be postmarked by this date).   | 7-5-155                |
| October 21                    | Early voting for General Election begins at county voter registration offices and other early voting centers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Monday – Saturday).</li> <li>• Closed Sunday, October 27.</li> </ul> | 7-13-25                |
| October 25<br>5:00 p.m.       | Deadline to apply for absentee ballot for General Election.  | 7-15-330               |
| November 2<br>6:00 p.m.       | Deadline to vote early in person for General Election.   | 7-13-25                |
| November 3<br>7:00 a.m.       | Earliest possible time county boards can begin opening absentee mailing envelopes and removing secrecy envelopes.  | 7-15-420               |
| <b>November 5</b>             | <b>General Election Day.</b> Polls open 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.  | 7-13-10<br>7-13-60     |
| November 5<br>7:00 a.m.       | Earliest possible time county boards can begin opening absentee secrecy envelopes and processing ballots.  | 7-15-420               |
| November 5<br>7:00 p.m.       | Deadline for county boards to receive absentee ballots (military and overseas voters' ballots accepted through 5:00 p.m., November 7).   | 7-15-420<br>7-15-700   |
| November 5<br>After 7:00 p.m. | County boards begin reporting election results locally and through scVOTES.gov.  | 7-13-1110<br>7-13-1160 |
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| November 8<br>1:00 p.m.       | Deadline for county boards to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hold provisional ballot hearing.</li> <li>• Complete canvass of votes.</li> <li>• Certify results.</li> <li>• Order any necessary recounts for county-level offices.</li> </ul>    | 7-17-10<br>7-17-280    |
| November 13<br>12:00 noon     | Deadline for filing protests of county-level offices with county boards.   | 7-17-30                |
| November 14<br>3:00 p.m.      | State Board of Canvassers meets to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Canvass votes.</li> <li>• Certify results.</li> <li>• Order any necessary recounts for state-level offices.</li> </ul>  | 7-17-220<br>7-17-280   |
| November 18                   | Protest hearings held by county boards for countywide or less than countywide elections.   | 7-17-50                |
| November 19<br>12:00 noon     | Deadline to file protests of federal, state or multi-county offices with the State Board of Canvassers.  | 7-17-260               |

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| November 25<br>12:00 noon | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deadline to file appeal of county board decision to State Board of Canvassers.</li> <li>• Deadline for county board to submit transcript of protest hearing to the State Board of Canvassers.</li> </ul> | 7-17-50<br>7-17-60 |
| December 9<br>12:00 noon  | Latest possible date for State Board to hear appeals. Appeals must be heard not later than noon, 14 days following filing of appeal.  | 7-17-70            |
| December 14               | Latest possible date for State Board to hear a protest of a federal, state or multi-county office. Protests must be heard not earlier than the fifth nor later than the 25th day following filing of protest.                                     | 7-17-270           |