

2022 Idaho Election Calendar

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This edition of the 2022 Idaho Election Calendar is subject to amendatory changes during the 2022 session of the Idaho Legislature. If changes occur, an updated version will be published.

- Jan. 15 **Election Precincts:** Deadline for county commissioners to establish election precincts. [[§34-301](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Jan. 18 **Ballot Question Submission Deadline:** School districts must supply ballot language (to the county clerk) for any bond or property tax levy questions — to be placed on the ballot — for the March 8 election. [[§34-106\(8\)](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Jan. 20 **Precinct Committeemen List:** Deadline for county clerks to deliver — to the chairman of the county central committee of each political party — a list (in writing) of the election precincts in the county with the precinct committeemen who were elected at the last primary election or who have since been appointed. [[§34-502](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Jan. 21 **Early Voting Security Plan:** Deadline for county clerks to submit their ballot security plan to the secretary of state. (*NOTE: The Early Voting Security Plan must be submitted at least 30 days prior to implementing an early voting plan.) [[§34-1013](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Jan. 21 **Recall Order Deadline:** County clerk must order recall election for political subdivisions - to be placed on the ballot - for the March 8 election. [[§34-106\(9\)](#) and [§34-1707](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Jan. 27 **Voting Procedure Modifications:** Deadline for county clerks to submit their plans to the secretary of state; if they want to modify voting procedures (for a political subdivision) — for the March 8 election. [[§34-1413](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Feb. 1 **Precinct Committeemen Certification:** Deadline for the chairman (of each county central committee) to certify — to the county clerk — the names and addresses of the precinct committeemen of the political party. [[§34-502](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Feb. 4 **Designate Polling Places:** Deadline for county commissioners to designate polling places — for the March 8 election. [[§34-302](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Feb. 7 **Mail Absentee Ballots:** County clerks must begin mailing absentee ballots — to voters who have requested absentee ballots — for the March 8 election. [Secretary of State Directive [2015-1](#)]
- Feb. 11 **Preregistration Deadline:** Voter registration deadline for the March 8 election. (Deadline is postmarked by this date for mailed paper applications, 5 p.m. for paper applications handed in to the county clerk's office, or until midnight for online applications.) [[§34-408](#) and [§34-410](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Feb. 14 **Mail Ballot Precincts:** County clerks may begin mailing ballots to voters located in designated mail ballot precincts — for the March 8 election. [[§34-308](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Feb. 22 **Early Voting Start Deadline:** For those counties that choose to conduct early voting. [[§34-1012](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Feb. 22 **Mail Ballot Precincts:** Deadline for county clerks to complete mailing ballots to voters in designated mail ballot precincts — for the March 8 election. [[§34-308](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Feb. 24 **Poll Watchers:** Deadline for a pro and con representative to submit a written request (to the county clerk) for the purpose of authorizing challengers or watchers to observe at polling places — for the March 8 election. [[§34-304](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Feb. 24 **Publish First Election Notification:** Deadline for county clerk to publish the first notice of election — in the county's official newspaper(s) — for the March 8 election. (If possible, the notice should appear in at least two newspapers published in the county. If not possible, it should be published in one newspaper published or circulated in the county.) [[§34-1406](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Feb. 25 **Absentee Ballot Application Deadline:** Applications must be received by the county clerk by 5 p.m. — for the March 8 election. [[§34-1002\(7\)](#), *Idaho Code*]

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- Feb. 25 - Mar. 4 **Publish Notification of Candidate Filing Deadline:** County clerk must publish a notification of the candidate filing deadline — for the May 17 primary — during this period. The notice should appear in the official newspaper(s) of the political subdivision. [§34-1405, Idaho Code]
- Feb. 28 **Nonpartisan Candidate Filing Begins:** Petitions to nominate political subdivision candidates — for the May 17 primary — may begin being filed with the clerk of the political subdivision. [§34-1404, Idaho Code]
- Feb. 28 **County Candidate Filing Begins:** Candidates (including independents) who plan to run for county office — during the May 17 and Nov. 8 elections — may begin filing declarations of candidacy with the county clerk. [§34-704 and §34-708, Idaho Code]
- Feb. 28 **Statewide Candidate Filing Begins:** Candidates (including independents) who plan to run for precinct, state, or district office — during the May 17 and Nov. 8 elections — may begin filing declarations of candidacy with the secretary of state. [§34-704 and §34-708, Idaho Code]
- Mar. 3 **Publish Second Election Notification:** Deadline for county clerk to publish the second notice of election — along with a facsimile sample ballot — for the March 8 election. (If possible, the notice should appear in at least two newspapers published in the county. If not possible, it should be published in one newspaper published or circulated in the county.) [§34-1406, Idaho Code]
- Mar. 3 **Emergency Absentee Ballots:** County clerks may receive emergency absentee ballot applications from this date through 5 p.m. on March 7 from those who cannot be present for voting due to hospitalization if hospitalization began after 5 p.m. on Feb. 25. [§34-1002A, Idaho Code]
- Mar. 4 **In-Person Absentee/Early Voting Ends:** At 5 p.m. — for the March 8 election. [§34-1002(7) and §34-1012, Idaho Code]
- Mar. 8 **Absentee Ballot Return Deadline:** Voted absentee ballots must be received — by the county clerk — by 8 p.m. [§34-1005, Idaho Code]
- Mar. 8 **Election Day:** Polling places — and the county clerk’s office — to be open 8 a.m.–8 p.m. (*County clerk may opt to open at 7 a.m.) Qualified individuals may register and vote at their designated polling place on election day. [§34-211, §34-408A, and §34-1101, Idaho Code]
- Mar. 9 Voter Registration Reopens [§34-408, Idaho Code]
- Mar. 11 **Political Party Affiliation:** Last day electors can change political party affiliation (with the county clerk) or become “unaffiliated” before the May 17 primary. [§34-411A, Idaho Code]
- Mar. 11 **Nonpartisan Candidate Filing Deadline:** Petitions must be filed by 5 p.m. — with the clerk of the political subdivision — to nominate political subdivision candidates — for the May 17 primary. [§34-1404, Idaho Code]
- Mar. 11 **County Candidate Filing Deadline:** Candidates (for county office; including independents) must file a declaration of candidacy with the county clerk by 5 p.m. — for the May 17 and Nov. 8 elections. [§34-704 and §34-708, Idaho Code]
- Mar. 11 **Statewide Candidate Filing Deadline:** Candidates (for precinct, state, or district office; including independents) must file a declaration of candidacy with the secretary of state by 5 p.m. — for the May 17 and Nov. 8 elections. [§34-704 and §34-708, Idaho Code]
- Mar. 14 **County Central Committee Notification Deadline:** County clerk to notify the central committee of the candidates who are qualified to run for county/precinct office — for the May 17 and Nov. 8 elections. [§34-706, Idaho Code]
- Mar. 14 **Statewide Central Committees Notification Deadline:** Secretary of state to notify the legislative district and state central committees of the candidates who are qualified to run for legislative, federal, and state office — for the May 17 and Nov. 8 elections. [§34-706, Idaho Code]

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- Mar. 18 **County Canvass:** Deadline for the board of county commissioners to meet and conduct the canvass — of the March 8 election. [[§34-1205](#) and [§34-1410](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Mar. 18* **County Election Certification:** Deadline for county clerks to certify the results — of the March 8 election — to the clerk of the political subdivision(s). (*This date may vary; to be done immediately after the canvass.) [[§34-1205](#) and [§34-1410](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Mar. 18 **Nonpartisan Nominee Certification:** Deadline for the clerk of the political subdivision to certify nominees — to be placed on the ballot — for the May 17 primary. [[§34-1404](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Mar. 18 **Ballot Question Submission Deadline:** Political subdivisions must submit ballot language (to the county clerk) for any bond, levy, initiative, referendum, or other question — to be placed on the ballot — for the May 17 primary [[§34-106](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Mar. 21 **Partisan Candidate Certification:** Deadline for the secretary of state to certify candidates — for federal, state, and district office — for the May 17 primary. (Candidates who are appointed after this deadline will be certified within one business day.) [[§34-705\(2\)](#) and [§34-705\(3\)](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Mar. 25 **Partisan Candidate Withdrawal Deadline:** Last day partisan candidates can withdraw from the May 17 primary. [[§34-717](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Mar. 25 **Write-In Candidates:** Deadline for partisan and nonpartisan write-in candidates to file a declaration of intent for the May 17 primary. [[§34-702A](#) and [§34-1407](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Apr. 1 **Mail Ballot Precinct Designation:** Deadline for the board of county commissioners to designate mail ballot precincts. [[§34-308](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Apr. 1 **Absentee Ballot Delivery Witnesses:** Deadline for political parties to supply names of witnesses (if desired) to accompany the clerk in the personal delivery of an absentee ballot — for the May 17 primary. [[§34-1003\(5\)](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Apr. 1 **Nonpartisan Candidate Withdrawal Deadline:** Last day nonpartisan candidates can withdraw from the May 17 primary. [[§34-1405A](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Apr. 1 **Recall Order Deadline:** County clerk must order recall election for political subdivisions - to be placed on the ballot - for the May 17 primary election. [[§34-106\(9\)](#) and [§34-1707](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Apr. 1 **Mail Absentee Ballots:** County clerks must begin mailing absentee ballots — to voters who have requested absentee ballots — for the May 17 primary. [[§34-1003](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Apr. 4* **Early Voting Security Plan:** Deadline for county clerks to submit their ballot security plan to the secretary of state. (*NOTE: The Early Voting Security Plan must be submitted at least 30 days prior to implementing an early voting plan.) [[§34-1013](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Apr. 7 **Sample Ballot:** Secretary of state to provide county clerks with the sample form of the May 17 primary ballot. [[§34-712](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Apr. 7 **Voting Procedure Modifications:** Deadline for county clerks to submit their plans to the secretary of state; if they want to modify voting procedures (for a political subdivision) — for the May 17 election. [[§34-1413](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Apr. 15 **Election Personnel:** Deadline for precinct committeemen to recommend (in writing) election board personnel — to the county clerk — for the May 17 primary. [[§34-303](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Apr. 15 **Designate Polling Places:** Deadline for county commissioners to designate polling places — for the May 17 election. [[§34-302](#), *Idaho Code*]
- Apr. 22 **Preregistration Deadline:** Voter registration deadline for the May 17 election. (Deadline is postmarked by this date for mailed paper applications, 5 p.m. for paper applications handed in to the county clerk's office, or until midnight for online applications.) [[§34-408](#) and [§34-410](#), *Idaho Code*]

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- Apr. 25 **Mail Ballot Precincts:** County clerks may begin mailing ballots to voters located in designated mail ballot precincts — for the May 17 primary. [[§34-308, Idaho Code](#)]
- Apr. 27* **Local Bond/Levy Election Disputes:** Deadline for electors to contest the bond or levy election results — of the March 8 election. (*This date may vary; complaints must be filed in the proper court within 40 days of the county canvass. [[§34-2001A, Idaho Code](#)]
- Apr. 30* **Initiative Signature Deadline:** Last day to circulate initiative petitions for signatures. (*This date may vary; the deadline can't extend past the 18-month circulation period. [[§34-1802\(1\), Idaho Code](#)]
- May 2* **Initiative Submission Deadline:** Last day to submit signed initiative petitions to the county clerk (by the close of business) for verification. (*This date may vary; the deadline can't extend past the 18-month circulation period. [[§34-1802\(2\), Idaho Code](#)]
- May 2 **Early Voting Start Deadline:** For those counties that choose to conduct early voting. [[§34-1012, Idaho Code](#)]
- May 3 **Mail Ballot Precincts:** Deadline for county clerks to complete mailing ballots to voters in designated mail ballot precincts — for the May 17 election. [[§34-308, Idaho Code](#)]
- May 5 **Publish First Election Notification:** Deadline for county clerk to publish the first notice of election — in the county's official newspaper(s) — for the May 17 election. (If possible, the notice should appear in at least two newspapers published in the county. If not possible, it should be published in one newspaper published or circulated in the county.) [[§34-602](#) and [§34-1406, Idaho Code](#)]
- May 5 **Poll Watchers:** Deadline for a pro and con representative to submit a written request (to the county clerk) for the purpose of authorizing challengers or watchers to observe at polling places — for the May 17 election. [[§34-304, Idaho Code](#)]
- May 6 **Election Register Examination:** Deadline for county clerks to examine the election register, from the March 8 election, and note challenges. [[§34-432\(1\), Idaho Code](#)]
- May 6 **Absentee Ballot Application Deadline:** Applications must be received by the county clerk by 5 p.m. — for the May 17 election. [[§34-1002\(7\), Idaho Code](#)]
- May 12 **Publish Second Election Notification:** Deadline for county clerk to publish the second notice of election — along with a facsimile sample ballot — for the May 17 election. (If possible, the notice should appear in at least two newspapers published in the county. If not possible, it should be published in one newspaper published or circulated in the county.) [[§34-602](#) and [§34-1406, Idaho Code](#)]
- May 12 **Emergency Absentee Ballots:** County clerks may receive emergency absentee ballot applications from this date through 5 p.m. on May 16 from those who cannot be present for voting due to hospitalization if hospitalization began after 5 p.m. on May 6. [[§34-1002A, Idaho Code](#)]
- May 13 **In-Person Absentee/Early Voting Ends:** At 5 p.m. — for the May 17 election. [[§34-1002\(7\)](#) and [§34-1012, Idaho Code](#)]
- May 17 **Absentee Ballot Return Deadline:** Voted absentee ballots must be received — by the county clerk — by 8 p.m. [[§34-1005, Idaho Code](#)]
- May 17 **Election Day:** Polling places — and the county clerk's office — to be open 8 a.m.–8 p.m. (*County clerk may opt to open at 7 a.m.) Qualified individuals may register and vote at their designated polling place on election day. [[§34-211](#), [§34-408A](#), and [§34-1101, Idaho Code](#)]
- May 18 **Voter Registration Reopens:** Voters can once again become “unaffiliated” or change their political party affiliation. [[§34-408](#) and [§34-411A, Idaho Code](#)]
- May 24 **County Canvass:** Deadline for the board of county commissioners to meet and conduct the canvass — of the May 17 primary. (The deadline to conduct the canvass for political subdivisions is May 27, however, the secretary of state recommends conducting both canvasses together.) [[§34-1205](#) and [[§34-1410, Idaho Code](#)]

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- May 24* **County Election Certification:** Deadline for county clerks to certify the results — of the May 17 primary — to the secretary of state and the clerk of the political subdivision(s). (*This date may vary; to be done immediately after the county canvass.) [§34-1208, Idaho Code]
- May 24* **Nomination Certificates:** Deadline for county clerk to issue certificates of nomination to county candidates. (*This date may vary; to be done immediately after the county canvass.) [§34-1208, Idaho Code]
- May 24* **Election Certificates:** Deadline for the clerk of the political subdivision to issue certificates of election. (*This date may vary; to be done immediately after the canvass, the deadline for which is May 27, however, the secretary of state recommends conducting both canvasses together.) [§34-1410, Idaho Code]
- May 27 **County Central Committee Elections:** Deadline for the county central committees to elect officers. [§34-502, Idaho Code]
- May 31 **Legislative District Central Committee Elections:** Deadline for legislative district central committees to elect officers. [§34-503, Idaho Code]
- Jun. 1 **State Board Canvass:** Deadline for the state board of canvassers to meet and conduct the canvass — of the May 17 primary election. [§34-1211, Idaho Code]
- Jun. 1* **State Board Election Certification:** Deadline for state board of canvassers to certify results — of the May 17 primary — for all federal, state, and district candidates. (*This date may vary; to be done after the state board canvass.) [§34-1208, Idaho Code]
- Jun. 1* **Election Certificates:** County clerk to issue certificates of election to the precinct committeemen. (*This date may vary; to be done within eight days after the county canvass.) [§34-1208, Idaho Code]
- Jun. 1* **Nomination Certificates:** Deadline for secretary of state to issue certificates of nomination to federal, state, and district candidates. (*This date may vary; to be done immediately after the state board canvass.) [§34-1214(1), Idaho Code]
- Jun. 1* **Nomination/Election Certificates:** Deadline for secretary of state to issue certificates of nomination/ election to judicial candidates. (*This date may vary; to be done immediately after the state board canvass.) [§34-1214(2), Idaho Code]
- Jun. 13* **Local Recount Applications:** Deadline — for county and political subdivision candidates or supporters/ opponents of a county or political subdivision ballot question — to apply to the attorney general for a recount of the May 17 election. (*This date may vary; it must be done within 20 days of the county canvass.) [§34-2301, Idaho Code]
- Jun. 13* **Local Election Disputes:** Deadline for electors to contest the (county or political subdivision) candidate or ballot measure results — of the May 17 election. (*This date may vary; complaints must be filed in the proper court within 20 days of the county canvass.) [§34-2008, Idaho Code]
- Jun. 21* **State Board Recount Applications:** Deadline — for federal, state, legislative, or judicial candidates — to apply to the attorney general for a recount of the May 17 election. (*This date may vary; it must be done within 20 days of the state board canvass.) [§34-2301, Idaho Code]
- Jun. 21* **State Board Election Disputes:** Deadline for electors to contest the (statewide) results — of the May 17 election. (*This date may vary; complaints must be filed in the proper court within 20 days of the state board canvass.) [§34-2008, Idaho Code]
- Jun. 30* **Initiative Signature Verification Deadline:** Last day for county clerks to verify petition signatures. (*This date may vary; the deadline is 60 days from the submission deadline.) [§34-1802(3), Idaho Code]
- Jul. 5* **Local Bond/Levy Election Disputes:** Deadline for electors to contest the bond or levy election results — of the May 17 election. (*This date may vary; complaints must be filed in the proper court within 40 days of the county canvass.) [§34-2001A, Idaho Code]

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- Jul. 8 **Initiative Signature Filing Deadline:** Initiative petitions with sufficient verified signatures attached must be filed with the secretary of state. [[§34-1802, Idaho Code](#)]
- Jul. 11 **Ballot Question Submission Deadline:** School districts must supply ballot language (to the county clerk) for any bond or property tax levy questions — to be placed on the ballot — for the Aug. 30 election. [[§34-106, Idaho Code](#)]
- Jul. 15 **Recall Order Deadline:** County clerk must order recall election for political subdivisions - to be placed on the ballot - for the Aug. 30 election. [[§34-106\(9\)](#) and [§34-1707, Idaho Code](#)]
- Jul. 15 **Election Register Examination:** Deadline for county clerks to examine the election register, from the May 17 primary, and note challenges. [[§34-432\(1\), Idaho Code](#)]
- Jul. 18* **Early Voting Security Plan:** Deadline for county clerks to submit their ballot security plan to the secretary of state. (*NOTE: The Early Voting Security Plan must be submitted at least 30 days prior to implementing an early voting plan.) [[§34-1013, Idaho Code](#)]
- Jul. 21 **Voting Procedure Modifications:** Deadline for county clerks to submit their plans to the secretary of state; if they want to modify voting procedures (for a political subdivision) — for the Aug. 30 election. [[§34-1413, Idaho Code](#)]
- Jul. 27 - Aug. 3 **Publish Notification of Candidate Filing Deadline:** County clerks with a countywide highway district must publish a notification of the candidate filing deadline — for the Nov. 3 General Election — during this period. The notice should appear in the official newspaper(s) of the political subdivision. [[§34-625](#), [§34-625A](#), and [§34-1405, Idaho Code](#)]
- Jul. 29 **Designate Polling Places:** Deadline for county commissioners to designate polling places — for the Aug. 30 election. [[§34-302, Idaho Code](#)]
- Aug. 1 **Mail Absentee Ballots:** County clerks to begin mailing absentee ballots — to voters who have requested absentee ballots — for the Aug. 30 election. [Secretary of State workshop instructions]
- Aug. 5 **Preregistration Deadline:** Voter registration deadline for the Aug. 30 election. (Deadline is postmarked by this date for mailed paper applications, 5 p.m. for paper applications handed in to the county clerk's office, or until midnight for online applications.) [[§34-408](#) and [§34-410, Idaho Code](#)]
- Aug. 8 **Mail Ballot Precincts:** County clerks may begin mailing ballots to voters located in designated mail ballot precincts — for the Aug. 30 election. [[§34-308, Idaho Code](#)]
- Aug. 10 **Magistrate Candidate Filing Deadline:** Magistrates who are up for retention — must file a declaration of candidacy with the county clerk — for the (Nov. 8) General Election. [[§1-2220, Idaho Code](#)]
- Aug. 10 **Countywide Highway District Candidate Filing Deadline:** Countywide highway district commissioner candidates — must file a declaration of candidacy with the county clerk — for the (Nov. 8) General Election. [[§34-625](#) and [§34-625A, Idaho Code](#)]
- Aug. 15 **Early Voting Start Deadline:** For those counties that choose to conduct early voting. [[§34-1012, Idaho Code](#)]
- Aug. 16 **Mail Ballot Precincts:** Deadline for county clerks to complete mailing ballots to voters in designated mail ballot precincts — for the Aug. 30 election. [[§34-308, Idaho Code](#)]
- Aug. 18 **Poll Watchers:** Deadline for a pro and con representative to submit a written request (to the county clerk) for the purpose of authorizing challengers or watchers to observe at polling places — for the Aug. 30 election. [[§34-304, Idaho Code](#)]
- Aug. 18 **Publish First Election Notification:** Deadline for county clerk to publish the first notice of election — in the county's official newspaper(s) — for the Aug. 30 election. (If possible, the notice should appear in at least two newspapers published in the county. If not possible, it should be published in one newspaper published or circulated in the county.) [[§34-602](#) and [§34-1406, Idaho Code](#)]

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- Aug. 18 - 25 **Publish Notification of Candidate Filing Deadline:** County clerk must publish a notification of the candidate filing deadline for all taxing districts for which officers will be elected in the (Nov. 8) General Election — during this period. The notice should appear in the official newspaper of the political subdivision. [[§34-1405, Idaho Code](#)]
- Aug. 19 **Absentee Ballot Application Deadline:** Applications must be received by the county clerk by 5 p.m. — for the Aug. 30 election. [[§34-1002\(7\), Idaho Code](#)]
- Aug. 25 **Publish Second Election Notification:** Deadline for county clerk to publish the second notice of election — along with a facsimile sample ballot — for the Aug. 30 election. (If possible, the notice should appear in at least two newspapers published in the county. If not possible, it should be published in one newspaper published or circulated in the county.) [[§34-602](#) and [§34-1406, Idaho Code](#)]
- Aug. 25 **Emergency Absentee Ballots:** County clerks may receive emergency absentee ballot applications from this date through 5 p.m. on August 29 from those who cannot be present for voting due to hospitalization if hospitalization began after 5 p.m. on August 19. [[§34-1002A, Idaho Code](#)]
- Aug. 26 **In-Person Absentee/Early Voting Ends:** At 5 p.m. — for the Aug. 30 election. [[§34-1002\(7\)](#) and [§34-1012, Idaho Code](#)]
- Aug. 30 **Absentee Ballot Return Deadline:** Voted absentee ballots must be received — by the county clerk — by 8 p.m. [[§34-1005, Idaho Code](#)]
- Aug. 30 **Election Day:** Polling places — and the county clerk’s office — to be open 8 a.m.–8 p.m. (*County clerk may opt to open at 7 a.m.) Qualified individuals may register and vote at their designated polling place on election day. [[§34-211](#), [§34-408A](#), and [§34-1101, Idaho Code](#)]
- Aug. 30 **Political Party Petition Filings:** Deadline for a new political party to file a formation petition with the secretary of state. [[§34-501, Idaho Code](#)]
- Aug. 31 Voter Registration Reopens [[§34-408, Idaho Code](#)]
- Sept. 1 **Nonpartisan Candidate Filing Deadline:** Petitions must be filed by 5 p.m. — with the clerk of the political subdivision — to nominate political subdivision candidates — for the Nov. 8 election. [[§34-1404, Idaho Code](#)]
- Sept. 7 **Sample Ballot:** Secretary of state to provide county clerks with sample ballots for the (Nov. 8) General Election. [[§34-909, Idaho Code](#)]
- Sept. 7 **Statewide Ballot Question Certification:** Deadline for the secretary of state to certify a proposed constitution, constitutional amendments, or other ballot questions to the county clerks for the (Nov. 8) General Election. [[§34-603, Idaho Code](#)]
- Sept. 7 **Partisan Candidate Withdrawal Deadline:** Last day partisan candidates can withdraw from the (Nov. 8) General Election. [[§34-717, Idaho Code](#)]
- Sept. 8 **Nonpartisan Nominee Certification:** Deadline for the clerk of the political subdivision to certify nominees — to be placed on the ballot — for the Nov. 8 election. [[§34-1404, Idaho Code](#)]
- Sept. 9 **County Canvass:** Deadline for the board of county commissioners to meet and conduct the canvass — of the Aug. 30 election. [[§34-1410, Idaho Code](#)]
- Sept. 9* **County Election Certification:** Deadline for county clerks to certify the results — of the Aug. 30 election — to the clerk of the political subdivision(s). (*This date may vary; to be done immediately after the canvass.) [[§34-1410, Idaho Code](#)]
- Sept. 9 **Ballot Question Submission Deadline:** Political subdivisions must submit ballot language (to the county clerk) for any bond, levy, initiative, referendum, or other question — to be placed on the ballot — for the Nov. 8 election. [[§34-106, Idaho Code](#)]

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- Sept. 9 **Partisan Candidate Certification:** Deadline for the secretary of state to certify candidates — for federal, state, and district office — for the (Nov. 8) General Election. [§34-909, Idaho Code]
- Sept. 16 **Write-In Candidates:** Deadline for candidates who won nomination as a write-in candidates in the primary, and are a candidate for an office for which the candidacy filing must be submitted to the secretary of state, to pay the filing fee or the petition signatures required for candidates for such office. [§34-702, Idaho Code]
- Sept. 16 **Write-In Candidates:** Deadline for write-in candidates to file a declaration of intent with the Secretary of State, county clerk, or clerk of the political subdivision, as the case may be — for the Nov. 8 election. [§34-702A and §34-1407, Idaho Code]
- Sept. 19 Last day for county clerk to print absentee ballots for the (Nov. 8) General Election. [Secretary of State Directive 2015-1]
- Sept. 23 **Absentee Ballot Delivery Witnesses:** Deadline for political parties to supply names of witnesses to the county clerk if the political party wants a witness to accompany the clerk in the personal delivery of an absentee ballot for the (Nov. 8) General Election. [§34-1003(5), Idaho Code]
- Sept. 23 **Nonpartisan Candidate Withdrawal Deadline:** Last day nonpartisan candidates can withdraw from the Nov. 8 election. [§34-1405A, Idaho Code]
- Sept. 23 **Mail Absentee Ballots:** County clerks must mail absentee ballots to voters for whom they have a valid absentee ballot request for the (Nov. 8) General Election. [§34-1003(3), Idaho Code]
- Sept. 23 **Recall Order Deadline:** County clerk must order recall election for political subdivisions - to be placed on the ballot - for the Nov. 8 election. [§34-106(9) and §34-1707, Idaho Code]
- Sept. 26* **Early Voting Security Plan:** Deadline for county clerks to submit their ballot security plan to the secretary of state. (*NOTE: The Early Voting Security Plan must be submitted at least 30 days prior to implementing an early voting plan.) [§34-1013, Idaho Code]
- Sept. 29 **Voting Procedure Modifications:** Deadline for county clerks to submit their plans to the secretary of state; if they want to modify voting procedures (for a political subdivision) — for the (Nov. 8) General Election. [§34-1413, Idaho Code]
- Sept. 29* **Recount Applications:** Deadline — for supporters or opponents of a ballot measure — to apply to the county clerk for a recount of the Aug. 30 election. (*This date may vary; it must be done within 20 days of the canvass). [§34-2301, Idaho Code]
- Oct. 7 **Designate Polling Places:** Deadline for county commissioners to designate polling places — for the (Nov. 8) General Election. [§34-302, Idaho Code]
- Oct. 14 **Preregistration Deadline:** Voter registration deadline for the Nov. 8 election. (Deadline is postmarked by this date for mailed paper applications, 5 p.m. for paper applications handed in to the county clerk’s office, or until midnight for online applications.) [§34-408 and §34-410, Idaho Code]
- Oct. 17 **Mail Ballot Precincts:** County clerks to begin mailing ballots to voters located in designated mail ballot precincts — for the (Nov. 8) General Election. [§34-308, Idaho Code]
- Oct. 19* **Local Bond/Levy Election Disputes:** Deadline for electors to contest the bond or levy election results — of the August 30 election. (*This date may vary; complaints must be filed in the proper court within 40 days of the county canvass. [§34-2001A, Idaho Code]
- Oct. 24 **Early Voting Start Deadline:** For those counties that choose to conduct early voting. [§34-1012, Idaho Code]
- Oct. 25 **Mail Ballot Precincts:** Deadline for county clerks to complete mailing ballots to voters in designated mail ballot precincts — for the Nov. 8 election. [§34-308, Idaho Code]

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- Oct. 27 **Poll Watchers:** Deadline for political parties, candidates, or a pro or con representative to submit a written request (to the county clerk) for the purpose of authorizing challengers or watchers to observe at polling places — for the (Nov. 8) General Election. [§34-304, Idaho Code]
- Oct. 27 **Publish First Election Notification:** Deadline for county clerk to publish the first notice of election — in the county’s official newspaper(s) — for the Nov. 8 election. (If possible, the notice should appear in at least two newspapers published in the county. If not possible, it should be published in one newspaper published or circulated in the county.) [§34-602 and §34-1406, Idaho Code]
- Oct. 28 **Election Register Examination:** Deadline for county clerks to examine the election register, from the Aug. 30 election, and note challenges. [§34-432(1), Idaho Code]
- Oct. 28 **Absentee Ballot Application Deadline:** Applications must be received by the county clerk by 5 p.m. — for the Nov. 8 election. [§34-1002(7), Idaho Code]
- Nov. 3 **Publish Second Election Notification:** Deadline for county clerk to publish the second notice of election along with a facsimile sample ballot — for the Nov. 8 election. (If possible, the notice should appear in at least two newspapers published in the county. If not possible, it should be published in one newspaper published or circulated in the county.) [§34-602 and §34-1406, Idaho Code]
- Nov. 3 **Emergency Absentee Ballots:** County clerks may receive emergency absentee ballot applications from this date through 5 p.m. on November 7 from those who cannot be present for voting due to hospitalization if hospitalization began after 5 p.m. on October 28. [§34-1002A, Idaho Code]
- Nov. 4 **In-Person Absentee/Early Voting Ends:** At 5 p.m. — for the General Election. [§34-1002(7) and §34-1012, Idaho Code]
- Nov. 8 **Absentee Ballot Return Deadline:** Voted absentee ballots must be received — by the county clerk — by 8 p.m. [§34-1005, Idaho Code]
- Nov. 8 **Election Day:** Polling places — and the county clerk’s office — to be open 8 a.m.–8 p.m. (*County clerk may opt to open at 7 a.m.) Qualified individuals may register and vote at their designated polling place on election day. [§34-211, §34-408A, and §34-1101, Idaho Code]
- Nov. 9 Voter Registration Reopens [§34-408, Idaho Code]
- Nov. 18 **County Canvass:** Deadline for the board of county commissioners to meet and conduct the canvass — of the (Nov. 8) General Election. (This deadline also applies to the canvass for political subdivisions.) [§34-1205 and §34-1410, Idaho Code]
- Nov. 18* **County Election Certification:** Deadline for county clerks to certify the results — of the Nov. 8 election — to the secretary of state and to the clerk of the political subdivision(s). (*This date may vary; to be done immediately after the county canvass.) [§34-1207 and §34-1410, Idaho Code]
- Nov. 18* **Election Certificates:** Deadline for county clerk and the clerk of the political subdivision to issue certificates of election to winning county and political subdivision candidates. (*This date may vary; to be done immediately after the county canvass.) [§34-1410 and §34-1209, Idaho Code]
- Nov. 23 **State Board Canvass:** Deadline for the state board of canvassers to meet and conduct the canvass — of the (Nov. 8) General Election. [§34-1211, Idaho Code]
- Nov. 23* **State Board Election Certification:** Deadline for state board of canvassers to certify results — of the (Nov. 8) General Election — for all federal, state, and district candidates. (*This date may vary; to be done immediately after the state canvass.) [§34-1213, Idaho Code]
- Nov. 23* **Election Certificates:** Deadline for secretary of state to issue certificates of election to federal, state, and district candidates. (*This date may vary; to be done immediately after the state board canvass.) [§34-1215, Idaho Code]

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- Dec. 8* **Local Recount Applications:** Deadline — for county and political subdivision candidates or supporters/opponents of a county or political subdivision ballot question — to apply to the attorney general for a recount of the Nov. 8 election. (*This date may vary; it must be done within 20 days of the county canvass). [~~§34-2301~~, *Idaho Code*]
- Dec. 8* **Local Election Disputes:** Deadline for electors to contest the (county or political subdivision) candidate or ballot measure results — of the Nov. 8 election. (*This date may vary; complaints must be filed in the proper court within 20 days of the county canvass. [~~§34-2008~~, *Idaho Code*]
- Dec. 13* **State Board Recount Applications:** Deadline — for federal, state, legislative, judicial candidates or supporters/opponents of a statewide ballot measure — to apply to the attorney general for a recount of the (Nov. 8) General Election. (*This date may vary; it must be done within 20 days of the state board canvass. [~~§34-2301~~, *Idaho Code*]
- Dec. 13* **State Board Election Disputes:** Deadline for electors to contest the (statewide) results — of the General Election. (*This date may vary; complaints must be filed in the proper court within 20 days of the state board canvass. [~~§34-2008~~, *Idaho Code*]
- Dec. 28* **Local Bond/Levy Election Disputes:** Deadline for electors to contest the bond or levy election results — of the Nov. 8 election. (*This date may vary; complaints must be filed in the proper court within 40 days of the county canvass. [~~§34-2001A~~, *Idaho Code*]
- Dec. 30 **2023 Election Calendar Publication Deadline:** County clerks to publish the 2023 election calendar. [~~§34-1405(2)~~, *Idaho Code*]