

2020 Massachusetts State Primary and State Election Schedule

Deadline Dates

Calendar of Events

	Party and non-party candidates for district and county offices	Party candidates for federal and state-wide offices	Non-party candidates for federal and state-wide offices
Nomination papers must be available.	February 11, 2020	February 11, 2020	February 11, 2020
Last day for a person running in the state primary to enroll in a party or for a person running only in the state election to unenroll from a party (except newly registered voters).	February 25, 2020	March 3, 2020	March 3, 2020
5:00 p.m., last day and hour to submit nomination papers to Registrars of Voters for certification of signatures.	May 5, 2020*	May 5, 2020	July 28, 2020
5:00 p.m., last day and hour for Registrars of Voters to complete certification of signatures.	May 26, 2020	May 26, 2020	August 18, 2020
5:00 p.m., last day and hour for candidates to apply for review of non-certified signatures.	May 28, 2020	May 28, 2020	August 20, 2020
5:00 p.m., last day and hour for Registrars of Voters to complete review of non-certified signatures.	June 1, 2020	June 1, 2020	August 24, 2020
5:00 p.m., last day and hour to file nomination papers (including party enrollment or voter registration certificate and Ethics Commission receipt) with the Secretary of the Commonwealth.	June 2, 2020*	June 2, 2020	August 25, 2020
5:00 p.m., last day and hour to file withdrawals of or objections to nomination papers with the Secretary of the Commonwealth.	June 5, 2020	June 5, 2020	August 28, 2020
5:00 p.m., last day and hour to fill vacancies caused by withdrawals.	June 10, 2020	June 10, 2020	September 2, 2020

PLEASE NOTE: All dates and deadlines below are the same for all candidates.

Last day to register to vote and to change party enrollment for the State Primaries (registration sessions must be held 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.).	Saturday, August 22, 2020**
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State Primaries

Tuesday, September 1, 2020

5:00 p.m., last day and hour for all write-in or sticker candidates who won in a state primary to file a written acceptance of the nomination and receipt from the State Ethics Commission with the Secretary of the Commonwealth.	Thursday, September 3, 2020
12:00 p.m., last day and hour to file withdrawals of or objections to nominations made at the state primaries	Friday, September 4, 2020
5:00 p.m., last day and hour for filling vacancies caused by withdrawals at the state primaries.	Tuesday, September 8, 2020
Last day to register to vote for the State Election (registration sessions must be held 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.).	Saturday, October 24, 2020**

State Election

Tuesday, November 3, 2020