**POLITICAL CALENDAR**

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**New York State Board of Elections**

**Federal Primary Election**

**June 26**

**State/Local Primary Election**

**September 13**

(*Pursuant to Chapter 3, Laws of 2018*)

**General Election November 6**

This political calendar is a ready reference to the significant dates pertaining to elections to be held in this state. For complete information be sure to consult the State’s Election Law and Regulations and any relevant court orders. All dates are based on court-ordered and statutory provisions unless otherwise noted. The date of publication and may be subject to change. Final confirmation should be obtained from your county board of elections or the State Board.

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**PRIMARY ELECTION HOURS:**

In New York City and the counties of Dutchess, Erie, Nassau, Orange, Putnam, Rockland, Suffolk, and Westchester, POLLS OPEN at 6 AM AND CLOSE at 9 PM. In all other counties POLLS OPEN at 12 NOON and CLOSE at 9 PM.

**GENERAL ELECTION HOURS:**

All Polls OPEN at 6 AM and CLOSE at 9 PM

**FILING REQUIREMENTS FEDERAL COURT ORDER**

For the 2018 Federal Primary Election and General Elections, all certificates and petitions of designation nomination, certificates of acceptance or declination of such designations and nominations, certificates of authorization for such designations, certificates of disqualification, certificates of substitution for such designations and nominations and objections and specifications of objections to such certificates and petitions required to be filed with the State Board of Elections or a board of elections outside of the city of New York shall be deemed timely filed and accepted for filing if sent by mail or overnight delivery service (as defined in New York State Election Law §10-106(1)(a)) in an envelope postmarked or showing receipt by the overnight delivery service office prior to midnight of the last day of filing, and received no later than one business day after the last day to file such certificates, petitions, objections or specifications.

**SIGNATURE REQUIREMENT FOR FEDERAL DESIGNATING NOTARIES**

§ 211 & 5-120(5)

5% of the enrolled voters of the political party in the political unit (excluding voters in inactive status) or the following, whichever is less for any office to be filled by all the voters of the entire state: 10,000 (with at least 100 or 5% of enrolled voters from each-of-one-half of the congressional districts) any congressional district: 1,250

**SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL INDEPENDENT NOMINATING PETITIONS**

§ 211 & 5-120(5)

5% of the total number of votes, excluding blank and void, cast for the office of governor at the last gubernatorial election in the political unit, except that no more than a 1,500 signatures shall be required on a petition for any office to be filled in any political subdivision outside the City of New York, and not more than the following for any office to be voted for by all the voters of the entire state: 15,000 (with at least 100 or 5% of each-of-one-half of the congressional districts) any congressional district: 3,500

**FEDERAL ELECTION - VOTER REGISTRATION**

**VOTER REGISTRATION FOR FEDERAL GENERAL ELECTION**

June 1 Mail Registration: Last day to postmark application for general election and last day it must be received by board of elections is Oct. 17, 2018

June 1 In person registration for Federal Primary: Last day application must be received by board of elections to be eligible to vote in primary election. If you have been honorably discharged from the military or have become a naturalized citizen since October 12th, you may register in person at the board of elections up until October 27th; §5-210, 5-215, 5-212

June 6 Changes of addresses received by this date must be processed; §5-216

Oct. 12 Changes of party registration after this date must be processed; §5-216

**INTERNATIONAL VOTING BY ABSENTEE**

June 29 Last day to postmark application for Federal primary ballot; §6-400(2)(c)

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**MILITARY/SPECIAL FEDERAL VOTERS FOR FEDERAL PRIMARY**

May 12 Last date to transmit Military/Special Federal ballots for Federal primary, (5/12 Saturday) §5-120(6) & §5-130

June 1 Last day to process Federal primary election. Must be received by the county board no later than July 9th; §5-121

June 26 Last day to deliver Federal primary ballot to person in county board, by close of polls on election day; §6-412

June 29 Last day to postmark Military/Special Federal ballot and date it must be received by the board of elections is July 3, §5-130, §5-131

**MILITARY/SPECIAL FEDERAL VOTERS FOR FEDERAL GENERAL**

July 30 Last day to postmark application or letter for application for general election ballot; §6-400(2)(c)

Nov. 5 Last day to apply in person for general election ballot; §6-400(2)(c)

Nov. 5 Last day to postmark ballot must be received by the county board no later than Nov. 9th; §5-121

Nov. 6 Last day to deliver ballot in person to county board, by close of polls on election day.

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March 6 Certification of offices to be filled at General Election; §5-216(1)(2)

June 26 Federal Primary Election. Court Ordered

May 3 Certification of Federal primary ballot by State Board of Elections of designations filed in its office; §5-120

May 4 Determination of candidates for Federal office by county boards; §5-124

CIVILIAN PRIMARY ELECTION RESULTS

July 5 Canvass of Federal Primary returns by counties; §5-201

July 11 Recanvass of Federal Primary returns; §5-202(7)

July 3 Verifiable Audit of Voting Systems §5-213

September 17 Certification of offices to be filled at General Election; §5-124(4)

November 6 General Election; §5-216(3)(c)

September 13 Certification of general election ballot by State Board of Federal designations filed in its office; §5-212(1)

September 14 Determination of Federal candidates and questions by county boards; §5-124

***** BECOMING A CANDIDATE***

March 6 First day for signing Federal designating petitions; §5-124

April 9 Dates for filing Federal designating petitions; §5-124(1)

April 16 Last day to authorize Federal designations; §5-212(1)

April 16 Last day to accept or decline Federal designations; §5-124(2)

April 20 Last day to fill a vacancy after a Federal declination; §5-124(3)

April 24 Last day to file authorization of substitution after declination of a Federal designation; §5-124(4)

June 1st Dates for filing Federal independent designating petitions; §5-124(1)

June 19 Last day to authorize Federal independent nominations; §5-124(2)

June 26 Last day to file Federal independent designating petitions; §5-124(3)

June 26 Last day to file Federal independent nominating petitions; §5-124(4)

June 30 First day for signing Federal nominating petitions; §5-124(5)

July 24 Dates for filing for Federal independent nominating petitions; §5-124(6)

Aug. 3 Last day to accept or decline Federal independent nomination; §5-124(7)

Aug. 6 Last day to fill a vacancy after a declination to any independent petition for Federal office; §5-124

Aug. 8 Last day to decline after acceptance if nominee loses party primary; §5-124(8)

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