

2010 ELECTION CALENDAR

FOR ALL OFFICES ELECTED IN MAY

FOR DETAILS, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE: <http://www.sbe.virginia.gov>
AND VIEW THE CANDIDATE BULLETIN SPECIFIC TO THE OFFICE SOUGHT

ELECTION TYPE	ELECTION DATE	⁴ DEADLINES (PERIODS) FOR FILING			LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE	DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT
		² CANDIDATE DECLARATIONS/ PETITIONS	² OTHER CANDIDATE FORMS	³ PARTY CHAIRS CERTIFY CANDIDATES		
¹ Primary	March 2 § 24.2-515	December 15, 2009 noon to January 4, 2010 5:00 pm (Friday, 1/1/10 is a Holiday) §§ 24.2-522 & 1-210	January 4, 2010 5:00 p.m. (Friday, 1/1/10 is a Holiday) §§ 24.2-503 & 1-210	January 6, 2010 5:00 p.m. § 24.2-527	February 8 § 24.2-416	By Mail: February 23 In Person: February 27 §§ 24.2-701B(1) & 24.2-701B(2)
PARTY NOMINATIONS, OTHER THAN BY PRIMARY ELECTION, MAY BE MADE NO EARLIER THAN JANUARY 29 AND MUST BE COMPLETED BY 7:00 P.M., MARCH 2. (§ 24.2-510)						
² General	May 4 § 24.2-101	NON-PARTY CANDIDATES March 2 7:00 p.m. § 24.2-507	ALL CANDIDATES March 2 7:00 p.m. § 24.2-503	March 8 5:00 p.m. § 24.2-511B	April 12 § 24.2-416	By Mail: April 27 In Person: May 1 §§ 24.2-701B(1) & 24.2-701B(2)

¹Permitted **ONLY** in cities and towns whose charters do not prohibit partisan elections for council offices. Notification of adoption of primary must be filed with the State Board of Elections by the party chair for the city not sooner than November 12, 2009 nor later than December 2, 2009. (§ 24.2-516)

NO PRIMARIES PERMITTED FOR ELECTED SCHOOL BOARDS. Virginia law requires candidates for this office to file as independents. **NO** political party may nominate any candidate for elected school board. However, a political party may endorse a candidate for this office. Candidates for elected school board **must follow** the General Election schedule.

²See Candidate Bulletin for the office sought for specifics as to forms required and where they are filed. The bulletins and forms are available on our website: <http://www.sbe.virginia.gov>
OR from this office. VOICE: In the Richmond area, 864-8901 - From all other areas: 804-864-8901 - Toll-free: 800-552-9745 - TTY: Toll-free 800-260-3466

³Forms for use in certification will be mailed to Party Chairs by State Board of Elections.

⁴For candidates for special elections to fill vacancies, **the deadline for all candidates** to file all required forms and for political parties to **nominate and certify** nominees is **7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 2, 2010.** (§ 24.2-507)

ON ANY ELECTION DAY - WHETHER GENERAL, PRIMARY, OR SPECIAL - THE POLLS ARE REQUIRED TO OPEN AT 6:00 A.M. AND CLOSE AT 7:00 P.M. (§ 24.2-603)