# UNIFORM DISTRICT ELECTION LAW NOVEMBER 8, 2011 (E.C. §§ 9300 et seq., 10500 et seq.)

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DATE	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DESCRIPTION
July 1 (130)	District	BOUNDARY CHANGES (E.C. § 12262)
(100)		Suggested last day boundary changes may be made for this election.
	District	DELIVER NOTICE OF ELECTION AND MAP OF DISTRICT (E.C. §§ 10502, 10504, 10509, 10522)
July 6 (125)		No later than this date the District Secretary shall deliver a notice containing the elective offices to be filled and whether the district or candidate is to pay for the Candidates Statement. Said notice shall bear the secretary's signature and the district seal. The District Secretary shall also deliver a map showing the current boundaries of the district and divisions, if any.
		PUBLISH NOTICE OF ELECTION (E.C. §§ 12112, 12113)
July 11 – August 10 (120 – 90)	Registrar of Voters / District Secretary	Between these dates the Registrar of Voters shall publish once in a newspaper of general circulation published in the district or, if no such newspaper exists, a newspaper having general circulation in the district, a Notice of Election, which shall contain the following:
		<ul> <li>Date of election.</li> <li>Name of each office for which candidates may file.</li> <li>Qualifications required by the principal act for each office.</li> <li>The location where Declaration of Candidacy may be obtained.</li> <li>Office in which completed declarations are required to be filed.</li> <li>Date and time after which no Declaration of Candidacy may be accepted for filing.</li> <li>Statement that appointment to office will be made pursuant to E.C. 10515 if there are insufficient nominees and no petition has been filed requesting the election be held.</li> </ul>
		Said notice shall also be delivered to the District Secretary and posted in the district office.
		GENERAL PRESS RELEASE (E.C. § 12112) Press release should include offices to be filled and telephone number information regarding filing for elective office.
July 15	Registrar of Voters	PRECINCTING SECTION TO COMPLETE BOUNDARY CHANGES
(116)		No later than this date, precinct section must complete boundary changes.

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July 18 – August 12 (113 – 88)	Candidates / Registrar of Voters / District Secretary	OBTAIN AND FILE DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY (E.C. §§ 10510, 13107)
		Between these dates a candidate may obtain and file a Declaration of Candidacy with the Registrar of Voters in person, or by mail. If by mail, Declaration of Candidacy may be returned by certified mail in time to reach the Registrar of Voters by no later than the filing deadline. The ballot designation worksheet must be filed at the same time as the Declaration of Candidacy.
		Either the Registrar of Voters or the District Secretary will issue the Declaration of Candidacy.
		No candidate shall withdraw his or her Declaration of Candidacy after 5 p.m. on the 88 <sup>th</sup> day prior to the election.
		CANDIDATE STATEMENT (E.C. §§ 10540, 13307, 13309, 13311, 18351)
July 18 – August 12 (113 - 88)	Candidates / Registrar of Voters / District Secretary	Candidates who want to file a candidate's statement must file it with the Registrar of Voters at the same time that the Declaration of Candidacy is filed. Candidate statements are confidential until deadline for filing has passed.
		PUBLIC EXAM PERIOD (E.C. § 13313)  The 10 day exam period for Candidate Statements will be held August 13 thru August 22. If extension applies, see extension period.
July 18 – August 12 (113 – 88)	Candidates / Registrar of Voters	STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTEREST (G.C. §§ 87200 et seq., 87300 et seq.)
		A Statement of Economic Interests must be filed for all candidates with the Registrar of Voters by the close of the nomination period.
	Candidates /	CODE OF FAIR CAMPAIGN PRACTICES (E.C. § 20400 et seq.)
July 18 – August 12 (113 – 88)	Registrar of Voters / District Secretary	At the time a candidate is issued nomination papers each candidate will be issued a Code of Fair Campaign Practices. Filing it is voluntary and it may be filed with the Registrar of Voters any time prior to the election. It is available for public inspection until 30 days after the election.
August 12 (88)	District	BALLOT MEASURE (E.C. §§ 9312, 10403, 13247)
		Last day for resolution calling a measure to be submitted to the Registrar of Voters. A copy shall be made available to any voter. The statement of all measures submitted to the voters shall be abbreviated on the ballot. The statement shall contain not more than 75 words for each measure to be voted on.

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August 12 (88)	Registrar of Voters	PUBLISH NOTICE OF ELECTION (E.C. § 12111; G.C. §§ 6060, 6061)  Publish a notice of election as soon as possible pursuant to section 12111 of the California Elections Code. A synopsis of the measure(s) shall be included in the publication. Government Code 6061 requires the notice to be published once. The last day to submit arguments to the Registrar of Voters should also be included in the notice. A copy of the notice shall be delivered to the district and posted in the district office.
August 12 (88)	Candidates / Registrar of Voters	FILE DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY / WITHDRAW (E.C. § 10510)  Last day for candidates to file their Declarations of Candidacy and Candidate Statements with the Registrar of Voters. (Candidate Statement is optional). This is also the last day to withdraw candidacy. Candidate must withdraw before 5 p.m., unless there is an extension of the nomination period.
August 13 (87)	Candidates / Registrar of Voters	WITHDRAW CANDIDATE STATEMENT (E.C. § 13307)  Last day to withdraw candidate statement, unless there is an extension of the nomination period. Withdrawal of candidate statement must be in writing.
August 17 (83)	Candidates / Registrar of Voters / District	EXTENSION OF NOMINATION PERIOD (E.C. §§ 10510, 10516)  If the incumbent does not file by 5 p.m. on the last day of the nomination period, any eligible person, other than the incumbent, shall have until 5 p.m. of the 83 <sup>rd</sup> day prior to the election to file a Declaration of Candidacy. The nomination extension is not applicable where there is no incumbent to be elected. If this section is applicable, a candidate may withdraw his or her Declaration of Candidacy up until 5:00 p.m. on the 83 <sup>rd</sup> day before the election.  PUBLIC EXAM PERIOD FOR EXTENSION (E.C. § 13313) The 10 day exam period for Candidate Statements will be held August 18 thru August 27.
August 17 (83)	Registrar of Voters / District Secretary	NOTICE WHETHER ELECTION WILL BE HELD (E.C. § 10515)  If there are insufficient nominees for the offices to be filled, and a petition requesting the election be held has not been presented to the officer conducting the election, then the election shall not be held.  The Registrar of Voters shall request the Board of Supervisors to appoint the qualified candidate(s) to such office. If there are no candidates, the Board shall appoint a qualified person to each office. Persons appointed shall qualify, take office, and serve as if elected.
August 17 (83)	District	LAST DAY TO WITHDRAW MEASURE (E.C. § 9605)  Whenever a legislative body has ordered that a measure be submitted to the voters of any jurisdiction at an election, the order of election shall not be amended or withdrawn after this date.

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August 18 (82)	Candidates / Registrar of Voters	WITHDRAW CANDIDATE STATEMENT (EXTENSION) (E.C. §§ 10516, 13307)
		In the event there is an extension of the nomination period, candidates may have until this date to withdraw candidate statements.
August 18	Secretary of	RANDOMIZED ALPHABET (E.C. § 13112)
(82)	State	On this date the Secretary of State shall conduct a drawing of the alphabet for determining the order of candidate's names on the ballot.
		SEND LIST OF CANDIDATES TO DISTRICT SECRETARY
August 18 (82)	Registrar of Voters	Approximate date to send list of qualified candidates to District Secretary and other county if it is involved. If election is not held, inform district of procedures that will be followed.
		REQUEST BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO APPOINT (if election will not be held) (E.C. § 10515)
August 22 (78)	Registrar of Voters	Registrar of Voters shall request the Board of Supervisors at a regular or special meeting held prior to the Monday before the first Friday in December in which the election would have been held, to appoint to such office or offices the qualified candidate(s); or if no candidate(s), the Board shall appoint any qualified person to such office.
	County Counsel	LAST DAY TO SUBMIT IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS (E.C. §§ 9313, 9314)
August 22 (78)		Last day for County Counsel to submit impartial analysis to Registrar of Voters. The analysis shall be printed in the pamphlet preceding the arguments for or against the measure. The analysis is limited to 500 words.
		PUBLIC EXAM PERIOD (E.C. § 9380)  There will be a 10-day exam period for the Impartial Analysis. The period will be held August 23 thru September 1.
	Proponents / Opponents	LAST DAY TO FILE ARGUMENTS (E.C. §§ 9315, 9316, 9600)
August 22 (78)		Last day set by Registrar of Voters to submit arguments in favor or against the measure. Arguments may not exceed 300 words. No more than five signatures shall appear with any arguments. Authors of Argument form shall accompany all arguments.
		► PUBLIC EXAM PERIOD (E.C. § 9380) There will be a 10-day exam period for arguments. The period will be held August 23 thru September 1.

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Sept. 1 (68)	Proponents / Opponents	REBUTTALS (E.C. §§ 9317, 9600)  Last day for the same authors of the primary argument to file rebuttals with the Registrar of Voters no later than 5:00 p.m. Rebuttals are limited to 250 words. Statement of Authors of Arguments form must be attached to the rebuttal.  PUBLIC EXAM PERIOD (E.C. § 9380)  There will be a 10-day exam period for Rebuttals. The period will be held September 2 thru September 11.
Sept. 12 (57)	Candidates / Registrar of Voters	FIRST DAY NOMINATION PAPERS FOR WRITE-IN CANDIDACY WILL BE AVAILABLE (E.C. § 8600 et seq.)  Any qualifying person wishing to file as a write-in candidate may pick up nomination papers beginning on this date. Papers must be filed with the Registrar of Voters no later than 14 days prior to election day. Write-in candidates must also file Statement of Economic Interest (if applicable) and campaign disclosure statements.
Sept. 13 (56)	Registrar of Voters	ORDER PRINTING OF ELECTION MATERIAL (E.C. §§ 9312, 9380, 13313)  Suggested date to prepare copy for printer and order ballots.
Sept. 25 – Sept. 29 (44 – 40)	Candidates / Committees / Registrar of Voters	FILING PERIOD FOR FIRST PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (G.C. §§ 84200.5, 84200.8)  Filing period for 1 <sup>st</sup> pre-election campaign statement covers transactions through September 24. Statements must be sent by personal delivery or first class mail.
Sept. 26 (43)	Registrar of Voters	Notice of satellite locations shall be made by the elections official by the issuance of a general news release, issued not later than 14 days prior to voting at the satellite location, except that in a county with a declared emergency or disaster, notice shall be made not later than 48 hours prior to voting at the satellite location. The news release shall set forth the following information:  The satellite location or locations.  The dates and hours the satellite location or locations will be open.  A telephone number that voters may use to obtain information regarding vote-by-mail ballots and the satellite locations.
Sept. 29 – Oct. 29 (40 - 10)	Registrar of Voters	MAIL SAMPLE BALLOTS AND OTHER ELECTION MATERIAL TO VOTERS (E.C. §§ 9312, 9380, 10540, 13303, 13307)  Between these dates the Registrar of Voters shall mail a sample ballot to each voter, who is registered at least 29 days prior to the election.

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Oct.10 (29)	Registrar of Voters	MAILED BALLOT PRECINCTS (E.C. §§ 3005, 3010, 3017, 3018, 3020, 4000 et seq.)  Approximate date to mail notices to voters in mailed ballot precincts, send official ballot and election material. Mail ballot precincts have less than 250 voters.
Oct. 10 – Nov. 1 (29 – 7)	Registrar of Voters	VOTE-BY-MAIL BALLOT APPLICATIONS (E.C. §§ 3001, 3006, 3021, 3200)  Applications for vote-by-mail ballots may be made in person or by mail during this time frame.
Oct. 10 (29)	Registrar of Voters	PRECINCTS, POLLING PLACES & ELECTION OFFICERS (E.C. §§ 12280 et seq., 12300 et seq.)  Last day for Registrar of Voters to establish polling places and appoint election officers for this election. Immediately following appointment, the Registrar shall mail appointment notices to election officers.
Oct. 10 – Oct. 29 (29 – 10)	Registrar of Voters	PUBLISH POLLING PLACES & CENTRAL COUNTING PLACE (E.C. §§ 12105, 12109)  Suggested date to publish polling places. The notice will include the hours that the polls will be open and a Notice of Central Counting Place.
Oct. 23 – Oct. 27 (16 – 12)	Candidates / Committees / Registrar of Voters	FILING PERIOD FOR SECOND PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (G.C. §§ 84200.5, 84200.8)  Filing period for 2 <sup>nd</sup> pre-election campaign statement covers transactions through October 22. Statements must be sent by personal delivery or guaranteed overnight service.
Oct. 24 (15)	Registrar of Voters	CLOSE OF REGISTRATION (E.C. §§ 2106, 2107)  Last day to register or transfer registration for this election.
Oct. 24 (15)	Registrar of Voters	COLLECTION CENTERS PUBLIC NOTICE (E.C. § 15260)  In establishing a collection center, the elections official may designate a group of precincts which the center shall serve and this designation shall be available for public inspection no later than 15 days before the election.
Oct. 25 (14)	Registrar of Voters	VOTE-BY-MAIL PROCESSING PUBLIC NOTICE (E.C. § 15104)  The elections official shall notify vote-by-mail voter observers and the public at least 48 hours in advance of the dates, times, and places where vote-by-mail ballots will be processed and counted.
Oct. 25 (14)	Candidates / Registrar of Voters	FILE DECLARATION OF WRITE-IN CANDIDACY (E.C. §§ 8600 et seq., 15340 et seq.)  Last day for write-in candidates to submit their write-in nomination documents to the Registrar of Voters.

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Oct. 25 – Nov. 1 (14 – 7)	Registrar of Voters	POST ELECTION OFFICERS & POLLING PLACES (E.C. § 12105.5)  Not less than one week before the election, the elections official shall post a list of all current polling places and a list of election officers appointed by the 15 <sup>th</sup> day before the election. The elections official shall post this list in his or her office and on his or her Web site. The list shall remain posted for 30 days after completion of the canvass.
Oct. 28 (11)	Registrar of Voters	PROCESS BALLOTS (E.C. § 15101 et. seq.)  When ballots are to be counted by computer, the Registrar of Voters may begin processing ballots 7 business days prior to the election. No count may be made until after the polls close on election day.
Nov. 1 (7)	Registrar of Voters	LOGIC AND ACCURACY TESTING (E.C. § 15000)  No later than seven days prior to any election, the elections official shall conduct a test or series of tests to ensure that every device used to tabulate ballots accurately records each vote.
Nov. 4 (4)	Registrar of Voters	MANUAL TALLY PUBLIC NOTICE (E.C. § 15360)  The manual tally shall be a public process, with the official conducting the election providing at least a five day public notice of the time and place of the manual tally and of the time and place of the selection of the precincts to be tallied prior to conducting the tally and selection.
Nov. 8	VOTE	ELECTION DAY  The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. and will close at 8:00 p.m. Vote-by-Mail ballots may be turned in, before the polls close, at any polling place in the jurisdiction.
Nov. 10 (+2)	Registrar of Voters	CANVASS ELECTION RETURNS (E.C. § 15301 et seq.)  Registrar of Voters shall commence the official canvass on this day.
Nov. 11 – Nov. 21 (+3 – 13)	Registrar of Voters	ONE PERCENT MANUAL TALLY (E.C. § 15360)  During the Official Canvass the Elections Official shall conduct a public manual tally in 1 percent of the precincts chosen at random by the elections official.
Nov. 21 (+13)	Registrar of Voters	SEND STATEMENT OF RESULTS (E.C. §§ 10550, 10551, 10553, 15372, 15374)  As soon as the canvass is completed, no later than this date, the Registrar of Voters shall mail a statement of results of the election to the district. The Registrar of Voters will also deliver to each person elected a certificate of election.

(E.C. §§ 9300 et seq., 10500 et seq.)

DATE	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DESCRIPTION
Dec. 2 (+24)	District	OFFICERS TAKE OFFICE (E.C. § 10554)  Elective officers, elected or appointed, take office at noon on the first Friday in December next following the general district election. Prior to taking office, each elective officer shall take the official oath and execute any bond required by the principal act.
Dec. 6 (+28)	Registrar of Voters	POST ELECTION OFFICERS & POLLING PLACES (E.C. § 12105.5)  Not later than 28 days after the election, the elections official shall post an updated list of polling places and election officers that actually served on election day. The elections official shall post this list in his or her office and on his or her Web site. The list shall remain posted for 30 days after completion of the canvass.
Dec. 8 (+30)	Registrar of Voters	COST OF ELECTION (E.C. §§ 10002, 10520)  Approximate date to send invoice to jurisdiction for cost of election. Any refund on Candidate Statements will also be processed by this date.
Dec. 31	Registrar of Voters	SEND NOTICE TO SECRETARY OF STATE NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 31 (E.C. § 10552)  No later than this date the Registrar of Voters shall send a notice to the Secretary of State containing the information required in E.C. § 10552.
Jan. 1 – Jan. 31	Candidates / Committees / Registrar of Voters	FILING PERIOD FOR SEMI-ANNUAL CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (G.C. § 84200)  Statement covers transactions through December 31. Statements must be sent by personal delivery or first class mail.

Note: Whenever a date prescribed by law falls on a weekend or holiday, such act may be performed on the next business day (E.C. 15; G.C. 6700, 6701)