

## Calendar of important dates for the November 6, 2012 General Election

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**Apr 27 to Aug 10**

*E-193 – E-88*

***Independent Presidential candidate nomination***

***papers:*** period in which independent Presidential elector candidates may circulate nomination papers to obtain signatures and submit them to the county elections official for examination. *EC § 8403 (a)(2)*

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**July 16 to Aug 10**

*E-113 – E-88*

***Nominations period:*** all candidates obtain and file all necessary candidacy papers. Those required must pay the filing fees when obtaining papers.

*EC §§ 333, 8020, 8040, 8041, 8061, 8062, 8063, 8100, 8105, 8106*

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**July 31**

*E-98*

***Deadline to change the ballot designation*** that was used for the Primary election. Applies to run-off candidates for the General election.

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**Aug 11 to Aug 20**

*E-87 – E-78*

***Public review and writ of mandate period*** for candidate's statements filed during the nominations period.

*EC § 13313*

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**Aug 11 to Aug 15**

*E-87 – E-83*

***Nominations extension period:*** deadline applies only if incumbents do not file nomination papers by Aug 10.

*EC § 8022*

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**Aug 13**

*E-85*

Deadline for candidates who filed by Aug 10 to ***withdraw their statement of qualifications.***

*EC § 13307(a)(3)*

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**Aug 15**

*E-83*

Last day to ***file a petition forcing a contest*** on the general election ballot for contests with unopposed or insufficient candidates. *EC § 10515*

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**Aug 16**

*E-82*

Deadline for candidates who filed during the *extended* nomination period to ***withdraw their statement of qualifications.*** *EC § 13307(a)(3)*

## Calendar of important dates – continued

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<b>Aug 16 to Aug 25</b> <i>E-82 – E-73</i>	<b>Public review and writ of mandate period</b> for candidates statements filed during the <b>extended</b> nominations period. <i>EC § 13313</i>
<b>Aug 16</b> <i>E-82</i>	Secretary of State conducts the <b>random alphabet drawing</b> to determine the order of candidates' names on the ballot. <i>EC § 13112(b)(1)(B)</i>
<b>Sept 7</b> <i>E-60</i>	First day to mail ballots to <b>overseas and military voters</b> . <i>(E-60) EC §§ 300, 3307</i>
<b>Sept 10 to Oct 23</b> <i>E-57 – E-14</i>	Except for State Top 2 rules, period in which <b>write-in candidates</b> can obtain and file nomination papers. <i>EC § 8601</i>
<b>Sept 27</b> <i>E-40</i>	First day to <b>mail sample ballots</b> and voter information pamphlets to all registered voters. <i>EC § 13300</i>
<b>Oct 5</b>	Pre-election <b>campaign finance statements</b> due. <i>Gov't Code § 84200.5 &amp; 84200.7</i>
<b>Oct 8</b> <i>E-29</i>	First day to <b>mail ballots</b> to vote-by-mail voters. 1 <sup>st</sup> day of <b>voting in person</b> at the elections office. <i>(E-29)</i>
<b>Oct 22</b> <i>E-15</i>	<b>Last day to register</b> to vote in the November 6, 2012 General election. Forms received by mail must be postmarked by this date. <i>EC §§ 2102, 2107</i>
<b>Oct 25</b>	Pre-election <b>campaign finance statements</b> due. <i>Gov't Code § 84200.5 &amp; 84200.7</i>
<b>Nov 6</b>	<b>Election Day:</b> polls open from 7am to 8 pm.
<b>Nov 19</b>	Random selection of precincts for <b>1% manual tally</b> . Conducted at 9:30 a.m. at the Elections Office.
<b>Dec 4</b> <i>E-28</i>	Deadline to <b>certify the election</b> . <i>(E-28) EC § 15372</i>