

★Candidate-filing windows shown are for local political subdivisions; statewide offices are not on the ballot in odd-numbered years. ★Visit SOS.Texas.gov

2026 Key Statewide Dates					OTE
ELECTION	CANDIDATE FILING WINDOW	VOTER REGISTRATION DEADLINE	EARLY VOTING (IN-PERSON)	LAST DAY TO RECEIVE ABBM	ELECTION DAY
Primary – Tue Mar 3, 2026	Sept 9 2025 (Pct. chairs) Nov 8 – Dec 8 2025 (All other offices)	Mon Feb 2	Tue Feb 17 – Fri Feb 27	Fri Feb 20 (Received)	Tue Mar 3
Limited Uniform (Locals only) – Sat May 2, 2026	Jan 14 – Feb 13 (Locals)	Thu Apr 2	Mon Apr 20 – Tue Apr 2	Mon Apr 20 (Received; dead- line advanced from Apr 21 – San Jacinto Day)	Sat May 2
Primary Runoff – Tue May 26, 2026	N/A – candidates fixed in primary	Mon Apr 27	Mon May 18 – Fri May 22	Fri May 15 (Received)	Tue May 26
General Uniform – Tue Nov 3, 2026	Jul 18 – Aug 17 (Locals) Write-ins Aug 17 (Gen State/County) & Aug 21 (Locals)	Mon Oct 5	Mon Oct 19 – Fri Oct 30	Fri Oct 23 (Received)	Tue Nov 3

Tips for Using These Calendars

- ✓ Watch for SOS Advisories: after each legislative session the Division re-issues condensed and "long" calendars that may shift filing or ABBM dates.
- ✓ Runoffs: local governing bodies must order them within five days after canvass (§ 2.025); the SOS then fixes the common runoff date.
- ▼ Federal & military voters have later ballot-return deadlines than shown here; see the FPCA tables on the SOS site for details.

For complete forms, footnotes and holiday exceptions, open the SOS Important Election Dates 2025-2026 page or the individual "Election Law Calendar" PDFs linked there.

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