



STATE OF MICHIGAN  
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**MAY 3, 2011 ELECTION  
CALENDAR OF DATES**

<b>Jan. 28</b>	Last day a recall petition can be filed for election. (168.963)
<b>By 4:00 p.m., Feb. 8</b>	Local School Board candidates, Community College Trustee candidates and District Library Board candidates who wish to seek office at the May 3 election must file an Affidavit of Identity and a nominating petition. (A \$100.00 nonrefundable fee may be filed in lieu of a petition.) Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4:00 p.m. on February 11. (If filing official is a local clerk, filing official notifies county clerk of candidates' names and addresses within 3 days after withdrawal deadline.) (168.303; 397.181; 389.152)
<b>By 4:00 p.m., Feb. 8</b>	Partisan and nonpartisan candidates who wish to seek a city office at the May 3 election must file an Affidavit of Identity and satisfy any other filing requirements involved. Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4:00 p.m. on February 11. City clerk forwards names and addresses of candidates to county clerk within 3 days after withdrawal deadline. (Note: Deadlines apply to cities that do not conduct primaries.) (168.321; 168.322; 168.322a)
<b>By 4:00 p.m., Feb. 8</b>	Candidates without political party affiliation who wish to seek a partisan city office at the May 3 election must file an Affidavit of Identity and a qualifying petition. Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4:00 p.m. on February 11. City clerk forwards names and addresses of candidates to county clerk within 3 days after withdrawal deadline. (Note: Deadlines apply to cities that do not conduct primaries.) (168.590c; 168.321)
<b>By Feb. 8</b>	Minor parties that wish to participate in a partisan city general election nominate candidates. (Party must have state recognized ballot status.) (Note: Deadline applies to cities that do not conduct primaries.)

<b>By Feb. 8</b>	Petitions to place proposals on ballot filed with county and local clerks. (If governing law sets an earlier petition filing deadline, earlier deadline must be observed.) (168.646a)
<b>By Feb. 22</b>	Ballot wording of proposals qualified to appear on ballot certified to county and local clerks. (168.646a)
<b>By Mar. 19</b>	Absent voter ballots must be available for issuance to voters. (168.714)
<b>Mar. 24 through Apr. 12</b>	Precinct inspectors appointed for election. (168.674)
<b>By Mar. 28</b>	Notice of close of registration for election published. (168.498)
<b>Apr. 4</b>	Last day to register for election. (168.498)
<b>By Apr. 22</b>	Pre-Election Campaign Statements filed (closes Apr. 17).
<b>By 4:00 p.m., Apr. 22</b>	Write-in candidates file Declaration of Intent forms. (168.737a)
<b>By Apr. 26</b>	Notice of election published. (168.653a)
<b>By Apr. 28</b>	Public accuracy test must be conducted. (R 168.778) Notice of test must be published at least 48 hours before test. (168.798)
<b>By 2:00 p.m., Apr. 30</b>	Electors who wish to receive an absent voter ballot for election by mail submit applications. (168.759)
<b>Up to 4:00 p.m., May 2</b>	Electors qualified to obtain an absent voter ballot for election may vote in person in clerk's office. (168.761)
<b>Up to 4:00 p.m., May 3</b>	Emergency absentee voting for election. (168.759b)
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<b>By May 9</b>	Boards of County Canvassers meet to canvass election. (168.821)
<b>By Jun. 2</b>	Post-Election Campaign Statements filed (closes May 23).