

2018 State Elections & Voter Registration Calendar

Elections	Voter Registration Deadline	Election Date
Special Election Date	February 19, 2018	March 20, 2018
Special Election Runoff Date	February 19, 2018	April 17, 2018
General Primary Election, Nonpartisan General Election and Special Election Date	April 23, 2018	May 22, 2018
General Primary Election, Nonpartisan General Election and Special Election Runoff Date	April 23, 2018	July 24, 2018
General Election/Special Election Date	October 9, 2018	November 6, 2018
General Election/Special Election Runoff Date	October 9, 2018	December 4, 2018
General Election Runoff Date for Federal Races	October 9, 2018	January 8, 2019

Key Dates

January 1, 2018	Earliest day to file and publish a notice of intention to be a write-in candidate in the General Election. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-133(a)
January 11, 2018	Earliest day to circulate nomination petition for General Election for Independent/Political Body Candidates O.C.G.A § 21-2-170(e)
February 1, 2018	Last day to fix and publish qualifying fees for offices to be filled during the 2018 Election Cycle. O.C.G.A § 21-2-131(a)(1)(A)
February 19, 2018	Last day for a person to register and be eligible to vote in the Special Election and Runoff Election. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-224
February 26, 2018	Earliest day for a registrar to mail an absentee ballot for the Special Election O.C.G.A § 21-2-384(a)(2)
February 26, 2018	Advanced (Absentee In-Person) Voting begins for the Special Election. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-385(d)(1)(A)
March 5, 2018 9:00 A.M.	Earliest day to qualify for Primary/Nonpartisan and Independent/Political Body Candidates for November General Election. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-153(c)(1)(A)
March 9, 2018 12:00 Noon	Last day to qualify for Primary/Nonpartisan and Independent/Political Body Candidates for November General Election. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-153(c)(1)(A)
March 16, 2018	Last day to file affidavit stating the notice of intention to be a Non-Partisan Write-In Candidate. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-133(a)

March 16, 2018	Last day for a registrar to issue absentee ballots for the Special Election O.C.G.A § 21-2-384(a)(2)
March 21, 2018	Last day to file affidavit stating the notice of intention to be a Non-Partisan Write-In Candidate has been published in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 21-2-133(b)
April 3, 2018	Earliest day for a registrar to mail an absentee ballot for the General Primary/Non-Partisan/Special Election O.C.G.A § 21-2-384(a)(2)
April 23, 2018	Last day for a person to register and be eligible to vote in the General Primary/Non-Partisan/Special Election and Runoff Election. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-224
April 30, 2018	Advanced (Absentee In-Person) Voting begins for the General Primary/Non-Partisan/Special Election. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-385(d)(1)(A)
May 10, 2018	Earliest day to apply for an absentee ballot for November General Election O.C.G.A § 21-2-381(a)(1)(A)
May 12, 2018	Mandatory Saturday Voting for the General Primary/Non-Partisan/Special Election O.C.G.A § 21-2-385(d)
May 18, 2018	Last day for a registrar to issue absentee ballots for the General Primary/Nonpartisan/ Special Election O.C.G.A § 21-2-384(a)(2)
June 25, 2018 9:00 A.M.	Earliest day of second qualifying period for Independent/Political Body Candidates to qualify for November General Election. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-132(d)
June 29, 2018 12:00 Noon	Last day of second qualifying period for Independent/Political Body Candidates to qualify for November General Election. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-132(d)
July 2, 2018	Advanced (Absentee In-Person) Voting begins for the General Primary/Non-Partisan/Special Runoff Election. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-385(d)(1)(B)
July 9, 2018	Last day for an Independent or a Political Body Candidate to file their Nomination Petition to have his/her name placed on the General Election Ballot. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-132(e)
July 20, 2018	Last day for a registrar to issue absentee ballots for the General Primary/Nonpartisan/Special Election Runoff. O.C.G.A § 21-2-384(a)(2)
September 4, 2018	Last day to file the notice of intention to be a write-in candidate and have notice published in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 21-2-133(a)
September 10, 2018	Last day to file affidavit stating the notice of intention to be a Write-In Candidate has been published in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 21-2-133(b)
September 18, 2018	Earliest day for a registrar to mail an absentee ballot for the November General/Special Election O.C.G.A § 21-2-384(a)(2)
October 9, 2018	Last day for a person to register and be eligible to vote in the November General Election and Runoff Election. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-224(a)
October 15, 2018	Advanced (Absentee In-Person) Voting begins for the November General Election. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-385(d)(1)
October 27, 2018	Mandatory Saturday Voting for the November General Election O.C.G.A § 21-2-385(d)(1)
November 2, 2018	Last day for a registrar to issue absentee ballots for the November General Election and Runoff Election O.C.G.A § 21-2-384(a)(2)
As soon as possible	Absentee ballots shall be mailed out as soon as possible prior to the General Election Runoff for Local and State Offices. O.C.G.A § 21-2-384 (a) Advanced (In-Person) Voting begins for the General Election Runoff for Local and State Offices. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-385 (d)(1)

**O.C.G. A. § 21-2-14. When the last day for the exercise of any privilege or discharge of any duty prescribed or required by this chapter shall fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the next succeeding business day shall be the last day for the exercise of such privilege or the discharge of such duty.*