



August – November 2026 Election Dates

August 4, 2026 – Primary

November 3, 2026 – General Election

Refer to Michigan Compiled Laws (MCL) for cited provisions (Legislature.mi.gov). Dates are subject to change through legislative action. If any errors are found, it is the law itself which must be followed.)

Date	Time	Description	Citation
Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2026		City and township election commissions finalize precinct boundaries for 2026 election cycle.	168.661
Thursday, Feb. 5, 2026		Last day precinct boundary alterations made for 2026 election cycle can go into effect.	168.661
Monday, March 2, 2026		Deadline for Democratic and Republican state party chairpersons to notify county and district committee chairs of county convention delegate (precinct delegate) allocation requirements.	168.623a
Monday, March 2, 2026		Each county clerk must inform all local clerks within their county whether they will offer county-run early voting.	168.720d
Monday, March 9, 2026		Each local clerk must inform the county clerk whether they are entering into a county or municipal early voting agreement or if they will conduct early voting as a single municipality.	168.720d
Monday, March 23, 2026	5 p.m.	Deadline for incumbent Appeals Court, Circuit Court, District Court, and Probate Court judges to file Affidavit of Identity and Affidavit of Candidacy for the August Primary. Withdrawal deadline elapses at 5 p.m. on March 26.	168.413a, et. al.



Wednesday, April 1, 2026		All early voting agreements must be signed by all participating clerks.	168.720d
Wednesday, April 1, 2026		Deadline for county/district political party chairpersons to certify number of delegates per precinct to county election commissions.	168.623a
Monday, April 6, 2026		All early voting plans must be filed with the county clerk.	168.720h
Thursday, April 16, 2026		County clerks must submit a countywide early voting (summary) plan to the Secretary of State.	168.720h
Tuesday, April 21, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for candidates seeking Appeals Court, Circuit Court, District Court, or Probate Court judgeships to file nonpartisan nominating petitions, and Affidavit of Identity and Affidavit of Constitutional Qualification for the August Primary. Withdrawal deadline elapses at 5 p.m. on April 24.	168.413, et. al.
Tuesday, April 21, 2026	4 p.m.	Nominating petitions (or \$100 if applicable) and Affidavits of Identity for partisan and nonpartisan candidates due. Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4 p.m. on April 24.	168.133, et. al.
Tuesday, April 21, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for candidates seeking a Wayne County Community College Trustee position to file an Affidavit of Identity and a nonpartisan nominating petition. Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4 p.m. on April 24.	389.83; 389.153
Friday, April 24, 2026	4 p.m.	Written withdrawal requests for partisan and nonpartisan candidates due.	168.134, et. al.
Monday, April 27, 2026		Deadline for township clerk to forward names and addresses of partisan candidates to county clerk.	168.349
Monday, April 27, 2026		Deadline for city clerk to forward names and addresses of partisan and nonpartisan candidates to county clerk.	168.321



Tuesday, April 28, 2026		Deadline for challenges against nominating petitions or Affidavits of Identity filed by partisan and nonpartisan candidates to be submitted to filing official.	168.552
Tuesday, April 28, 2026		Deadline for petitions to place county or local ballot question on the August Primary ballot to be filed with the applicable local or county clerk.	168.646a
Friday, May 1, 2026		Deadline for a recall petition to be filed for August Election. (Does not apply for local offices.)	168.963
Tuesday, May 5, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for candidates for county convention delegate (precinct delegate) to file an Affidavit of Identity for the August Primary. Filing submitted to the clerk of the county in which candidate resides. Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4 p.m. on May 8.	168.624
Wednesday, May 6, 2026		Early voting configuration sets for tabulators must be selected.	168.720j
Wednesday, May 6, 2026		A city or township that establishes an Election Day vote center for the August Primary must inform applicable county clerk.	168.523b
Tuesday, May 12, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for ballot wording of local proposals qualified to appear on August Primary ballot to be certified to local or county clerks.	168.646a
Thursday, May 14, 2026		Deadline for local clerks receiving ballot wording to forward to county clerk.	168.646a
Thursday, May 21, 2026		Beginning of period for regular inspection of AV drop boxes to ensure compliance with requirements.	168.761d
Thursday, May 21, 2026		Beginning of period for required video monitoring of AV drop boxes (this requirement now applies to all drop boxes, regardless of	168.761d



		when they were purchased or installed).	
Wednesday, May 27, 2026		Deadline for petitions to place a legislative initiative proposal on the November General Election ballot to be filed with the Secretary of State.	168.471
Monday, June 1, 2026		Deadline for boards of county canvassers to inspect all ballot containers used in elections in the county.	168.24j
Tuesday, June 2, 2026		Deadline for Board of State Canvassers to complete canvass of nominating petitions filed by candidates for the August Primary.	168.552
Friday, June 5, 2026		Secretary of State certifies candidates eligible to appear on August Primary ballot to county election commissions.	168.552
Friday, June 5, 2026		Final day for Democratic and Republican Parties to call fall state conventions.	168.591
Friday, June 5, 2026		Final day for cities and townships to establish, move, or abolish a polling place for the August Primary. Beginning of period during which local legislative body or board of county election commissioners may not establish, move, or abolish a polling place, early voting site, or central polling place, unless damaged, destroyed or rendered inaccessible or unusable.	168.662
Friday, June 5, 2026		Deadline for ballot wording for constitutional amendments and legislative referendums, which the legislature wishes to place on the August Primary ballot, to be presented to Secretary of State.	Mich. Const. Art XII Sec 1
Friday, June 5, 2026		Local clerk must inform applicable county clerk that absent voter counting board has been authorized by local board of election commissioners.	168.764d



Friday, June 5, 2026		Location of each early voting site must be finalized.	168.720i
Monday, June 8, 2026		Last date a city or township can withdraw from an early voting agreement.	168.720f ; 168.720g
Saturday, June 20, 2026		Beginning of period during which clerk must make reasonable effort to verify or reject AV ballot application or AV ballot return envelope by the end of the business day after the application or envelope is received.	168.766b
Saturday, June 20, 2026		County clerk must provide each municipal clerk or early voting coordinator with programming for electronic voting equipment and ballots used for testing at early voting site.	168.720j
Saturday, June 20, 2026		Deadline for clerks to electronically transmit or mail (as requested) an absent voter ballot to each absent military or overseas voter who applied for an absent voter ballot 45 days or more before the election (MOVE deadline).	168.759a ; Mich. Const. Art II Sec 4
Saturday, June 20, 2026		Deadline for county clerks to deliver absent voter ballots for the August Primary to local clerks.	168.714
Saturday, June 20, 2026		Final day for county committees of Democratic and Republican Parties to call county conventions.	168.592
Saturday, June 20, 2026		Notice of polling place or early voting site must be provided for sites newly established or changed by 60 days before Election Day.	168.662
Thursday, June 25, 2026		Absent voter ballots must be available for issuance to voters.	Mich. Const. Art II Sec 4
Thursday, June 25, 2026		Absent voter ballot drop-boxes must be accessible to voters 24 hours a day beginning this day.	Mich. Const. Art II Sec 4



Tuesday, June 30, 2026		Beginning of period of required daily collection of election materials from AV drop boxes on each day clerk's office is open.	168.761d
Friday, July 3, 2026		Beginning of period during which county clerks must update Qualified Voter File to cancel registration of individuals over 17.5 years of age who have died in the county each Friday by the close of business.	168.510(6)
Monday, July 6, 2026	5 p.m.	Deadline for incumbent Supreme Court Justices to file Affidavit of Identity and Affidavit of Candidacy for the November General Election.	168.392a ; 168.558
Monday, July 6, 2026		Deadline for notice of early voting site to be provided when temporary changes needed to early voting site. (If starting early voting before required date, deadline is 21 days before start of early voting.)	168.662
Monday, July 6, 2026		Optional early voting may begin.	168.720e
Monday, July 6, 2026		Deadline for notice of days and hours for voter registration at clerk's office to be published in the newspaper. If considered advisable by the township or city clerk, notice may also be posted in at least two conspicuous places in each precinct. Notice must include offices and proposals that will be on the ballot.	168.498
Monday, July 6, 2026		Deadline for clerk to post and enter into QVF the hours the clerk's office will be open on the Saturday or Sunday or both immediately before the election to issue and receive absent voter ballots.	168.761b
Monday, July 6, 2026		Deadline for clerk to post and enter into QVF any additional locations and hours that the clerk will be available to issue and receive absent voter ballots, if applicable.	168.761b



Monday, July 6, 2026		Deadline for petitions to place a proposed constitutional amendment on the November General Election ballot to be filed with the Secretary of State.	168.471
Tuesday, July 7, 2026		Clerks intending to process or tabulate AV ballots before Election Day must submit written notice to the Secretary of State (if notice is not submitted by this date, tabulation before Election Day is not permitted).	168.765a
Tuesday, July 14, 2026		Deadline for precinct inspectors for the election to be appointed by local election commission.	168.674
Tuesday, July 14, 2026		Deadline for notice of polling place to be provided when temporary changes needed to polling place location.	168.662
Thursday, July 16, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for district library board candidates for districts that do not include a school district to file an Affidavit of Identity and a nonpartisan nominating petition. (A \$100.00 nonrefundable fee may be filed in lieu of a petition.) Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4 p.m. on July 20. (Special note: If district library includes a school district, district library board candidates must file by 4 p.m. on Aug. 11.)	397.181
Thursday, July 16, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for candidates without political party affiliation seeking partisan offices to file qualifying petitions and Affidavit of Identity for the November General Election. Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4 p.m. on July 20.	168.590c
Thursday, July 16, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for new political parties to file petitions to qualify for November General Election ballot.	168.685
Friday, July 17, 2026		Deadline to post notice on website (if available) and in clerk's office of the location, dates, hours, and number	168.765a



		of election inspectors for AV counting place if processing and tabulating AV ballots before Election Day.	
Monday, July 20, 2026		Deadline for public logic and accuracy test of early voting equipment to be conducted by applicable election commission. (If starting early voting before required date, deadline is five days before start of early voting.) Notice of accuracy test must be published at least 48 hours before test.	168.720j ; R 168.778 ; 168.798
Monday, July 20, 2026		Beginning of period during which county clerks must update Qualified Voter File to cancel registration of individuals over 17.5 years of age who have died in the county each business day by the close of business.	168.510(7)
Monday, July 20, 2026		Deadline to register by mail or online and be eligible to vote in the August Election.	168.497
Tuesday, July 21, 2026		Registration must be done in person with local clerk with proof of residency between this date and Election Day.	168.497
Tuesday, July 21, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for candidates for local school board and community college trustee to file an Affidavit of Identity and a nonpartisan nominating petition. (A \$100.00 nonrefundable fee may be filed in lieu of a petition.) Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4 p.m. on July 24.	168.303
Tuesday, July 21, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for city candidates who are nominated by petition to the General Election to file an Affidavit of Identity and nonpartisan nominating petition (or \$100 if applicable). Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4 p.m. on July 24.	168.646a
Tuesday, July 21, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for candidates for village offices to file an Affidavit of Identity and a nonpartisan nominating	168.381



		petition. Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4 p.m. on July 24.	
Thursday, July 23, 2026		Deadline for challenges against qualifying petitions or Affidavits of Identity filed by candidates without political party affiliation to be submitted to filing official.	168.552
Friday, July 24, 2026		Deadline for clerks processing and tabulating AV ballots before Election Day to post revised notice of location, dates, hours, or number of election inspectors if needed.	168.765a
Friday, July 24, 2026	4 p.m.	Write-in candidates' Declaration of Intent for August Primary due to respective filing official.	168.737a
Friday, July 24, 2026	5 p.m.	Deadline for electors to submit a written request to spoil their absent voter ballot and receive a new absent voter ballot by mail.	168.765b(1)
Friday, July 24, 2026	5 p.m.	Deadline for electors who have returned their absent voter ballot to submit a written request in person to spoil their absent voter ballot and receive a new absent voter ballot in the clerk's office.	168.765b(3)
Saturday, July 25, 2026		Deadline for county clerks to deliver remainder of ballots and election supplies for August Primary to local clerks.	168.714
Saturday, July 25, 2026		First day of mandatory early voting.	Mich. Const. Art II Sec 4
Monday, July 27, 2026		Cities or townships with a population of at least 5,000 with an established absent voter counting board, which have provided timely notice that they will preprocess and tabulate AV ballots, may begin processing and tabulating AV ballots.	168.765a
Tuesday, July 28, 2026		Deadline to publish notice of election. One notice required.	168.653a



Tuesday, July 28, 2026		Deadline for petitions to place county or local ballot question on the November ballot to be filed with the applicable local or county clerk.	168.646a
Thursday, July 30, 2026		Deadline for public accuracy test of Election Day equipment to be conducted by local election commission. Notice of accuracy test must be published at least 48 hours before test.	168.798 ; R 168.778
Thursday, July 30, 2026		Beginning of period when clerk must verify or reject AV ballot application or AV ballot return envelope by the end of the calendar day the application or envelope is received.	168.766b
Friday, July 31, 2026		Deadline for a recall petition to be filed for November election. (Local officials only face recall in May and November.)	168.963
Friday, July 31, 2026		Municipal clerk must post on website the location where precinct canvass of early votes for the municipality will take place and time precinct canvass will begin. (Canvass cannot begin before 8 p.m. on Election Day.)	168.720j
Friday, July 31, 2026		Eligible city or township that establishes Election Day vote center must post notice of establishment and location of vote center on website and in clerk's office.	168.523b
Friday, July 31, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for write-in candidates who seek precinct delegate positions to file Declaration of Intent with the county clerk for the August Primary. (As an alternative, candidates for precinct delegate may file form with appropriate precinct board on Election Day before the close of the polls.)	168.737a
Friday, July 31, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for an applicant to cure a signature deficiency on the application to receive an AV ballot by First Class mail.	168.761



Friday, July 31, 2026	5 p.m.	Deadline for clerks to send an absent voter ballot via First Class mail.	168.761
Friday, July 31, 2026	5 p.m.	Deadline for electors who have lost their absentee ballot or not yet received their ballot in the mail to submit a written request to spoil their absent voter ballot and receive a new absent voter ballot in the clerk's office or by mail.	168.765b(5)
Saturday, Aug. 1, 2026	2 p.m.	Deadline for military or overseas voter to submit an absent voter ballot application.	168.759a(10)
Sunday, Aug. 2, 2026		Last day of mandatory early voting period. (Early voting optionally may be held on the Monday before Election Day until 4 p.m.)	Mich. Const. Art II Sec 4
Monday, Aug. 3, 2026		Any city or township with an established absent voter counting board, which has provided timely notice that they will preprocess and tabulate AV ballots, may begin processing and tabulating AV ballots.	168.765a
Monday, Aug. 3, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for electors who have lost their absentee ballot or not yet received their ballot in the mail to submit a written request to spoil their absent voter ballot and receive a new absent voter ballot in the clerk's office.	168.765b(7)
Monday, Aug. 3, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for a registered voter to apply for an AV ballot in person at the clerk's office.	168.759
Tuesday, Aug. 4, 2026	7 a.m. until 8 p.m.	Election Day	168.641
Tuesday, Aug. 4, 2026		Election Day registrants may obtain and vote an absent voter ballot in person in clerk's office or vote in person in the proper precinct.	168.761
Tuesday, Aug. 4, 2026		Deadline for minor parties to hold county caucuses; notify county clerk	168.686a



		of nominated candidates within one business day after caucus.	
Tuesday, Aug. 4, 2026		Deadline for minor parties to hold state conventions; notify Secretary of State of nominated candidates within one business day after convention.	168.686a
Tuesday, Aug. 4, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for emergency absentee voting. (Begins Friday at 5 p.m.)	168.759b
Wednesday, Aug. 5, 2026		Early voting configuration sets for tabulators for November Election must be selected.	168.720j
Wednesday, Aug. 5, 2026		A city or township that establishes an Election Day vote center for the November General Election must inform applicable county clerk.	168.523b
Thursday, Aug. 6, 2026	9 a.m.	Deadline for boards of county canvassers to meet to canvass election.	168.821
Friday, Aug. 7, 2026	5 p.m.	Deadline for voter to cure the signature on AV ballot return envelope, allowing an otherwise valid ballot to be accepted for tabulation.	168.766
Monday, Aug. 10, 2026		Deadline for a ballot submitted by a MOVE voter and postmarked on or before Election Day to be deemed timely received and counted.	Mich. Const. Art II Sec 4
Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2026		Deadline for county clerks to notify precinct delegates elected at August Primary; certify delegate names and addresses to chairpersons of county committees.	168.608
Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2026		Deadline for local clerk to deliver MOVE ballots received within 6 days of Election Day to the county clerk.	168.759a
Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for ballot wording of local proposals qualified to appear on November ballot to be certified to local or county clerks.	168.646a



Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for district library board candidates (for library districts that include a school district) to 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 p.m. on Aug. 14. (Special note: If district library does not include a school district, district library board candidates file by 4 p.m. on July 16.)	397.181
Thursday, Aug. 13, 2026		Deadline for local clerks receiving ballot wording to forward to county clerk.	168.646a
Tuesday, Aug. 18, 2026		Deadline for boards of county canvassers to complete canvass of August Primary; county clerks forward results to Secretary of State within 24 hours.	168.822
Thursday, Aug. 20, 2026		Beginning of period for regular inspection of AV drop boxes to ensure compliance with requirements.	168.761d
Thursday, Aug. 20, 2026		Beginning of period for required video monitoring of AV drop boxes (this requirement now applies to all drop boxes, regardless of when they were purchased or installed).	168.761d
Monday, Aug. 24, 2026		Deadline for Board of State Canvassers to meet to canvass August Primary.	168.581
Saturday, Aug. 29, 2026		Deadline for Democratic and Republican parties to hold fall county conventions.	168.592
Friday, Sept. 4, 2026		Certification of 100-word statement of proposed ballot amendment or question due.	168.32
Friday, Sept. 4, 2026		Deadline for Democratic and Republican parties to hold fall state conventions.	168.591



Friday, Sept. 4, 2026		Deadline for cities and townships to establish, move, or abolish a polling place for the November General Election. Beginning of period during which local legislative body or board of county election commissioners may not establish, move, or abolish a polling place, early voting site, or central polling place, unless damaged, destroyed or rendered inaccessible or unusable.	168.662
Friday, Sept. 4, 2026		Deadline for ballot wording for constitutional amendments and legislative referendums, which the legislature wishes to place on the November General Election ballot, to be presented to Secretary of State.	Mich. Const. Art XII Sec 1
Friday, Sept. 4, 2026		Local clerk must inform applicable county clerk that absent voter counting board has been authorized by local board of election commissioners.	168.764d
Friday, Sept. 4, 2026		Location of each early voting site must be finalized.	168.720i
Saturday, Sept. 19, 2026		Beginning of period during which clerk must make reasonable effort to verify or reject AV ballot application or AV ballot return envelope by the end of the business day after the application or envelope is received.	168.766b
Saturday, Sept. 19, 2026		County clerk must provide each municipal clerk or early voting coordinator with programming for electronic voting equipment and ballots used for testing at early voting site.	168.720j
Saturday, Sept. 19, 2026		Deadline for clerks to electronically transmit or mail (as requested) an absent voter ballot to each absent military or overseas voter who applied for an absent voter ballot 45 days or more before the election (MOVE deadline).	168.759a; Mich. Const. Art II Sec 4



Saturday, Sept. 19, 2026		Deadline for county clerks to deliver absent voter ballots for November General Election to local clerks.	168.714
Saturday, Sept. 19, 2026		Notice of polling place or early voting site must be provided for sites newly established or changed by 60 days before Election Day.	168.662
Thursday, Sept. 24, 2026		Absent voter ballots must be available for issuance to voters.	Mich. Const. Art II Sec 4
Thursday, Sept. 24, 2026		Beginning of period secure drop boxes must be accessible 24 hours each day (until 8:00 p.m. on Election Day).	Mich. Const. Art II Sec 4
Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2026		Beginning of period of required daily collection of election materials from AV drop boxes on each day clerk's office is open.	168.761d
Friday, Oct. 2, 2026		Beginning of period during which county clerks must update Qualified Voter File to cancel registration of individuals over 17.5 years of age who have died in the county each Friday by the close of business.	168.510(6)
Monday, Oct. 5, 2026		Deadline for notice of early voting site to be provided when temporary changes needed to early voting site. (If starting early voting before required date, deadline is 21 days before start of early voting.)	168.662
Monday, Oct. 5, 2026		Optional early voting may begin.	168.720e
Monday, Oct. 5, 2026		Deadline for notice of days and hours for voter registration at clerk's office to be published in the newspaper. If considered advisable by the township or city clerk, notice may also be posted in at least two conspicuous places in each precinct. Notice must include offices and proposals that will be on the ballot.	168.498



Monday, Oct. 5, 2026		Deadline for clerk to post and enter into QVF the hours the clerk's office will be open on the Saturday or Sunday or both immediately before the election to issue and receive absent voter ballots.	168.761b
Monday, Oct. 5, 2026		Deadline for clerk to post and enter into QVF any additional locations and hours that clerk will be available to issue and receive absent voter ballots, if applicable.	168.761b
Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2026		Clerks intending to process or tabulate AV ballots before Election Day must submit written notice to the Secretary of State (if notice is not submitted by this date, tabulation before Election Day is not permitted).	168.765a
Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2026		Deadline for precinct inspectors for the election to be appointed by local election commission.	168.674
Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2026		Deadline for notice of polling place to be provided when temporary changes needed to polling place location.	168.662
Friday, Oct. 16, 2026		Deadline to post notice on website (if available) and in clerk's office of the location, dates, hours, and number of election inspectors for AV counting place if processing and tabulating AV ballots before Election Day.	168.765a
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Monday, Oct. 19, 2026		Deadline for public logic and accuracy test of early voting equipment to be conducted by applicable election commission. (If starting early voting before required date, deadline shifts back to five days before start of early voting.)	168.720j ; R 168.778 ; 168.798



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Monday, Oct. 19, 2026		Deadline to register by mail or online and be eligible to vote for the November Election.	168.497
Tuesday, Oct. 20, 2026		Registration must be done in person with local clerk with proof of residency between this date and Election Day.	168.497
Friday, Oct. 23, 2026	4 p.m.	Write-in candidates' Declaration of Intent for the November General Election due to respective filing official.	168.737a
Friday, Oct. 23, 2026	5 p.m.	Deadline for electors to submit a written request to spoil their absent voter ballot and receive a new absent voter ballot by mail.	168.765b(1)
Friday, Oct. 23, 2026	5 p.m.	Deadline for electors who have returned their absent voter ballot to submit a written request in person to spoil their absent voter ballot and receive a new absent voter ballot in the clerk's office.	168.765b(3)
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Saturday, Oct. 24, 2026		First day of mandatory early voting.	Mich. Const. Art II Sec 4
Saturday, Oct. 24, 2026		Deadline for county clerks to deliver remainder of ballots and election supplies to local clerks.	168.714
Monday, Oct. 26, 2026		Cities or townships with a population of at least 5,000 with an established absent voter counting board, which have provided timely notice that they will preprocess and tabulate AV ballots, may begin processing and tabulating AV ballots.	168.765a



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Thursday, Oct. 29, 2026		Deadline for public accuracy test of Election Day equipment to be conducted by local election commission. Notice of accuracy test must be published at least 48 hours before test.	168.798 ; R 168.778
Thursday, Oct. 29, 2026		Beginning of period when clerk must verify or reject AV ballot application or AV ballot return envelope by the end of the calendar day the application or envelope is received.	168.766b
Friday, Oct. 30, 2026		Municipal clerk must post on website the location where precinct canvass of early votes for the municipality will take place and time precinct canvass will begin. (Canvass cannot begin before 8 p.m. on Election Day.)	168.720j
Friday, Oct. 30, 2026		Eligible city or township that establishes Election Day vote center must post notice of establishment and location of vote center on website and in clerk's office.	168.523b
Friday, Oct. 30, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for an applicant to cure a signature deficiency on the application to receive an AV ballot by First Class mail.	168.761
Friday, Oct. 30, 2026	5 p.m.	Deadline for clerks to send an absent voter ballot via First Class mail.	168.761
Friday, Oct. 30, 2026	5 p.m.	Deadline for electors who have lost their absentee ballot or not yet received their ballot in the mail to submit a written request to spoil their absent voter ballot and receive a new absent voter ballot in the clerk's office or by mail.	168.765b(5)
Saturday, Oct. 31, 2026	2 p.m.	Deadline for military or overseas voter to submit an absent voter ballot application.	168.759a(10)



Sunday, Nov. 1, 2026		Last day of mandatory early voting period. (Early voting optionally may be held on the Monday before Election Day until 4 p.m.)	Mich. Const. Art II Sec 4
Monday, Nov. 2, 2026		Any city or township with an established absent voter counting board which has provided timely notice that they will preprocess and tabulate AV ballots, may begin processing and tabulating AV ballots.	168.765a
Monday, Nov. 2, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for electors who have lost their absentee ballot or not yet received their ballot in the mail to submit a written request to spoil their absent voter ballot and receive a new absent voter ballot in the clerk's office.	168.765b(7)
Monday, Nov. 2, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for a registered voter to apply for an AV ballot in person at the clerk's office.	168.759
Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2026	7 a.m. until 8 p.m.	Election Day	168.641
Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2026		Election Day registrants may obtain and vote an absent voter ballot in person in clerk's office or vote in person in the proper precinct.	168.761
Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2026	4 p.m.	Deadline for emergency absentee voting. (Begins Friday at 5 p.m.)	168.759b
Thursday, Nov. 5, 2026	9 a.m.	Deadline for boards of county canvassers to meet to canvass election.	168.821
Friday, Nov. 6, 2026	5 p.m.	Deadline for voter to cure the signature on AV ballot return envelope, allowing an otherwise valid ballot to be accepted for tabulation.	168.766
Monday, Nov. 9, 2026		Deadline for a ballot submitted by a MOVE voter and postmarked on or before Election Day to be deemed timely received and counted.	Mich. Const. Art II Sec 4



Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2026		Deadline for local clerk to deliver MOVE ballots received within 6 days of Election Day to the county clerk.	168.759a
Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2026		Deadline for boards of county canvassers to complete canvass of November General Election; county clerks forward results to Secretary of State within 24 hours.	168.822 ; 168.828
Monday, Nov. 23, 2026		Deadline for Board of State Canvassers to meet to canvass November General Election.	168.842