

Wisconsin Elections Commission Election Events Calendar

November 2024 — January 2026

2025 Elections:

- Spring Primary (if necessary): Tuesday, February 18, 2025
- Spring Election, Tuesday, April 1, 2025

Date	Event	Statute
November 2024		
11/15/2024	Wisconsin Elections Commission sends Type A notice of the February 18, 2025 Spring Primary and the April 1, 2025 Spring Election , to county clerks.	10.01(1) , (2)(a) , 10.06(1)(a) – November 15
11/26/2024	County clerks publish Type A notice of the Spring Primary and the Spring Election.	10.01(2)(a) , 10.06(2)(a) – 4th Tuesday of November
11/26/2024	Municipal clerks publish Type A notice of the Spring Primary and the Spring Election.	10.01(2)(a) , 10.06(3)(a) , (4)(a) – 4th Tuesday of November
December 2024		
12/1/2024	Deadline for electors of a village to petition for a primary.	8.11(1m)(c) – December 1
12/1/2024	First day for candidates to circulate nomination papers for the 2025 Spring Election.	8.05(3)(a) , (4)(b) , 8.10(2)(a) – December 1
12/1/2024	First day for town or village governing body to set a date for caucus.	8.05(1)(a) – between December 1 and January 1
12/1/2024	Municipal clerks certify the approximate number of electors in the municipality to county clerks.	5.66(1) – 1st day of the 2nd month preceding a primary

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12/10/2024	Deadline for filing officer to receive referendum questions or petitions for referendum intended for the Spring Primary ballot.	8.37 – 70 days prior to the election
NEXT BUSINESS DAY AFTER FILING	Deadline for a school district clerk to file a copy of the referendum question intended for the Spring Primary with the county clerk.	8.37 – next business day after receipt by school district clerk
12/21/2024	Poll lists from the Spring Primary may be destroyed.	7.23(1)(e) – 22 months after election
12/27/2024	Deadline (5:00 p.m.) for incumbents not seeking reelection to file Notification of Noncandidacy (EL-163) with the filing officer. Failure to notify will extend nomination paper deadline 72 hours for that office.	8.10(2)(a) , 120.06(6)(b) – 2nd Friday preceding the deadline for nomination papers
AT LEAST 5 DAYS BEFORE THE CAUCUS	Municipal clerk publishes caucus notice.	8.05(1)(b) – at least 5 days before the date of the caucus

January 2025		
1/1/2025	Last day for town or village governing body to set a date for caucus.	8.05(1)(a) – between December 1 and January 1
1/2/2025	First day for town or village governing body to hold caucus for a Spring Election.	8.05(1)(a) – between January 2 and January 21
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE	Municipal clerk notifies in writing the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes at the caucus of their nomination.	8.05(1)(j)1 – as soon as possible
NO LATER THAN 5TH DAY AFTER NOTICE SENT	Caucus nominees file declarations of candidacy and campaign registration statements for the Spring Election with the municipal clerk.	8.05(1)(j)2 – no later than 5:00 p.m. on the 5th day after notification is mailed or personally delivered
3RD DAY AFTER QUALIFICATION	Filing officers in municipalities using caucus draw names of candidates by lot for placement on the Spring Election ballot.	8.05(1)(j)4 – 3rd day after qualification of candidates from the caucus

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NO LATER THAN 3RD DAY AFTER QUALIFICATION	Municipal clerks using caucus certify names of municipal candidates and any municipal referenda to county clerks for printing of ballots for the Spring Election.	10.06(3)(bm) – as soon as possible, but no later than 3 days after qualification of candidates from the caucus
1/7/2025	Deadline (5:00 p.m.) for candidates to file nomination papers, declarations of candidacy, and campaign registration statements for the 2025 Spring Election with the filing officer.	8.05(3)(a) , (4)(b) , 8.10(2)(a) , (5) , 8.21 – 1st Tuesday in January
1/10/2025	Deadline (4:30 p.m.) for all judicial candidates to file Statement of Economic Interests with Wisconsin Ethics Commission.	19.43(4) – 3rd day following the deadline for nomination papers
1/10/2025	Last day for governing body of a city or village to decide upon a primary, or for electors of a city to petition for a primary, if not required by ordinance.	8.11(1)(a) , (c) , (1m)(a) – 3rd day following the deadline for nomination papers
1/10/2025	Deadline for filing officer to accept challenges to nomination papers.	8.07 , EL 2.07 – within 3 calendar days of the deadline to file nomination papers
WITHIN 24 HOURS	Depending on challenge: Filing officer arranges to deliver a copy of the challenge to the challenged candidate.	EL 2.07 (2)(a) – within 24 hours of receipt of challenge
WITHIN 3 DAYS OF FILING	Depending on challenge: Deadline for challenged candidate to file a verified response with the filing officer.	EL 2.07(2)(b) – within 3 calendar days of the challenge being filed
1/14/2025	Deadline for the Wisconsin Elections Commission to send Type B notice information and certifications of candidates to county clerks for the Spring Primary or the Spring Election if no primary is required.	10.01(2)(b) , 10.06(1)(c) – 2nd Tuesday in January
1/14/2025	County clerks prepare Spring Primary ballots and send proofs to Wisconsin Elections Commission for review as soon as possible before printing.	5.72(1) , 7.10(2) – as soon as possible
1/14/2025	County clerks send notification of election to municipal clerks as soon as possible after receipt of Type B notice from Wisconsin Elections Commission and after adding any county offices or referenda.	10.06(2)(b) – as soon as possible after receipt of Type B notice

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1/14/2025	Deadline for filing officers to draw names of candidates by lot for placement on the Spring Primary ballot or the Spring Election ballot if no primary is required.	5.58(1b)(bm), (cm), (1c), (1g)(c), (2), (2m), 5.60(1)(ag), (b), (3)(b), (4)(c), (5)(ar), (6)(a) – 2nd Tuesday in January
1/14/2025	Deadline (if primary is scheduled) for municipal governing body to designate an alternate location for requesting and voting an absentee ballot.	6.855(1) – no fewer than 14 days prior to the time that absentee ballots are available
1/19/2025	Deadline for governing body of municipality to authorize appointment of tabulators for the Spring Primary.	7.30(3)(a) – 30 days before the election
1/19/2025	Deadline for governing body of municipality to establish location of polling places for the Spring Primary.	5.25(3) – 30 days before the election
1/19/2025	Deadline for governing body of municipality to pass resolution combining wards for the Spring Primary.	5.15(6)(b) – 30 days before the election
5 WORKING DAYS BEFORE VISIT	Municipal clerks must post notice of absentee voting at residential care facilities and qualified retirement homes no less than five days before the visit. Special voting deputies may make visiting arrangements with facility administrators before this time.	6.875(6)(a) – Notice posted no less than 5 working days before the visit
1/21/2025	County, municipal, and any other clerks publish Type A notice of referenda, if having a referendum for the Spring Primary.	10.01(2)(a), 10.06(2)(n), (3)(bs), (4)(f) – 4th Tuesday preceding the election
1/21/2025	Deadline for the filing officer to receive referendum questions or petitions for referendum intended for the Spring Election ballot.	8.37 – 70 days prior to the election
NEXT BUSINESS DAY AFTER FILING	Deadline for a school district clerk to file a copy of the referendum question intended for the Spring Election with the county clerk.	8.37 – next business day after receipt by school district clerk
1/21/2025	Last day for electors to begin to acquire residence for the Spring Primary. Electors moving after this date may vote from their prior address.	6.02(2), 6.10(3) – 28 days prior to election
1/21/2025	Last day for town or village governing body to hold caucus.	8.05(1)(a) – no later than January 21
1/21/2025	Municipal clerks publish Type E notice of absentee voting instructions for the Spring Primary.	10.01(2)(e), 10.06(3)(as) – 4th Tuesday preceding the election

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1/27/2025	Deadline for county clerks and school district clerks to deliver ballots and supplies to municipal clerks for the Spring Primary.	7.10(1), (3)(a), 120.06(8)(d) – no later than 22 days before the election
1/27/2025	First day for special voting deputies to conduct absentee voting for residents in residential care facilities and qualified retirement homes.	6.875(6) – 4th Monday preceding election
1/28/2025	Deadline for municipal clerks to send absentee ballots to electors with valid requests on file for the Spring Primary.	7.15(1)(cm) – no later than 21 days before the election
1/29/2025	Deadline for voters to use mail or internet submissions to register for participation in the Spring Primary. After this date, electors must register in person in the municipal clerk’s office or at the polling place.	6.28(1) – must be postmarked no later than the 3rd Wednesday before the election. Online registration closes at 11:59 p.m.
1 BUSINESS DAY AFTER REQUEST	Municipal clerks send absentee ballots to voters one business day after receiving a sufficient request. All absentee ballots must be recorded in WisVote.	Wis. Stat. § 7.15(1)(cm) – Within one business day after a valid request is received.
1/30/2025	First day for clerks to issue certificate of registrations (EL-133) to late registrants who register to vote in person.	6.29(2)(a) – First day after close of by-mail/online registration

February 2025		
2/4/2025	First day clerks may issue absentee ballots for the Spring Primary in person in the clerk’s office or other designated location(s). Start date set by municipality.	6.86(1)(b) – no earlier than 14 days preceding the election.
2/4/2025	Poll lists from the 2023 Spring Election may be destroyed.	7.23(1)(e) – 22 months after election
48 HOURS BEFORE TEST	Municipal or county clerk must publish notice of public test of electronic voting equipment at least 48 hours prior.	5.84(1) – 48 hours prior to public test
2/8/2025	First day for municipal or county clerk to conduct public test of electronic voting equipment.	5.84(1) – not more than 10 days prior to the election
2/10/2025	Last day (before 5:00 p.m.) for special voting deputies to arrange one or more times to conduct absentee voting for residents in residential care facilities and qualified retirement homes.	6.875(6) – the 6th working day before the election

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2/11/2025	Last day for municipal clerk to post notice of absentee voting at residential care facilities and qualified retirement homes.	6.875(6)(a) – at least 5 working days before the visit
2/11/2025	First day for municipal clerk to issue absentee ballots by agent to hospitalized electors.	6.86(3)(c) – not earlier than 7 days before the election
2/13/2025	Deadline (5:00 p.m.) for regular and overseas electors to request absentee ballots by mail (online, email, or fax) for the Spring Primary	6.86(1)(b) – the 5th day preceding the election
2/14/2025	Deadline (12:00 p.m.) for write-in candidates to file a registration statement with the filing officer for the Spring Primary.	7.50(2)(em) – noon the Friday preceding the election
2/14/2025	Deadline (5:00 p.m.) for electors to register to vote in the municipal clerk’s office or other designated location(s).	6.29(2)(a) – Friday preceding the election
2/14/2025	Deadline (5:00 p.m.) for electors submitting requests for absentee ballots for all elections within the calendar year, indefinitely confined electors, and military electors not on active duty or away from their residence, to request absentee ballots by mail, online, email, or fax for the Spring Primary.	6.86(1)(b) – Friday preceding the election
2/16/2025	Last day (5:00 p.m.) for electors (except hospitalized electors and sequestered jurors) to make application in person for absentee ballots.	6.86(1)(b) – no later than the Sunday preceding the election.
2/17/2025	County and municipal clerks publish Type B notice of voting instructions and sample ballots for the Spring Primary, if required.	10.01(2)(b) , 10.02 , 10.06(2)(d) , (3)(b) – the Monday preceding election
2/17/2025	County and municipal clerks publish Type C notice of referenda for the Spring Primary, if required.	10.01(2)(c) , 10.06(3)(b) – the Monday preceding the election
2/17/2025	Last day (5:00 p.m.) for special voting deputies to conduct absentee voting for residents in residential care facilities and qualified retirement homes.	6.875(6) – the Monday preceding the election
2/17/2025	Municipal clerks publish Type D notice of the location and hours of polling places for the Spring Primary, if required.	10.01(2)(d) – the Monday preceding the election

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2/18/2025	Spring Primary (if required).	5.02(22) – Election Day – 3rd Tuesday in February
2/18/2025	Deadline (5:00 p.m.) for hospitalized electors to file a registration form and/or apply for an absentee ballot by agent for the Spring Primary.	6.86 (3)(c) – Election Day
2/18/2025	Deadline (5:00 p.m.) for military electors on active duty away from their voting residence to request absentee ballots.	6.86(1)(b) – Election Day
2/18/2025	Deadline (5:00 p.m.) for sequestered jurors to apply for an absentee ballot for the Spring Primary.	6.86(1)(b) – Election Day
2/18/2025	Deadline (8:00 p.m.) for all absentee ballots to be delivered to the polling place or central count location.	6.87(6) – Election Day
2/18/2025	Deadline (8:00 p.m.) for clerks of central count municipalities to post a statement in their offices and on the internet listing the number of absentee ballots issued and the number that have been returned.	7.52(1)(c) – No later than the closing hour of polls
2/18/2025	Election inspectors complete the returns for all votes cast at the polling place.	7.51 , 7.53(1)(a) – immediately after the polls close
2/18/2025	Election inspectors in municipalities that have combined wards and one polling place complete and sign the municipal canvass statement for the Spring Primary.	7.53(1)(a) – immediately after the polls close
2/18/2025	Election inspectors report results of the Spring Primary to proper clerks immediately upon completion of ward/election district canvass.	7.51(4)(b) , 7.60(1) – immediately after votes are tabulated
2/18/2025	Municipal clerks enter Provisional Ballot Reporting Form (EL-123R) information into the WisVote Provisional Ballot Tracker.	See 5.05(13)(b) – election night
2/18/2025	Municipal clerks post a statement at the clerk's office and online of the number of electors who have cast a provisional ballot.	7.15(15) – as soon as possible after the polls close on election night

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2/18/2025	Municipal clerks report the returns, by ward or reporting unit, to the county clerk no later than 2 hours after the votes are tabulated.	7.51(4)(c) – no later than 2 hours after the votes are tabulated
2/18/2025	County clerks post all election returns, by ward or reporting unit, on the county website no later than 2 hours after receiving the returns.	7.60(1) – no later than 2 hours after receiving the returns
2/19/2025	Municipal clerks deliver tally sheets, inspectors’ statements, ballots, and applicable envelopes and materials to county and school district clerks by 4:00 p.m.	7.51(5) – the day following the election
2/20/2025	Municipal clerks (in municipalities that canvass absentee ballots at an alternate location) deliver tally sheets, inspectors’ statements, ballots, and applicable envelopes to county clerks by 4:00 p.m.	7.51(5) , 7.52 – the 2nd day following the election
2/20/2025	Election notices and proofs of publication from the 2024 Spring Primary may be destroyed, where applicable.	7.23(1)(j) – one year after the date of the election
2/21/2025	Deadline (4:00 p.m.) for electors who voted provisionally due to not having a photo ID in the Spring Primary to provide missing information to the municipal clerk.	6.97(3)(b) – the Friday after the election
2/24/2025	Deadline (9:00 a.m.) for the Municipal Board of Canvassers to reconvene for the canvass of the Spring Primary, if necessary.	7.53(1)(a) , 7.53(2)(d) – no later than 9:00 a.m. on the Monday after the election
3RD BUSINESS DAY AFTER LAST CANVASS	Depending on Recount Filing: Deadline for a qualified candidate, or an individual who voted on a referendum at the Spring Primary to petition for a recount.	9.01(1)(a)1 – 5:00 p.m. on the 3rd business day following the last meeting of the board of canvassers determining the election result
3RD DAY AFTER CANVASS	Depending on Canvass Date: Filing officers draw names of candidates by lot for placement on the Spring Election ballot.	5.60(1)(b) , (5) , (6) – 3rd day after completion of the canvass
NO LATER THAN 3RD DAY AFTER CANVASS	Municipal clerks certify names of municipal candidates and any municipal referenda to county clerks for printing of ballots for the Spring Election.	10.06(3)(bm) – as soon as possible, but no later than 3 days after the municipal canvass is complete

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2/24/2025	Deadline (4:00 p.m.) for the Municipal Board of Canvassers to finish the canvass of the Spring Primary, if necessary.	7.51(5)(b) – no later than 4:00 p.m. on the Monday after the election
2/25/2025	Deadline (if no primary was held) for municipal governing body to designate an alternate location for requesting and voting an absentee ballot for the Spring Election.	6.855(1) – no fewer than 14 days prior to the time that absentee ballots are available
2/25/2025	Deadline (9:00 a.m.) for the School District Board of Canvassers to convene for the canvass of the Spring Primary, if necessary.	7.53(3)(a) – no later than 9:00 a.m. on the Tuesday after the election
2/25/2025	Deadline (9:00 a.m.) for the County Board of Canvassers to convene for the canvass of the Spring Primary, if necessary.	7.60(3) – no later than 9:00 a.m. on the Tuesday after the election
2/25/2025	Deadline (4:00 p.m.) for the School District Board of Canvassers to complete the canvass of the Spring Primary, if necessary.	7.53(3)(a) – no later than 4:00 p.m. on the Tuesday after the election
2/27/2025	Last day for county clerks to deliver statement of county canvass of the Spring Primary for judicial offices to Wisconsin Elections Commission.	7.60(5) – no later than 9 days after a primary

March 2025		
3/2/2025	Deadline for the governing body of a municipality to authorize the appointment of tabulators for the Spring Election.	7.30(3)(a) – 30 days before the election
3/2/2025	Deadline for the governing body of a municipality to establish the location of polling places for the Spring Election.	5.25(3) – 30 days before the election
3/2/2025	Deadline for the governing body of a municipality to pass a resolution combining wards for the Spring Election.	5.15(6)(b) – 30 days before the election
5 WORKING DAYS BEFORE VISIT	Municipal clerks must post notice of absentee voting at residential care facilities and qualified retirement homes no less than five days before the visit. Special voting deputies may make visiting arrangements with facility administrators before this time.	6.875(6)(a) – Notice posted no less than 5 working days before the visit
3/4/2025	Last day for chairperson of the Wisconsin Elections Commission to certify results of the Spring Primary.	7.70(3)(a) – 2nd Tuesday following Spring Primary

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3/4/2025	Wisconsin Elections Commission sends Type B notice information and certification of candidates for the Spring Election to county clerks.	10.01(2)(b) , 10.06(1)(e) – No later than the 1st Tuesday in March
3/4/2025	Clerks may clear memory devices for their voting equipment from the Spring Primary if the data has been transferred to another medium to be retained for 22 months.	7.23(1)(g) – 14 days after a primary
3/4/2025	County and municipal clerks publish Type A notice of referenda, if required.	10.01(2)(a) , 10.06(2)(f) , (3)(bs) – 4th Tuesday before the election
3/4/2025	County clerks prepare Spring Election ballots and send proofs to Wisconsin Elections Commission for review as soon as possible before printing.	5.72(1) , 7.10(2) – As soon as possible after candidate certification
3/4/2025	County clerks send notification of election to municipal clerks as soon as possible after receipt of Type B notice from Wisconsin Elections Commission and after adding any county offices or referenda.	10.06(2)(e) – As soon as possible after receipt of Type B notice
3/4/2025	Last day for electors to begin to acquire residence for the Spring Election. Electors moving after this date may vote from their prior address.	6.02(2) , 6.10(3) – 28 days prior to election
3/4/2025	Municipal clerks publish Type E notice of absentee voting instructions for the Spring Election.	10.01(2)(e) , 10.06(3)(bs) – 4th Tuesday before the election
3/10/2025	First day for special voting deputies to conduct absentee voting for residents in residential care facilities and qualified retirement homes for the Spring Election.	6.875(6) – No earlier than the 4th Monday preceding the election
3/10/2025	Deadline for county clerks and school district clerks to deliver ballots to municipal clerks for the Spring Election.	7.10(1) , (3) – No later than 22 days before the election
3/11/2025	Deadline for municipal clerks to send absentee ballots to electors with valid requests on file for the Spring Election.	7.15(1)(cm) – No later than 21 days before the election
3/12/2025	Deadline for voters to use mail or internet submissions to register for participation in the Spring Election. After this date, electors must register in person in the municipal clerk’s office or at the polling place.	6.28(1) – must be postmarked no later than the 3rd Wednesday before the election. Online registration closes at 11:59 p.m.

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1 BUSINESS DAY AFTER REQUEST	Municipal clerks send absentee ballots to electors with valid requests on file for the Spring Election as soon as they are available. All absentee ballots must be recorded in WisVote.	Wis. Stat. § 7.15(1)(cm) – Within one business day after a valid request is received
3/13/2025	First day for clerks to issue certificate of registrations (EL-133) to late registrants who register to vote in person.	6.29(2)(a) – First day after close of by-mail/online registration
3/18/2025	First day clerks may issue absentee ballots in person in the clerk’s office or other designated location(s). Start date set by municipality.	6.86(1)(b) – No earlier than 14 days before the election
3/20/2025	Deadline for municipal clerks to submit voter participation, Inspectors’ Statement data, and Election Reconciliation data for the Spring Primary via WisVote.	6.275 – within 30 days of each primary and election for a state or national office
48 HOURS BEFORE TEST	Municipal or county clerk must publish notice of electronic voting equipment public test at least 48 hours prior to test.	5.84(1) – 48 hours prior to public test
3/22/2025	First day for municipal or county clerk to conduct public test of electronic voting equipment.	5.84(1) – 10 days before election
3/24/2025	Last day (5:00 p.m.) for special voting deputies to make arrangements for absentee voting in residential care facilities and qualified retirement homes with facility administrators.	6.875(6) – the 6th working day before the election
3/25/2025	Last day for municipal clerk to post notice of absentee voting at residential care facilities and qualified retirement homes.	6.875(6)(a) – at least 5 working days before the visit
3/25/2025	First day for municipal clerk to issue absentee ballots by agent to hospitalized electors.	6.86(3)(c) – not earlier than 7 days before the election
3/27/2025	Deadline (5:00 p.m.) for regular and overseas electors to request absentee ballots by mail (online, email or fax) for the Spring Election.	6.86(1)(b) – 5th day before the election
3/28/2025	Deadline (5:00 p.m.) for electors submitting requests for absentee ballots for all elections within the calendar year, indefinitely confined electors, and military electors not on active duty or away from their residence, to request absentee ballots by mail, online, by email, or fax for the Spring Election.	6.86(1)(b) – Friday preceding the election

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3/28/2025	Deadline (12:00 p.m.) for write-in candidates to file a registration statement with the filing officer for the Spring Election.	7.50(2)(em) – noon the Friday preceding the election
3/28/2025	Deadline (5:00 p.m.) for electors to register to vote in the municipal clerk’s office or other designated location(s).	6.29(2)(a) – Friday preceding the election
3/30/2025	Deadline (5:00 p.m.) for electors (except hospitalized electors and sequestered jurors) to make application in person for absentee ballots.	6.86(1)(b) – no later than the Sunday preceding the election.
3/31/2025	County and municipal clerks publish Type B notice of voting instructions and sample ballots for the Spring Election.	10.01(2)(b) , 10.02 , 10.06(2)(g) , (3)(c) – Monday before the election
3/31/2025	County and municipal clerks publish Type C notice of referenda for the Spring Election, if required.	10.01(2)(c) , 10.06(2)(g) , (3)(c) – Monday before the election
3/31/2025	Last day (5:00 p.m.) for special voting deputies to conduct absentee voting for residents in residential care facilities and qualified retirement homes for the Spring Election.	6.875(6) – Monday before the election
3/31/2025	Municipal clerks publish Type D notice of the location and hours of polling places for the Spring Election.	10.01(2)(d) , 10.06 (3)(c) – Monday before the election

April 2025		
4/1/2025	Spring Election	5.02(21) – 1st Tuesday in April
4/1/2025	Deadline (5:00 p.m.) for hospitalized electors to file a registration form and/or apply for an absentee ballot by agent for the Spring Election.	6.86 (3)(c) – Election Day

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4/1/2025	Deadline (5:00 p.m.) for military electors on active duty away from their voting residence to request absentee ballots.	6.86(1)(b) – Election Day
4/1/2025	Deadline (5:00 p.m.) for sequestered jurors to apply for an absentee ballot for the Spring Election.	6.86(1)(b) – Election Day
4/1/2025	Deadline (8:00 p.m.) for all absentee ballots to be delivered to the polling place or central count location.	6.87(6) – Election Day
4/1/2025	Deadline (8:00 p.m.) for clerks of central count municipalities to post a statement in their offices and on the internet listing the number of absentee ballots issued and the number that have been returned	7.52(1)(c) – No later than the closing hour of polls
4/1/2025	Election inspectors complete the returns for all votes cast at the polling place.	7.51 , 7.53(1)(a) – immediately after the polls close
4/1/2025	Election inspectors in municipalities that have combined wards and one polling place complete and sign the municipal canvass statement for the Spring Election.	7.53(1)(a) – immediately after the polls close
4/1/2025	Election inspectors report results of the Spring Election to proper clerks immediately upon completion of ward/election district canvass.	7.51(4)(b) , 7.60(i) – immediately after votes are tabulated
4/1/2025	Municipal clerks enter Provisional Ballot Reporting Form (EL-123R) information into the WisVote Provisional Ballot Tracker.	See 5.05(13)(b) – election night
4/1/2025	Municipal clerks post a statement at the clerk’s office and online of the number of electors who have cast a provisional ballot.	7.15(15) – as soon as possible after the polls close on election night
4/1/2025	Municipal clerks report the returns, by ward or reporting unit, to the county clerk no later than 2 hours after the votes are tabulated.	7.51(4)(c) – no later than 2 hours after the votes are tabulated
4/1/2025	County clerks post all election returns, by ward or reporting unit, on the county website no later than 2 hours after receiving the returns.	7.60(i) – no later than 2 hours after receiving the returns

Date	Event	Statute
4/2/2025	Municipal clerks deliver Spring Election tally sheets, inspectors' statements, ballots, and applicable envelopes and materials to county and school district clerks by 4:00 p.m.	7.51(5) – the day after the election
4/3/2025	Municipal clerks (in municipalities that canvass absentee ballots at an alternate location) deliver tally sheets, inspectors' statements, ballots, and applicable envelopes to county clerks by 4:00 p.m.	7.51(5) , 7.52 – the 2nd day after the election
4/4/2025	Deadline (4:00 p.m.) for electors who voted provisionally due to not having a photo ID in the Spring Election to provide missing information to the municipal clerk.	6.97(3)(b) – the Friday after the election
4/7/2025	Deadline (9:00 a.m.) for the Municipal Board of Canvassers to convene for the canvass of the Spring Election.	7.53(1)(a) , 7.53(2)(a) – no later than 9:00 a.m. on the Monday after the election
4/7/2025	Deadline (4:00 p.m.) for the Municipal Board of Canvassers to finish the canvass of the Spring Election.	7.51(5)(b) – no later than 4:00 p.m. on the Monday after the election
3RD BUSINESS DAY AFTER LAST CANVASS	Depending on Certification Date: Deadline for a qualified candidate, or an individual who voted on a referendum at the Spring Election to petition for a recount.	9.01(1)(a)1 – 5:00 p.m. on the 3rd business day following the last meeting of the board of canvassers determining the election result
AFTER RECOUNT DEADLINE PASSES	Depending on Recount Filing: County, municipal, and school district clerks issue certificates of election after the deadline to file a petition for recount and appeal of recount has passed.	7.53(4) , 7.60(6) , 120.06(10) – As soon as deadline for filing recount petition has passed
4/8/2025	Deadline (9:00 a.m.) for the County Board of Canvassers to convene for the canvass of the Spring Election.	7.60(3) – no later than 9:00 a.m. on the Tuesday after the election
4/8/2025	Deadline (9:00 a.m.) for the School District Board of Canvassers to convene for the canvass of the Spring Election.	7.53(3)(a) – no later than 9:00 a.m. on the Tuesday after the election
4/8/2025	Deadline (4:00 p.m.) for the School District Board of Canvassers to complete the canvass of the Spring Election.	7.53(3)(a) – no later than 4:00 p.m. on the Tuesday after the election
4/11/2025	Last day for county clerks to deliver statement of county canvass of the Spring Election for judicial offices to Wisconsin Elections Commission.	7.60(5) – no later than 10 days after the election

Date	Event	Statute
4/22/2025	Clerks may clear memory devices for their voting equipment from the Spring Election if the data has been transferred to another medium to be retained for 22 months.	7.23(1)(g) – 21 days after the election.

May 2025		
5/1/2025	Deadline for municipal clerks to submit voter participation, Inspectors' Statement data, and Election Reconciliation data for the Spring Election via WisVote.	6.275 – within 30 days of each primary and election for a state or national office
5/15/2025	Last day for chairperson of the Wisconsin Elections Commission to certify results of the Spring Election.	7.70(3)(a) – May 15
5/19/2025	Certain materials and supplies from the 2025 Spring Primary may be destroyed after this date if no election contest, recount, or litigation is pending.	7.23(1)(k) – 90 days after the election
5/19/2025	Deadline for municipal clerks to submit Election Day Registration Postcard data for the Spring Primary via WisVote.	6.275(1)(f) – Within 90 days of each primary or election for state or national office

June 2025		
6/30/2025	Certain materials and supplies from the 2025 Spring Election may be destroyed after this date if no election contest, recount, or litigation is pending.	7.23(1)(k) – 90 days after the election
6/30/2025	Deadline for municipal clerks to submit Election Day Registration (EDR) Postcard data for the Spring Election via WisVote.	6.275(1)(f) – Within 90 days of each primary and election for state or national office

November 2025		
11/15/2025	Wisconsin Elections Commission sends Type A notice of the February 17, 2026 Spring Primary and the April 7, 2026 Spring Election , to county clerks.	10.01(1) , (2)(a) , 10.06(1)(a) – No later than November 15

Date	Event	Statute
11/25/2025	County clerks publish Type A notice of the Spring Primary and the Spring Election.	10.01(2)(a) , 10.06(2)(a) – 4th Tuesday in November
11/25/2025	Municipal clerks publish Type A notice of the Spring Primary and the Spring Election.	10.01(2)(a) , 10.06(3)(a) , (4)(a) – 4th Tuesday in November

December 2025		
12/1/2025	Deadline for electors of a village to petition for a primary.	8.11(1m)(c) – December 1
12/1/2025	First day for candidates to circulate nomination papers for the 2026 Spring Election.	8.05(3)(a) , (4)(b) , 8.10(2)(a) – December 1
12/1/2025	First day for town or village governing body to set the date for caucus.	8.05(1)(a) – Between December 1 and January 21
12/1/2025	Municipal clerks certify the approximate number of electors in municipality to county clerks. (For February Spring Primary)	5.66(1) – 1st day of the 2nd month preceding a primary
12/9/2025	Deadline for filing officer to receive referendum questions or petitions for referendum intended for the Spring Primary ballot.	8.37 – 70 days prior to the election
NEXT BUSINESS DAY AFTER FILING	Deadline for a school district clerk to file a copy of the referendum question intended for the Spring Primary with the county clerk.	8.37 – next business day after receipt by school district clerk
12/20/2025	Poll lists from the 2024 Spring Primary may be destroyed.	7.23(1)(e) – 22 months after election
12/28/2025	Municipal clerk publishes caucus notice.	8.05(1)(b) – at least 5 days before the date of the caucus

January 2026		
1/1/2026	Last day for town or village governing body to set a date for caucus.	8.05(1)(a) – between December 1 and January 1