

**2018 FEDERAL PRIMARY  
FILING REQUIREMENTS**  
Court Order

All certificates and petitions of designation, certificates of acceptance or declination of such designations, certificates of authorization for such designations, certificates of disqualification, certificates of substitution for such designations or nominations and objections and specifications of objections to such certificates and petitions required to be filed with the State Board of Elections or a board of elections outside of the city of New York shall be deemed timely filed and accepted for filing if sent by mail or overnight delivery service (as defined in CPLR §2103(b)(6)) in an envelope postmarked or showing receipt by the overnight delivery service prior to midnight of the last day of filing, and received no later than one business day after the last day to file such certificates, petitions, objections or specifications.

**CAMPAIGN FINANCE INFORMATION**

For complete information on the manner, time and place for filing campaign financial disclosure reports, contact the State Board of Elections at 1-800-458-3453, the Erie County Board of Elections at 858-8891 or refer to Article 14 of the NYS Election Law and Part 6200 of the Rules and Regulations.

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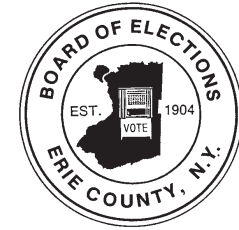
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**PARTY HEADQUARTERS**

Democratic	853-2511
Republican	856-8700
Conservative	826-6814
Green	908-5226
Working Families	632-1540
Independence	
Women's Equality	
Reform	

**FEDERAL  
POLITICAL CALENDAR  
2018**



**Federal Primary Election - June 26**  
**General Election - November 6**

This political calendar contains ready reference to the significant dates pertaining to elections to be held in this state. It constitutes a valuable guide to the proper administration of our election process. For complete information be sure to consult the applicable Election Law and Regulations and any relevant court orders.

All dates are based on court ordered and statutory provisions in effect on the date of publication and may be subject to change. Final confirmation should be obtained from the Erie County Board of Elections or the State Board of Elections.

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## **PETITIONS**

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### **SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS FOR DESIGNATING AND OPPORTUNITY TO BALLOT PETITIONS**

5% of the enrolled voters of the political party in the political unit (excluding voters in inactive status) or the following, whichever is less: For any office to be filled by all the voters of:

Congressional Districts..... 1,250

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### **DESIGNATING PETITIONS**

Election Law §6-132, 6-134

March 6 First day for signing designating petitions. §6-134(4)

April 9-12 Dates for filing designating petitions. §6-158(1)

April 16 Last day to authorize designations. §6-120(3)

April 16 Last day to accept or decline a designation. §6-158(2)

April 20 Last day to fill a vacancy after a declination. §6-158(3)

April 24 Last day to file authorization of substitution after a declination. §6-120(3)

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### **PETITION FOR OPPORTUNITY TO BALLOT (OTB)**

Election Law §6-166

March 27 First day for signing OTB petitions. §6-164

April 19 Last day to file OTB petitions. §6-158(4)

April 26 Last day to file an OTB petition if there has been a declination by a designated candidate. §6-158(4)

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## **INDEPENDENT NOMINATING PETITIONS**

Election Law §6-138, 6-140, 6-142, 6-158

June 19 First day for signing independent nominating petitions. §6-138(4)

July 24-31 Dates for filing independent nominating petitions. §6-158(9)

Aug. 3 Last day to accept or decline nomination. §6-158(11)

Aug. 6 Last day to fill a vacancy after a declination. §6-158(12)

Aug. 3 Last day to decline after acceptance if nominee loses party primary. §6-158(11)

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## **PRIMARY ELECTION**

**June 26**

**POLLS OPEN 6:00 am - 9:00 pm** Election Law §8-100(1)(a), (2)

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### **REGISTRATION**

Election Law §5-210, 5-211, 5-212

June 1 Last day to register for the federal primary election. Mail registration must be postmarked no later than June 1 and received by the board of elections no later than June 6.

### **CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

Election Law §5-208(3)

June 6 Notices of change of address from registered voters received by June 6 by a county board of elections must be processed in time for the federal primary election.

### **ABSENTEE VOTING**

Election Law §8-400(2), 8-412(1)

June 19 Last day to postmark application for ballot or letter of application for ballot.

June 25 Last day to apply in person for ballot.

June 25 Last day to postmark ballot. Ballots including Military and Special Federal must be received by the county board no later than July 3.

June 26 Last day to deliver ballot in person to the board of elections by 9pm.

### **MILITARY VOTERS**

Election Law §10-106(5), 11-202, 11-204(4)

June 1 Last day for board of elections to receive application for ballot if not previously registered.

June 19 Last day for board of elections to receive application for ballot if previously registered.

June 25 Last day to apply in person for Military ballot if previously registered.

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## **GENERAL ELECTION November 6**

**POLLS OPEN 6:00 am - 9:00 pm** Election Law §8-100(1)(c), (2)

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### **REGISTRATION**

Election Law §5-210, 5-211, 5-212

Oct. 12 Last day to register for the general election. Mail registration must be postmarked no later than Oct. 12 and received by the board of elections no later than Oct. 17.

### **CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

Election Law §5-208(3)

Oct. 17 Notices of change of address from registered voters received by Oct. 19 by a county board of elections must be processed in time for the general election.

### **CHANGE OF ENROLLMENT**

Election Law §5-304(3)

Oct. 12 Last day to accept a change of enrollment.

### **ABSENTEE AND SPECIAL FEDERAL VOTING**

Election Law §8-400(2), 8-412(1), 10-114(1), 11-204(4), 11-212

Oct. 12 Last day for board of elections to receive application for Special Federal ballot if not previously registered.

Oct. 30 Last day to postmark application or letter of application for ballot.

Nov. 5 Last day to apply in person for ballot.

Nov. 5 Last day to postmark ballot. Must be received by the board of elections no later than Nov. 13. Military and Special Federal voter ballots must be received no later than Nov. 19.

Nov. 6 Last day to deliver ballot in person to the board of elections.

### **MILITARY VOTERS**

Election Law §10-106(5)

Oct. 27 Last day for board of elections to receive application for ballot if not previously registered.

Oct. 30 Last day for board of elections to receive application for ballot if previously registered.

Nov. 5 Last day to apply personally if previously registered.