Key Dates for the 2022 Election Cycle

Tuesday, May 3, 2022
State and County Primary Election

Primaries for state judicial offices and applicable county offices will be held where a party calls for a primary. The deadlines below apply to all candidates for these offices if a primary has been called, whether they will be nominated by primary or caucus or file as independent candidates. No petition is necessary for caucus nominations; however, the nominating party must submit the caucus nomination by the qualifying deadline.

Deadline to Call Primary Monday, August 23, 2021
Deadline to Rescind Call for Primary Friday, November 19, 2021
First Day to Pick Up Petitions Monday, December 20, 2021*
  * May be delayed for some offices until redistricting is completed
Qualifying Deadline Thursday, February 17, 2022, 12:00 Noon
Withdrawal Deadline Thursday, February 24, 2022, 12:00 Noon
Voter Registration Deadline Monday, April 4, 2022
Early Voting Period Wednesday, April 13 – Thursday, April 28, 2022
Absentee Ballot Request Deadline Tuesday, April 26, 2022

Thursday, August 4, 2022
State and Federal Primary and State and County General Election

Primary elections will be held for Governor, U.S. House of Representatives, Tennessee Senate (odd-numbered districts), and Tennessee House of Representatives. General elections will be held for state judicial offices and applicable county offices. These deadlines also apply to independent candidates for these offices.

First Day to Pick Up Petitions Monday, February 7, 2022*
  * May be delayed for some offices until redistricting is completed
Qualifying Deadline Thursday, April 7, 2022, 12:00 Noon
Withdrawal Deadline Thursday, April 14, 2022, 12:00 Noon
Voter Registration Deadline Tuesday, July 5, 2022
Early Voting Friday, July 15 – Saturday, July 30, 2022
Absentee Ballot Request Deadline Thursday, July 28, 2022
Tuesday, November 8, 2022
State and Federal General Election

All candidates (including independents) for Governor, U.S. House of Representatives, Tennessee Senate (odd-numbered districts), and Tennessee House of Representatives must follow the qualifying dates for the August election. For municipal elections held with the November election, the qualifying dates below apply.

First Day to Pick Up Petitions: Monday, June 20, 2022
Qualifying Deadline: Thursday, August 18, 2022, 12:00 Noon
Withdrawal Deadline: Thursday, August 25, 2022, 12:00 Noon
Voter Registration Deadline: Tuesday, October 11, 2022
Early Voting: Wednesday, October 19 – Thursday, November 3, 2022
Absentee Ballot Request Deadline: Tuesday, November 1, 2022