



Senate Bills 205, 216 and 238 of the 130th General Assembly changed several aspects of Ohio election law, effective June 1, 2014. These changes are reflected below.

Table with 3 columns: Date, Description, and Reference. Rows include dates from June 6 to Nov 1 with various election-related events and their corresponding legal references.

*Note: In some instances, the statutory deadline falls on a day when the offices of the Secretary of State and boards of elections are closed. In those instances, the deadlines are extended pursuant to R.C. 1.14 to the next succeeding day when the appropriate office is open for regular business hours. The preceding dates reflect the extended deadline. SOS 0503 (06/2014)



2014 Ohio Election Calendar



Ohio Secretary of State
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Nov. 3	Amendments to observer appointments must be filed by 4 p.m. (day before general election)	R.C. 3505.21
	Boards of elections must submit verification forms of handicapped accessible parking and handicapped accessible polling locations to the Secretary of State's office (no later than day before general election).....	R.C. 3501.29
Nov. 4	General Election Day. Polls open from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.	R.C. 3501.01, .32
	If voter, or voter's minor child, is hospitalized because of accident or medical emergency, voter may apply for absentee ballot until 3 p.m.	R.C. 3509.08
	Absentee ballots, returned in person or via a method other than U.S. Mail, must be received by the boards of elections by close of polls.....	R.C. 3509.05, 3511.11
Nov. 5	Local questions and issues for Feb. 3, 2015 special election must be certified to or filed with boards of elections by 4 p.m. (90 days before special election)	R.C. 731.28, .29, 3501.02
Nov. 12*	Deadline for provisional voter to provide additional information that is required to be provided to determine person's eligibility (7 days after general election)	R.C. 3505.181
	Deadline for absentee voter whose identification envelope is incomplete or incorrect to provide the necessary information to the board of elections (7 days after general election).....	R.C. 3509.06
Nov. 14	Absentee ballots returned by U.S. Mail must be postmarked no later than Nov. 3 and received by boards of elections by this date to be counted (10 days after general election)	R.C. 3509.05, 3511.11
	UOCAVA absentee ballots must be received by boards of elections by this date to be counted (10 days after general election).....	R.C. 3511.11
Nov. 15	Boards of elections may begin official canvass of Nov. 4 general election ballots (11 days after general election).....	R.C. 3505.32
Nov. 19	Boards of elections must begin official canvass of Nov. 4 general election ballots no later than this date (15 days after general election)	R.C. 3505.32
Nov. 25	Boards of elections must complete canvass of Nov. 4 general election ballots no later than this date (21 days after general election).....	R.C. 3505.32
Dec. 11	Last day for local option petitioners to send street listing to Division of Liquor Control (55 days before Feb. 4, 2015 deadline for filing petitions for May 5, 2015 primary election).....	R.C. 4301.33, 4305.14
Dec. 20	UOCAVA absentee ballots for Feb. 3, 2015 special election must be ready (45 days before special election).....	R.C. 3511.04
	Boards of elections must update and publish notices of February 3, 2015 special election by this date and provide the notices to federal write-in absentee voters upon request (no later than 45 days before special election)	R.C. 3511.16
Dec. 23	Boards of elections must advertise in newspaper(s) the places, dates, times, qualifications, and methods for voter registration (6 weeks before special election).....	R.C. 3503.12

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Jan. 1	Applications for absentee ballots for 2015 elections may be accepted (first day of the year)	R.C. 3509.03, 3511.02
Jan. 4	Nov. 4, 2014 general election ballots may be discarded, except for federal office, unless ordered held by a court or the Secretary of State (61 days after general election)	R.C. 3505.31, 42 USC 1974
Jan. 5*	Deadline for voter registration for Feb. 3, 2015 special election (30 days before special election).....	R.C. 3503.19
Jan. 6	Non-UOCAVA absentee ballots for Feb. 3 special election must be ready (day after the close of voter registration).....	R.C. 3509.01
Jan. 25	Boards of elections must prepare and publish notices of the May 5, 2015 primary/special election and provide the notices to federal write-in absentee voters upon request (no later than 100 days before primary/special election).....	R.C. 3511.16

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