SUMMARY CALENDAR FOR CANDIDATE AND PROPOSAL DEADLINES

August 2, 2016 Primary and November 8, 2016 General Election

Important Dates and Filing Deadlines

Refer to Michigan compiled law for cited provisions (www.michiganlegislature.org.) Dates are subject to change through legislative action. If any errors are found, it is the law, itself, which must be followed.

March 8, 2016 - Presidential Primary Election Dates
May 3, 2016 - Regular Election

August 2, 2016	State Primary
November 8, 2016	State General Election

Registration Deadlines

July 5, 2016	Last day to register for August primary. (168.497)
Oct. 11, 2016	Last day to register for November general election. (168.497)

Filing Deadlines: Candidates

By 5:00 p.m., March 21, 2016	Incumbent Appeals Court, Circuit Court, District Court and Probate Court judges file Affidavit of Candidacy and Affidavit of Identity for the August primary. Withdrawal deadline elapses at 5:00 p.m. on March 24. (168.409b, 413a, 414, 433a, 434, 467c and 467d)
By 4:00 p.m., April 19, 2016	Candidates seeking Appeals Court, Circuit Court, District Court or Probate Court judgeships file nominating petitions, Affidavit of Identity and Affidavit of Constitutional Qualification for the August primary. Withdrawal deadline elapses at 5:00 p.m. on April 22. (168.409b, 409c, 413, 414, 433, 434, 467b and 467d)
By 4:00 p.m., April 19, 2016	Partisan and nonpartisan candidates (other than judicial candidates) file nominating petitions (or fees if applicable) and Affidavit of Identity for the August primary. Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4:00 p.m. on April 22. (168.53, 93, 133 and 163 for federal and state-level offices; assorted other statutes for local offices)
By 4:00 p.m., May 3, 2016	Candidates for county convention delegate (precinct delegate) 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 4:00 p.m. on May 6. (168.624, 624a)

By 4:00 p.m., May 10, 2016	Candidates seeking a Wayne County Community College Trustee position file an Affidavit of Identity and a nonpartisan nominating petition. Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4:00 p.m. on May 13. (389.83)
By 5:00 p.m., July 5, 2016	Incumbent Supreme Court Justices file Affidavit of Identity and Affidavit of Candidacy forms for the November general election. (168.392a and 558)
By 4:00 p.m., July 21, 2016	District Library Board candidates who wish to seek office at the November general election file an Affidavit of Identity and a nonpartisan nominating petition. (A $100.00 nonrefundable fee may be filed in lieu of a petition.) (Special note: If district library includes a school district, District Library Board candidates file by 4:00 p.m. on August 16, 2016) (397.181)
By 4:00 p.m., July 21, 2016	Candidates without political party affiliation file qualifying petitions and Affidavit of Identity for the November general election. Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4:00 p.m. on July 25. (168.590c)
By 4:00 p.m., July 22, 2016	Write-in candidates other than write-in candidates who seek precinct delegate positions file Declaration of Intent forms for the August primary. (168.737a)
By 4:00 p.m., July 26, 2016	Local School Board candidates and Community College Trustee candidates who wish to seek office at the November general election 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 4:00 p.m. on July 29. Candidates seeking a Wayne County Community College Trustee position file by 4:00 p.m. on May 10. (168.303; 389.83, 152)
By 4:00 p.m., July 26, 2016	Village candidates who wish to seek office at the November general election file an Affidavit of Identity and a nonpartisan nominating petition. Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4:00 p.m. on July 29. (168.381)
By 4:00 p.m., July 29, 2016	Write-in candidates who seek precinct delegate positions file Declaration of Intent forms with the city or township clerk for the August primary. (As an alternative, candidates for precinct delegate may file the Declaration of Intent form with appropriate precinct board on election day before the close of the polls.) (168.737a)
August 2, 2016	**STATE PRIMARY ELECTION**
By 4:00 p.m., August 16, 2016	District Library Board candidates (library in districts that include a school district) who wish to seek office at the November general election 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 4:00 p.m. on August 19. (Special note: If district library does not include a school district, District Library Board candidates file by 4:00 p.m. on July 21.) (397.181)

By 4:00 p.m., Oct. 28, 2016	Write-in candidates file Declaration of Intent forms for the November general election. (168.737a)

November 8, 2016 **STATE GENERAL ELECTION**

Filing Deadlines: New Parties and State Ballot Proposals

By 5:00 p.m., June 1, 2016	Petitions to place a legislative initiative proposal on the November general election ballot filed with the Secretary of State (252,523 valid signatures required). (168.471)
By 5:00 p.m., July 11, 2016	Petitions to place a proposed constitutional amendment on the November general election ballot filed with the Secretary of State (315,654 valid signatures required). (168.471)
By 4:00 p.m., July 21, 2016	New political parties file petitions to qualify for November general election ballot (31,566 valid signatures required). (168.685)

Filing Deadlines: County and Local Proposals

By Apr 26, 2016	Petitions to place county and local questions on the August primary ballot filed with county and local clerks. (If governing law sets an earlier petition filing deadline, earlier deadline must be observed.) (168.646a)
By May 10, 2016	Ballot wording of county and local proposals to be presented at the August primary certified to county and local clerks; local clerks receiving ballot wording forward to county clerk within two days. (168.646a)
By Aug. 2, 2016	Petitions to place county and local questions on the November general election ballot filed with county and local clerks. (If governing law sets an earlier petition filing deadline, earlier deadline must be observed.) (168.646a)
By Aug. 16, 2016	Ballot wording of county and local proposals to be presented at the November general election certified to county and local clerks; local clerks receiving ballot wording forward to county clerk within two days. (168.646a)