



STATE OF MICHIGAN  
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**MAY 5, 2020 ELECTION  
CALENDAR OF DATES**

<b>By 4:00 p.m., Jan. 16</b>	District Library Board candidates who wish to seek office at the May 5 election must file an Affidavit of Identity and a nominating petition. (A \$100.00 nonrefundable fee may be filed in lieu of a petition.) If filing official is a local clerk, filing official notifies county clerk of candidates' names and addresses within 3 days. (397.181)
<b>By 4:00 p.m., Jan. 21</b>	City candidates who wish to seek office at the May 5 election must file an Affidavit of Identity and nominating petition signatures. Withdrawal deadline elapses at 4:00 p.m. January 24. (168.322)
<b>By Jan. 27</b>	City clerks forward names and addresses of candidates to county clerk. (168.321)
<b>By Jan. 28</b>	Petitions to place proposals on ballot filed with county and local clerks. (If governing law sets an earlier petition filing deadline, earlier deadline must be observed.) (168.646a)
<b>Jan. 31</b>	Last day a recall petition can be filed for May election. (168.963)
<b>By 4:00 p.m., Feb. 11</b>	Ballot wording of county and local proposals to be presented at the election certified to county and local clerks; local clerks receiving ballot wording forward to county clerk within two days. (168.646a)
<b>By March 6</b>	Final date cities and townships can establish, move or abolish a polling place for the May election. (168.662)
<b>By March 21</b>	Delivery of military and overseas AV ballots must begin for the May election by this date. All requests received since November 5, 2019 from a military or overseas voter must be honored for all 2020 elections. (168.759a)
<b>By March 21</b>	County clerks deliver absent voter ballots for the May election to local clerks. (168.714)

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<b>March 26 through April 14</b>	Precinct inspectors for May election appointed by city and township election commissions. (168.674)
<b>By April 6</b>	Notice of voter registration for May election published. One notice required. (168.498)
<b>By April 6</b>	Clerk shall post and notify the Secretary of State of hours the clerk's office will be open on the Saturday or Sunday or both immediately before the election to issue and receive absent voter ballots. (168.761b)
<b>By April 6</b>	Clerk shall post and notify the Secretary of State of any additional locations and hours the clerk will be available to issue and receive absent voter ballots, if applicable. (168.761b)
<b>April 20</b>	Last day to register in any manner other than in-person with the local clerk for the May election. (168.497)
<b>April 21 through 8:00 p.m. May 5</b>	In-person registration with local clerk with proof of residency. (168.497)
<b>By 4:00 p.m. April 24</b>	Write-in candidates file Declaration of Intent forms for the May election. (168.737a)
<b>By April 24</b>	Pre-Primary Campaign Statements due. Books close July 19.
<b>By April 25</b>	County clerks deliver remainder of ballots and election supplies for May election to local clerks. (168.714)
<b>By April 28</b>	Notice of May election published. One notice required. (168.653a)
<b>By April 30</b>	Public accuracy test must be conducted. (R 168.778) Notice of test must be published at least 48 hours before test. (168.798)
<b>By 5:00 p.m. May 1</b>	Electors may obtain an absent voter ballot via First Class mail. (168.759)
<b>Up to 4:00 p.m. May 4</b>	Electors may obtain an absent voter ballot in person in the clerk's office. (168.761)
<b>By 4:00 p.m. May 5</b>	Emergency absentee voting for May election. (168.759b)

<b>Up to 8:00 p.m., May 5</b>	Election Day registrants may obtain and vote an absent voter ballot in person in the clerk's office or vote in person in the proper precinct. (168.761)
<b>May 5</b>	<b>MAY ELECTION</b>
<b>By 9:00 a.m. May 7</b>	Boards of county canvassers meet to canvass May election. (168.821)
<b>By June 4</b>	Post-Primary Campaign Statements due. Books close May 24.