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2026 ELECTIONS CALENDAR

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Mississippi election officials are required by State and Federal law to perform certain duties. This calendar is intended to serve only as an informational tool for election officials and the general public. Omission of any date does not relieve local election officials of their obligations to perform those duties as required by law.

Note: The regularly scheduled election for Mississippi Supreme Court is currently enjoined due to a federal court order.

JANUARY

1st HOLIDAY

2nd **Qualifying Period Begins:** First day candidates may qualify for Court of Appeals, Chancery Court Judge, Circuit Court Judge, County Court Judge, and Mississippi Levee Commission. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-299(3); 23-15-359(3) and (4); 23-15-977(1); (Section 2, Ch. 85 of the Laws of 1930, as amended by Section 1, Ch. 574 of the Laws of 1968; Section 1, Ch. 317 of the Laws of 1983)*) *NOTE*- This may vary for candidates

who qualify at the Circuit Clerk's Office as counties may choose to be closed this day in accordance with the Governor's October 16th, 2025 proclamation.

Candidates should contact their Circuit Clerk's Office before appearing to qualify on January 2nd.

9th **Permanently Disabled Voters List:** Deadline for Circuit Clerk Offices to deliver to the Election Commissions the list of permanently disabled voters who receive absentee ballots automatically for the March 10, 2026, Primary Elections. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-629(3)*)

Absentee Ballot Applications: Absentee ballot applications are available in the Circuit Clerk's Office for the March 10, 2026, Primary Elections. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-625(1)*)

10th **Deadline for State Executive Committees to Determine Qualifications:** State Executive Committees must make a final determination on the qualifications of each candidate who submitted the necessary qualifying paperwork by this date. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-299(7)(b)(ii)*)

13th **Voter Roll Maintenance:** County Election Commissioners meet to conduct voter roll maintenance and purge ineligible voters from SEMS. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-153(l)(a)*)

NOTE: This date is within 90 days of a federal election – *no systematic list maintenance may occur at this time*. Voters may continue to be purged from the voter roll based upon death, conviction of disenfranchising crimes, adjudication of incompetence and voluntary request. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-152 (6)*)

19th **HOLIDAY**

Primary Election Sample Ballot Deadline: State Executive Committee provides the names of all qualified candidates to MSOS and MSOS publishes sample of official Primary Election Ballot in SEMS. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-331*).

24th **First UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Transmitted:** Circuit Clerks' Offices send absentee ballots for the first and second Primary Elections to UOCAVA (Uniformed and Overseas Citizens) voters who requested an absentee ballot this calendar year, i.e., since Jan. 1, 2026. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-685*)

Permanently Disabled Voter List: County Election Commission returns the updated list to the Circuit Clerk's Office. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-629(3)*)

26th **In-Person Absentee Ballots Available:** Earliest day to vote by an in-person absentee ballot in the Circuit Clerk's Office in the Primary Election. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-715*)

29th **Absentee Ballot Deadline for Permanently Disabled Voters:** Circuit Clerk's Offices mail absentee ballots to voters on the permanently disabled list. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-629 (4)*)

30th **Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:** Annual Campaign Finance reports due in the appropriate office. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-807(b)(iii)*)

FEBRUARY

2nd **Qualifying Deadline at 5:00 p.m.:** Last day candidates may qualify for Mississippi Court of Appeals, Chancery Court Judge, Circuit Court Judge, and County Court Judge. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-977 (1)*)

Voter Registration: Circuit Clerks' offices MAY remain open from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-37(2)*)

3rd **Voter Registration:** Circuit Clerks' offices MAY remain open from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-37(2)*)

Voter Roll Maintenance: County Election Commissioners meet to perform voter roll maintenance and purge ineligible voters from SEMS. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-153(1)(b)*)

NOTE: This date is within 90 days of a federal election – *no systematic list maintenance may occur at this time*. Voters may continue to be purged from the voter roll based upon death, conviction of disenfranchising crime, adjudication of incompetence and voluntary request. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-152 (6)*)

4th **Voter Registration:** Circuit Clerks' offices MAY remain open from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-37(2)*)

5th **Voter Registration:** Circuit Clerks' offices MAY remain open from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-37(2)*)

6th **Voter Registration:** Circuit Clerks' offices MAY remain open from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., including the noon hour. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-37(2)*)

7th **Voter Registration:** Circuit Clerks' offices MUST remain open this Saturday from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. for voter registration. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-37(2)*)

9th **Primary Election Voter Registration Deadline:** Applicants who register in-person today and those who mail registration applications are post-marked no later than today are

eligible to vote in the March 10, 2026, Primary Election. (*Miss. Code Ann.*.. §§ 23-15-37(2); 23-15-47(2)(a); 23-15-125)

16th HOLIDAY

24th Appointment of Poll Managers: Deadline by which County Election Officials must appoint poll managers. (*Miss. Code Ann.*.. §23-15-265 (1))

26th Deadline of Publication of Notice of Poll Managers Training: Public notice of the time and location of poll manager training must be posted at the courthouse and published in a newspaper five days before the date of training. (*Miss. Code Ann.*.. §23-15-239(1)(4); *Miss. Code Ann.*.. §1-3-67).

28th In-Person Absentee Voting, 12:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerk's offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*Miss. Code Ann.*.. §23-15-653).

UOCAVA Voter Registration Deadline: Circuit Clerk's Offices must be in actual receipt of a completed Federal Postcard Application (FPCA) from a UOCAVA voter. (*Miss. Code Ann.*.. §23-15-677 (2)).

MARCH

3rd Publication of Notice of Resolution Board Meeting: Notice of the Resolution Board meeting to process absentee ballots must be posted five (5) business days prior to the election at the circuit clerk's office, at the meeting place or the county election commissioners, and on the website and/or social media page of the county if the county has a website and/or social media page. The notice must also be posted at each polling place on election day. (*MS Admin. Code Part 17, Rule 3.1*)

5th Poll Manager and Resolution Board Training Deadline: No poll manager or resolution board member may serve in any election unless he has received training once during the 12 months immediately preceding the election. (*Miss. Code Ann.*.. §23-25-239(1)).

7th In-Person Absentee Voting Deadline, 12:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerks' Offices OPEN from 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. (*Miss. Code Ann.*.. § 23-15-653)

9th Primary Runoff Elections Voter Registration Deadline: Applicants who register in-person today and those who mail registration applications are post-marked no later than today are eligible to vote in the April 7, 2025, Primary Runoff Elections. (*Miss. Code Ann.*.. §§ 23-15-37, 23-15-47, 23-15-125)

10th PRIMARY ELECTION DAY (U.S. Congress): Polling places are open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. (*Miss. Code Ann.*.. §§ 23-15-171 and 23-15-541)

UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline, 7:00 p.m.: Absentee ballots received by the Circuit Clerk's Offices by 7:00 p.m. from only UOCAVA voters by email or fax are timely. (*Miss. Code Ann.*.. § 23-15-699(6))

Postmark Deadline: Absentee ballots returned by mail MUST be postmarked on or before Election Day and received by the Circuit Clerk's Office within five (5) business days.

17th **Absentee Ballots Returned by Mail Receipt Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:** Circuit Clerk's Offices must be in actual receipt of absentee ballots returned by mail for ballots to be timely. Ballots returned by mail must be postmarked on or before Election Day. (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-637(1)(a)*).

Voter ID Affidavit Ballot Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Last day affidavit voters who cast an affidavit ballot by reason of voter ID may present an acceptable form of photo ID or complete an affidavit of religious objection in the Circuit Clerk's Office. (*MS Const. Art.12, §249A; Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-573(3)(d)(i)*).

Deadline for Canvass of Returns by Election Officials: Executive Committees must meet to canvass the returns and declare the results and the names of the nominees. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-597 (1)*).

18th **Late Received Absentee Ballots:** The applications and unopened absentee ballot envelopes received by the Circuit Clerk's Office after the applicable deadlines must be stamped with the date and hour of receipt and retained for twenty-two months. (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-647, 23-15-645 (3)*).

20th **Tabulated Statement of Party Vote:** Deadline by which State Executive Committee(s) must declare results, transmit to MSOS tabulated statement of vote, announce names of nominees, and submit names of candidates for Primary Runoff. (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-599*)

24th **Appointment of Poll Workers:** Deadline for appointment of poll workers for the Primary Runoff Election scheduled for April 7, 2026. (*Miss. Code Ann § 23-15-265*)

26th **Deadline for Publication of Notice of Poll Manager Training for Primary Runoff Election:** Public notice of the time and location of poll manager training must be posted at the courthouse and published in a newspaper five days before the date of training. (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-239(1)(4); Miss. Code Ann. §1-3-67*)

28th **In-Person Primary Election Runoff Absentee Voting:** Circuit Clerk's offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until noon for in-person absentee voting for the Primary Runoff Election. (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-653*)

UOCAVA Voter Registration Primary Election Runoff Deadline: Circuit Clerk's Offices must be in actual receipt of a completed Federal Postcard Application (FPCA) from a UOCAVA voter. (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-25-677(2)*)

31st **Publication of Notice of Resolution Board Meeting:** Notice of the Resolution Board meeting to process absentee ballots must be posted five (5) business days prior to the election at the circuit clerk's office, at the meeting place or the county election commissioners, and on the website and/or social media page of the county if the county

has a website and/or social media page. The notice must also be posted at each polling place on election day. (*MS Admin. Code Part 17, Rule 3.1*).

APRIL

2nd **Poll Manager Training Deadline for Runoff Election:** Only for poll managers who have not received training once in the 12 months immediately preceding the election. (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-239(1)*)

Permanently Disabled Voters List: Deadline for Circuit Clerk Offices to deliver to the Election Commissions the list of permanently disabled voters who receive absentee ballots automatically for the June 2, 2026, Mississippi Levee Board Elections. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-629(3)*).

4th **In-Person Primary Election Runoff Absentee Voting:** Circuit Clerk's Offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until noon for in-person absentee voting for the Primary Runoff Election. (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-653*).

7th **PRIMARY RUNOFF ELECTION DAY (U.S. Congress) (if required):** Polling places must be open from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. (*Miss Code Ann. § 23-15-541(1); 23-15-1031*).

UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline, 7:00 p.m.: Absentee ballots received by the Circuit Clerk's Offices by 7:00 p.m. from only UOCAVA voters by email or fax are timely. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6)*).

Postmark Deadline: Absentee ballots returned by mail MUST be postmarked on or before Election Day and received by the Circuit Clerk's Office within five (5) business days.

14th **Absentee Ballots Returned by Mail Receipt Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:** Circuit Clerk's Offices must be in actual receipt of absentee ballots returned by mail for ballots to be timely. Ballots returned by mail must be postmarked on or before Election Day. (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-637*).

Voter ID Affidavit Ballot Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Last day affidavit voters who cast an affidavit ballot by reason of voter ID may present an acceptable form of photo ID or complete an affidavit of religious objection in the Circuit Clerk's Office. (*MS Const.Art.12, §249A; Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-573(d)*).

Deadline for Canvass of Returns by Election Officials for Primary Runoff Elections: Executive Committees must meet to canvass the returns and declare the results and the names of the nominees. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-597 (1)*)

15th **Late Absentee Ballots:** Applications and unopened absentee ballot envelopes must be stamped with the day and hour of receipt upon the envelope and retained for twenty-two months. (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-647; 23-15-645 (3)*).

17th **Tabulated Statement of Party Vote:** Deadline by which State Executive Committee(s) must declare results from the Primary Runoff Elections, transmit to MSOS tabulated statement of vote, announce names of nominees, and submit names of candidates. (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-599*)

18th **Permanently Disabled Voter List:** County Election Commission returns the updated list to the Circuit Clerk's Office for the June 2, 2026, Mississippi Levee Board Elections. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-629(3)*)

27th **HOLIDAY**

MAY

4th **Qualifying Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:** Mississippi Levee Commissioners. (*General Laws of 1928, Ch. 12; General Laws 1930, Chap 85; General Laws of 1968, Chap.574; General Laws of 1983, Ch. 317*).

Voter Registration Deadline: Applicants who register in-person today and those who mail registration applications post-marked no later than today are eligible to vote in the General Election for the Mississippi Levee Districts (Washington, Bolivar, Humphreys, and Sharkey Counties). (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-47, 23-15-125; General Laws of 2010, Chap. 438*).

8th **Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:** Periodic Campaign Finance Report due in the appropriate office for all nonpartisan Judicial candidates (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-807(c)*).

19th **Appointment of Poll Workers:** Deadline for appointment of poll workers for the Mississippi Levee Board Election scheduled for June 2, 2026. (*Miss. Code Ann § 23-15-265*).

21st **Deadline for Publication of Notice of Poll Manager Training for Mississippi Levee Board Election:** Public notice of the time and location of poll manager training must be posted at the courthouse and published in a newspaper five days before the date of training. (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-239(1)(4); Miss. Code Ann. §1-3-67*).

23rd **In-Person Absentee Voting in Mississippi Levee Board Election:** Circuit Clerk's Offices MUST remain open this Saturday from 8:00 a.m. until noon for in-person absentee voting for the Mississippi Levee Board Election (Washington, Bolivar, Humphreys, and Sharkey Counties). (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-653*).

UOCAVA Voter Registration Deadline: To be eligible to vote in the upcoming

General Election for Mississippi Levee Commissioner Districts (Washington, Bolivar, Humphreys, and Sharkey Counties), Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in actual receipt of a completed FPCA from a UOCAVA voter. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-677(2)*).

25th HOLIDAY

26th Publication of Notice of Resolution Board Meeting: Notice of the Resolution Board meeting to process absentee ballots must be posted five (5) business days prior to the election at the circuit clerk's office, at the meeting place or the county election commissioners, and on the website and/or social media page of the county if the county has a website and/or social media page. The notice must also be posted at each polling place on election day. (*MS Admin. Code Part 17, Rule 3.1*).

Voter Registration Deadline: Applicants who register in-person today and those who mail registration applications post-marked no later than today are eligible to vote in the **Runoff Election for the Mississippi Levee Districts** scheduled for June 23, 2025 (Washington, Bolivar, Humphreys, and Sharkey Counties). (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-47, 23-15-125*).

28th Poll Manager Training Deadline for Mississippi Levee Board Election: Only for poll managers who have not received training once in the 12 months immediately preceding the election. (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-239(1)*)

30th Deadline for In-Person Absentee Voting in Mississippi Levee Board Election: Circuit Clerk's Offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until noon for in-person absentee voting for the Mississippi Levee Board Election (Washington, Bolivar, Humphreys, and Sharkey Counties). (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-653*).

JUNE

2nd Mississippi Levee Board General Election. Bolivar, Humphreys, Sharkey & Washington counties (*General Laws: 1930, Ch. 85; 1968, Ch. 574; 1983, Ch. 317; and 2010, Ch. 438*).

Postmark Deadline: Absentee ballots returned by mail MUST be postmarked on or before Election Day and received by the Circuit Clerk's Office within five (5) business days.

UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline, 7:00 p.m.: Absentee ballots received by the Circuit Clerk's Offices by 7:00 p.m. from only UOCAVA voters by email or fax that are timely. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6)*).

9th Absentee Ballots for Mississippi Levee Board General Election Returned by Mail Receipt Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerk's Offices must be in actual receipt of absentee ballots returned by mail for ballots to be timely. Ballots returned by mail must be postmarked on or before Election Day. (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-637*).

Voter ID Affidavit Ballot Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Last day affidavit voters who cast an affidavit ballot by reason of voter ID may present an acceptable form of photo ID or complete an affidavit of religious objection in the Circuit Clerk's Office for the Mississippi Levee Board Election. (*MS Const. Art. 12, §249A; Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-573(d)*).

10th Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Periodic Campaign Finance Report due in the appropriate office for all nonpartisan Judicial candidates (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-807(c)*).

MS Levee District Late Absentee Ballots: Applications and unopened absentee ballot envelopes received after the applicable deadline(s) must be stamped with the day and hour of receipt and retained for twenty-two (22) months. (*42 U.S.C. § 1973, Miss. Code Ann.. §§ 23-15-647; 23-15-645(3)*).

12th MS Levee District Delivery of Returns: Deadline for County Election Commissions to transmit to the Secretary of State their counties' General Election returns, including their certified recap sheets and the total number of votes cast in the county for each candidate. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-601, 23-15-603*).

13th In-Person Absentee Voting in Mississippi Levee Board Runoff Election: Circuit Clerk's Offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until noon for in-person absentee voting for the Mississippi Levee Board Election (Washington, Bolivar, Humphreys, and Sharkey Counties). (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-653*).

16th Publication of Notice of Resolution Board Meeting for Mississippi Levee Board Runoff Election: Notice of the Resolution Board meeting to process absentee ballots must be posted five (5) business days prior to the election at the circuit clerk's office, at the meeting place or the county election commissioners, and on the website and/or social media page of the county if the county has a website and/or social media page. The notice must also be posted at each polling place on election day. (*MS Admin. Code Part 17, Rule 3.1*).

18th Poll Manager Training Deadline for Mississippi Levee Board Runoff Election: Only for poll managers who have not received training once in the 12 months immediately preceding the election. (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-239(1)*)

20th Deadline for In-Person Absentee Voting in Mississippi Levee Board Commission Election: Circuit Clerk's Offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until noon for in-person absentee voting for the Mississippi Levee Board Election (Washington, Bolivar, Humphreys, and Sharkey Counties). (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-653*).

23rd MS Levee District Runoff Election (if required) (*Gen. Laws: 1930, Ch. 85; 1968, Ch. 574; 1983, Ch. 317; 2010, Ch. 438*), Bolivar, Humphreys, Sharkey, & Washington County.

UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline, 7:00 p.m.: Absentee ballots received by the Circuit Clerk's Offices by 7:00 p.m. from only UOCAVA voters by email or fax are timely. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6)*).

Postmark Deadline: Absentee ballots returned by mail MUST be postmarked on or before Election Day and received by the Circuit Clerk's Office within five (5) business days.

30th Absentee Ballots for Mississippi Levee Commissioners General Election Returned by Mail Receipt Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerk's Offices must be in actual receipt of absentee ballots returned by mail for ballots to be timely. Ballots returned by mail must be postmarked on or before Election Day. (*Miss. Code Ann. §23-15-637*).

Voter ID Affidavit Ballot Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Last day affidavit voters who cast an affidavit ballot by reason of voter ID may present an acceptable form of photo ID or complete an affidavit of religious objection in the Circuit Clerk's Office for the Mississippi Levee Board Election. (*MS Const. Art. 12, §249A; Miss. Code Ann. §23-15-573(d)*).

JULY

3rd MS Levee District Runoff Election Delivery of Returns: Deadline for County Election Commissions to transmit to the Secretary of State their counties' General Election returns, including their certified recap sheets and the total number of votes cast in the county for each candidate. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-601, 23-15-603*).

4th HOLIDAY

10th Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Periodic Campaign Finance Report due in the appropriate office for all nonpartisan Judicial candidates (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-807(c)*).

21st Qualifying Period Begins: First day candidates may file petitions and/or qualifying statements for offices of County School Board, Municipal Separate School District Trustee, Special Municipal Separate School District Trustee or Consolidated/Consolidated Line School District Trustee. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 37-7-225, 37-7-211, 37-7711, 37-5-9*).

AUGUST

3rd National Voter Registration Act, Systematic Purging Deadline: *No systematic list maintenance* may occur within 90 days before the date of the General Election. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-152 (6)*).

20th **Qualifying Deadline at 5:00 p.m.**: Last day candidates may qualify for County and County District Special Elections. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-839*).

Qualifying Deadline at 5:00 p.m.: Last day candidates may qualify for County School Board, Municipal Separate School District Trustee, Special Municipal Separate School District Trustee or Consolidated/Consolidated Line School District Trustee. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 37-7-225, 37-7-211, 37-7-711, 37-5-9*).

SEPTEMBER

4th **Permanently Disabled Voters List**: Circuit Clerks provide list to the Election Commission to purge ineligible voters. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-629(3)*).

Absentee Ballot Applications: Must be available in the Circuit Clerk's Office. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-625(1)*).

7th HOLIDAY

9th **General Election Sample Ballot Deadline**: MSOS publishes a sample of the official November General Election Ballot in SEMS. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-367(3)*).

14th **Voter Roll Maintenance**: County Election Commissioners meet to perform voter roll maintenance and purge ineligible voters from the voter roll/SEMS. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-153 (1)(d)*).

NOTE: This date is within 90 days of a federal election – *no systematic list maintenance may occur at this time*. Voters may continue to be purged from the voter roll based upon death, conviction of disenfranchising crime, adjudication of incompetence and voluntary request. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-152 (6)*).

19th **Absentee Ballots**: Must be available in the Circuit Clerk's Offices. An absentee ballot must be mailed to all voters who applied before absentee ballots are available. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-715(b)*).

UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline: Circuit Clerks' Offices send absentee ballots for first and second Primary Elections by mail, email, or fax to UOCAVA voters. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-683; 23-15-691; 23-15-692; and 23-15-699*).

Permanently Disabled Voters List: Election Commission returns revised list to Circuit Clerk's Office for General Election. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-629(3)*).

21st **Absentee Ballots Available:** Earliest day to vote by an absentee ballot in the Circuit Clerk's Office in the General Election. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-715*).

24th **Absentee Ballot Deadline for Permanently Disabled Voters:** Circuit Clerk's Offices mail absentee ballots to voters on the permanently disabled list. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-629 (4)*)

28th **Voter Registration (General):** Circuit Clerks' offices MAY remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7 p.m., including the noon hour (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-37(2)*).

29th **Voter Registration (General):** Circuit Clerks' offices MAY remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7 p.m., including the noon hour (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-37(2)*).

30th **Voter Registration (General):** Circuit Clerks' offices MAY remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7 p.m., including the noon hour (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-37(2)*).

OCTOBER

1st **Voter Registration (General):** Circuit Clerks' offices MAY remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7 p.m., including the noon hour (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-37(2)*).

2nd **Voter Registration (General):** Circuit Clerks' offices MAY remain open from 8:00 a.m. until 7 p.m., including the noon hour (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-37(2)*).

3rd **Voter Registration (General):** Circuit Clerks' offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until noon. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37 (2)*).

5th **Voter Registration Deadline (General):** Applicants who register in-person in the Circuit Clerk's office or Municipal Clerk's office today, and those who mail registration applications post-marked no later than today are eligible to vote in the General Election. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37, 23-15-47, 23-15-125*).

9th **Campaign Finance Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:** Periodic Campaign Finance Report due in the appropriate office for all nonpartisan Judicial candidates (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-807(c)*).

22nd **Deadline Publication of Notice of Poll Worker Training:** Public notice of the time and location of poll manager training must be posted at the courthouse and published in a newspaper five (5) days before the date of the training (*Miss. Code Ann.. §§23-15-239(4); Miss. Code Ann. I-3-67*).

24th **UOCAVA Voter registration Deadline:** Circuit Clerk's must be in **actual receipt** of a completed Federal Postcard Application (FPCA) from a UOCAVA voter. (*Miss. Code Ann. §23-15-677(2)*).

Absentee Voting, 12:00 p.m. (General): Circuit Clerk's Offices MUST remain open from 8:00 a.m. until noon (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-653*).

27th **Campaign Finance Pre-Election Report Deadline, 5:00 p.m.:** All candidates and political committees who have accepted contributions or made expenditures for the General or Special Election must file Pre-Election Reports in the appropriate office. (*Miss. Code Ann.. §§ 23-15-805, 23-15-807(b)(i)*)

Publication of Notice of Resolution Board Meeting: Notice of the Resolution Board meeting to process absentee ballots must be posted five (5) business days prior to the election at the circuit clerk's office, at the meeting place or the county election commissioners, and on the website and/or social media page of the county if the county has a website and/or social media page. The notice must also be posted at each polling place on election day. (*MS Admin. Code Part 17, Rule 3.1*).

29th **Poll Manager Training Deadline:** Only for poll managers and resolution board members who have not received training once in the 12 months preceding the General Election. (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-239(1)*).

31st **In-Person Absentee Voting Deadline, 12:00 p.m. (General):** Circuit Clerk's Offices MUST remain open from 8 a.m. until noon (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-653*).

NOVEMBER

2nd **General/Special Election Runoff Voter Registration Deadline:** Applicants who register today and those who mail registration applications post-marked no later than today are eligible to vote in the General/Special Runoff Election, if any, scheduled for December 1, 2026. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-37, 23-15-47, 23-15-125*)

3rd **General Election Day and Regular Special Election Day.** Polls open from 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. (*MS Const. Art. 12, § 252; Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-833*)

UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline, 7:00 p.m.: Absentee ballots received by the Circuit Clerk's Offices by 7:00 p.m. from only UOCAVA voters by email or fax are timely. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6)*)

Postmark Deadline: Absentee ballots returned by mail MUST be postmarked on or before Election Day and received by the Circuit Clerk's Office within five (5) business days.

10th Voter ID Affidavit Ballot Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Last day affidavit voters who cast an affidavit ballot by reason of voter ID may present an acceptable form of photo ID or complete an affidavit of religious objection in the Circuit Clerk's Office. (*MS Const. Art. 12, §249A; Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-573(3)(d)*).

Absentee Ballots Returned by Mail Receipt Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in actual receipt of absentee ballots returned by mail for ballots to be timely. Ballots returned by mail must be postmarked on or before Election Day. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-637(1)(a)*)

11th HOLIDAY

12th Late Absentee Ballots: Applications and unopened absentee ballot envelopes received after the applicable deadline(s) must be stamped with the day and hour of receipt and retained for twenty-two (22) months. (*42 U.S.C. § 1973, Miss. Code Ann.. §§ 23-15-647; 23-15-645(3)*).

13th Delivery of Returns: Deadline for County Election Commissions to transmit to the Secretary of State their counties' General/Special Election returns, including their certified recap sheets and the total number of votes cast in the county for each candidate. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-601, 23-15-603*).

21st Absentee Voting for the General Election Runoff, 12:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerks' offices MUST remain open from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-653*).

UOCAVA Voter Registration General Election Runoff Deadline: Circuit Clerks' Offices must be in actual receipt of a completed Federal Postcard Application (FPCA) from a UOCAVA voter. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-677(2)*).

Publication of Notice of Poll Manager Training for the General Election Runoff: Public notice of the time and location of poll manager training must be posted at the courthouse and published in a newspaper five (5) days before the date of the training. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-239(4)*)

23rd Determination of Election for Supreme Court and Court of Appeals Justices. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-607*).

24th Campaign Finance Pre-Runoff Election Report Deadline, 5:00 p.m.: All candidates and political committees who have accepted contributions or made expenditures for the Runoff Election must file Pre-Runoff Election Reports in the appropriate office. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-807(b)(i)*)

Publication of Notice of Resolution Board Meeting: Notice of the Resolution Board meeting to process absentee ballots must be posted five (5) business days prior to the election at the circuit clerk's office, at the meeting place or the county election commissioners, and on the website and/or social media page of the county if the county

has a website and/or social media page. The notice must also be posted at each polling place on election day. (*MS Admin. Code Part 17, Rule 3.1*).

26th HOLIDAY

Poll Manager Training Deadline for the General Election Runoff: Only for poll managers and resolution board members who have not received training once in the 12 months preceding the General Election. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-239(1)*)

28th In-Person Runoff Election Absentee Voting Deadline, 12:00 p.m.: Circuit Clerks' offices MUST remain open from 8 a.m. until 12 noon. (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-653*)

DECEMBER

1st General Election/Special Election Runoff Day (if required) for Mississippi Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, Chancery, Circuit, and County Court Judges; School Board Members/Trustees. Polls open from 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. (*Miss. Code Ann.. §§ 23-15-833; 23-15-981; 37-5-9*).

UOCAVA Absentee Ballot Deadline, 7:00 p.m.: Absentee ballots received by the Circuit Clerk's Offices by 7:00 p.m. from only UOCAVA voters by email or fax are timely and must be delivered to the Resolution Board for processing. (*Miss. Code Ann. § 23-15-699(6)*).

Postmark Deadline: Absentee ballots returned by mail MUST be postmarked on or before Election Day and received by the Circuit Clerk's Office within five (5) business days. (*Miss. Code Ann.. §23-15-637*).

3rd Declaration of General/Special Election Results by Secretary of State. (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-605*).

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21st **Determination of Election for Supreme Court and Court of Appeals Justices.** (*Miss. Code Ann.. § 23-15-607*).

25th **HOLIDAY**

31st **Declaration of General/Special Runoff Election Results by Secretary of State.** (*Miss. Code Ann. §§ 23-15-605*).