



# Rhode Island Election Calendar 2016

A guide for elections officials

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Dear Local Elections Official:

As your Secretary of State, I am working hard to engage and empower all Rhode Islanders and ensure that our elections are fair, fast, and accurate. This digital guide contains all of the information and key dates you will need to administer the September primary and November's general election.

Some of the information included in this guide:

- Filing dates for candidates
- Voter registration deadlines
- Contact info for fellow elections officials

We also encourage you to print out the flyers on the final pages of this guide to post in your offices for local voters. While this guide is offered electronically to make it easier for you to share it with your colleagues, we are happy to provide a hard copy of the guide or the Voter ID flyer upon request. If you need additional information, please contact our Elections Division at 401-222-2340, TTY 711 or [elections@sos.ri.gov](mailto:elections@sos.ri.gov).

Government can and must be effective, transparent and accountable to the people it serves in order to succeed. That can only happen when we all participate. As a local elections official, I know that you work hard to make sure that Rhode Islanders who are eligible to vote, participate in our democratic process. I thank you for also working to make sure that our elections run smoothly.

Sincerely,

Nellie M. Gorbea

*Secretary of State*

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**Notes:**

- › Rhode Island General Laws, [RIGL §17-1-7], provides for a uniform deadline of 4 p.m. unless another time is specified.
- › The determinations herein are a matter of interpretation and are intended solely as a guide. They do not constitute official interpretation of state law.
- › All statutory references are to Title 17 of the Rhode Island General Laws, 1956, as amended as of December 31, 2015.
- › The Department of State will post changes to Title 17 that affect this election calendar on our website at [www.sos.ri.gov](http://www.sos.ri.gov). There will be a link on the Elections Division page that will take you to the status of any laws affecting the dates in this guide.

# Election Calendar Highlights

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<b>March 29, 30 and 31</b>	<b>Disaffiliation for candidates</b>
<b>May 27</b>	<b>Deadline to register to file Declaration of Candidacy</b> Deadline for candidates to register to vote in order to be eligible to file a Declaration of Candidacy.
<b>June 15</b>	<b>Last day for disaffiliation for primary voters</b>
<b>June 27, 28 and 29</b>	<b>Declaration of Candidacy filing period</b> Declaration of Candidacy filing period. (All candidates for federal office and independent presidential electors file with the Department of State's Elections Division; all candidates for general assembly, local offices, district committees and local committees file with local boards of canvassers where the candidate is a registered voter.)
<b>August 14</b>	<b>Deadline to register to vote in the party primaries</b>
<b>September 13</b>	<b>PARTY PRIMARIES</b>
<b>October 9</b>	<b>Deadline to register to vote in the general election</b>
<b>November 8</b>	<b>GENERAL ELECTION</b>

# 2016 Election Calendar and Explanations

- March 29, 30 and 31**      **Disaffiliation - candidates**  
Deadline to file disaffiliation to run as a candidate. If you wish to run as a candidate and are affiliated with a political party other than the party in which you wish to run, you must disaffiliate at your local board of canvassers by this time. Deadline depends on date you file your Declaration of Candidacy. [RIGL §17-14-1.1]
- May 27**      **Registration - candidates**  
Deadline for candidates to register to vote in order to be eligible to file a Declaration of Candidacy. Persons must be registered to vote at least 30 days before filing their Declaration of Candidacy. [RIGL §17-14-1.2(a)]
- June 15**      **Disaffiliation - primary voters**  
Deadline for voters to disaffiliate (if necessary) at their local board of canvassers in order to vote in a different party's primary. If you wish to disaffiliate you must do so at least 90 days prior to the primary. Unaffiliated voters may vote in any party's primary. [RIGL §17-9.1-24(a)]
- June 27, 28 and 29**      **Declarations of Candidacy**  
Dates for filing declarations to be candidates in primaries or to be independent candidates in the general election. Candidates for federal office and independent presidential electors file with the Department of State's Elections Division. Candidates for general assembly, local offices, district committees and local committees file with local boards of canvassers where the candidate is registered to vote. [RIGL §17-14-1]
- June 30**      **Party nominations**  
For any state office for which no primary nomination has been made and any local office for which no nomination has been made by any authorized city, town, ward, or district committee or any duly authorized subcommittee, state committees of political parties may file party nominations within 24 hours of the deadline for the filing of declarations of candidacy in the same location where the individual nominated would have filed their declaration of candidacy for such office. [RIGL §17-12-2(3)]
- June 30**      **District endorsements**  
District committees file with local boards of canvassers lists of candidates having district committee endorsement (senatorial and representative district committees from the City of Providence file with the Department of State's Elections Division). To be filed not later than the day after the final day for filing declarations of candidacy. [RIGL §17-12-11(b)(2)(c)]

**June 30**

**City/Town/Ward endorsements**

City, town and ward committees file with local boards of canvassers lists of local candidates having committee endorsements. To be filed not later than the day after the final day for filing declarations of candidacy. [RIGL §17-12-11(a)(1)]

**July 1**

**State committee endorsements**

State committee notifies the Department of State's Elections Division of the endorsement of candidates to be voted upon by congressional district. To be filed not later than the second day after the final day for filing declarations of candidacy.

State committee to file with local boards of canvassers lists of candidates having committee endorsement when city, town or district committees have failed or neglected to do so. To be filed within 24 hours after city, town or district committees have failed to endorse. [RIGL §17-12-4]

**July 6**

**Nomination papers**

First day nomination papers are available. Candidates for federal office and independent presidential electors (or their designees) obtain nomination papers from the Department of State's Elections Division. Candidates (or their designees) for the following offices from the City of Providence obtain their nomination papers from the Department of State's Elections Division: senator, representative, and senatorial and representative district committees. All other general assembly, local office, district committee and local committee candidates obtain nomination papers from local boards of canvassers where they filed their declaration. Local board prepares within 2 business days of the final day of filing endorsements. (July 1st is final day for endorsement; July 2nd is a Saturday; July 3rd is a Sunday; July 4th is a holiday; July 5th is first business day; July 6th is second business day.) [RIGL §17-1-7]

Persons other than candidates picking up nomination papers from the Department of State's Elections Division (148 West River Street, Providence, RI) must have written authorization from the candidate. [RIGL §17-14-4(a)(c)]

**July 15**

**Nomination papers - COMPLETED**

All candidates (or their designees) except electors for independent presidential candidates, file completed nomination papers with local boards of canvassers. To be filed on or before the 60th day before the primary. [RIGL §17-14-11]

**July 18**

**Objections to candidates for local offices**

Final date to file objections to eligibility of candidates or sufficiency of nomination papers for local offices. Objections to be filed with the local board of canvassers the next business day after the final date for filing nomination papers. (July 16th is a Saturday; July 17th is a Sunday; July 18th is the first business day.) [RIGL §17-14-13]

**July 18**

**Withdrawals of candidates from local offices**

Final date for local candidates to file withdrawals of candidacy. To be filed where nomination papers were filed. Note: in the event an objection has been filed, withdrawal to be filed within 24 hours of decision. [RIGL §17-14-15]



<b>August 1</b>	<p><b>Braille/tactile mail ballot requests</b></p> <p>Final date for those voters who are blind or visually impaired to request a Braille or a tactile primary mail ballot from their local board of canvassers. [RIGL §17-19-8.1(b)]</p>
<b>August 9</b>	<p><b>Appointment of officials - primaries</b></p> <p>Local boards of canvassers to appoint wardens, moderators, supervisors and clerks at least 35 days prior to the primaries. [RIGL §17-15-13]</p>
<b>August 10</b>	<p><b>Local questions</b></p> <p>Local boards of canvassers to certify to the Department of State's Elections Division a copy of each question to be submitted to the electors of the city or town. To be done not later than the 90th day before the election. [RIGL §17-19-7]</p>
<b>August 13</b>	<p><b>Canvass notice</b></p> <p>Local boards of canvassers to post and advertise notice of canvass at least 10 days prior to canvass. Notice to be posted not later than August 13th in order for canvass to be conducted by August 23rd. [RIGL §17-10-5(a)]</p>
<b>August 14</b>	<p><b>Voter registration deadline - primaries</b></p> <p>Final date for voter registration for primaries. Registration must be made at least 30 days prior to the primary. [RIGL §§17-1-3, 17-1-7]</p>
<b>August 19</b>	<p><b>Voter lists - preliminary</b></p> <p>Local boards of canvassers to prepare and post preliminary lists of voters eligible to vote in the primaries. To be posted forthwith after close of voter registration for the primary.</p> <p>In accordance with chapter 17-9.1, certain registrations processed on the last day to register to vote are allowed a 5-day transmittal period. Accordingly, local boards of canvassers cannot prepare and post preliminary lists of eligible voters until after this 5-day transmittal period. [RIGL §17-10-3(a)]</p>
<b>Within 5 days of posting of preliminary voting list</b>	<p><b>Voter lists - names erroneously included or omitted</b></p> <p>Affidavit to be filed with local boards of canvassers by person claiming that their name has been erroneously included or omitted from the preliminary voting lists. To be done within 5 days of posting of preliminary voting lists. [RIGL §17-13-2]</p>
<b>August 23</b>	<p><b>Mail ballot applications</b></p> <p>Final date to submit application for a regular mail ballot for primaries. To be received by local boards of canvassers not later than 21 days prior to primaries. [RIGL §17-20-2.1(c)]</p>
<b>August 23</b>	<p><b>Voter lists</b></p> <p>Local boards of canvassers are to canvass and correct voting lists before the 20th day prior to primaries (20th day is August 24th – must be done before this date). [RIGL §17-10-5(a)]</p>

<b>August 24</b>	<p><b>Emergency mail ballots</b> Beginning of the period for emergency mail ballot applications for those voters whose circumstances necessitating a mail ballot arise during the period from August 24th through September 12th at 4 p.m. [RIGL §17-20-2.2(a)(b)]</p>
<b>August 26</b>	<p><b>Voting lists - final - primaries</b> Local boards of canvassers to post final corrected copies of voting lists for primaries. [RIGL §§17-10-5(a), 17-10-14]</p>
<b>August 26</b>	<p><b>Mail ballots - certification</b> Final day for local boards of canvassers to certify mail ballot applications to the Department of State's Elections Division not later than 18 days prior to the primaries, or within 7 days of receipt, whichever occurs first. [RIGL §17-20-10(c)]</p>
<b>September 2</b>	<p><b>Posting notice - primaries</b> Local boards of canvassers to post notice of primaries in each voting district. To be done at least 8 days prior to primaries. Local boards of canvassers may substitute posting of notices by publication in the newspaper (September 5th is Labor Day). [RIGL §17-15-17]</p>
<b>September 6</b>	<p><b>Party officials - primaries</b> Local boards of canvassers to appoint watchers, checkers and runners for primaries. Appointments to be made from lists provided by city and town party committees at least 10 days prior to the primaries (September 3rd is a Saturday and September 5th is Labor Day). [RIGL §17-15-13(c)]</p>
<b>September 9</b>	<p><b>Nomination papers – completed – presidential electors for independent presidential candidates</b> All presidential electors for independent presidential candidates submit nomination papers to local boards of canvassers. To be filed on or before the 60th day before election. [RIGL §17-14-11]</p>
<b>September 12 at 4 p.m.</b>	<p><b>Emergency ballot applications</b> Final date to submit application for emergency ballot for primaries. To be received by local boards of canvassers not later than 4 p.m. [RIGL §17-20-2.2(b)]</p>
<b>September 13</b>	<p><b>Party Primaries</b> [RIGL §17-15-1]</p>
<b>September 13 at 8 p.m.</b>	<p><b>Mail ballots</b> Final date for receipt of mail ballots by Board of Elections for primaries. Must be received by the Board of Elections at 50 Branch Avenue, Providence, RI not later than 8 p.m. [RIGL §17-20-16]</p>

- September 14**                      **Tabulation of returns**  
 Local boards of canvassers to meet and tabulate city and town primary returns as the case may be, and announce results. Certificates of nomination or election not to be issued until expiration of period for requesting recount, and if recount is requested, following decision thereon. [RIGL §17-15-30(a)]
- September 14**                      **Recount requests**  
 Final date for candidates to request Board of Elections to conduct a recount of votes cast at a specific voting location or locations, or for filing other protests concerning the primary. Must be filed not later than the day following the primaries. [RIGL §17-15-34]
- September 15**                      **Nomination papers – certification – presidential electors for independent presidential candidates**  
 Local boards of canvassers to file nomination papers for presidential electors for independent presidential candidates with the Department of State’s Elections Division. Local boards shall certify nomination papers to the Department of State’s Elections Division not later than 54 days before the date of the election. [RIGL §17-14-12]
- September 15**                      **Names of party and independent presidential candidates**  
 The secretary or duly authorized individual of each national party shall certify to the Department of State’s Elections Division the names of individuals nominated as the party’s candidates for president and vice president. The names of independent candidates for president and vice president must also be submitted by the authorized individual for those political organizations that have qualified independent presidential electors. By regulation adopted May 15th, 1996 to be filed not later than 54 days before the date of the election.
- September 16**                      **Nomination papers – objections – presidential electors for independent presidential candidates**  
 Final date to file objections to nomination papers for presidential electors for independent presidential candidates. Objections must be filed by the next business day after the final date for filing nomination papers. [RIGL §17-14-13]
- September 16**                      **Nomination withdrawals – presidential electors for independent presidential candidates**  
 Presidential electors for independent presidential candidates file withdrawals with the Department of State’s Elections Division. If an objection has been filed, withdrawals may be filed within 24 hours after the Board of Elections renders its decision. [RIGL §17-14-15]
- September 16 at 5 p.m.**                      **Lottery for presidential electors for independent presidential candidates**  
 The Department of State will conduct a lottery to determine ballot placement of presidential electors for independent presidential candidates for the general election ballots. Lottery will be held at 5 p.m. in the State Library, State House. (If decision rendered on September 19th removes presidential electors for a particular presidential candidate, the names will be removed from the ballot.) [RIGL §17-19-9.1]

- September 16**                      **Filling vacancies**  
 Final date for filling vacancies caused whenever a nominee of a recognized political party removes themselves from the jurisdiction of the district or as a candidate for the office for which the nominee seeks election. In the event of death, the vacancy can be filled at anytime. Vacancies must be filed in the same location where the individual would have filed their declaration of candidacy for such office. [RIGL §17-15-38(a)]
- September 16**                      **Local candidates**  
 Local boards of canvassers to certify to the Department of State's Elections Division the names of candidates for each local office and the party name under which they were nominated, and the names of all qualified independent candidates for each local office. To be done not later than the third day following the date of the primaries. [RIGL §17-19-7]
- September 19**                      **Nomination papers – decisions – presidential electors for independent presidential candidates**  
 Board of Elections to make decisions on objections to nomination papers for presidential electors for independent presidential candidates. Decision to be made within 2 days of objection, exclusive of Sundays and holidays. [RIGL §17-14-14]
- September 26**                      **Submit list of officials - general election**  
 City/Town committees submit names to local board of canvassers of registered voters who will serve as wardens, moderators, supervisors and clerks. [RIGL §§17-11-11, 17-11-13]
- September 26**                      **Braille/tactile mail ballot requests**  
 Final date for those voters who are blind or visually impaired to request a braille or a tactile general election mail ballot from their local board of canvassers. [RIGL §17-19-8.1(b)]
- October 4**                              **Appointment of officials - general election**  
 Local boards of canvassers to appoint officials for general election. Appointments to be made from lists provided by city and town committees at least 35 days prior to the general election. [RIGL §§17-11-11, 17-11-13(a)]
- October 8**                              **Canvass notice**  
 Local boards of canvassers to post and advertise notice of canvass at least 10 days prior to canvass. Notice to be posted not later than October 8th in order for canvass to be conducted by October 18th. [RIGL §17-10-5(a)]
- October 9**                              **Voter registration – general election**  
 Final date for voter registration for the general election. Registration must be made at least 30 days prior to the general election. [RIGL §§§17-1-3, 17-1-7, 17-9.1-3]

**October 14**

**Voter list – preliminary**

Local boards of canvassers must prepare and post preliminary lists of voters eligible to vote in the general election. To be posted forthwith after close of voter registration for the general election.

In accordance with Chapter 17-9.1, certain registrations processed on the last day to register to vote are allowed a 5-day transmittal period. Accordingly, local boards of canvassers cannot prepare and post preliminary lists of eligible voters until after this 5-day transmittal period. [RIGL §17-10-3(a)]

**Within 5 days of posting of preliminary voting list**

**Voter lists – names erroneously included or omitted**

Affidavit to be filed with local boards of canvassers by person claiming that their name has been erroneously included or omitted from the preliminary voting lists. To be done within 5 days of posting of preliminary voting lists. [RIGL §§17-10-5, 17-13-2]

**October 14**

**Party conventions**

State conventions for political parties in Rhode Island shall be held not later than October 14th. [RIGL §17-12-13]

**October 18**

**Mail ballot applications**

Final date to submit application for a regular mail ballot for the general election. To be received by local boards of canvassers not later than 21 days prior to the general election.

Exception: deadline to apply for a mail ballot to vote only for president and vice president is November 1st (Federal Voting Rights Act 1973aa-1(d)). [RIGL §17-20-2.1(c)]

**October 18**

**Voter lists**

Local boards of canvassers are to canvass and correct voting lists before the 20th day prior to the general election (20th day is October 19th – must be done before this date). [RIGL §17-10-5(a)]

**October 19**

**Emergency mail ballots**

Beginning of the period for emergency mail ballot applications for those voters whose circumstances necessitating a mail ballot arise during the period from October 19th through November 7th at 4 p.m. [RIGL §17-20-2.2(a)(b)]

**October 21**

**Voting lists – final – general election**

Local boards of canvassers to post final corrected copies of voting lists for the general election. [RIGL §17-10-14]

**October 21**

**Mail ballots – certification**

Final day for local boards of canvassers to certify mail ballot applications to the Department of State's Elections Division (not later than 18 days prior to the general election, or within 7 days of receipt, whichever occurs first). [RIGL §17-20-10(c)]

<b>November 1</b>	<b>Warrants – posting</b> Final day for city and town clerks to issue and post warrants notifying of the general election. To be issued and posted at least 7 days prior to Election Day. [RIGL §17-18-3]
<b>November 7 at 4 p.m.</b>	<b>Emergency ballot applications</b> Final date to submit application for emergency ballot for the general election. To be received by local boards of canvassers not later than 4 p.m. [RIGL §17-20-2.2(b)]
<b>November 8</b>	<b>Election Day</b> [RIGL §17-18-5]
<b>November 8 at 8 p.m.</b>	<b>Mail ballots</b> Final date for receipt of mail ballots by Board of Elections for the general election. Must be received by Board of Elections at 50 Branch Avenue, Providence, RI, not later than 8 p.m. [RIGL §17-20-16]
<b>November 15</b>	<b>Recount requests</b> Final date for candidates to request Board of Elections to conduct a recount of votes. Petition to be filed within 7 days after the election. [RIGL §§17-1-7, 17-19-36, 17-19-37]
<b>December 19</b>	<b>Presidential electors</b> Meeting of presidential electors to be held at the State House at noon. [RIGL §17-4-11]
<b>January, 2017</b>	<b>Committees – organization</b> City, town and district committees to organize. [RIGL §17-12-9(a)]
<b>Within 10 days of organization</b>	<b>Committees – filings</b> City, town and district committees, within 10 days of organization, file lists of officers and members with the Department of State’s Elections Division and local boards of canvassers. [RIGL §17-12-9(c)]

# 2016 Campaign Finance Calendar

## Note: “NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION”

Any candidate for public office, as defined in §17-25-3, is required to file a “Notice of Organization” with the Board of Elections prior to receiving any contributions or expending any money in the furtherance or aid of his/her candidacy or at the time of filing his/her declaration of candidacy, whichever occurs first. (Note: Persons who have a “Notice” on file with the Board of Elections and who regularly file reports with the Board are required to file an amended “Notice” whenever there is a change to information therein contained.)

For further information regarding campaign finance requirements, contact:

Rhode Island State Board of Elections  
50 Branch Avenue  
Providence, Rhode Island 02904  
Phone: 401-222-2345 - Fax: 401-222-4424  
Email: campaign.finance@elections.ri.gov - Website: www.elections.ri.gov

## **February 1 (not later than) POLITICAL PARTY COMMITTEES – TREASURER**

Designation of a campaign treasurer by each state and municipal committee of a political party. [§17-25-9]

## **March 1**

### **ANNUAL REPORTS**

Each state and municipal committee of a political party must file an annual report setting forth in the aggregate all contributions received and expenditures made during the previous calendar year. [§17-25-7(b)]

## **May 2**

### **(For reporting period January 1, 2016 thru March 31, 2016)**

### **QUARTERLY ONGOING REPORTS**

Reports are due from candidates, political parties, and political action committees. [§17-25-11]

## **August 1**

### **(For reporting period April 1, 2016 thru June 30, 2016)**

### **QUARTERLY ONGOING REPORTS**

Reports are due from candidates\*, political parties, and political action committees.

\* Candidates who file their “Notice of Organization” during the declaration period need not file this report. The first report of contributions received and expenditures incurred shall be due as follows:

› IF A CANDIDATE IN THE PRIMARY, the report for the period between the date of declaration and August 15, 2016, shall be due on August 16, 2016.

› IF NOT A CANDIDATE IN THE PRIMARY, the report for the period between the date of declaration and October 10, 2016, shall be due on October 11, 2016.

[§17-25-11]

## **August 16**

### **(For reporting period July 1, 2016 thru August 15, 2016)**

### **PRE-PRIMARY REPORTS**

Candidates, political parties, and political action committees that are participating in a primary must file reports 28 days prior to the party primaries.

[§17-25-11(a)(2)]

- September 6** (For reporting period August 16, 2016 thru September 5, 2016)  
**PRE-PRIMARY REPORTS**  
 Candidates, political parties, and political action committees that are participating in a primary must file reports 7 days prior to the party primaries. [§17-25-11(a)(2)]
- October 11** **PRE-ELECTION REPORTS**  
 Candidates, political parties, and political action committees that are participating in the election must file reports 28 days prior to the election.  
 If the candidate, political party or political action committee:  
 › PARTICIPATED IN THE PRIMARY (Does not include unsuccessful primary candidates - See October 11, 2016) the reporting period is September 6, 2016 thru October 10, 2016.  
 › DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE PRIMARY the reporting period is July 1, 2016 thru October 10, 2016. [§17-25-11(a)(2)]
- October 11** (For reporting period September 6, 2016 thru October 10, 2016)  
**POST-PRIMARY REPORTS – UNSUCCESSFUL PRIMARY CANDIDATES**  
 All unsuccessful primary candidates must file reports 28 days after the primary. [§17-25-11(a)(3)]
- October 31** (For reporting period July 1, 2016 thru September 30, 2016)  
**QUARTERLY ONGOING REPORTS**  
 Reports are due from candidates, political parties and political action committees that are not participating in the September primary or November election. [§17-25-11]
- November 1** (For reporting period October 11, 2016 thru October 31, 2016)  
**PRE-ELECTION REPORTS**  
 Candidates, political parties, and political action committees that are participating in the election must file reports 7 days prior to the election. [§17-25-11(a)(2)]
- December 6** (For reporting period November 1, 2016 thru December 5, 2016)  
**POST-ELECTION REPORTS**  
 Candidates, political parties, and political action committees that participated in the election must file reports 28 days after the election. [§17-25-11(a)(3)]
- January 31, 2017** **QUARTERLY ONGOING REPORTS**  
 Reports are due from all candidates, political parties, and political action committees.  
 If the candidate, political party or political action committee:  
 › PARTICIPATED IN THE NOVEMBER 8, 2016 ELECTION the reporting period is December 6, 2016 thru December 31, 2016.  
 › WAS UNSUCCESSFUL IN THE PRIMARY the reporting period is October 11, 2016 thru December 31, 2016.  
 › DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN A PRIMARY OR ELECTION the reporting period is October 1, 2016 thru December 31, 2016. [§17-25-11]

## Qualifications for Elective Office

Office	Age	State Residence	U.S. Citizen	Years in Term	# of Terms
President	35	14 years in U.S.	yes, natural born	4	2
Vice President	35	14 years in U.S.	yes, natural born	4	no limit
Presidential Elector	18	30 days	yes	n/a	no limit
U.S. Senator *	30	yes	9 years	6	no limit
U.S. Representative	25	yes	7 years	2	no limit
State Senator	18	30 days	yes	2	no limit
State Representative	18	30 days	yes	2	no limit

\*Not on the ballot in 2016

## Polling Place Hours

### Opening Times of Polls

<b>CITY/TOWN</b>	<b>OPEN A.M.</b>	<b>CITY/TOWN</b>	<b>OPEN A.M.</b>
Barrington	7 a.m.	Newport	7 a.m.
Bristol	7 a.m.	New Shoreham	9 a.m.
Burrillville	7 a.m.*	North Kingstown	7 a.m.
Central Falls	7 a.m.	North Providence	7 a.m.
Charlestown	7 a.m.*	North Smithfield	7 a.m.
Coventry	7 a.m.	Pawtucket	7 a.m.
Cranston	7 a.m.	Portsmouth	7 a.m.
Cumberland	7 a.m.	Providence	7 a.m.
East Greenwich	7 a.m.	Richmond	7 a.m.
East Providence	7 a.m.	Scituate	7 a.m.
Exeter	7 a.m.	Smithfield	7 a.m.
Foster	7 a.m.	South Kingstown	7 a.m.
Glocester	7 a.m.	Tiverton	7 a.m.
Hopkinton	7 a.m.*	Warren	7 a.m.
Jamestown	7 a.m.**	Warwick	7 a.m.
Johnston	7 a.m.	Westerly	7 a.m.*
Lincoln	7 a.m.	West Greenwich	7 a.m.
Little Compton	7 a.m.*	West Warwick	7 a.m.
Middletown	7 a.m.	Woonsocket	7 a.m.
Narragansett	7 a.m.		

\* in primary elections in the towns of Burrillville, Charlestown, Hopkinton, Little Compton and Westerly polls shall open at 9 a.m.

\*\* in primary elections in the town of Jamestown polls shall open at 8 a.m

## Closing Times of Polls

The polls in all cities and towns in Rhode Island will remain open for voting until 8 p.m.

Any person eligible to vote who is in line to vote at 8 p.m. will be allowed to cast his or her vote before the polls close.

# Local Boards of Canvassers

## Contact Information

### **Barrington Town Hall**

283 County Rd. 02806  
247-1900 x4

### **Bristol Town Hall**

10 Court St. 02809  
253-7000

### **Burrillville Town Hall**

105 Harrisville Main St.  
Harrisville 02830  
568-4300

### **Central Falls City Hall**

580 Broad St. 02863  
727-7450

### **Charlestown Town Hall**

4540 South County Trl. 02813  
364-1200

### **Coventry Town Hall**

1670 Flat River Rd. 02816  
822-9150

### **Cranston City Hall**

869 Park Ave. 02910  
780-3126

### **Cumberland Town Hall**

45 Broad St. 02864  
728-2400

### **East Greenwich Town Hall**

125 Main St.  
P.O. Box 111 02818  
886-8603

### **East Providence City Hall**

145 Taunton Ave. 02914  
435-7502

### **Exeter Town Hall**

675 Ten Rod Rd. 02822  
294-2287

### **Foster Town Hall**

181 Howard Hill Rd. 02825  
392-9201

### **Glocester Town Hall**

1145 Putnam Pike  
P.O. Drawer B, Chepachet 02814  
568-6206 x0

### **Hopkinton Town Hall**

1 Town House Rd. 02833  
377-7777

### **Jamestown Town Hall**

93 Narragansett Ave. 02835  
423-9804

### **Johnston Town Hall**

1385 Hartford Ave. 02919  
553-8856

### **Lincoln Town Hall**

100 Old River Rd.  
P.O. Box 100 02865  
333-1140

### **Little Compton Town Hall**

40 Commons  
P.O. Box 226 02837  
635-4400

### **Middletown Town Hall**

350 East Main Rd. 02842  
849-5540

### **Narragansett Town Hall**

25 Fifth Ave. 02882  
782-0625

### **Newport City Hall**

43 Broadway 02840  
845-5386

### **New Shoreham Town Hall**

16 Old Town Rd.  
P.O. Box 220 02807  
466-3200

### **North Kingstown Town Hall**

80 Boston Neck Rd. 02852  
294-3331 x128

### **North Providence Town Hall**

2000 Smith St. 02911  
232-0900 x234

### **North Smithfield Municipal Annex**

575 Smithfield Rd. 02896  
767-2200

### **Pawtucket City Hall**

137 Roosevelt Ave. 02860  
722-1637

### **Portsmouth Town Hall**

2200 East Main Rd. 02871  
683-3157

### **Providence City Hall**

25 Dorrance St. 02903  
421-0495

### **Richmond Town Hall**

5 Richmond Townhouse Rd.  
Wyoming 02898  
539-9000 x9

### **Scituate Town Hall**

195 Danielson Pike  
P.O. Box 328, N. Scituate 02857  
647-7466

### **Smithfield Town Hall**

64 Farnum Pike  
Esmond 02917  
233-1000 x112

### **South Kingstown Town Hall**

180 High St.  
Wakefield 02879  
789-9331 x1231

### **Tiverton Town Hall**

343 Highland Rd. 02878  
625-6703

### **Warren Town Hall**

514 Main St. 02885  
245-7340 x4

### **Warwick City Hall**

3275 Post Rd. 02886  
738-2000

### **West Greenwich Town Hall**

280 Victory Hwy. 02817  
392-3800

### **West Warwick Town Hall**

1170 Main St. 02893  
822-9201

### **Westerly Town Hall**

45 Broad St. 02891  
348-2503

### **Woonsocket City Hall**

169 Main St.  
P.O. Box B 02895  
767-9223

# State Elections and Political Party Offices

## Contact Information

### › Department of State

Elections Division

148 W. River St., Providence, RI 02904 222-2340

### › Board of Elections

50 Branch Ave., Providence, RI 02904 222-2345

### › Rhode Island Democratic Party

200 Metro Center Blvd., Suite 1, Warwick, RI 02886 272-3367

### › Moderate Party of Rhode Island

209 Yorktown Rd., North Kingstown, RI 02852 932-8364

### › Rhode Island Republican Party

1800 Post Rd., Suite 17-I, Warwick, RI 02886 732-8282

## Department of State's Website

The following information concerning the 2016 election cycle will be found at: [www.sos.ri.gov/elections](http://www.sos.ri.gov/elections)

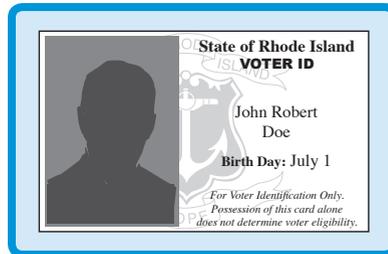
- › Election Calendar - English & Spanish
- › How to Run for Office Guide - English & Spanish - Available soon
- › How to Register and Vote Guide - English & Spanish - Available soon
- › Declaration of Candidacy Form - Available soon
- › Political Party Endorsement Form - Available soon
- › Qualified Federal and State Candidates: Starting June 28, 2016, daily updates of federal and state candidates who filed and/or qualified for ballot placement
- › Qualified Local Candidates: Starting June 28, 2016, daily updates of local candidates who filed and/or qualified for ballot placement
- › Sample ballots
- › Find your polling place
- › Mail Ballot Applications - Available soon
- › Voter Referenda Handbook - Available September, 2016

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## Bring an ID to the polls



Poll workers will ask you to show a Photo ID when you vote at your polling place. Voter ID strengthens the public's faith in the integrity of our elections by enabling poll workers to match a voter's name to their face.

### What is an acceptable Photo ID?

IDs must be valid and cannot have expired, but they do not need to have your current address.

### Acceptable Photo IDs include:

- › RI driver's license
- › U.S. passport
- › State of RI or U.S. government-issued ID card
- › ID card from an educational institution in the United States
- › U.S. military ID card
- › Government-issued medical card
- › Voter ID

### Protecting Your Vote

No eligible voter will be turned away at the polls. Voters who do not bring ID to the polls can vote using a standard provisional ballot, which will be counted if the signature they give at the polling place matches the signature on their voter registration card.

**Mail ballots will not require Voter ID.**

**If you don't have a valid photo ID? Get a free Voter ID.**

Find out what documents you need to get a voter ID at [www.sos.ri.gov](http://www.sos.ri.gov)

### Contact us:

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 401.222.2340

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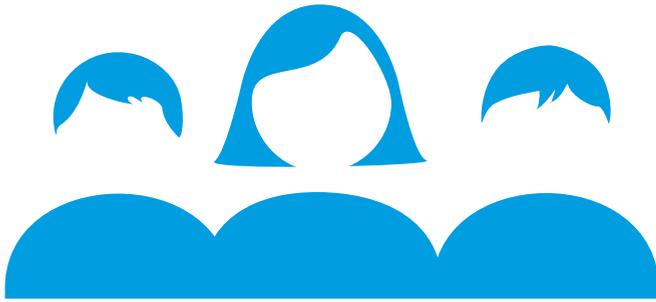


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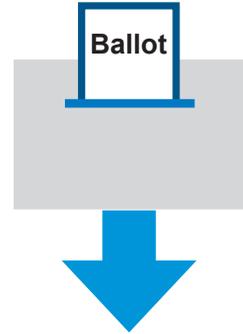
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**Register to vote**



**AUGUST**  
**14**

Deadline to register to vote in the Primary

**PARTY PRIMARIES**

**SEPTEMBER**  
**13**

**OCTOBER**  
**9**

Deadline to register to vote in the General Election

**GENERAL ELECTION**

**NOVEMBER**  
**8**

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