



2025 ELECTION SCHEDULE

Monday, July 7, 2025	Candidate Filing for Municipal Contests Begins at 8 AM (G.S 163-291)
Friday, July 11, 2025	17-year-olds who will be 18 by the date of the General Election (11/04/25) are eligible to be registered as of this date (G.S. 163-59)
Tuesday, July 15, 2025	Last day for candidates to withdraw a Municipal Notice of Candidacy for a municipal election (G.S. 163-106.4)
Friday, July 18, 2025	Candidate Filing for Municipal Contests Ends at 12 PM (G.S. 163-291)
Friday, August 8, 2025	Absentee by-mail ballots available to be mailed; Military & Oversees ballots available to be distributed for the primary election (G.S. 163-227.10) (G.S. 163-258.9(a))
Sunday, August 10, 2025	30-day residency deadline for primary election (G.S. 163-82.15(a))
Friday, August 15, 2025	Voter Registration Deadline primary election: forms must be postmarked or delivered in person by 5 PM _{(G.S. 163-82.20(h))} _{(G.S. 163-82.17(d))} Deadline for voters to change party affiliation _{(G.S.163-82.17(d))}
Thursday, August 21, 2025	Early Voting begins (G.S. 163-227.2(b)) (G.S. 163-166.4)
Tuesday, August 26, 2025	Last day to request an absentee by-mail ballot by 5 PM for primary election (G.S. 163-230.1(a)) (S.L. 2024-57)
Saturday, September 6, 2025	Early Voting ends at 3 PM (G.S. 163-227.2(b)) (G.S. 163-166.4)
Monday, September 8, 2025	Last day for Military & Oversees voters to register and request an absentee by-mail ballot by 5 PM for the primary election (G.S. 163-258.6(a)(d)) Last day to request an absentee by-mail ballot due to sickness or disability by 5 PM for the primary election (G.S. 163-230.1(b)) (S.L. 2024-57)
Tuesday, September 9, 2025 Election Day - Primary Election	Polls open at 6:30 AM and close at 7:30 PM (G.S. 163-166.25) Deadline for all absentee by-mail ballots to be returned by 7:30 PM (G.S. 163-231(b)(1)) (G.S. 163-258-10))
Friday, September 12, 2025	Deadline for Absentee voters to submit cure documentation by 12 PM for primary election (S.L. 2024-57) Deadline for Provisional voters to submit HAVA document by 12 PM for primary election (S.L. 2024-57 Section 3A.4(d))
Tuesday, September 16, 2025	Canvass 11:00 AM (G.S. 163-291(5))
Thursday, September 18, 2025	Early Voting begins (if 2 nd Primary) (G.S. 163-227.2(b)) (G.S. 163-166.4)
Friday, September 19, 2025	Deadline for Unaffiliated Candidate Petition to be submitted by noon (G.S. 163-122(a)(4))
Saturday, October 4, 2025	Early Voting ends at 3 PM (if 2 nd Primary) (G.S. 163-227.2(b)) (G.S. 163-166.4)

Sunday, October 5, 2025	30-day residency deadline for general election (G.S. 163-82.15(a))
Tuesday, October 7, 2025 Election Day – Second Primary (if necessary)	Polls open at 6:30 AM and close at 7:30 PM (G.S. 163-166.25) Deadline for all absentee by-mail ballots to be returned by 7:30 PM (G.S. 163-231(b)(1)) (G.S. 163-258-10))
Friday, October 10, 2025	Voter Registration Deadline general election: forms must be postmarked or delivered in person by 5 PM _{(G.S. 163-82.20(h))} _{(G.S. 163-82.20(h))} _{(G.S. 163-82.17(d))} Deadline for voters to change party affiliation _{(G.S.163-82.17(d))} Deadline for Absentee voters to submit cure documentation by 12 PM for second primary election (if necessary) _(S.L. 2024-57) Deadline for Provisional voters to submit HAVA document by 12 PM for second primary election (if necessary) _(S.L. 2024-57) _{Section 3A.4(d))}
Tuesday, October 14, 2025	Canvass 11:00 AM (if necessary) (G.S. 163-291(5))
Thursday, October 16, 2025	Early Voting begins (G.S. 163-227.2(b)) (G.S. 163-166.4)
Saturday, November 1, 2025	Early Voting ends at 3 PM (G.S. 163-227.2(b)) (G.S. 163-166.4)
Tuesday, November 4, 2025 Election Day – General Election	Polls open at 6:30 AM and close at 7:30 PM _(G.S. 163-166.25) Deadline for all absentee by-mail ballots to be returned by 7:30 PM _{(G.S. 163-231(b)(1))} _(G.S. 163-258-10))
Friday, November 7, 2025	Deadline for Absentee voters to submit cure documentation by 12 PM for general election (S.L. 2024-57) Deadline for Provisional voters to submit HAVA document by 12 PM for general election (S.L.2024-57 Section 3A.4(d))
Friday, November 14, 2025	Canvass 11:00 AM (G.S. 163-291(5))
Monday, December 1, 2025	Candidate Filing for 2026 Elections Begins at 12 PM (G.S. 163-106.2)
Tuesday, December 16, 2025	Last day to withdrawal a notice of candidacy for the 2026 elections (G.S. 163-106.4)
Friday, December 19, 2025	Candidate Filing for 2026 Elections Ends at 12 PM (G.S. 163-106.2)