



# 2026 ELECTION CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT	STATUTES
Monday, Dec. 29, 2025 – Friday, Jan. 2, 2026 (No Early Voting on Thursday, Jan. 1, 2026) Monday, Jan. 5 – Friday, Jan. 9 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<b>Early Voting:</b> City of North Charleston, City Council District 1 - Special Election	7-13-25
Thursday, Jan. 1	<b>Absentee Applications Available for 2026 Elections</b>  <b>Holiday – New Year's Day</b> Elections Office Closed	
Tuesday, Jan. 13 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.	<b>Election Day:</b> City of North Charleston, City Council District 1 - Special Election	7-13-10 7-13-60
Thursday, Jan. 15 10:00 a.m.	<b>Election Certification Hearing:</b> Charleston County Elections Office	
Monday, Jan. 19	<b>Holiday – Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day</b> Elections Office Closed	
Wednesday, Jan. 21 6:00 p.m.	<b>Board Meeting</b> Charleston County Elections Office	
Monday, Feb. 2 – Friday, Feb. 6 Monday, Feb. 9 – Friday, Feb. 13 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<b>Early Voting:</b> City of Folly Beach, City Council - Special Election	7-13-25
Monday, Feb. 16	<b>Holiday – Presidents' Day</b> Elections Office Closed	
Tuesday, Feb. 17 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.	<b>Election Day:</b> City of Folly Beach, City Council - Special Election	7-13-10 7-13-60
Thursday, Feb. 19 10:00 a.m.	<b>Election Certification Hearing:</b> Charleston County Elections Office	
Wednesday, Feb. 25 – Friday, Feb. 27 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<b>Runoff Early Voting (If Necessary):</b> City of Folly Beach, City Council - Special Election	7-13-25

NOTE: Efforts were made to ensure that this calendar complies with S. C. Code of Laws 1976, as amended. (Example; 7-5-120 means Title 7, Chapter 5, Section 120). All dates are based on current law. This calendar is subject to change.



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DATE	EVENT	STATUTES
Tuesday, March 3 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.	<b>Runoff Election Day (If Necessary):</b> City of Folly Beach, City Council - Special Election	7-13-10 7-13-60
Thursday, March 5 10:00 a.m.	<b>Election Certification Hearing (If Necessary):</b> Charleston County Elections Office	
Monday, March 16 12:00 p.m.	<b>Partisan Candidate Filing Begins:</b> Statewide General Elections	7-11-15
Wednesday, March 18 6:00 p.m.	<b>Board Meeting</b> Charleston County Elections Office	
Monday, March 30 12:00 p.m.	<b>Partisan Candidate Filing Ends:</b> Statewide General Elections	7-11-15
Wednesday, April 15 12:00 p.m.	<b>Nonpartisan Candidate Filing Begins:</b> Charleston County Elections Office	7-11-15
Wednesday, May 20 6:00 p.m.	<b>Board Meeting</b> Charleston County Elections Office	
Monday, May 25	<b>Holiday - Memorial Day</b> Elections Office Closed	
Tuesday, May 26 – Friday, May 29 Monday, June 1 – Friday, June 5 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<b>Early Voting:</b> Statewide Primaries	7-13-15 7-13-25
Tuesday, June 9 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.	<b>Election Day:</b> Statewide Primaries	7-13-15 7-13-40 7-13-60
Thursday, June 11 10:00 a.m.	<b>Election Certification Hearing</b> Charleston County Elections Office	
Wednesday, June 17 – Thursday, June 18 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.	<b>Runoff Early Voting (If Necessary):</b> Statewide Primaries	7-13-25
Friday, June 19	<b>Holiday - Juneteenth</b> Elections Office Closed (Runoff Early Voting Closed)	



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Tuesday, June 23 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.	<b>Runoff Election Day (If Necessary):</b> Statewide Primaries	7-13-15 7-13-40 7-13-60
Thursday, June 25 10:00 a.m.	<b>Election Certification Hearing (If Necessary):</b> Charleston County Elections Office	
Thursday, June 25 Immediately following election certification (if necessary)	<b>Board Meeting</b> Charleston County Elections Office	
Friday, July 3	<b>Holiday - Independence Day (Observed)</b> Elections Office Closed	
Wednesday, July 15 12:00 p.m.	<b>Deadline for Candidates Filing by Petition</b> Statewide General Elections	7-11-70
Monday, Aug. 17 12:00 p.m.	<b>Nonpartisan Candidate Filing Deadline (Most Offices)</b> Statewide General Elections	7-13-352
Wednesday, Aug. 19 6:00 p.m.	<b>Board Meeting</b> Charleston County Elections Office	
Monday, Sept. 7	<b>Holiday - Labor Day</b> Elections Office Closed	
Tuesday, Sept. 15	<b>National Voter Registration Day</b>	
Monday, Oct. 19 – Saturday, Oct. 24 Monday, Oct. 26 – Saturday, Oct. 31 8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	<b>Early Voting:</b> Statewide General Elections	7-13-15 7-13-25
Wednesday, Oct. 21 6:00 p.m.	<b>Board Meeting</b> Charleston County Elections Office	
Tuesday, Nov. 3 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.	<b>Election Day:</b> Statewide General Elections (See Election Notices for details)	7-13-10 7-13-60
Friday, Nov. 6 10:00 a.m.	<b>Election Certification Hearing:</b> Charleston County Elections Office	



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Friday, Nov. 6 Immediately following election certification	<b>Board Meeting</b> Charleston County Elections Office	
Wednesday, Nov. 11	<b>Holiday - Veterans Day</b> Elections Office Closed	
Thursday, Nov. 26 Friday, Nov. 27	<b>Holiday - Thanksgiving</b> Elections Office Closed	
Thursday, Dec. 24 Friday, Dec. 25 Monday, Dec. 28	<b>Holiday - Christmas</b> Elections Office Closed	