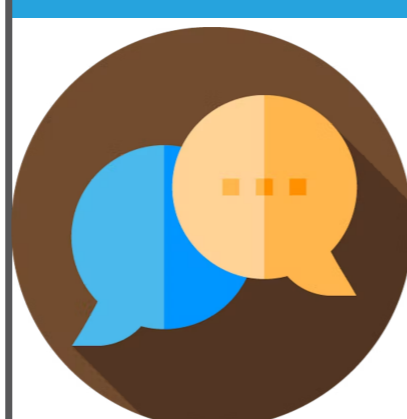




WEC Newsletter

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WEC Launches New Communication Tool

Starting today the WEC helpdesk team will be using a new product called "Zendesk" which will change one of the ways in which we communicate with election clerks. We believe Zendesk will allow us to better handle and respond to inquiries from our election partners, the media, and the general public.

This Correspondence from Zendesk interactions may show the WEC sender's address as "Wisconsin Election support." This will not affect other direct communications with staff.

This change may affect how your email client or security system handles email from us. If you think you are missing emails from us, **make sure to check your spam folder.**

It's official! We're having a Spring Primary!

The Commission certified candidates on January 10th



What was anticipated to be the case is now official: Wisconsin will have a statewide Spring Primary on February 21st prior to the Spring Election on April 4th.

The Wisconsin Election Commission met earlier this week to formally certify candidates, and clerks will notice that this election now exists in WisVote.

Worried that you might miss something as you prepare for the election? Look for the Spring Primary pre-election checklist to be published soon in WisVote News.

County clerks: Please send your ballot proofs to elections@wi.gov as soon as possible



WISVOTE

WisVote: Starting the Spring Election season

Locations for in-person absentee voting on the early checklist; options must be established by January 17th

With the Spring Primary now confirmed, it is time to begin the Spring Election cycle in WisVote! The first item we encourage clerks to focus on is the in-person absentee voting (IPAV) options in your Odd Year Spring Election Plans. These IPAV options in the Election Plan are displayed to voters on the MyVote website. To have this information accurately displayed on MyVote for the Spring Primary, the IPAV options need to be entered into WisVote by January 17.

If you need any assistance with your Election Plan IPAV options, the WisVote User manual section 4.2 addresses this process. Additionally, our 2022-2023 WisVote Fall Webinar series includes a few videos that touch on the Election Plan process that can provide a visual aid for adding the IPAV options. These resources are found in [The Learning Center](#). We specifically encourage the pre-election absentee videos.

And, of course, we are more than happy to assist anyone needing help by contacting our WEC HelpDesk!

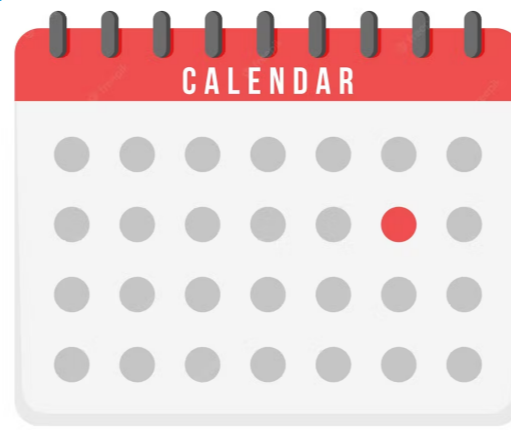
Municipal clerks: Polling places, reporting units, and tabulators must have governing body approval by January 23rd

Deadline for voters to establish 28-day residency for Spring Primary is approaching



Residency for voting is addressed in [Wisconsin Statute § 6.10](#) and it is up to each voter to determine the location of their residence. **The last day for voters to move and still meet the 28-day residency requirement for registration is January 24, 2023.**

Anyone intending to vote who moves before that date and who has "no present intent to move" again, will likely need to register to vote at their new address. If someone is temporarily staying somewhere else or moved after January 24, 2023, they are not eligible to vote from their temporary/new address and should remain registered at their previous permanent address until after the February Primary on February 21, 2023. Anyone who is properly registered to vote may request an absentee ballot to be sent to either their permanent registration address, a mailing address, or a temporary address.



Find what you need on our website:

Elections Calendar

As we turn to the New Year, everyone is looking at calendars and making plans for the weeks and months ahead. For clerks and other election officials, the WEC has you covered, thanks to our everything-you-need-to-know calendar that lives on our website.

The calendar is loaded with key dates and deadlines related to clerks, candidates, and voters. The handy month-by-month format makes it easy to scan and look for specific dates or tasks. The current election cycle calendar started in November 2021 and covers election-related dates and deadlines through calendar year 2023.

On the [home page](#), the calendar can be found under the News & Events tab. Otherwise, it can be found under Quick Links.

Our Elections Events Calendar is available in Word, Excel, and via CSV file. Instructions are provided on the website for those wishing to download the calendar into their own Outlook calendar.

Upcoming Events, Deadlines & Important Dates

January 17, 2023

- Deadline to establish in-person-absentee voting sites for Spring Primary (must remain the same for Spring Election)

January 21, 2023

- Last day for towns and villages to hold a caucus

January 22, 2023

- Deadline for governing bodies to establish polling places, reporting units, and tabulators

January 24, 2023

- Last day for voters to begin to acquire residency for the Spring Primary
- Municipal clerks publish Type E notice of absentee voting instructions
- Deadline for filing officers to receive referendum questions/petitions intended for the Spring Election
- County and municipal clerks publish Type A notice of referenda (only if required)

January 25, 2023

- Deadline to file copies of Spring Election referendum questions/petitions with county clerks

January 30, 2023

- First day SVD's may visit nursing homes and authorized care facilities
- Deadline for county clerks to deliver ballots and supplies to municipal clerks for the Spring Primary

January 31, 2023

- Deadline for municipal clerks to send absentee ballots to voters with valid requests on file for the Spring Primary

Upcoming Elections

- February 21, 2023 - Spring Primary
- April 4, 2023 - Spring Election

Upcoming Commission Meetings

- February 2, 2023 - First quarterly meeting

Countdown to the February 21 Spring Primary:

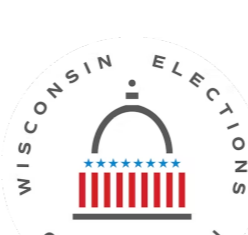
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