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AHEAD

2022 Is Here!

There might technically still be 42 days left on the calendar for 2021, but for county and municipal clerks getting ready for next year's elections, 2022 is already here.

In the next two weeks alone we've got three important dates for the Spring Election. Like next week Tuesday, November 23rd? That's the deadline

for clerks to post Type A notices. And then one week after that, November 30th? That's the deadline for political parties to submit their election inspector nomination lists.* And if that wasn't enough, the very next day, December 1st, marks the first day candidates can start circulating their nomination papers. Talk about back to back to back!

We know it seems like 2020 was only a moment ago, and it's hard to believe that we're already gearing up for another election season. Thank you for all that you do, and know that if you've got any questions or need support you can reach us at 608-261-2028 or at <u>elections@wi.gov</u>.

*For clerks that might be a little unfamiliar with what these are and how this process works, don't worry. It's all spelled out in a <u>clerk</u> <u>communication from August 24th</u>.

Notifications of Non-Candidacy

With the candidate filing deadline right around the corner, November and early December is the perfect time to reach out to talk your current incumbent office holders up for election about deadlines and to inform your voters about potential candidates for the upcoming election.

For incumbents currently holding a county, municipal (except in towns or villages that use the caucus system) or school district office, the deadline to file a Notification of Noncandidacy (EL-163) is 5 Volume I, Issue IX November 19, 2021

Important Dates and Deadlines

11/23/2021—Deadline for clerks to publish Type A notices for the Spring Election

11/30/2021—Deadline for political parties to submit election inspector and SVD nominations to municipalities

12/01/2021—First day to circulate nomination papers for the Spring Election

02/15/2022—Spring Primary

04/05/2022—Spring Election

08/09/2022—Partisan Primary

11/08/2022—General Election

Stay Certified For 2022-2023!

Don't forget! Clerks need six hours of training completed and reported to the WEC by December 31, 2021 in order to meet state certification requirements! Click <u>here</u> to see your reported hours.

p.m. on December 24, 2021. This day is not a state holiday, and there is no statute that requires that county, municipal or school district offices to be closed on that date. This is like situations in which other filing deadlines have fallen on non-state holidays like Good Friday where some offices may be closed in observance of a holiday. To prevent last-minute Notification of Noncandidacy filings, the WEC recommends that clerks reach out to their incumbents up for election in 2022 to inform them of the deadline and to answer any questions they may have.

Additionally, if a candidate does file a Notification of Noncandidacy with your office, a new law requires your office to post this information on your website. 2021 Wisconsin Act 33 created requirements for filing officers to publicly notice when an incumbent files a Notification of Non-Candidacy with their office or if an incumbent fails to file a Declaration of Candidacy by the filing deadline. If your office receives a notification of non-candidacy from an incumbent, the filing officer is now required to promptly post public notice of that fact on their website, or, if you not have a website, you can post that information in at least 3 different locations within your jurisdiction.

For more information about this process, please see <u>the memo</u> on our agency website.

Recent Clerk Communications

Appointment of Election Inspectors from Lists Submitted by Political Parties—Reposted with FAQ's (11/19/2021)

2020 Redistricting Preparations Update 1 (11/18/2021)

WisVote Training Webinar Series schedule (December 2021–May 2022) (11/17/2021)

EL-362 WisVote Clerk Contact Information Update Form (11/15/2021)

WEC Newsletter Volume I Issue VIII (11/08/2021)

The Photo ID Law Webinar (11/08/2021)

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