



WEC Newsletter

End of 2020-2021 Clerk Training Term Fast Approaching | Still Time To Get Your Six Hours!

It's that time again. That time when leaves fall, days shorten, and clerks get those last few remaining hours of training taken care of to stay in compliance with state law.

If you're [one of the clerks](#) that still needs to complete their mandatory six hours of clerk training, not to fret.

The WEC has a [mountain of resources](#) to help get you over the finish line.

Just be sure to get your six hours [submitted](#) by December 31, 2021! Doing so will ensure you recertify for the 2022-2023 training term and are ready for next year's busy election schedule!



Challenges to Voter Registrations

Many clerks around the state have been receiving challenges to voter registrations under the authority granted to citizens within Wisconsin State Statute § 6.48(1)(a). For most, if not all, clerks, this is their first time receiving such a challenge, and many questions exist on how best to handle.

To assist, [WEC staff drafted a memorandum](#) explaining what the statutes do, and do not, allow for with respect to these challenges, and what considerations clerks should make when working with their local counsel to respond.

2022-2023 Elections Calendar Released

An updated election calendar has been created and published on the WEC website. The new calendar covers all election-related deadlines and statutory requirements. Unlike previous versions of the calendar, this year it has been designed to cover the entirety of the 2022-2023 election cycle.

With every election, many documents and procedures relating to election day are completed days, weeks, and even months beforehand. The elections calendar will be able to walk you through upcoming deadlines, a brief explanation of what is required from your office, and the statute citation that can help explain the reason for the deadline. The election calendar is an essential resource for all local election officials and is a useful guide for required procedures and deadlines.

While the elections calendar will be useful within your office, it can also serve as a public outreach tool. By providing the elections calendar to your voters and to members of your governing body, they can be aware of upcoming public meetings, voting equipment testing, ensure that public notices are published or posted, and more. This can help voters and other elected officials understand all of the different steps that your office takes in order to ensure the elections are properly conducted.

You can find a Word and PDF version of the elections calendar on our [agency website](#). An Excel version that can be uploaded into your Outlook (or other electronic) calendar will be released shortly.

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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

12/24/2021—Deadline to file Notifications of Non-candidacy (non-state level candidates)

12/27/2021—Deadline to file Notifications of Non-candidacy (state level candidates)

12/30/2021—Next quarterly ERIC movers mailing

12/31/2021—Deadline to appoint election inspectors; Last day to submit training for the 2020-2021 training term

02/15/2022—Spring Primary

04/05/2022—Spring Election

08/09/2022—Partisan Primary

11/08/2022—General Election

WisVote Manual Updates for 2022

There have been many improvements made to WisVote in 2021 to enhance its usability, and the WEC training team has begun the process of updating the WisVote Manual to reflect those changes.

As a reminder, you can view the WisVote Manual [here](#) on the WEC's training website, The Learning Center.

Recent Clerk Communications

[Election Official Certification Requirements and Resources](#) (11/02/2021)

Election officials must meet certain statutory training requirements. This memorandum details those requirements and available training resources.

[Municipal Clerk Training Report for the 2020-2021 Term](#) (11/02/2021)

The WEC has posted its report of how many training hours it has logged for municipal clerks. Use this report to determine whether you're still in need of the minimum six training hours.

[Notification of Non-Candidacy Posting Requirements and Filing Deadline](#) (11/01/2021)

Filing officers are now required to publicly notice when incumbents file notifications of non-candidacy, and this year that deadline falls on December 24, 2021 for county, municipal, and school district office holders.

[Recent Wis. Stat. s. 6.48 Challenges to Voter Registration](#) (10/29/2021)

This memorandum addresses challenges to voter registrations under Wis. Stat. § 6.48 that clerks have been receiving recently.

[WEC Newsletter Volume I Issue VII](#) (10/26/2021)

Deadline to appoint election inspectors; Release of the 2021-2022 webinar schedule; Reminder to check office positions in light of redistricting.

[2022 and 2023 Calendar of Election Events](#) (10/25/2021)

The 2022—2023 calendar of election events was recently released. This calendar reminds clerks of important dates and deadlines in the 2022-2023 election cycle.

[Type A Notice of April 5, 2022 Spring Election and Other Important Information](#) (10/25/2021)

Clerks are required to post Type A notices for the April 5, 2022 Spring Election by November 23, 2021.