

Commission on Congressional Mailing Standards

Candice S. Miller, Chairman

2016 Election Franking "Blackout" Dates

General Election: November 8, 2016 - Cut-Off Date: August 10, 2016

Primary Election Date (2016)			Primary Election Date (2016)		
State	Election Date	Cutoff Date	State	Date (2016)	Cutoff Date
Alabama	March 1	December 2, 2015	Kansas	August 2	May 4
Arkansas	March 1	December 2, 2015	Missouri	August 2	May 4
Texas	March 1	December 2, 2015	Washington	August 2	May 4
Virginia	March 1	December 2	Tennessee	August 4	May 6
Mississippi	March 8	December 9, 2015	Virgin Islands	August 6	May 8
Illinois	March 15	December 16, 2015	Connecticut	August 9	May 11
North Carolina	March 15	December 16, 2015	Minnesota	August 9	May 11
Ohio	March 15	December 16, 2015	Vermont	August 9	May 11
New York	April 19	January 20	Wisconsin	August 9	May 11
Maryland	April 26	January 27	Hawaii	August 13	May 15
Pennsylvania	April 26	January 27	Alaska	August 16	May 18
Indiana	May 3	February 3	Wyoming	August 16	May 18
Michigan	May 3	February 3	Guam	August 27	May 29
Nebraska	May 10	February 10	Arizona	August 30	June 1
West Virginia	May 10	February 10	Florida	August 30	June 1
Idaho	May 17	February 17	Delaware	September 13	June 15
Kentucky	May 17	February 17	New Hampshire	September 13	June 15
Oregon	May 17	February 17	Rhode Island	September 13	June 15
Georgia	May 24	February 24	Massachusetts	September 20	June 22
Puerto Rico	June 5	March 7	Louisiana	November 8	August 10
California	June 7	March 9	American Samoa	No Primary	August 10
Iowa	June 7	March 9	N. Mariana Islands	No Primary	August 10
Montana	June 7	March 9			
New Jersey	June 7	March 9			
New Mexico	June 7	March 9			
South Dakota	June 7	March 9			
Maine	June 14	March 16			
Nevada	June 14	March 16			
North Dakota	June 14	March 16			
South Carolina	June 14	March 16			
District of Columbia	June 14	March 16			
Colorado	June 28	March 30			
Oklahoma	June 28	March 30			
Utah	June 28	March 30			

*All state primaries are subject to change.

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Some states may have runoff date restrictions. Please contact the Franking Office at 60647 (Majority) or 59337 (Minority) for more information.