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

State	Primary Election Date (2016)	Cutoff Date
Alabama	March 1	December 2, 2015
Arkansas	March 1	December 2, 2015
Texas	March 1	December 2, 2015
Mississippi	March 8	December 9, 2015
Illinois	March 15	December 16, 2015
North Carolina	March 15	December 16, 2015
Ohio	March 15	December 16, 2015
Maryland	April 26	January 27
Pennsylvania	April 26	January 27
Indiana	May 3	February 3
Nebraska	May 10	February 10
West Virginia	May 10	February 10
Idaho	May 17	February 17
Kentucky	May 17	February 17
Oregon	May 17	February 17
Georgia	May 24	February 24
Puerto Rico	June 5	March 7
California	June 7	March 9
Iowa	June 7	March 9
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
Virginia	June 14	March 16
District of Columbia	June 14	March 16
Colorado	June 28	March 30
New York	June 28	March 30
Oklahoma	June 28	March 30
Utah	June 28	March 30

State	Primary Election Date (2016)	Cutoff Date
Kansas	August 2	May 4
Michigan	August 2	May 4
Missouri	August 2	May 4
Washington	August 2	May 4
Tennessee	August 4	May 6
Virgin Islands	August 6	May 8
Connecticut	August 9	May 11
Minnesota	August 9	May 11
Vermont	August 9	May 11
Wisconsin	August 9	May 11
Hawaii	August 13	May 15
Alaska	August 16	May 18
Wyoming	August 16	May 18
Guam	August 27	May 29
Arizona	August 30	June 1
Florida	August 30	June 1
Massachusetts	September 8	June 10
Delaware	September 13	June 15
New Hampshire	September 13	June 15
Rhode Island	September 13	June 15
Louisiana	November 8	August 10
American Samoa	No Primary	August 10
N. Mariana Islands	No Primary	August 10

*All state primaries are subject to change. Last update:1/6/16

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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.