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TIMETABLE

MARCH 2, 2021 CONGRESSIONAL ELECTION

This timetable is based on the Revised National Election Act of 2005

Sections	Dates	Definitions
Appropriation (9FSMC) Sec. 107	March 2, 2020	Within one year prior to a general election, Congress shall appropriate a sum adequate to defray the administrative and contingent expenses of conducting National Election.
Open and close of absentee request by mail (9FSMC) Sec. 602 (2) a	OPEN: November 2, 2020 CLOSE: January 21, 2021	Request to vote absentee ballot by mail must be received by NEC not more than 120 days but not less than 40 days before Election Day.
Closing for filing Nomination Petition (9FSMC) Sec. 202 (4)	November 2, 2020	The name of any candidate shall be printed on an official ballot only if, at least 120 days prior to a general election the nomination paper is filed in the office of the NEC of the state concerned.
Last day to appoint various boards and Counting and Tabulating Committee members (9FSMC) Sec. 302 (3)a	January 2, 2021	The NEC of each state with the approval of the National Election Director shall appoint election board and tabulating committee members on or before January 2 nd of each election year.
Designation of Special Polling Places (9FSMC) Sec. 605 (2)	January 1, 2021	Not less than 60 days prior to a general election, the NED shall designate the locations of the special polling places, (one in Guam and one in Honolulu)
Printing of official ballots (9FSMC) Sec. 503 (1)	January 11, 2021	The NED shall complete the printing of the official ballots no later than 50 days before a general election.
Last day to request to vote at the Special Polling Places (9FSMC) Sec. 605 (3)	January 31, 2021	Request to vote at a special polling place must be received by the NEC of the state of registration not less than 30 days prior to a general election.
Absentee for Traveler (9FSMC) Sec. 606(1)b	OPEN: January 31, 2021 CLOSE: March 1, 2021	Not more than 30 days and not less than 1 day before the National Election, a voter must submit in person a written request to cast ballot prior to traveling.
Last day to Registration as New Voter (9FSMC) Sec.402(1)	January 31, 2021	No person shall be entitled to vote if he/she fails to register 30 days prior to election day.
Last day to Request VAAPP (9FSMC) Sec. 604(1)d	February 23, 2021	NEC of the state of registration receives the written VAAPP requests at least 7 days before the National Election.
Posting of VAAPP Signature Lists (9FSMC) Sec. 604(2)	February 24, 2021	No later than 6 days before a National Election, NEC shall post at the National Election Offices in their states the VAAPP Signature List for each VAAPP Polling Place in their State.
Posting of Signature Lists for Guam and Honolulu (9FSMC) Sec. 605(5)	February 24, 2021	No later than 6 days before a National Election, the National Election Director, or his designee, shall post the Special Polling Place Signature lists for Guam and Honolulu in a publicly accessible place in each location to be set out in the regulations promulgated pursuant to this title.
Election Day (9FSMC) Sec. 105(1)	March 2, 2021	All general elections for Members shall be held biennially in each odd-numbered year on the first Tuesday following the first Monday in March.

Approved by:

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