

2025 Municipal Elections & Voter Registration Calendar

ELECTION	ELECTION DATE	ADVANCE VOTING DATES	REGISTRATION DEADLINE
Municipal General/Special Election Date	November 4, 2025	October 14 – October 31	10/6/2025
General Election/Special Election Runoff Date	December 2, 2025	As soon as possible, but no later than November 24 – November 28	10/6/2025

Key Dates

February 1, 2025	<p><u>DEADLINE TO PUBLISH QUALIFYING FEES</u></p> <p>The last day for the Secretary of State and Election Superintendents to fix and publish 2025 qualifying fees for candidates running for federal, state, and local offices. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-131(a).</p>
August 18, 8:30 a.m. - August 20, 4:30 p.m.	<p><u>MUNICIPAL QUALIFYING PERIOD</u></p> <p>Each candidate for municipal office or a designee shall file a notice of candidacy in the office of the municipal superintendent of such candidate’s municipality during the municipality’s qualifying period. Each municipal superintendent shall designate the days of the qualifying period, which shall be no less than three days and no more than five days. The days of the qualifying period shall be consecutive days. Qualifying periods shall commence no earlier than 8:30 A.M. on the third Monday in August immediately preceding the general election and shall end no later than 4:30 P.M. on the following Friday; and, in the case of a special election, the municipal qualifying period shall commence no earlier than the date of the call and shall end no later than 25 days prior to the election. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-132(d)(4)</p>
September 30, 2025	<p><u>DEADLINE TO PUBLISH ADVANCE VOTING NOTICE FOR NOVEMBER 4th SPECIAL ELECTION/MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION</u></p> <p>The board of registrars shall publish the dates, times, and locations of the availability of advance voting in its jurisdiction on the homepage of the county's publicly accessible website associated with elections or registrations, or if the county does not have such a website, in a newspaper of general circulation, and by posting in a prominent location in the county, no later than 14 days prior to the beginning of the advance voting period for a general primary, special primary, general election, or special election and no later than seven days prior to the beginning of the advance voting period for any run-off election. Any new advance voting locations added after that deadline shall be published in the same manner as soon as possible. The board of registrars shall not remove any advance voting location after the notice of such location is published, except in the case of an emergency or unavoidable event that renders a location unavailable for use. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-385(d)(3)</p>
September 1, 2025	Labor Day Holiday (City is closed)
October 4, 2025	<p><u>DEADLINE FOR PUBLISHING PUBLIC NOTICE OF MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION</u></p> <p>Public notice of such elections shall be published by the governing authority of the municipality in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality at least 30 days prior to the elections. In addition, the municipality shall immediately transmit a copy of such notice to the Secretary of State. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-9(c)</p>
October 6, 2025	<p><u>DEADLINE FOR VOTER REGISTRATION/CHANGE OF ADDRESS FOR SPECIAL ELECTION/MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION</u></p> <p>The last day for a person to register/change address and be eligible to vote in the special election and runoff Only the electors who were duly registered to vote and not</p>

	subsequently deemed disqualified to vote in the election for candidates for that office shall be entitled to vote therein. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-224 , O.C.G.A. § 21-2-501 , O.C.G.A. § 21-2-218
October 6, 2025	<u>LAST DAY TO ISSUE THE CALL FOR THE NOVEMBER 4th SPECIAL ELECTION/MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION</u> At least 29 days shall intervene between the call of a special election and the holding of same. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-540 (b)
October 7, 2025	<u>DEADLINE FOR CANDIDATES TO DESIGNATE POLL WATCHERS FOR ADVANCED IN-PERSON VOTING FOR NOVEMBER 4th SPECIAL ELECTION/MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION</u> In an election or run-off election, each candidate shall be entitled to designate, at least seven days prior to the beginning of the advance voting period for such election and run-off election, one poll watcher for each location at which advance voting is conducted pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section O.C.G.A. § 21-2-380 . O.C.G.A. § 21-2-408 (b)(3)(A)
October 10, 2025	<u>DEADLINE TO SEND COPIES OF POLL WATCHER DESIGNATION LETTERS TO SUPERINTENDENT</u> At least three days prior to the beginning of the advance voting period, a copy of the letter shall be delivered to the superintendent and the chief registrar of the county or municipality in which the poll watcher is to serve. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-408 (b)(3)(A); SEB Rule 183-1-13-.03
October 14, 2025	<u>FIRST DAY TO ISSUE ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR NOVEMBER 4th SPECIAL ELECTION/MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION</u> The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall mail or issue official absentee ballots to all eligible applicants within three days after the receipt of such ballots and supplies, but no earlier than 22 days prior to the election. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-384 (a)(2)
October 14, 2025	<u>ADVANCE IN PERSON VOTING BEGINS FOR THE NOVEMBER 4th SPECIAL ELECTION/MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION</u> There shall be a period of advance voting that shall commence on the fourth Monday immediately prior to each primary or election and as soon as possible prior to a runoff and shall end on the Friday immediately prior to such primary, election, or runoff. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-385 (d)(1)
October 18, 2025	<u>MANDATORY SATURDAY VOTING FOR THE NOVEMBER 4th SPECIAL ELECTION/MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION</u> Voting shall be conducted on the second and third Saturdays during the hours of 9:00 A.M. through 5:00 P.M. but no longer than 7:00 A.M. through 7:00 P.M. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-385 (d)(1).
October 24, 2025	<u>LAST DAY TO ACCEPT ABSENTEE APPLICATIONS FOR THE NOVEMBER 4th GENERAL/SPECIAL ELECTION</u> Except as otherwise provided in Code Section 21-2-219 or for advance voting described in subsection (d) if Code Section 21-2-385, not earlier than 78 days or less than 11 days prior to the date of the primary or election, or runoff of either, in which the elector desires to vote, any absentee elector may make, either by mail, facsimile transmission, by electronic transmission, or in person in the registrar's or absentee ballot clerk's office, an application for an official ballot of the elector's precinct to be voted at such primary, election, or runoff. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-381 (a)(1)(A)
October 25, 2025	<u>MANDATORY SATURDAY VOTING FOR THE NOVEMBER 4th SPECIAL ELECTION/MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION</u> Voting shall be conducted on the second and third Saturdays during the hours of 9:00 A.M. through 5:00 P.M. but no longer than 7:00 A.M. through 7:00 P.M. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-385 (d)(1)
October 28, 2025	<u>DEADLINE FOR CANDIDATE TO DESIGNATE POLL WATCHERS</u> In an election or run-off election, candidates running in a nonpartisan election shall be entitled to designate one poll watcher in each precinct, at least seven days prior to such election or run-off election. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-408 (b)(1)

October 31, 2025	LAST DAY OF ADVANCE VOTING FOR NOVEMBER 4th SPECIAL ELECTION/MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION O.C.G.A. § 21-2-385(d)(1)
November 1, 2025	DEADLINE FOR CANDIDATES TO SEND LETTERS TO DESIGNATED POLL WATCHERS At least three days prior to the election, a copy of the letter shall be delivered to the superintendent of the county in which the poll watcher is to serve. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-408(b)(1) ; SEB Rule 183-1-13-.03
November 4, 2025 ELECTION DAY	DATE OF SPECIAL ELECTION/MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION O.C.G.A. § 21-2-9(c) . O.C.G.A. § 21-2-540 . Polls open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-403
November 5, 2025 9:00 a.m.	PROVISIONAL BALLOT FORMS DUE TO REGISTRAR The election superintendent shall provide to the registrar all provisional voter certificates, voter registration forms and the provisional numbered list no later than 9:00 a.m. on the day following the election. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-419(b) , SEB Rule 183-1-12-.18 (10)
November 7, 2025	DEADLINE FOR NOVEMBER PROVISIONAL VOTERS TO PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION O.C.G.A. § 21-2-419(c)(1)(2)(3) ABSENTEE BALLOT CURE DEADLINE Last day voters can cure timely submitted absentee ballots for missing signature or information mismatch. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-386(a)(1)(C)
November 10, 2025	DEADLINE FOR COUNTY CERTIFICATION OF NOVEMBER 4th SPECIAL ELECTION/MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION Returns shall be certified by the superintendent not later than 5:00 P.M. on the Monday following the date on which such election was held, and such returns shall be immediately transmitted to the Secretary of State. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-493(k)
November 17, 2025	DEADLINE FOR CANDIDATES TO DESIGNATE POLL WATCHERS FOR ADVANCED VOTING FOR THE DECEMBER 2nd RUNOFF ELECTION In an election or run-off election, candidates running in a nonpartisan election shall be entitled to designate one poll watcher in each precinct, at least seven days prior to such election or run-off election. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-408
As soon as possible, but no later than November 24, 2025	ADVANCE IN-PERSON (EARLY) VOTING BEGINS FOR THE DECEMBER 2nd RUNOFF ELECTION There shall be a period of advance voting that shall commence as soon as possible prior to a runoff from any general primary or election but no later than the second Monday immediately prior to such runoff. Advance voting shall be conducted during normal business hours on weekdays during such period and during the second and third Saturdays. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-385(d)(1)
As soon as possible	FIRST DAY TO MAIL ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR DECEMBER 2nd RUNOFF ELECTION In the case of special elections, the board of registrars shall mail or issue official absentee ballots to all eligible applicants as soon as possible prior to any runoff. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-384(a)
December 2, 2025 ELECTION DAY	DATE OF SPECIAL ELECTION/MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION RUNOFF O.C.G.A. § 21-2-501(a)(1) . Polls open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-403
December 3, 2025 9:00 a.m.	PROVISIONAL BALLOT FORMS DUE TO REGISTRAR The election superintendent shall provide to the registrar all provisional voter certificates, voter registration forms, and the provisional numbered list no later than 9:00 a.m. on the day following the election. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-419(b) , SEB Rule 183-1-12-.18 (10).
December 5, 2025	DEADLINE FOR DECEMBER RUNOFF PROVISIONAL VOTERS TO PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION

	<p>O.C.G.A. § 21-2-419(c)(1)(2)(3)</p> <p>ABSENTEE BALLOT CURE DEADLINE</p> <p>Last day voters can cure timely submitted absentee ballots for missing signature or information mismatch. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-386(a)(1)(C)</p>
<p>December 8, 2025</p>	<p>DEADLINE FOR COUNTY CERTIFICATION OF SPECIAL ELECTION/MUNICIPAL GENERAL ELECTION/ ELECTION RUNOFF RESULTS</p> <p>Returns shall be certified by the superintendent not later than 5:00 P.M. on the Monday following the date on which such election was held, and such returns shall be immediately transmitted to the Secretary of State. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-493(k)</p>
<p>Unless otherwise stated in a specific Code section of this chapter, time periods under this chapter include Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. When the last day for the exercise of any privilege or the discharge of any duty prescribed or required by this chapter shall fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the next succeeding business day shall be the last day for the exercise of such privilege or the discharge of such duty. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-14</p>	