

**November 3, 2015 - Special Election Calendar
State Representative District 5**

This calendar does not change dates for the City Election

Date	Event	Code Cite
Governor Calls for Special Election September 15	Candidate Filing Begins. First day candidates to file nomination papers offices with the Secretary of State.	
Monday, October 5	Candidate Withdrawal Deadline. Last day for candidates to withdraw. Notice of withdrawal must be submitted in writing to the Secretary of State.	§44.9(4)(b)
	Candidate Filing Deadline. Last day to file nomination papers with the Secretary of State. Deadline is 5 p.m.	§43.88, 44.4(1)
Friday, October 9 5 p.m.	Lots Drawn for Non-Party Political Organizations (NPPOs) If multiple nominations for the office are received from candidates for the same NPPO, lots will be drawn to determine which candidate will have the NPPO's name appear with the candidate's name on the ballot. The other candidates will appear without reference to a political party affiliation.	IAC 721— 21.201(2)
Monday October 12	Candidate Objection Deadline. Last day to file written objections to nomination papers of political party candidates with the Secretary of State.	43.24(1)(b)
Monday, October 19	Worry-Free Postmark Date. Mailed voter registrations forms which are postmarked on or before today are considered on time to pre-register for this special election even if they are received after Friday, October 23.	§48A.9(3)
	Voter Pre-Registration Deadline. The deadline to pre-register to vote for this special election is 5 p.m. This applies to registration in person (including registration at driver's license stations or agencies) or by mail.	
Friday, October 23 5 p.m.	Exceptions: Mailed registration forms postmarked on or before Monday, October 19, are considered on time even if they are received after 5 p.m. today. After today, a person may register to vote at the auditor's office or at a satellite absentee voting station and vote an absentee ballot. The process is the same as for registering to vote on election day.	§48A.9(1)
	Auditor's office must be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.	
Friday, October 30 – 5 p.m.	Absentee Ballot by Mail Request Deadline. Last day to request an absentee ballot by mail. Deadline is 5 p.m.	§53.2(1)(b)

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Saturday, October 31	County Auditors' Offices Open. The county auditor's office must be open for at least eight hours for absentee voting and other election business.	§47.2(5)
Monday, November 2	Absentee Ballot Postmark Deadline. Absentee ballots postmarked by Monday, November 2 and received by the time of the county canvass on Thursday, November 5, are considered to be on time to be counted.	§53.17(2)
	Absentee Ballot In-Person Deadline. This is the last day to request and vote an absentee ballot in person at auditor's office.	§53.2(1)(a)
		§43.24(1)(b)
Tuesday, November 3	Election Day. Polls are open from 7 a.m. until 9 p.m. Absentee ballots may be delivered to the county auditor's office until 9 p.m.	§49.73, 53.17(1)(a)
Thursday, November 5	Number of Provisional Ballots Posted. Number of provisional ballots cast in each precinct must be posted by the county auditor as soon as possible.	§50.20
	Special Board Convened at Noon. The county auditor must convene the special precinct board at noon to consider provisional ballots and absentee ballots that were postmarked Monday, November 2 or earlier.	§50.21, 50.22
Thursday, November 5	Absentee Ballot Deadline. Absentee ballots that were postmarked Monday, November 2 or earlier and received by the time established for the canvass by the county board of supervisors are considered to be on time to be counted.	§53.17
	County Canvass of Votes Must occur on this date no earlier than 1 p.m.	§50.46
Monday, November 9 – 5 p.m.	Recount Request Deadline. Written requests for a recount must be filed in the county auditor's office no later than 5 p.m. on the third day after the county canvass of votes.	§50.48(1)
Late November/ early December	State Canvass of Votes Complete. The state board of canvassers must convene within five days after receipt of county abstracts.	§50.46
Late December/Early January	Election Contest Deadline. The contest deadline will vary depending on the date of the state canvass. Notice of a contest cannot be served on the incumbent later than 20 days after the state canvass of votes.	§59.1