



Gubernatorial General Election

November 4, 2014

Election Calendar in Brief

Candidate Filing	
Jul 14 – Aug 8	Candidate filing period
Aug 8 – Aug 13	Candidate filing period extension period
Aug 14	Random Alphabet Drawing
Aug 28	Certified list of local candidates from Merced County Elections Office
Aug 28	Certified list of federal and state candidates from Secretary of State
Sep 8 – Oct 21	Write-in candidate period
Campaign Disclosure Filing	
Jul 31	Last day - Semi-Annual Statements
Oct 6	Last day - Pre-Election Statements – period of 7/1/14-09/30/14
Oct 23	Last day - Pre-Election Statements – period of 10/01/14-10/18/14
Within 24 Hours	Late Contributions & Independent Expenditures Reports
Feb 2	Last day - Semi-Annual Statements
Ballot Measure Filing	
Aug 8	Last day to file Resolution requesting consolidation
Aug 8	Last day to file Impartial Analysis, Tax Rate Statement, or Fiscal Impact Report
Aug 18	Last day to file Arguments in Favor of or Against a measure
Aug 28	Last day to file Argument Rebuttals
General Information	
Oct 20	Last day to register to vote (postmarked is acceptable)
Nov 4	Election Day – Polling Places open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Vote by Mail Ballots	
Sep 5	First day to request a Vote by Mail ballot – Military and Overseas voters only
Oct 6	First day to request a Vote by Mail ballot
Oct 28	Last day to request a Vote by Mail ballot request by mail or over the counter
Oct 29 – Nov 4	A Vote by Mail ballot request can be submitted over the counter at Elections Office
Nov 4	A Vote by Mail ballot must be received in Polling Place or Elections Office by 8:00 p.m.
Sample Ballots	
Sep 25	First day Secretary of State starts mailing Voter Information Guides
Sep 25	First day Merced County Elections Office starts mailing Sample Ballot Booklets
Canvass	
Nov 6	Official Canvass period begins
Dec 2	Last day to certify results – Official Canvass period ends