

2012 ELECTIONS CALENDAR

Date	Description of Event	Reference	Reference
January 1, 2012	Last day for county clerk to mail updates for district board members for primary election.	255.069	135th day before election
January 2, 2012	NEW YEAR'S DAY OBSERVED		
January 4, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to complete random ordering of the alphabet to determine placement of candidate names on March election ballot.	254.155	69th day before election
January 5, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to mail or deliver to county clerks a copy of the random ordering of the alphabet for March election ballot.	254.155	68th day before election
January 11, 2012	Last day for districts to return district board member updates for primary election.	255.069	125th day before election
January 12, 2012	Last day before March election to inactivate voters for non-voting or failure to update.	247.013	61st day before election
	Last day for governing body of electoral district with measure on March election ballot to submit explanatory statement if county will publish a voters' pamphlet.	OAR 165-022-0010	61st day before election
	Last day for city elections official, county governing body or district elections authority to give notice of measure election to county clerk for March election.	254.095; 254.103; 255.085	61st day before election
January 16, 2012	MARTIN LUTHER KINGS JR'S BIRTHDAY		
January 17, 2012	Last day for proponents to make explanatory statement committee appointments for primary election measures.	251.205	120th day before election
	Last day to file candidate statements for county voters' pamphlet for March election.	OAR 165-022-0010	57th day before election
	Last day to submit previous calendar month's signatures obtained by paid circulators on state initiative petitions.	250.105	10th business day of the month
	Last day for filing measure arguments for county voters' pamphlet for March election.	OAR 165-022-0010	2nd business day after deadline for notice of measure election
January 18, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to select proponent members for explanatory statement committees for primary election measures, if proponents do not.	251.205	118th day before election
	Last day for Secretary of State to make explanatory statement committee appointments of opponents for primary election measures.	251.205	118th day before election
January 23, 2012	Material submitted for March election county voters' pamphlet is available for public inspection.	251.430	4th business day after VP filing deadline
January 25, 2012	Last day for explanatory statement committees for primary election measures to select fifth members.	251.205	111th day before election
January 26, 2012	Last day for county clerk to publish/mail notice of district board election for primary election.	255.075	110th day before election
	First day for district candidate to file declaration of candidacy or nominating petition for primary election.	255.235	110th day before election
January 27, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to appoint fifth member to explanatory statement committee for primary election measure, if committee does not.	251.205	109th day before election

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January 28, 2012	Last day to print absentee ballots for March election and mail ballots to long term absent electors.	253.045; 253.065	45th day before election
January 31, 2012	Seven day campaign finance transaction reporting begins for March election.	260.057	42nd day before election
	Last day for county clerk to determine number of precinct committeepersons needed per precinct.	248.015	January 31st of the year of primary election.
	Last day for county clerk to file "County Elections Security Plan" with the Secretary of State.	254.074	January 31st of each year
February 1, 2012	First day for candidate for precinct committeeperson to file declaration of candidacy for primary election.	249.037	February 1 immediately preceding primary election
February 6, 2012	Last day for financial estimate committee to file financial estimates and statements for primary election measures.	250.127	99th day before election
	Last day for explanatory statement committees and Legislative Counsel to file explanatory statements for primary election measures.	251.215; 251.225	99th day before election
	Last day to file complaint of alleged election law violation for November election. (If violation occurred after the election, deadline is 90 days after date of alleged violation.)	260.345	90th day after election
February 10, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to conduct hearing re: financial estimates and statements, and explanatory statements for primary election measures.	250.127; 251.215	95th day before election
February 12, 2012	Last day before March election for county clerk to establish official dropsite locations for ballot deposit.	OAR 165-007-0030	30th day before election
	Last day for county clerk to complete establishment and division of precincts for March election.	246.410	30th day before election
February 13, 2012	First day to mail ballots for March election to electors with a mailing address outside this state who are not long term absent electors.	253.065; 254.470	29th day before election
February 14, 2012	Last day before primary election for county clerk to cancel an elector based on information from U.S. Postal Service records.	247.296	91st day before election
	Last day to submit previous calendar month's signatures obtained by paid circulators on state initiative petitions.	250.105	10th business day of the month
February 15, 2012	Last day for county clerk to prepare primary election special absentee ballot for delivery to long term absent electors.	253.565	90th day before election
	Last day for financial estimate committee to file revised financial estimates and statements for primary election measures.	250.127	90th day before election
	Last day for major political party to file rules for nonaffiliated voters to vote in primary election.	254.365	90th day before election
	Last day for explanatory statement committees to file revised explanatory statements for primary election measures.	251.215	90th day before election
February 17, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to file financial estimates and statements for primary election measures, if financial estimate committee does not.	250.127	88th day before election

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Date	Description of Event		Reference
February 20, 2012	PRESIDENTS' DAY		
	Last day for Secretary of State to notify county clerks of major political party filing rules to allow nonaffiliated voters to vote in primary election.	OAR 165-007-0030	85th day before election
February 21, 2012	Last day for county clerk to notify Secretary of State of intent to publish or not publish county voters' pamphlet for primary election.	OAR 165-007-0030	84th day before election
	Last day to register to vote for March election. Registration cards that are postmarked by this date or submitted online no later than 11:59pm are valid registrations for March election.	247.025	21st day before election
	Last day for filing for Supreme Court review of explanatory statements or financial estimates or statements procedure for primary election measures.	Oregon Rules of Appellate Procedure Rule 11.30; 250.131; 251.235	5th day after revision deadline
February 22, 2012	First day to mail ballots to electors without daily mail service for March election.	254.470	20th day before election
February 24, 2012	First day to mail ballots for March election. (Except where there is no daily delivery of mail.)	254.470	18th day before election
	Last day to mail ballots to electors without daily mail service for March election.	254.470	18th day before election
February 28, 2012	Last day to mail/distribute county voters' pamphlet for March election.	251.315	14th day before election
	Last day to mail ballots for March election.	254.470	14th day before election
March 1, 2012	Last day for potential nonaffiliated candidate to register as not a member of a party to meet 180 day requirement for general election.	249.720	180 days before filing deadline
March 6, 2012	County clerk may begin opening return identification and secrecy envelopes for March election.	254.478	7th day before election
	Last day for district candidate to file declaration of candidacy, nominating petition or withdrawal of candidacy for primary election.	255.235	70th day before election
	Last day to conduct public certification test of vote tally system for March election.	254.235	7th day before election
	Last day for major party and nonpartisan candidate to file declaration of candidacy or nominating petition for primary election.	249.037	70th day before election
	County clerk may begin scanning ballots for March election in accordance with security plan approved by the Secretary of State.	254.478	7th day before election
March 7, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to complete random ordering of alphabet to determine placement of candidate names on primary election ballot.	254.155	69th day before election

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Date	Description of Event	Reference	Reference
March 8, 2012	Last day for committee to file legislative argument in support of referral for primary election voters' pamphlet.	251.245	68th day before election
	Last day for candidate who files candidacy with county clerk to file statements for county voters' pamphlet for primary election.	OAR 165-022-0010	68th day before election
	Last day for filing or withdrawing candidate statements and measure arguments for the state voters' pamphlet for primary election.	251.065; 251.255; 251.285	68th day before election
	Last day for requirement to mail absentee or replacement ballots for March election.	247.307; 253.065; 253.545; 254.470	5th day before election
	Last day for Secretary of State to mail or deliver to county clerks a copy of the random ordering of the alphabet for primary election ballot.	254.155	68th day before election
March 9, 2012	Last day for candidate, other than district candidate, to file withdrawal of candidacy for primary election.	249.170	67th day before election
March 12, 2012	Last day for filing or withdrawing electronic candidate statements for the state voters' pamphlet for primary election.	251.065; 251.135	64th day before election
March 13, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to review primary election voters' pamphlet filings for compliance.	251.087, 251.260	3rd business day after VP filing deadline
	Last day to file May election recount demand.	258.161	35th day after election
	Seven day campaign finance transaction reporting ends for March election.	260.057	Election Day
	ELECTION DAY	255.345	
	Official dropsites open 8 hours or more and until 8PM for depositing cast ballots. County Clerks office open 7AM - 8PM for issuing and depositing ballots.	OAR 165-007-0120; 254.470	Election Day
March 14, 2012	Material submitted (candidate statements for candidates who file candidacy with county clerk) for primary election county voters' pamphlet becomes public record.	251.430	4th business day after VP filing deadline
	Last day to submit previous calendar month's signatures obtained by paid circulators on state initiative petitions.	250.105	10th business day of the month
	State voters' pamphlet material for primary election becomes public record.	251.145	4th business day after VP filing deadline

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Date	Description of Event	Reference	Reference
March 15, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State and city elections officers to file with county clerks a statement of candidates and measures for placement on primary election ballot.	254.085; 254.095	61st day before election
	Last day for Secretary of State to contact candidates and measure argument filers regarding corrections necessary in primary election voters' pamphlet statements.	251.087, 251.260	5th business day after VP filing deadline
	Last day for governing body of electoral district with measure on primary election to submit explanatory statement if county will publish a voters' pamphlet.	OAR 165-022-0010	61st day before election
	Last day before primary election to inactivate voters for non-voting or failure to update.	247.013	61st day before election
	Last day for Secretary of State to review candidate statements filed electronically for primary election voters' pamphlet for compliance.	251.087	3rd business day after VP filing deadline
	Last day for city elections official, county governing body or district elections authority to give notice of measure election to county clerk for primary election.	254.095; 254.103; 255.085	61st day before election
March 19, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to contact candidates regarding corrections necessary in primary election voters' pamphlet statements filed electronically.	251.087	5th business day after VP filing deadline
	Last day for candidate or measure argument filer to file necessary revisions, as identified by Secretary of State, to bring primary election voters' pamphlet filing into compliance.	251.087; 251.260	7th business day after VP filing deadline
	Last day for filing measure arguments for county voters' pamphlet for primary election.	OAR 165-022-0010	2nd business day after deadline for notice of measure election
	Last day for candidates who file candidacy with governing body other than county clerk to file statements for county voters' pamphlet for primary election.	OAR 165-022-0010	57th day before election
March 21, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to forward any March election ballots voted by long term absent electors to the county in which the elector who cast the ballot is registered.	253.070; 253.585	8th day after election
	Last day for county clerk to forward any March election ballots voted by electors registered in another county.	253.070; 253.135	8th day after election
	Last day for candidate to file necessary revisions, as identified by Secretary of State, to bring primary voters' pamphlet statements filed electronically into compliance.	251.087	7th business day after VP filing deadline
March 23, 2012	Material submitted (measure arguments and candidate statements for candidates who file candidacy with governing body other than county clerk) for primary election county voters' pamphlet becomes public record.	251.430	4th business day after VP filing deadline
March 31, 2012	Last day to print absentee ballots for primary election and mail ballots to long term absent electors.	253.045; 253.065	45th day before election
April 2, 2012	Last day for county clerk to prepare and deliver abstracts of March election votes to appropriate elections officials.	254.545; 255.295	20th day after election
April 3, 2012	Seven day campaign finance transaction reporting begins for primary election.	260.057	42nd day prior to election
	Seven day campaign finance transaction reporting begins for initiative Petition Committees.	260.118	42nd day prior to election

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Date	Description of Event	Reference	Reference
April 12, 2012	Last day for county clerks to certify 50% turnout of eligible voters for March election.	OAR 165-007-0130	30th day after election
	Last day for filing officer to prepare and deliver acceptance of office form to individuals nominated or elected by write-in votes for March election.	254.548	30th day after election
	Last day for county clerk to prepare and deliver electronically precinct level results to the Secretary of State.	OAR 165-007-0030; 254.545	30th day after election
April 13, 2012	Last day to submit previous calendar month's signatures obtained by paid circulators on state initiative petitions.	250.105	10th business day of the month
April 15, 2012	Last day before primary election for county clerk to establish official dropsite locations for ballot deposit.	OAR 165-007-0030	30th day before election
	Last day for county clerk to complete establishment and division of precincts for primary election.	246.410	30th day before election
April 16, 2012	First day to mail ballots for primary election to electors with a mailing address outside this state who are not long term absent electors.	253.065; 254.470	29th day before election
April 17, 2012	Last day to file March election recount demand.	258.161	35th day after election
April 23, 2012	Last day to file contest of March election, if no recount.	258.036	40th day after election
April 24, 2012	Last day for major or minor political parties to request free list of active electors for primary election.	247.940	21st day before election
	Last day to change party affiliation for primary election. Registration cards containing changes in party affiliation that are postmarked by this date are not valid registration updates for primary election.	247.203	21st day before election
	Last day to register to vote for primary election. Registration cards that are postmarked by this date or submitted online no later than 11:59pm are valid registrations for the primary election.	247.025	21st day before election
April 25, 2012	Last day to mail primary election state voters' pamphlet.	251.175	20th day before election
	First day to mail ballots to electors without daily mail service for the primary election.	254.470	20th day before election
April 27, 2012	First day to mail ballots for primary election. (Except where there is no daily delivery of mail.)	254.470	18th day before election
	Last day for individuals nominated or elected by write-in votes at March election to file write-in acceptance forms.	254.548	45th day after election
	March Special District Election Report due.	DIR. 2006-7	45th day after election
	Last day to mail ballots to electors without daily mail service for the primary election.	254.470	18th day before election
May 1, 2012	Last day to mail ballots for primary election.	254.470	14th day before election
	Last day for mailing/distributing county voters' pamphlet for primary election.	251.315	14th day before election
May 2, 2012	Last day for filing officer to prepare and deliver a certificate of nomination or election to individuals who filed write-in acceptance forms for March election and, if applicable, issue a proclamation declaring the election of those individuals.	254.548	50th day after election

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May 8, 2012	County clerk may begin opening return identification and secrecy envelopes for primary election.	254.478	7th day before election
	County clerk may begin scanning ballots for primary election in accordance with security plan approved by the Secretary of State.	254.478	7th day before election
	Last day to conduct public certification test of vote tally system for primary election.	254.235	7th day before election
May 10, 2012	Last day for requirement to mail absentee or replacement ballots for primary election.	247.307; 253.065; 253.545; 253.575; 254.470	5th day before election
May 14, 2012	Last day to submit previous calendar month's signatures obtained by paid circulators on state initiative petitions.	250.105	10th business day of the month
May 15, 2012	Seven day campaign finance transaction reporting ends for initiative Petition Committees.	260.118	Election Day
	Official dropsites open 8 hours or more and until 8PM for depositing cast ballots. County Clerks office open 7AM - 8PM for issuing and depositing ballots.	OAR 165-007-0120; 254.470	Election Day
	PRIMARY ELECTION DAY	254.056	3rd Tuesday in May
	Seven day campaign finance transaction reporting ends for primary election.	260.057	Election Day
May 23, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to forward any primary election ballots voted by long term absent electors to the county in which the elector who cast the ballot is registered.	253.070; 253.585	8th day after election
	Last day for county clerk to forward any primary election ballots voted by electors registered in another county.	253.070; 253.135	8th day after election
May 25, 2012	Last day to submit 100% of required signatures for state initiative petition and qualify to turn in additional signatures if petition is determined insufficient.	250.105	165 days before general election
	Seven day campaign finance transaction reporting begins for initiative Petition Committees.	260.118	42nd day prior to signature submittal
May 28, 2012	MEMORIAL DAY		
May 30, 2012	First day for local candidate to file declaration of candidacy or nominating petition for offices filled at general election.	221.180	15th day after primary election
	First day for nonaffiliated and minor political party candidates to file certificates of nomination for general election.	249.722	15th day after primary election
June 4, 2012	Primary Election Voter Registration & Participation Report due.	DIR. 2006-07	With abstract of votes
	Last day for county clerk to mail certificates of election to precinct committeepersons elected at primary election.	248.023	20th day after election
	Last day for county clerk to prepare and deliver abstracts of primary election votes to appropriate election officials.	254.545; 255.295	20th day after election
June 8, 2012	Precinct committeepersons elected at primary election take office.	248.015	24th day after election

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June 11, 2012	Last day for precinct committee persons elected at primary election by write-in votes to file acceptance of office forms.	248.023	27th day after election
	Last day to file complaint of alleged election law violation for March election. (If violation occurred after the election, deadline is 90 days after date of alleged violation.)	260.345	90th day after election
June 14, 2012	Last day for county clerk to prepare and deliver electronically precinct level results to the Secretary of State.	OAR 165-007-0030; 254.545	30th day after election
	Last day for filing officer to prepare and deliver acceptance of office form to individuals nominated or elected by write-in votes for primary election.	254.548	30th day after election
	Last day for county clerk to prepare and deliver a certificate of nomination or election to those individuals nominated or elected at primary election.	254.545; 255.295	30th day after election
	Last day to submit previous calendar month's signatures obtained by paid circulators on state initiative petitions.	250.105	10th business day of the month
	Last day for Governor to issue measure proclamation and declare into law those measures approved by voters at the primary election.	254.555	30th day after election
	Last day for Secretary of State to canvass votes, prepare register of nominations, prepare and deliver certificates of nomination or election and issue a proclamation declaring the election of candidates at the primary election.	254.555; 260.245	30th day after election
	Effective date of measures approved by voters at primary election, unless otherwise specified for later implementation.	OR CONST. ART. IV	30th day after election
June 15, 2012	County clerk to furnish list of newly elected precinct committee persons to chairman of county and state central committees and declare other office of precinct committee person vacant.	248.023	31st day after election
June 19, 2012	Last day to file primary election recount demand.	258.161	35th day after election
June 25, 2012	Last day to file contest of primary election, if no recount.	258.036	40th day after election
	Last day for county clerk to mail updates for district board members for general election.	255.069	135th day before election
June 29, 2012	Last day for individuals nominated or elected by write-in votes at primary election to file write-in acceptance forms.	254.548	45th day after election
July 4, 2012	Last day for filing officer to prepare and deliver a certificate of nomination or election to individuals who filed write-in acceptance forms for primary election and, if applicable, issue a proclamation declaring the election of those individuals.	254.548	50th day after election
	INDEPENDENCE DAY		
July 5, 2012	Last day for districts to return district board member updates for general election.	255.069	125th day before election
July 6, 2012	Last day to file 100% of signatures for state initiative petition.	OR CONST. ART. IV	4 months before general election
	Seven day campaign finance transaction reporting ends for initiative Petition Committees.	260.118	4 months before general election

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July 9, 2012	Last day for proponents to make explanatory statement committee appointments for general election measures.	251.205	120th day before election
July 11, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to select proponent members for explanatory statement committees for general election measures, if proponents do not.	251.205	118th day before election
	Last day for Secretary of State to complete random ordering of the alphabet to determine placement of candidate names on September election ballot.	254.155	69th day before election
	Last day for Secretary of State to make explanatory statement committee appointments of opponents for general election measures.	251.205	118th day before election
July 12, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to mail or deliver to county clerks a copy of the random ordering of the alphabet for September election ballot.	254.155	68th day before election
July 15, 2012	Primary Election Day Report due.	DIR. 2006-7	July 15th for primary election
July 16, 2012	Last day to submit previous calendar month's signatures obtained by paid circulators on state initiative petitions.	250.105	10th business day of the month
July 18, 2012	Last day for explanatory statement committees for general election measures to select fifth members.	251.205	111th day before election
July 19, 2012	Last day for city elections official, county governing body or district elections authority to give notice of measure election to county clerk for September election.	254.095; 254.103; 255.085	61st day before election
	Last day for governing body of electoral district with measure on September election ballot to submit explanatory statement if county will publish a voters' pamphlet.	OAR 165-022-0010	61st day before election
	Last day for county clerk to publish/mail notice of district board election for general election.	255.075	110th day before election
	First day for district candidate to file declaration of candidacy or nominating petition for general election.	255.235	110th day before election
	Last day before September election to inactivate voters for non-voting or failure to update.	247.013	61st day before election
July 20, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to appoint fifth member to explanatory statement committee for general election measure, if committee does not.	251.205	109th day before election
July 23, 2012	Last day to file measure arguments for county voters' pamphlet for September election.	OAR 165-022-0010	2nd business day after deadline for notice of measure election
	Last day to file candidate statements for county voters' pamphlet for September election.	OAR 165-022-0010	57th day before election
July 27, 2012	Material submitted for September election county voters' pamphlet is available for public inspection.	251.430	4th business day after VP filing deadline

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July 30, 2012	Last day for financial estimate committee to file financial estimates and statements for general election measures.	250.127	99th day before election
	Last day for explanatory statement committees and Legislative Counsel to file explanatory statements for general election measures.	251.215; 251.225	99th day before election
August 3, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to conduct hearing re: financial estimates and statements, and explanatory statements for general election measures.	250.127; 251.215	95th day before election
August 4, 2012	Last day to print absentee ballots for September election and mail ballots to long term absent electors.	253.045; 253.065	45th day before election
August 5, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to complete verification of signatures on state initiative petitions.	OR CONST. ART IV	30 days after deadline for submitting signatures
August 7, 2012	Seven day campaign finance transaction reporting begins for September election.	260.057	42nd day before election
	Last day before general election for county clerk to cancel an elector based on information from U.S. Postal Service records.	247.296	91st day before election
August 8, 2012	Last day for county clerk to prepare general election special absentee ballot for delivery to long term absent electors.	253.565	90th day before election
	Last day for minor political parties to qualify to nominate candidates based on voter registration.	248.008	90th day before general election
	Last day for explanatory statement committees to file revised explanatory statements for general election measures.	251.215	90th day before election
	Last day for financial estimate committee to file revised financial estimates and statements for general election measures.	250.127	90th day before election
August 10, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to file financial estimates and statements for general election measures, if financial estimate committee does not.	250.127	88th day before election
August 13, 2012	Last day for filing complaint of alleged election law violation for primary election. (If violation occurred after the election, deadline is 90 days after date of violation.)	260.345	90th day after election
	Last day for filing for Supreme Court review of explanatory statements or financial estimates or statements procedure for general election measures.	Oregon Rules of Appellate Procedure Rule 11.30; 250.131; 251.235	5th day after revision deadline
August 14, 2012	Last day for county clerk to notify Secretary of State of intent to publish or not publish county voters' pamphlet for general election.	OAR 165-007-0030	84th day before election
	Last day to submit previous calendar month's signatures obtained by paid circulators on state initiative petitions.	250.105	10th business day of the month
August 19, 2012	Last day for county clerk to complete establishment and division of precincts for September election.	246.410	30th day before election
	Last day before September election for county clerk to establish official dropsite locations for ballot deposit.	OAR 165-007-0030	30th day before election
August 20, 2012	First day to mail ballots for September election to electors with a mailing address outside this state who are not long term absent electors.	253.065; 254.470	29th day before election

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Date	Description of Event	Reference	Reference
August 28, 2012	Last day to register to vote for September election. Registration cards that are postmarked by this date or submitted online no later than 11:59pm are valid registrations for September election.	247.025	21st day before election
	Last day for withdrawing candidate statements, measure arguments and political party statements for the state voters' pamphlet for general election.	251.135	70th day before election
	Last day to file candidate statements, measure arguments and political party statements for the state voters' pamphlet for general election.	251.065; 251.115; 251.255; 251.285	70th day before election
	Last day for district candidate to file withdrawal of candidacy for general election.	255.235	70th day before election
	Last day for district candidate to file declaration of candidacy or nominating petition for general election.	255.235	70th day before election
	Last day for nonaffiliated or minor political party candidate to file certificates of nomination for general election.	249.722	70th day before election
	Last day for committee to file legislative argument in support of referral for general election voters' pamphlet.	251.245	70th day before election
	Last day for local candidate to file declaration of candidacy or nominating petition for offices filled at general election.	221.180	70th day before election
	Last day for political parties to certify the names of the selected candidates for electors of President and Vice President to, and file the pledge of each candidate with the Secretary of State.	248.355	70th day before election
	Last day for citizen panel to file any Citizen Statement prepared for the state voters' pamphlet for general election.	250.141	70th day before election
August 29, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to complete random ordering of alphabet to determine placement of candidate names on general election ballot.	254.155	69th day before election
	First day to mail ballots to electors without daily mail service for September election.	254.470	20th day before election
August 30, 2012	Last day to determine if candidate who was nominated at primary election has failed to file campaign finance statements for that election. Mail certified notice to the candidate warning that the candidate's name may not be placed on general election ballot.	260.241	68th day before election
	Last day for filing or withdrawing electronic candidate statements for the state voters' pamphlet for general election.	251.065, 251.135	68th day before election
	Last day for Secretary of State to mail or deliver to county clerks a copy of the random ordering of the alphabet for general election ballot.	254.155	68th day before election
	Last day for candidate who files candidacy with county clerk to file statements for county voters' pamphlet for general election.	OAR 165-022-0010	68th day before election

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August 31, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to review general election voters' pamphlet filings for compliance.	251.087; 251.260	3rd business day after VP filing deadline
	First day to mail ballots for September election. (Except where there is no daily delivery of mail.)	254.470	18th day before election
	Last day for candidate, other than district candidate, to file withdrawal of candidacy for general election.	249.180; 249.830	67th day before election
	Last day to mail ballots to electors without daily mail service for September election.	254.470	18th day before election
September 3, 2012	LABOR DAY		
September 4, 2012	Last day to mail ballots for September election.	254.470	14th day before election
	Last day to mail/distribute county voters' pamphlet for September election.	251.315	14th day before election
	State voters' pamphlet material for general election becomes public record.	251.145	4th business day after VP filing deadline
September 5, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to review candidate statements filed electronically for general election voters' pamphlet for compliance.	251.087	3rd business day after VP filing deadline
	Last day for Secretary of State to contact candidates and measure argument filers regarding corrections necessary in general election voters' pamphlet statements.	251.087; 251.260	5th business day after VP filing deadline
September 6, 2012	Candidate who was nominated at primary election may be placed on general election ballot only if they have filed all primary election campaign finance statements.	260.241	61st day before election
	Last day for city elections official, county governing body or district elections authority to give notice of measure election to county clerk for general election.	254.095; 254.103; 255.085	61st day before election
	Last day for Secretary of State and city elections officers to file with county clerks a statement of candidates and measures for placement on general election ballot.	254.085; 254.095	61st day before election
	Material submitted (candidate statements for candidates who file candidacy with county clerk) for general election county voters' pamphlet becomes public record.	251.430	4th business day after VP filing
	Last day for governing body of electoral district with measure on general election to submit explanatory statement if county will publish voters' pamphlet.	OAR 165-022-0010	61st day before election
	Last day before general election to inactivate voters for non-voting or failure to update.	247.013	61st day before election
September 7, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to contact candidates regarding corrections necessary in general election voters' pamphlet statements filed electronically.	251.087	5th business day after VP filing deadline
	Last day for candidate or measure argument filer to file necessary revisions, as identified by Secretary of State, to bring general election voters' pamphlet filing in compliance.	251.087; 251.260	7th business day after VP filing deadline
September 10, 2012	Last day for candidate who files candidacy with governing body other than county clerk to file statements for county voters' pamphlet for general election.	OAR 165-022-0010	57th day before election
	Last day to file measure arguments for county voters' pamphlet for general election.	OAR 165-022-0010	2nd business day after deadline for notice of measure election

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September 11, 2012	Last day for candidate to file necessary revisions, as identified by Secretary of State, to bring general voters' pamphlet statements filed electronically into compliance.	251.087	7th business day after VP filing deadline
	Last day to conduct public certification test of vote tally system for September election.	254.235	7th day before election
	County clerk may begin scanning ballots for September election in accordance with security plan approved by the Secretary of State.	254.478	7th day before election
	County clerks may begin opening return identification and secrecy envelopes for September election.	254.478	7th day before election
September 13, 2012	Last day for requirement to mail absentee or replacement ballots for September election.	247.307; 253.065; 253.545; 254.470	5th day before election
September 14, 2012	Material submitted (measure arguments and candidate statements for candidates who file candidacy with governing body other than county clerk) for general election county voters' pamphlet becomes public record.	251.430	4th business day after VP filing deadline
September 17, 2012	Last day to submit previous calendar month's signatures obtained by paid circulators on state initiative petitions.	250.105	10th business day of the month
September 18, 2012	Last day to file May election recount demand.	258.161	35th day after election
	Official dropsites open 8 hours or more and until 8PM for depositing cast ballots. County Clerks office open 7AM - 8PM for issuing and depositing ballots.	OAR 165-007-0120; 254.470	Election Day
	Seven day campaign finance transaction reporting ends for September election.	260.057	Election Day
	ELECTION DAY	255.345	
September 20, 2012	Last day for county, city or district to file with county clerk a statement for resubmitting a measure at general election.	254.095; 254.103; 255.085	47th day before election
September 22, 2012	Last day to print absentee ballots for general election and mail ballots to long term absent electors.	253.045; 253.065	45th day before election
September 24, 2012	Last day to file county voters' pamphlet arguments for measure to be resubmitted at general election. (If county includes resubmitted measure in voters' pamphlet.)	OAR 165-022-0010	2nd business day after deadline for notice of resubmitting measure
September 25, 2012	Seven day campaign finance transaction reporting begins for general election.	260.057	42nd day prior to election
	Seven day campaign finance transaction reporting begins for initiative Petition Committees.	260.118	42nd day prior to election
September 26, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to forward any September election ballots voted by long term absent electors to the county in which the elector who cast the ballot is registered.	253.070; 253.585	8th day after election
	Last day for county clerk to forward any September election ballots voted by electors registered in another county.	253.070; 253.135	8th day after election
September 28, 2012	Measure arguments for measure to be resubmitted at general election become public record. (If county includes resubmitted measure in voters' pamphlet.)	251.430	4th business day after filing deadline

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Date	Description of Event	Reference	Reference
October 7, 2012	Last day before general election for county clerk to establish official dropsite locations for ballot deposit.	OAR 165-007-0030	30th day before election
	Last day for county clerk to complete establishment and division of precincts for the general election.	246.410	30th day before election
October 8, 2012	Last day for county clerk to prepare and deliver abstracts of September election votes to appropriate elections officials.	254.545; 255.295	20th day after election
	First day to mail ballots for the general election to electors with a mailing address outside this state who are not long term absent electors.	253.065; 254.470	29th day before election
October 12, 2012	Last day to submit previous calendar month's signatures obtained by paid circulators on state initiative petitions.	250.105	10th business day of the month
October 16, 2012	Last day for major or minor political parties to request free list of active electors for general election.	247.940	21st day before election
	Last day to register to vote for general election. Registration cards that are postmarked by this date or submitted online no later than 11:59pm are valid registrations for general election.	247.025	21st day before election
October 17, 2012	Last day to mail general election state voters' pamphlet.	251.175	20th day before election
	First day to mail ballots to electors without daily mail service for the general election.	254.470	20th day before election
October 18, 2012	Last day for county clerk to prepare and deliver electronically precinct level results to the Secretary of State.	OAR 165-007-0030; 254.545	30th day after election
	Last day for filing officer to prepare and deliver acceptance of office form to individuals nominated or elected by write-in votes for September election.	254.548	30th day after election
	Last day for county clerks to certify 50% turnout of eligible voters for September election.	OAR 165-007-0130	30th day after election
October 19, 2012	Last day to mail ballots to electors without daily mail service for the general election.	254.470	18th day before election
	First day to mail ballots for general election. (Except where there is no daily delivery of mail.)	254.470	18th day before election
October 23, 2012	Last day to mail ballots for general election.	254.470	14th day before election
	Last day to file September election recount demand.	258.161	35th day after election
	Last day to mail/distribute county voters' pamphlet for general election.	251.315	14th day before election
October 29, 2012	Last day to file contest of September election, if no recount.	258.036	40th day after election
October 30, 2012	County clerk may begin scanning ballots for general election in accordance with security plan approved by the Secretary of State.	254.478	7th day before election
	County clerk may begin opening return identification and secrecy envelopes for the general election.	254.478	7th day before election
	Last day to conduct public certification test of vote tally system for general election.	254.235	7th day before election

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Date	Description of Event		Reference
November 1, 2012	Last day for requirement to mail absentee or replacement ballots for general election.	247.307; 253.065; 253.545; 254.470	5th day before election
November 2, 2012	September Special District Election Report due.	DIR. 2006-7	45th day after election
	Last day for individuals nominated or elected by write-in votes at September election to file write-in acceptance forms.	254.548	45th day after election
November 6, 2012	Official dropsites open 8 hours or more and until 8PM for depositing cast ballots. County Clerks office open 7AM - 8PM for issuing and depositing ballots.	OAR 165-007-0120; 254.470	Election Day
	GENERAL ELECTION DAY	254.056	1st Tuesday after the 1st Monday in November
	Seven day campaign finance transaction reporting ends for general election.	260.057	Election Day
	Seven day campaign finance transaction reporting ends for initiative Petition Committees.	260.118	Election Day
November 7, 2012	Last day for filing officer to prepare and deliver a certificate of nomination or election to individuals who filed write-in acceptance forms for September election and, if applicable, issue a proclamation declaring the election of those individuals.	254.548	50th day after election
November 9, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to advise county clerks of the election contests and precincts for which ballots are to be hand counted.	254.529	3rd business day after election
November 12, 2012	VETERANS' DAY OBSERVED		
November 14, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to forward any general election ballots voted by long term absent electors to the county in which the elector who cast the ballot is registered.	253.070; 253.585	8th day after election
	Last day for county clerk to forward any general election ballots voted by electors registered in another county.	253.070; 253.135	8th day after election
November 15, 2012	Last day to submit previous calendar month's signatures obtained by paid circulators on state initiative petitions.	250.105	10th business day of the month
November 22, 2012	THANKSGIVING DAY		
November 26, 2012	Last day for county clerk to prepare and deliver abstracts of general election votes to appropriate elections officials.	254.545; 255.295	20th day after election
	General Election Voter Registration & Participation Report due.	DIR. 2006-7	With abstract of votes
November 27, 2012	Last day for county clerks to begin hand counts of randomly selected precincts.	254.529	21st day after election

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Date	Description of Event		Reference
December 6, 2012	Last day for Secretary of State to canvass votes, prepare and deliver certificates of election and issue a proclamation declaring the election of candidates at general election.	254.555; 260.245	30th day after election
	Last day for county clerk to certify amended abstract of votes to appropriate elections officials, if a second hand count is different from the tally of votes produced by the vote tally system, by more than one-half of one percent.	254.529	30th day after election
	Last day for county clerks to complete hand counts of randomly selected precincts.	254.529	30th day after election
	Last day for filing officer to prepare and deliver acceptance of office form to individuals nominated or elected by write-in votes for general election.	254.548	30th day after election
	Last day for county clerk to prepare and deliver electronically precinct level results to the Secretary of State.	OAR 165-007-0030; 254.575	30th day after election
	Effective date of measures approved by voters at general election, unless otherwise specified for later implementation.	OR CONST. ART. IV	30th day after election
	Last day for Governor to issue measure proclamation and declare into law those measures approved by voters at general election.	254.555	30th day after election
December 11, 2012	Last day to file general election recount demand.	258.161	35th day after election
December 14, 2012	Last day to submit previous calendar month's signatures obtained by paid circulators on state initiative petitions.	250.105	10th business day of the month
December 17, 2012	Last day to file contest of general election, if no recount.	258.036	40th day after election
	Electors of President and Vice President convene at the State Capitol.	248.370	Monday after the second Wednesday in December
	Last day to file complaint of alleged election law violation for September election. (If violation occurred after the election, deadline is 90 days after date of alleged violation.)	260.345	90th day after election
December 21, 2012	Last day for individuals nominated or elected by write-in votes at general election to file write-in acceptance forms.	254.548	45th day after election
December 25, 2012	CHRISTMAS DAY		
December 26, 2012	Last day for filing officer to prepare and deliver a certificate of nomination or election to individuals who filed write-in acceptance forms for general election and, if applicable, issue a proclamation declaring the election of those individuals.	254.548	50th day after election
December 31, 2012	General Election Day Report due.	DIR. 2006-7	December 31st for general election