

Updated Expedited Special Congressional Election Calendar
March 15, 2016 Special Congressional Primary Election Day
June 7, 2016 Special Congressional General Election Day
Nomination and Election for the U.S. Representative, 8th Ohio Congressional District
Unexpired Term ending January 3, 2017¹

- Dec. 6 Boards of elections must prepare and publish notice of March 15, 2016 Primary & Special Congressional Primary Election and provide notices to federal write-in absentee voters upon request (100 days before special primary)
- Dec. 16 Declaration of candidacy for partisan candidates must be filed with the Butler County Board of Elections by 4 p.m. (90 days before special primary)
- Dec. 28 Butler County Board of Elections must certify the validity and sufficiency of partisan candidates' petitions (78 days before special primary)
- Jan. 4* Protests against partisan candidacies must be filed with the Butler County Board of Elections by 4 p.m. (74 days before special primary)
- Declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate for the March 15, 2016 special congressional primary election must be filed by 4 p.m. (72 days before special primary)
- Jan. 5 Butler County Board of Elections must certify names of candidates for the March 15, 2016 Special Congressional Primary Election to the other county board of elections in the congressional district (70 days before the special primary)
- Jan. 8 Protests against write-in candidates must be filed with the Butler County Board of Elections by 4 p.m. (67 days before the special primary)
- Jan. 30 UOCAVA absentee ballots for March 15, 2016 Primary & Special Congressional Primary Election must be ready (45 days before special primary)
- Boards of elections must prepare and publish notice of the March 15, 2016 Primary & Special Congressional Primary Election by this date and provide the notice to federal write-in absentee voters upon request (45 days before special primary)
- Feb. 2 Boards of elections must advertise in newspapers the places, times, qualifications, and methods for voter registration. (6 weeks before special primary)
- Feb. 16* Deadline for voter registration for the March 15, 2016 Primary & Special Congressional Primary Election (30 days before special primary)

¹ U.S. Const. Amend. XX, Sec. 1.

- Feb. 17 Non-UOCAVA absentee ballots for March 15, 2016 Primary & Special Congressional Primary Election must be ready (day after the close of registration for special primary election)
- Feb. 29* Boards of elections must prepare and publish notice of June 7, 2016 Special Congressional General Election and provide notices to federal write-in absentee voters upon request (100 days before special general)
- Mar. 1 Boards of Elections must prepare precinct voter registration lists for March 15, 2016 Primary & Special Congressional Primary Election (14 days before special primary)
- Mar. 4 Deadline for political parties and groups of candidates to file observer appointments with the boards of elections (11 days before special primary)
- Mar. 5 Boards of elections must give public notice of the election (10 days before special primary)
- Mar. 14 Nominating petitions for independent candidates must be filed with the Butler County Board of Elections by 4 p.m. (day before special primary)
- Mar. 15 Presidential Primary & Special Congressional Primary Election**
- Mar. 25 Absentee ballots returned by U.S. mail must be postmarked no later than March 14, 2016 and received by boards of elections by this date to be counted (10 days after special primary election).
- UOCAVA ballots must be received by boards of elections by this date to be counted (10 days after special primary election)
- Mar. 26 Boards may begin official canvass of election (11 days after special primary)
- Apr. 4 Butler County Board of Elections must certify the sufficiency and validity of nominating petitions of independent candidates (64 days before the special general)
- Apr. 5 Boards must complete and certify official canvass (21 days after special primary)
- Butler County Board of Elections must certify results (21 days after special primary)
- Apr. 7 Deadline to request a recount of the March 15, 2016 Special Congressional Primary Election (2 days after certification of results)
- Apr. 8 Protests against independent candidates must be filed with the Butler County Board of Elections by 4 p.m. (60 days before the special general)

- Apr. 23 Boards of elections must prepare and publish notice of the June 7, 2016 Special Congressional General Election by this date and provide the notice to federal write-in absentee voters upon request (45 days before special general)
- UOCAVA absentee ballots for June 7, 2016 Special Congressional General Election and Special Congressional General Election must be ready (45 days before special general)
- Apr. 26 Boards of elections must advertise in newspapers the places, times, qualifications, and methods for voter registration. (6 weeks before special general)
- May 9* Deadline for voter registration for the June 7, 2016 Special Congressional General Election (30 days before special general)
- May 10 Non-UOCAVA absentee ballots for June 7, 2016 Special Congressional General Election must be ready (first day after close of registration)
- May 24 Boards of Elections must prepare precinct voter registration lists for June 7, 2016 Special Congressional General Election (14 days before special general)
- May 27 Deadline for political parties and groups of candidates to file observer appointments with the boards of elections (11 days before special general)
- May 28 Boards of elections must give public notice of the election (10 days before special general)
- June 7 Special Congressional General Election**
- June 17 Absentee ballots returned by U.S. mail must be postmarked no later than June 6, 2016 and received by boards of elections by this date to be counted (10 days after special general).
- UOCAVA ballots must be received by boards of elections by this date to be counted (10 days after special general)
- June 18 Boards may begin official canvass of election (11 days after special general)
- June 21 Boards must complete and certify official canvass (14 days after special general)
- June 22 Butler County Board of Elections must certify results (15 days after special general)
- June 23 Deadline to request a recount of the June 7, 2016 Special Congressional General Election (day after certification of results of special general)

*Statutory deadline falls on day that boards of elections are closed. The deadline is extended, pursuant to R.C. 1.14, to the next succeeding day the board of elections are open.