

CITY OF ORANGEBURG MUNICIPAL ELECTION SCHEDULE

Note: All numerical statutes are in reference to S.C. Code of Laws, 1976, as amended.

JUNE 12	PLACE FIRST “NOTICE OF ELECTION” and “NOTICE OF FILING AD” (7-13-35)
JUNE 26	SECOND “NOTICE OF ELECTION” AD (7-13-35)
JUNE 28	STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY AND PETITION 5% SIGNATURES OF THE DISTRICT IS REQUIRED MUST BE FILED WITH THE MUNICIPAL CLERK NO LATER THAN 12 NOON (<u>PETITION MUST BE FILED NO LATER THAN 75 DAYS BEFORE AN ELECTION</u>)
JUNE 28	COPY OF STATEMENT OF INTENTION OF CANDIDACY AND PETITIONS DELIVERED TO THE ORANGEBURG COUNTY VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS OFFICE
JULY 12	LAST DAY TO FILE AS A WRITE-IN CANDIDATE 12NOON
JULY 13	STATEMENT OF INTENTION OF CANDIDACY AND PETITIONS MUST BE VERIFIED BY THE ORANGEBURG COUNTY VOTER REGISTRATION AND ELECTIONS OFFICE (7-11-85) (15 DAYS TO VERIFY SIGNATURES, 60 DAYS BEFORE ELECTION)
JULY 17	BEGIN RECRUITING POLL WORKERS (7-13-72)
AUGUST 12	LAST DAY TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN MUNICIPAL ELECTION (7-5-150)
TBA	POLL MANAGER TRAINING SESSION
SEPTEMBER 11	POLL WORKERS PICK UP ELECTION MATERIAL FROM COUNTY ELECTION COMMISSION
SEPTEMBER 12	** ELECTION DAY** POLLS OPEN 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
SEPTEMBER 14	MUNICIPAL ELECTION COMMISSION HOLDS PROVISIONAL BALLOT, CHALLENGED BALLOT HEARING AND CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS. (5-15-100) MEC must convene no later than 1:00 p.m., Thursday after the election and conduct a hearing on any ballots challenged and officially certifies the results. Remember all results are unofficial until certified by the Municipal Election Commission
SEPTEMBER 14	DEADLINE FOR FILING PROTEST OF ELECTION WITH MUNICIPAL ELECTION COMMISSION. (5-15-130) All candidates have 48 hours from the close of the polls to protest the results. Any protest must be filed in writing with the MEC within the 48 hour period from the close of the polls. The deadline to file a protest is Thursday, 7:00 p.m. <u>If your election is protested, immediately contact your town attorney for representation</u>

SEPTEMBER 16 DEADLINE FOR MUNICIPAL ELECTION COMMISSION TO CONDUCT PROTEST HEARING. (5-15-130)
Within 48 hours of the filing of any protest, the MEC must notify all parties concerned and must conduct a protest hearing. It is very important that a record of the protest proceedings be kept. It is recommended that the MEC obtain the services of a court reporter or stenographer to provide this record. In the event that the MEC's decision is appealed, the court will need to have a copy of the protest hearing. Additionally, the MEC should prepare, with the assistance of the town attorney, a written order concerning its decision in the protested election. This order should be sent to all candidates involved in the protest

SEPTEMBER 19 LAST DAY TO FILE SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES LIST WITH THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION.
After certification of the election results determining the winners, a list of all the successful candidates must be given to the State Ethics Commission by this date

LAST DAY TO FILE APPEAL OF PROTEST HEARING TO COURT OF COMMON PLEAS. (5-15-140) (ANY CANDIDATE AGGRIEVED BY THE DECISION HAS 10 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE DECISION TO APPEAL TO THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS)

Return of Election Material

Please return all materials provided in the election with the exception of the ballots voted and un-voted. The town is required to keep all ballots used and unused in the election for 24 months and then they may be destroyed. The county will pick up the voting booths as soon as possible after the election. The MEC must provide one copy of the officially certified election results to the town clerk and one copy to the Orangeburg County Election Commission

If you have any questions, please call as soon as possible. You can receive assistance by calling the Orangeburg County Voter Registration & Elections office at the following numbers:

533-6213 Aurora Smalls
533-6210 Ginger Howe
533-6211 Tonia Whetstone
533-6212 Delphine Woolridge
533-6215 Fax

If we cannot be reached you may contact the State Election Commission at the following numbers:

(803) 734-9060 Main Number
(803) 734-9070 Chris Whitmire, Public Information & Training Director