**Important Reminders**

- **New Year's Day**

- **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**

- **Last Day to Register to Vote in the Annual Fire Elections** is Saturday, January 25th
**Important Reminders**

- **Last Day for County Clerk to receive by mail Fire Election Mail-In Ballot Application** Friday, February 7th
- **Saturday, February 15th Annual Fire Elections**, Polls Open:
  - 2 PM - 9 PM - Brick, Jackson, Little Egg Harbor, Toms River;
  - [* Lakewood - 2 PM - 10 PM]
**Important Reminders**

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**IMPORTANT**

As this booklet went to press there was a possibility that the New Jersey Legislature and Governor would enact a law that would change the Partisan Candidate Petition Filing Deadline as well as the Ballot Drawing Date for the June 2020 Primary Election. As such, these deadline dates are not printed in the booklet.

If the Legislature & Governor do not act to change the law, below are the Petition Filing Deadline & Ballot Drawing Date for the Primary as of now:

- Partisan Candidate Petition Filing Deadline for the June Official Primary Election is Monday, March 30, 2020 at 4PM.

- Ballot Position Drawing for the June Primary Election is Thursday, April 9th at 3PM. *(The date under law is Friday April 10, however due to the Good Friday Holiday the Drawing Date will take place on April 9).*

We strongly advise you to contact our Election Office at (732) 929-2153 for the most current status of these important dates.
Wednesday, April 8th, *Party Declaration Form Filing Deadline*

Monday, April 13th is the *Deadline to File Continuing Political Action Committees First Quarter Campaign Finance Reports*
Monday, May 4th is the **Deadline to file the 29 Day Pre-Primary Election Campaign Finance Reports**

Tuesday, May 12th is the **Voter Registration Deadline for the June Primary Election**

Friday, May 22nd is the **Deadline to File the 11 Day Pre-Primary Election Campaign Finance Reports**

**IMPORTANT**

(Please disregard any of the dates listed in this booklet that refer to the June Primary. If you have ANY Questions please call our Election Office at (732) 929-2153.)

As a result of COVID-19 the Governor issued Executive Order No. 120 which changes the date of the Primary Election to July 7, 2020. As such, the following primary election related dates are revised as follows:

**Wednesday, May 13th,** **Party Declaration Form Filing Deadline**

**Monday, June 8th,** **is the Deadline to file the 29 Day Pre-Primary Election Campaign Finance Reports**

**Tuesday, June 16th,** **is the Voter Registration Deadline for the July Primary Election**

**Friday, June 26th,** **is the Deadline to file the 11 Day Pre-Primary Election Campaign Finance Reports**

**Tuesday, June 30th,** **is the Last Day for County Clerk to Receive By Mail a July Primary Election Mail-In Ballot Application**

**Tuesday, July 7th** is **Primary Election Day, Polls Open 6AM to 8PM**

**Tuesday, July 7th** is **Petition Filing Deadline for Independent Candidates for the General Election**

**Tuesday, July 14th,** **is the Last Day for any person who did not file a petition for the Primary, but received a nomination via write-in to file an acceptance with the County Clerk**

**Monday, July 27th,** **is the Deadline to File the 20 Day Post Primary Election Campaign Finance Reports**
**Tuesday, June 2nd** is *Primary Election Day, Polls Open 6 AM to 8 PM*

**Tuesday, June 2nd** is *Petition Filing Deadline for Independent Candidates for the General Election*

**Tuesday, June 9th** is the *Last Day for any person who did not file a petition for the Primary, but received a Nomination via write-in to file an acceptance with the County Clerk*

**Monday, June 22nd** is the *Deadline to File the 20 Day Post Primary Election Campaign Finance Reports*

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1968 Ocean County Presidential General Election Results:
- **Richard Nixon** 41,995
- Herbert Humphrey 26,909

1964 Ocean County Presidential General Election Results:
- **Lyndon Johnson** 36,892
- Barry Goldwater 25,985

1960 Ocean County Presidential General Election Results:
- **Richard Nixon** 31,430
- John Kennedy 20,113
Friday, July 10th is the **Deadline to File Continuing Political Action Committees Second Quarter Campaign Finance Reports**

Monday, July 27th is the **Petition Filing Deadline for School Board Candidates for the General Election**

1980 Ocean County Presidential General Election Results:
- **Ronald Reagan** 98,433
- **Jimmy Carter** 46,923

1976 Ocean County Presidential General Election Results:
- **Gerald Ford** 77,875
- **Jimmy Carter** 56,413

1972 Ocean County Presidential General Election Results:
- **Richard Nixon** 77,979
- **George McGovern** 22,710
Monday, August 10th, General Election Ballot Drawing 3 PM

Friday, August 14th is the Deadline for a Municipal or County Governing Body to File a Request With the County Clerk to Have a Public Question Appear on the November General Election Ballot

Friday, August 28th is the Deadline for Submission of Public Question Proposed by Voters and Adopted by Local or County Government to be Filed With County Clerk

1992 Ocean County Presidential General Election Results:
- George H.W. Bush: 95,984
- Bill Clinton: 75,431

1988 Ocean County Presidential General Election Results:
- George H.W. Bush: 124,587
- Michael Dukakis: 64,474

1984 Ocean County Presidential General Election Results:
- Ronald Reagan: 124,391
- Walter Mondale: 51,012
Tuesday, September 8th is the Last Day Vacancy Can Occur for Primary Election Nominees.

Thursday, September 10th is the Deadline for Filling Primary Nominee Vacancy.

2004 Ocean County Presidential General Election Results:
- George W. Bush 152,204
- John Kerry 99,839

2000 Ocean County Presidential General Election Results:
- George W. Bush 105,684
- Al Gore 102,104

1996 Ocean County Presidential General Election Results:
- Bill Clinton 94,243
- Bob Dole 82,830
Important Reminders

- Monday, October 5th is the Deadline to File the 29 Day Pre-General Election Campaign Finance Reports
- Tuesday, October 13th is the Voter Registration Deadline for November General Election
- Tuesday, October 13th is the Deadline to File Continuing Political Action Committees 3rd Quarter Campaign Finance Reports
- Friday, October 23rd is the Deadline to File the 11 Day Pre-General Election Campaign Finance Reports
- Tuesday, October 27th is the Last Day for County Clerk to Receive by Mail November General Election Mail-In Ballot Application

2016 Ocean County Presidential General Election Results:
- Donald Trump: 179,079
- Hillary Clinton: 87,150

2012 Ocean County Presidential General Election Results:
- Mitt Romney: 146,475
- Barack Obama: 102,300

2008 Ocean County Presidential General Election Results:
- John McCain: 160,677
- Barack Obama: 110,189
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**Tuesday, November 3rd, General Election Day Polls Open**  
6 AM - 8 PM

**Wednesday, November 11th, The County Board of Canvassers Certifies the General Election Results**

**Friday, November 20th, Deadline to File Recount Applications to a Judge of the Superior Court and the Deadline to Apply for Recheck of Voting Machines**

**Monday, November 23rd is the Deadline to File the 20 Day Post General Election Campaign Finance Reports**

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There are three U.S. Congressional Districts which encompass Ocean County’s 33 municipalities.

**2nd District:** Barnegat Light, Beach Haven, Eagleswood, Harvey Cedars, Little Egg Harbor, Long Beach, Ship Bottom, Stafford (part), Surf City, Tuckerton

**3rd District:** Barnegat, Beachwood, Berkeley, Brick, Island Heights, Lacey, Lavallette, Mantoloking, Ocean Township, Ocean Gate, Pine Beach, Point Pleasant Boro (part), Seaside Heights, Seaside Park, South Toms River, Stafford (part), Toms River

**4th District:** Bay Head, Jackson, Lakehurst, Lakewood, Manchester, Plumsted, Point Pleasant Boro (part), Point Pleasant Beach
Dear Citizen,

In an effort to assist the public, it is a pleasure to offer you this 2020 Election Dates Booklet. 2020 is a Presidential Election Year as well as the 100th Anniversary of Women’s Right To Vote. The right to vote is a key element of our democracy and an important responsibility. Hopefully this booklet will help to assist you by providing information and reminders on critical deadlines and dates that occur throughout the year involving voting and elections.

As your County Clerk, I am responsible for administering an array of election services to the public. The following is an outline of the main electoral responsibilities and duties of the County Clerk which are administered through the County Clerk’s Election Office:

1. Filing Officer for nomination petitions for County Offices (Freeholder, Clerk, Sheriff & Surrogate.)
2. Filing Officer for Independent (Nomination by Direct Petition) candidates running for County, Municipal Offices, and School Board Offices.
3. Recipient of all Mail-In Ballot Applications which are reviewed for approval (issuance of Ballot) or rejection (notification sent to applicant.)
5. Publishes the notices of Mail-In Ballot availability for all county wide elections.
6. Clerk of the County Board of Canvassers (which is the four member County Board of Elections), which certifies election results.
7. Issues Certificates of Election for County and Municipal Officers after the General Election is certified.

If my office can be of further assistance to you or if you may have a need for additional information on election matters, please call the County Clerk’s Election Office at (732) 929-2153 or visit our web site at www.oceancountyclerk.com or follow us at www.facebook.com/oceancountyclerk on the internet.

SCOTT M. COLABELLA, Ocean County Clerk