



# Important Dates for Candidates

**Primary Election: Tuesday, May 16, 2023  
and**

**General Election: Tuesday, November 7, 2023**

- **Earliest date for the affixing of signatures on candidate filing forms for an office on the ballot in 2023. Earliest date for candidates to file for an office on the ballot in 2023: Wednesday, November 9, 2022.** KRS 118.125(2); KRS 118.165; KRS 118.315(2); KRS 83A.045; KRS 118A.060(2).
- **Candidate filing deadline: last day to file nomination papers for candidates who must run in Primary: Friday January 6, 2023, at 4:00 p.m.** KRS 118.165; KRS 83A.045; KRS 118A.060(2)
- **Public drawing for ballot position: Thursday, January 12, 2023, at 2:00 p.m.** KRS 118.225 (2), (3); KRS 118A.060(4)
- **Monday, April 3, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. is the last day for independent, political organization, and political group candidates, except candidates for federal office and candidates for mayor or legislative body in cities of the home rule class participating in partisan elections, to file a statement-of-candidacy form with the same office at which nomination papers are filed (not later than April 1 preceding the day fixed by law for holding of regular elections for the offices sought). . \*No person shall file a statement-of-candidacy form for more than one public office during the election cycle. \*\*If the office in which the statement-of-candidacy form is to be filed is closed on April 1, the form may be filed on the next business day.** KRS 118.367 (1)
- **Last day to register to vote for the Primary Election: Monday, April 17, 2023.** KRS 116.045 (2); KRS 116.0452(1)
- **Candidate filing deadline: last day to file any petition, certificate, or statement, or nomination papers that must be filed by the first Tuesday after the first Monday in June preceding the election for the office sought: Tuesday, June 6, 2023 by 4:00 p.m.** KRS 118.365, KRS 83A.045(1) (b).
- **Public drawing for ballot position: Thursday, June 8, 2023, at 2:00 p.m.** KRS 118.225 (2),(3); KRS 118A.090 (1).
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- **Last day to register to vote for the General Election: Tuesday, October 10, 2023.** KRS 116.045(2); LRS 116.0452(1).
- **Last day to file a declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate: Friday, October 27, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.** KRS 117.265(2).

If you wish to start your campaign before you officially file for ballot access with the Secretary of State or County Clerk, you may file a Letter of Intent with the Registry of Election Finance. KRS 121.170(1). For more information, contact their office at 502.573.2226 or visit them at [www.kref.ky.gov](http://www.kref.ky.gov).

For more information on candidate filing procedures, qualifications for each office, filing fees, and sample filing forms go to [www.sos.ky.gov](http://www.sos.ky.gov).

All local candidates for county and city offices will file their forms at the Jefferson County Clerk's Office, Election Center. Acceptable forms of payment include cash, check, money order, and **in person** credit card. Please make check payable to Jefferson County Clerk's Office. Candidates who are seeking judicial, state or federal offices will file their forms with the Secretary of State's office.

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