

## Timeline for the November 2, 2021 Election

*Information retrieved from the Idaho Secretary of State's website on May 18, 2021*

Date	Action	Idaho Code
September 3	Nonpartisan Candidate Filing Deadline: Petitions must be filed by 5 p.m. with the clerk of the political subdivision to nominate political subdivision candidates for the Nov. 2 election.	I.C. 34-1404 and 50-410
September 10	<p>Nonpartisan Nominee Certification: Deadline for the clerk of the political subdivision to certify nominees to be placed on the ballot for the Nov. 2 election.</p> <p>Nonpartisan Write-In Candidates: Deadline for write-in candidates to file a declaration of intent with clerk of the political subdivision for the Nov. 2 election.</p>	I.C. 34-1404, and 34-1407
September 13	Ballot Question Submission Deadline: Political subdivisions must submit ballot language (to the county clerk) for any bond, levy, initiative, referendum, or other question to be placed on the ballot for the Nov. 2 election.	I.C. 34-106
September 17	<p>Nonpartisan Candidate Withdrawal Deadline: Last day nonpartisan candidates can withdraw from the Nov. 2 election.</p> <p>Recall Notification Deadline: Political subdivisions must notify the county clerk if a recall election is ordered for the Nov. 2 election.</p>	I.C. 34-1405A, and 34-106(9)
September 23	Voting Procedure Modifications: Deadline for county clerks to submit their plans to the secretary of state; if they want to modify voting procedures (for a political subdivision) for the Nov. 2 election.	I.C. 34-1413
October 1	Designate Polling Places: Deadline for county commissioners to designate polling places for the Nov. 2 election.	I.C. 34-302
October 4	Mail Absentee Ballots: County clerks must mail absentee ballots to voters who have requested absentee ballots for the Nov. 2 election.	Secretary of State Directive 2015-1

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October 8	Preregistration Deadline: Voter registrations must be received by the county clerk for the Nov. 2 election. (Deadline is postmarked by this date for mailed paper applications, 5 p.m. for paper applications handed in to the county clerk's office, or until midnight for online applications.)	I.C. 34-408 and 34-410
October 11	Mail Ballot Precincts: County clerks may begin mailing ballots to voters located in designated mail ballot precincts for the Nov. 2 election.	I.C. 34-308
October 18	Early Voting Must Begin: For the Nov. 2 election in those counties that choose to conduct early voting	I.C. 34-1012
October 19	Mail Ballot Precincts: Deadline for county clerks to complete mailing ballots to voters in designated mail ballot precincts for the Nov. 2 election.	I.C. 34-308
October 21	<p>Poll Watchers: Deadline for candidates or pro and con representatives to submit a written request (to the county clerk) for the purpose of authorizing watchers to observe at polling places for the Nov. 2 election</p> <p>Publish First Election Notification: Deadline for county clerk to publish the first notice of election in the county's official newspaper(s) for the Nov. 2 election. (If possible, the notice should appear in at least two newspapers published in the county. If not possible, it should be published in one newspaper published or circulated in the county.)</p>	I.C. 34-304, 34-602, and 34-1406
October 22	Absentee Ballot Application Deadline: Applications must be received by the county clerk by 5 p.m. for the Nov. 2 election.	I.C.34-1002(7)

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October 28	<p><b>Publish Second Election Notification:</b> Deadline for county clerk to publish the second notice of election along with a facsimile sample ballot for the Nov. 2 election. If possible, the notice should appear in at least two newspapers published in the county. If not possible, it should be published in one newspaper published or circulated in the county.</p> <p><b>Emergency Absentee Ballots:</b> County clerks may receive emergency absentee ballot applications through 5 p.m. on November 1 from those who cannot be present for voting due to hospitalization if hospitalization began after 5 p.m. on October 22.</p>	I.C. 34-602, 34-1406, and 34-1002A
October 29	<p><b>In-Person Absentee/Early Voting Ends:</b> At 5 p.m. for the Nov. 2 election.</p>	I.C. 34-1002(7), and 34-1012
November 2	<p><b>Absentee Ballot Return Deadline:</b> Voted absentee ballots must be received by the county clerk by 8 p.m.</p> <p><b>Election Day:</b> Polling places and the county clerk's office to be open 8 a.m.–8 p.m. (*County clerk may opt to open at 7 a.m.) Qualified individuals may register and vote at their designated polling place on election day.</p>	I.C. 34-1005, 34-211, 34-408A, and 34-1101
November 12	<p><b>County Canvass:</b> Deadline for the board of county commissioners to meet and conduct the canvass of the Nov. 2 election. (This deadline also applies to the canvass for political subdivisions.)</p> <p><b>County Election Certification:</b> Deadline for county clerks to certify the results of the Nov. 2 election to the clerk of the political subdivision(s). (*This date may vary; to be done immediately after the county canvass.)</p>	I.C. 34-1205, and 34-1410

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December 2	<p>Recount Applications: Deadline for candidates and supporters/opponents of a ballot measure, excluding city candidates and city or county ballot measures to apply to the county clerk for a recount of the May 18 election. Applications for a recount of city elections or county ballot measures must be filed with the Attorney General. (*This date may vary; it must be done within 20 days of the county canvass).</p> <p>Election Disputes: Deadline for electors to contest the results of the Nov. 2 election. (*This date may vary; complaints must be filed in the proper court within 20 days of the county canvass</p>	I.C. 34-2301 and 34-3008