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TIMETABLE

FEBRUARY 29, 2024 SPECIAL ELECTION

This timetable is based on the Revised National Election Act of 2005

Sections	Dates	Definitions
Appropriation (9FSMC) Sec. 107	January 20, 2024	40 day prior to a Special Election, Congress shall appropriate a sum adequate to defray the administrative and contingent expenses of conducting National Election.
Open and close of absentee request by mail (9FSMC) Sec. 602 (2) a	OPEN: January 10, 2024 CLOSE: January 25, 2024	Request to vote absentee ballot by mail must be received by National Election Commissioner (NEC) not more than 50 days but not less than 35 days before Election Day.
Closing for filing Nomination Petition (9FSMC) Sec. 202 (4)	January 20, 2024	The name of any candidate shall be printed on an official ballot only if, at least 40 days prior to a special election the nomination paper is filed in the office of the National Election Commissioner (NEC) of the state concerned.
Last day to appoint various boards and Counting and Tabulating Committee members (9FSMC) Sec. 302 (3)a	January 2, 2024	The NEC of each state with the approval of the National Election Director shall appoint election board and tabulating committee members on or before January 2 nd of each election year.
Designation of Special Polling Places (9FSMC) Sec. 605 (2)	January 15, 2024	Not less than 45 days prior to a special election, the NED shall designate the locations of the special polling places, (one in Guam and one in Honolulu)
Printing of specimens (9FSMC) Sec. 503 (2)	January 20, 2024	At least 40 days before a special election, the NED shall print a sample ballot and shall forthwith submit copies of the same to the NEC for distribution.
Printing of official ballots (9FSMC) Sec. 503 (1)	January 25, 2024	The NED shall complete the printing of the official ballots no later than 35 days before a special election.
Last day to request to vote at the Special Polling Places (9FSMC) Sec. 605 (3)	February 19, 2024	Request to vote at a special polling place must be received by the National Election Commissioner (NEC) of the state of registration not less than 10 days prior to a special election.
Absentee for Traveler (9FSMC) Sec. 606(1)b	OPEN: January 30, 2024 CLOSE: February 28, 2024	Not more than 30 days and not less than 1 day before the National Election, a voter must submit in person a written request to cast ballot prior to traveling.
Last day to Registration as New Voter (9FSMC) Sec.402(1)	January 30, 2024	No person shall be entitled to vote if he/she fails to register 30 days prior to election day.
Last day to Request VAAPP (9FSMC) Sec. 604(1)d	February 22, 2024	NEC of the state of registration receives the written VAAPP requests at least 7 days before the National Election.
Posting of VAAPP Signature Lists (9FSMC) Sec. 604(2)	February 23, 2024	No later than 6 days before a National Election, NEC shall post at the National Election Offices in their states the VAAPP Signature List for each VAAPP Polling Place in their State.
Posting of Signature Lists for Guam and Honolulu (9FSMC) Sec. 605(5)	February 23, 2024	No later than 6 days before a National Election, the National Election Director, or his designee, shall post the Special Polling Place Signature lists for Guam and Honolulu in a publicly accessible place in each location to be set out in the regulations promulgated pursuant to this title.
Election Day (9FSMC) Sec. 105(1)	February 29, 2024	The National Election Director shall schedule a special election to occur 50 days after receipt of notification from the Speaker of Congress.If the date required by this section for a special election to be held falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the election shall be held on the first Tuesday following that Saturday or Sunday.

Approved by:

Ausen T. Damhart, Director

Date: 01/10/24