

FIRE DISTRICT ELECTION SCHEDULE 2026

October 8th, 2026

Last day to adopt resolution permitting absentee ballots at the Annual Election. Absentee ballots are optional for fire districts. If previously approved, does not have to be redone. TL§175b(1).

October 23rd, 2026

Request County Board of Elections to provide a list of registered voters as of **November 16th** and to provide the list to the district by November 17th and order voting machines or other equipment and telephone coverage for the night of the election, if desired and available. EL§5-612(6).

October 29th, 2026

Last day to adopt resolutions designating Fire District Board of Elections, including Chairman and Election Inspectors and/or Ballot Clerks, fixing compensation of the individual members of the District Board of Elections TL§175-a(6).

November 4th - 11th, 2026

Publish Notice of Election (and publicly post) in district newspaper stating the date, place and hours of election; listing offices and propositions, if any, on the ballot; whether candidate petitions are required; the last day for voter registration; the procedure for absentee ballots, if any, and optionally designating the date(s) on which the Inspectors of Election will meet to prepare the register, where the meeting will be held, and the hours of such meeting TL§175(1).

November 16th, 2026

Last day for voters to register at County Board of Elections to be Eligible to vote on December 8th, 2026 in Annual District Election TL§175-a (2) (a).

November 17th, 2026

County Board of Elections to mail lists of registered voters to Fire District Secretary. EL§5-612(c).

November 18th, 2026

Last day to file petitions for candidates for office, if required,
or notify secretary in writing of intent to run for office if
petition not required.
TL§176(7).

November 19th, 2026

If absentee voting is permitted, mail absentee ballots to any registered
voter whose registration record is marked
“permanently disabled” on receipt of list
from County Board of Elections. Ballot must be finalized to complete this task.

TL§175-b(2)(g)

November 18th - November 23rd , 2026

Post Notice of Election on district website and signboard,
if any, at least 15, but not more than 20 days before date of election. Remains on website until
December 8th, 2026.

TL§175-c (1).

November 18th - November 23rd , 2026

Copy of Notice of Election to town clerk
for posting on municipal website, if any, bulletin board
and signboard, if any,
at least 15, but not more than 20 days before date of election.

TL§175-c(2)

These notices [for websites, signboards and bulletin boards]
must include time and place of election, officers to be elected,
term of office and any other details regarding matters to be voted on
as well as hours of polls being open for balloting.
Suggest using regular Notice of Election published in district newspaper.

TL§175-c(3).

November 23rd , 2026

Suggested meeting date for Fire District Board of Elections
to prepare register. Can be any other date you choose after

receiving registration books.

TL§175-a(3).

December 1st, 2026

If absentee voting is permitted, last day to receive application for absentee ballot if the ballot is to be mailed

TL§175-b(2).

December 7th, 2026

Last day to receive application for absentee ballots if it is delivered personally to the voter or his/her agent.

TL§175-b(2).

December 8th, 2026

Election Day- 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
minimum may be additional consecutive hours prior to 6:00 p.m.

TL§175.

December 11th, 2026

File results (Canvass of Election) with Town Clerk.

TL§175.

December 15th, 2026

Secretary to deliver a report to the County Board of Elections indicating the persons on the list of registered voters labeled “inactive” who voted at the fire district election.