

## 2010 MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS TIMETABLE – Bill 212 Version

The dates and activities in this version of the 2010 election calendar reflect the changes made as a result of Bill 212 (Good Government Act, 2009). The changes are indicated in red.

2010	JANUARY	Ad - Notice of Nomination Period <b>(At least one notice must be provided prior to Nomination Day)</b>
	January 4 Monday	Nomination and Campaign Period commences Clerk to give Notice of Penalties, s. 33.1 Council should give early consideration to appointing a Committee to process compliance audit requests, - s. 81(3.1) <b>(now a mandatory committee – see Sept. 30)</b> <b>Clerk to provide candidates with the maximum campaign expense limit (based upon the number of electors on the list as of nomination day in the 2006 election) at the time a candidate files a nomination, s. 33.0.1</b>
	March 31 Wednesday	Submit voting subdivisions to MPAC, s. 18(2) MEA & s. 15 Assessment Act (Note: this is the typical deadline) Last date to hold a by-election
	April 6 – Tuesday	Deadline for school boards to provide school board election clerks with a copy of the Report on Determination and Distribution of Trustees, see Education Act, Reg. 412/00 s. 9(2)
	April 16 - Friday	<b>Last day for notice of intent to pass a by-law to submit question to electors</b>
	April	Municipal Enumeration Notices to be mailed by MPAC (estimated time frame)
	April 28 Wednesday	<b>Last day to pass or amend a by-law to submit question to electors, s. 8.1 (1)</b>
	June 1 – Tuesday	<b>Deadline to pass a by-law authorizing vote-counting equipment, s. 42(2)(a)</b> <b>Deadline to pass a by-law authorizing an alternative voting method (mail, telephone, Internet), s. 42(2)(a)</b> <b>Deadline for the establishment of procedures and forms for use of vote-counting equipment or alternative voting method, s.42(3) &amp; (4)</b> <b>Deadline for providing candidates with a copy of procedures and forms established, s.42(3) &amp; (4)</b> <b>Last day for submission of question to Clerk by the Minister, local board or upper-tier municipality [s. 8(5.1) MEA] and fluoridation question, s. 4(1) &amp; (2) Fluoridation Act</b> Municipal Enumeration Forms to be returned to MPAC to ensure inclusion of electors on Preliminary List of Electors (PLE)
	June 2 - Wednesday	<b>Earliest possible receipt of PLE from MPAC, if the clerk and MPAC have agreed upon a date that is earlier than July 31<sup>st</sup></b>
	Aug. 3 – Tues to Sept. 1 – Wed.	<b>Receipt of PLE from MPAC on a date between July 31<sup>st</sup> and September 1<sup>st</sup> of an election year as agreed upon by the clerk and MPAC or, if no date is agreed upon, on July 31<sup>st</sup> or such date as prescribed by the Minister, s. 19(1.1)</b> <b>Note: the clerk and MPAC may agree upon a date that is earlier than July 31<sup>st</sup> for receipt of the PLE</b>
	AUGUST	Mail Voter Notification Card/Notice <b>(Optional)</b>



On or before Aug 31	MPAC to provide the secretary of each of the school boards with extracts of the PLE based on school support, s. 21(1)
SEPTEMBER	Ad – Is Your Name on the Voters' List? <b>(Optional)</b> Ad - Notice of Nomination Period <b>(A second ad is optional)</b>
Sept 1 Wednesday	Ad – Watch for Voter Notification Card/Notice <b>(Optional)</b> Finalize Voters' List, s. 23(2) Deliver copies of Voters' List to persons entitled, s. 23 Post Voters' List, s. 23
Sept 7 - Tuesday	Revision Period commences (Sept. 7 – <b>Oct. 25</b> ) Application to Remove Another Elector's Name from the Voters' List (Sept. 7– <b>10</b> )
<b>Sept. 10 Friday</b>	<b>Nomination Day</b> (9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.) Withdrawal of Nominations before 2:00 p.m. Proxy Vote Certificates – commence to issue (Sept 10 – Oct 25) unless additional Nominations are required. Hours – when Clerk's office and other designated location(s) open – on Advance Vote days must be open noon-5:00 p.m., s.44(4) Deadline for filing a Registration for a question, s. 39.1(4) Deadline for Application to Remove Another Elector's name from the Voters' List
Sept. 13 Monday	Certification of nomination papers before 4:00 p.m. Acclamation(s) after 4:00 p.m. Earliest start date of Advance Vote period – at least one Advance Vote must be held <u>unless</u> using alternative voting method
Sept. 15 Wednesday	<b>If necessary</b> , additional Nominations will be received 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Withdrawal of additional nominations before 2:00 p.m. Issue Proxy Vote Certificates, if Nomination Period was extended
Sept. 16 Thursday	Certification of nomination papers before 4:00 p.m. Acclamation(s) after 4:00 p.m.
Sept. 20 Monday	Issue Certificate of Maximum Campaign Spending Limits to candidates, s. 76(7) – Note: this “final” campaign spending limit is to be based on the <u>higher</u> of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the number of electors as of nomination day in the 2010 election; or</li> <li>• the number of electors as of nomination day in the 2006 election (the number used to calculate the amount given to candidates at the time they filed their nomination paper – see Jan. 4)</li> </ul> Prepare and distribute Interim Changes to Voters' List, s. 27(1) By-law for reduced hours of operation for Voting Places in institutions (Note: s. 46(3) does not stipulate deadline)
September 24 Friday	Deadline to pass a by-law establishing Advance Vote dates, s. 43(1)
Sept. 30 Thursday	A council or local board <b>must</b> establish a committee to process compliance audit applications <u>before</u> October 1 of an election year, s. 81.1(1) (Note: clerks should alert the school boards to this requirement.) The term of office for the committee members is the same as the term of office for the council or local board, s. 81.1(3) The clerk shall establish administrative practices and procedures for the compliance audit committee, s. 81.1 (4)
Oct 8 - Friday	Deadline for notice of space requests for to obtain voting place locations without a charge, s. 45(4)



<p><b>Oct. 25 Monday</b></p>	<p><b>Voting Day</b>  Voting Locations open at 10:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m.  Deadline for applications to vote by proxy and for applications to be added to the list.  Unofficial election results to be released after 8:00 p.m.</p>
<p>Oct 26 Tuesday</p>	<p>Clerk to Declare Official Election Results as soon as possible after Voting Day  Recount in the event of a tied vote – this recount must be held within 15 days of the declaration of the results by the Clerk, s. 56(2) and must be preceded by notice of the recount  Recount on requests from Council/Board/Minister received within 30 days of the clerk's declaration of results– this recount must be held within 15 days of the receipt of the request for a recount by the Clerk, s. 57 and must be preceded by notice of the recount</p>
<p>Dec 1 Wednesday</p>	<p>Term of Office commences, s. 6  Inaugural Meeting to be held within 31 days of Term of Office commencing. Oath of Office to be completed.  Note: Special provisions apply to upper tier municipalities.</p>
<p>Mid-December</p>	<p>Provide MPAC with the final list of changes to the Voters' List</p>
<p>Dec 31 - Friday</p>	<p>Campaign Period ends, s. 68  Candidate to provide Clerk with Notification <b>in writing (Form 6: Notice of Extension of Campaign Period)</b> of Deficit and Continuation of Campaign Period.</p>



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2010	Jan. 24 Monday	Clerk to submit a report to council on the identification, removal and prevention of barriers that affect electors and candidates with disabilities, s. 12.1(2)
	Feb 23 Wednesday	Earliest date for the disposition of election records, s. 88(2)
	Feb 23 Wednesday	Notice by Clerk of the filing requirements for the financial statements and of the penalties under s. 80(2) and s. 92(5)
	Mar 24 Thursday	A candidate may, <u>before</u> the last day for filing a financial statement, apply to the Ontario Court of Justice to extend the time to file the financial statement. The court may grant an extension of no more than 90 days.
	2 p.m., Mar 25 Friday	Deadline for filing financial statements for reporting period ending December 31, 2010. (Note: this is a firm deadline – the penalties for non-compliance will apply immediately unless the candidate has applied for a court ordered extension.)
	June 23 Thursday	Last day for compliance audit request for December 31, 2010 reporting period. The clerk must forward the application to the compliance audit committee within 10 days of receiving the application. Within 30 days, the committee must consider the application and decide whether it should be granted or rejected. s. 81(3) & (4)
	June 30 Thursday	End of supplementary reporting period (Note: Bill 212 will only permit <u>one</u> 6-month extension of the campaign period)
	Before June 30	<p>If a candidate has paid over a surplus to the clerk and subsequently incurs expenses relating to a recount, compliance audit or controverted election, the clerk shall return the surplus to the candidate. The candidate can incur expenses relating to the recount, compliance audit or controverted election. The candidate <b>may</b> fundraise and <b>accept</b> contributions. The candidate must file a financial statement for each 90-day period following the return of the surplus – the financial statement is due by 2 p.m., 10 days following the end of the 90-day reporting period. This reporting will continue until:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the amount of the surplus is reduced to zero; or</li> <li>• any remaining surplus is no longer required for the expenses relating to the recount, compliance audit or controverted election</li> </ul> <p>A compliance audit application may be filed within 90 days of the filing date of the final financial statement under s. 79.1.</p>
	After June 30	<p>If a candidate has paid over a surplus to the clerk and subsequently incurs expenses relating to a recount, compliance audit or controverted election, the clerk shall return the surplus to the candidate. The candidate can incur expenses relating to the recount, compliance audit or controverted election, but <b>cannot</b> accept contributions. The candidate must file a financial statement for each 90-day period following the return of the surplus – the financial statement is due by 2 p.m., 10 days following the end of the 90-day reporting period. This reporting will continue until:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the amount of the surplus is reduced to zero; or</li> <li>• any remaining surplus is no longer required for the expenses relating to the recount, compliance audit or controverted election</li> </ul> <p>A compliance audit application may be filed within 90 days of the filing date of the final financial statement under s. 79.1.</p>
	July 4	Last possible day for Clerk to forward an application to the compliance audit committee and provide a copy of the application to the council/local board. s. 81(4)



	August 3 Wednesday	Last day for a decision by the compliance audit committee on a compliance audit request for the December 31, 2010 reporting period, s.81(5)
	August 29 Monday	Notice by Clerk of filing requirements for the supplementary reporting period (optional)
	August 18 Thursday	Last day to appeal the decision of the compliance audit committee on a compliance audit request to the Ontario Court of Justice, s. 81(6)
	2 p.m., Sept 30 Friday	Deadline for filing financial statements for the supplementary reporting period ending June 30, 2011. (Note: this is a firm deadline – the penalties for non-compliance will apply immediately unless the candidate has applied for a court ordered extension.)
	December 28 Wednesday	Last day for compliance audit request for June 30, 2011 supplementary reporting period. The clerk must forward the application to the compliance audit committee within 10 days of receiving the application. Within 30 days, the committee must consider the application and decide whether it should be granted or rejected. s. 81(3) & (4)

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<b>NON</b>	January 27 Friday	Last day for a decision by the compliance audit committee on a compliance audit request for the June 30, 2011 supplementary reporting period, s.81(5)
	February 13 Monday	Last day to appeal the decision of the compliance audit committee on a compliance audit request for the supplementary reporting period to the Ontario Court of Justice, s. 81(6)

