

Office of Mark Church

Chief Elections Officer & Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder
40 Tower Road, San Mateo, California 94402

Days Prior to Election	Date	Election Calendar for May 3, 2011 Special Election Action Taken
140	December 14, 2010	Resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors calling for a special election to fill the District 1 vacancy.
140	December 14, 2010	Signatures-in-lieu of filing fees candidates may obtain forms from the Elections Office beginning December 14. <i>EC §8106</i>
120 97	January 3, 2011 January 26, 2011	County to publish notice of special election between these dates. <i>EC §12112; County Charter Art. II, §203</i>
116	January 7, 2011	Candidate Seminar at 2 p.m. held at Elections Office, 40 Tower Road, San Mateo.
113	January 10, 2011	Candidate filing begins: nomination papers available starting on this date. Declaration of candidacy and nomination papers available upon payment of filing fee, and candidate statements due at the time of filing. <i>EC §§8106, 8105, 8068, 13107, 13307; County Charter Art. II, §203</i>
103	January 20, 2011	Signatures-in-lieu of filing fees must be filed with the County Elections Official by 5 p.m. <i>EC §8106</i>
88	February 4, 2011	Candidate filing ends: last day to turn in nomination papers. <i>EC §8020; County Charter Art. II, §203</i>
88	February 4, 2011	Last day for a qualified local entity to request consolidation. The resolution must contain a 75-word ballot question. If BOND measure, last day to file Tax Rate Statement. <i>EC §§1405, 9401, 10002, 10403, 12001; Ed.C §5322</i>
88 78	February 4, 2011 February 14, 2011	Local 10-calendar day examination period begins at 5:00 p.m. for documents filed as of the 88th day prior to the election. Between these dates, any registered voter of the election jurisdiction, or the elections official, may seek a writ of mandate or injunction requiring any or all of the materials to be amended or deleted. The request shall be filed no later than the end of the 10-calendar-day public examination period. Review period ends on February 14, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. <i>EC §§9190, 9295, 9380, 9509, 13313</i>
85	February 7, 2011	Last day for candidates to withdraw candidate statement (must notify Elections official in writing by 5 p.m.). <i>EC §13307</i>
85	February 7, 2011	Random alphabet drawing for order of names on ballot to be conducted by Secretary of State. <i>EC §13113</i>
83	February 9, 2011	Last day for entity to withdraw or amend a ballot measure. <i>EC §9604-05</i>
82	February 10, 2011	Random alphabet drawing for ballot measure letter assignment. <i>EC §§13111, 13112, 13116</i>
81	February 11, 2011	Primary Arguments due. 10-calendar day review period begins at 5 p.m. <i>EC §§ 9501-03</i>
78	February 14, 2011	Candidate statement review period ends at 5 p.m. <i>EC §13313</i>
70	February 22, 2011	Rebuttal Arguments due. 10-calendar day review period begins at 5 p.m. DATE CHANGED FROM FEBRUARY 21, 2011 DUE TO HOLIDAY <i>EC §§ 9501- 9504, 9509</i>
60	March 4, 2011	End of 10-calendar day review period for Rebuttal Arguments at 5 p.m. <i>EC §§ 9501-04, 9509</i>
57 14	March 7, 2011 April 19, 2011	Write-in candidate filing period. Between these dates, any qualified person may obtain and file a statement of write-in candidacy and nomination forms to be a write-in candidate for public office. Filing fee is not required. <i>EC 8600-8605; County Charter Art. II, §203</i>
40	March 24, 2011	Pre-election campaign and supplemental independent expenditure statements due. <i>GC §§84200.5(c), 84200.8(a), 84203.5</i>
40 36	March 24, 2011 March 28, 2011	Public logic and accuracy testing (eSlates) and public logic and accuracy testing (Ballot Now) will take place during this time. <i>EC §15000</i>

29	April 4, 2011	Between these dates: Vote by Mail Ballots/Voter Information Guides are mailed between April 4, 2011 and April 23, 2011. Replacement ballots may be obtained at the Elections Office through election day. Voted ballots may be dropped off at the Elections Office or in ballot boxes in each City Hall in San Mateo County until May 3, 2011. ADA-accessible voting centers in Redwood City and San Mateo are open during this period.
0	May 3, 2011	<i>EC §3001, 3023, 4101</i>
29	April 4, 2011	Begin processing Vote By Mail ballots (return envelopes). Processing vote by mail ballot return envelopes may include verifying the voter's signature on the vote by mail ballot return envelope and updating voter history records.
1	May 2, 2011	<i>EC §15101(a)</i>
16	April 17, 2011	Late Contribution Report/Late Independent Expenditure Report/Late Payments - Slate Mailer Organization. - All candidates and ballot measure committees that make or receive a late contribution of \$1,000 or more and all other committees that make a late contribution on any date of more than \$1,000 during this timeframe must report the late contribution within 24 hours on Form 497. - All candidates and committees that make a late independent expenditure of \$1,000 or more during this time frame must report the late independent expenditure within 24 hours on Form 496. - Each slate mailer organization that receives a payment of \$2,500 or more for the purpose of supporting or opposing any candidate or measure in a slate mailer must report the late payment within 24 hours on Form 498. <i>GC §§84203, 84204, 84220</i>
1	May 2, 2011	24-Hour Statement of Organization Filing Requirement – Recipient Committees & Slate Mailer Organizations: During the 16 days preceding an election and the election, any person or entity that qualifies as a recipient committee (receives contributions totaling \$1,000 or more in a calendar year) or a slate mailer organization <i>GC §§84101, 84108</i>
15	April 18, 2011	Voter Registration Closes on this date to be eligible to vote in this election. <i>EC §2102, 2107</i>
12	April 21, 2011	Second pre-election campaign and supplemental independent expenditure statements due. <i>GC §§84200.5, 84200.8(b), 84203.5</i>
11	April 22, 2011	Begin processing Vote By Mail ballots (ballot processing). Processing at this time includes opening vote by mail ballot return envelopes, removing ballots, duplicating any damaged ballots, and preparing the ballots to be machine read. Under no circumstances may a vote count be accessed or released until 8 p.m. on the day of the election. <i>EC §15101(b)</i>
7	April 26, 2011	Last day for a voter to request a replacement ballot be mailed.
0	May 3, 2011	Election Day. All voted ballots must be received by the Elections Office by 8 p.m. on May 3, 2011 in order to be counted. <i>EC §1500; County Charter Art. II, §203</i>
28	May 31, 2011	Last day for County to certify election results. <i>EC §15372</i>
<u>Footnotes</u>		
EC:	California Elections Code	
GC:	California Government Code	
All above California Codes may be referenced online at: www.leginfo.ca.gov/calaw.html		