

**TOWN OF NATICK  
POLITICAL CALENDAR  
2023**

The Town Clerk shall not furnish blank forms for nomination of candidates for town office to any person other than a candidate seeking such nomination or a person presenting the signed authorization of a candidate to secure said forms on his behalf. (*G.L. c. 53, §17*)

- Monday, December 5, 2022                      Nomination papers will be available for all Town-wide positions and for Town Meeting from the Town Clerk’s office for the 2023 Annual Town Election.
- Tuesday, January 10, 2023                      5:00 PM. **Last day and hour to submit nomination papers for town-wide offices with the Registrars of Voters.** Minimum of 25 signatures - 49 days before preliminary election date and 14 days preceding date on which they are to be filed with Town Clerk. (*Town Charter Article 3 Section 3-1 (d) (4) and G.L. c. 53, §61*)
- Friday, January 20, 2023                      Close of business. Year-End Campaign Finance Reports due (reporting period January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022)
- Tuesday, January 24, 2023                      5:00 PM. Last day and hour for Registrars of Voters to file certified nomination papers for Town-wide office candidates with the Town Clerk (35<sup>th</sup> day preceding the date of Preliminary Town Election). (*G.L. c. 53, §10, Town Charter Article, Section 3-1 (d) (4)*)
- Thursday, January 26, 2023                      5:00 PM. Last day and hour for filing withdrawal of, or objections to, nomination papers for Preliminary Town election with Town Clerk. **Must be in writing and notarized.** (*G.L. c. 55B, §7*)
- Tuesday, January 31, 2023                      5:00 PM. Last day and hour for **Incumbent Town Meeting Members** to give written notice to Town Clerk for re-election at the Annual Town Election. (21 days before filing date of New Town Meeting Members with Town Clerk) (*G.L. c. 53, §10*)
- Tuesday, February 7, 2023                      5:00 PM. Last day and hour to submit nomination papers for **NEW Town Meeting Members** with the Registrars of Voters for certification. There must be a minimum of 10 signatures from voters in the candidate’s precinct, submitted 49 days before the

Annual Town Election, 14 days before filing with Town Clerk.  
(*Town Charter Article 2 Section 2-4b and G.L. c. 53, §7*)

Last day to send absentee ballot applications to all certified permanently disabled voters. (*G.L. c. 54 §86*)

Saturday, February 18, 2023

5:00 PM. Last day and hour to register new voters for the Preliminary Election (if required) (*G.L. c. 51, §§ 26, 28*).

Monday, February 20, 2023

5:00 PM. Last day and hour to submit Preliminary Campaign Finance reports for Preliminary candidates only. Report all activity up until February 11, 2022. **This is only required if there is a Preliminary Town Election.**

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

5:00 PM. Last day and hour for Registrars of Voters to file certified nomination papers for **New Town Meeting Members** with Town Clerk, 35<sup>th</sup> day preceding date of Town Election. (*G. L. c. 53, §10, G.L. c. 50, §4*)

5:00 PM. Last day and hour to submit Ballot Questions to the Town Clerk to be placed on the Annual Town Election. (*G.L. c. 54, §42C*)

5:00 PM. Last day and hour to receive an absentee or early vote by mail application for the Preliminary Election **if necessary**.

Thursday, February 23, 2023

5:00 PM. Last day and hour to submit Articles for the Spring Annual Town Meeting. (*Town Charter Article 2, Section 11(c)*)

5:00 PM. Last day and hour for filing withdrawals of and/or objections to New Town Meeting Members nomination papers for the Annual Town Election with Town. (*G. L. c.53, §§11 ,13*)

Monday, February 27, 2023

12:00 PM. Last day and hour to file an in-person absentee ballot application for the preliminary town election if required.

**Tuesday, February 28, 2023**

**Preliminary Election for any town wide offices if necessary. Polls will be open from 7AM-8PM if required.**

Saturday, March 18, 2023

5:00 PM. Last day and hour to register new voters for the Annual Town Election (*G.L. c. 51, §§ 26, 28*).

Tuesday, March 21, 2023	5:00 PM. Last day and hour to receive an absentee or early vote by mail application for the Annual Town Election.
Monday, March 20, 2023	5:00 PM. Last day and hour to submit pre-election Campaign Finance Reports due for Annual Town Election Candidates with complete reporting through March 11, 2022.
Monday, March 27, 2023	12:00 PM. Last day and hour to file an in-person absentee ballot application for the Annual Town Election.
Tuesday, March 28, 2023	<b>Annual Town Election – Polls open from 7 AM to 8 PM</b>
Tuesday, April 25, 2023	<b>Spring Annual Town Meeting</b> 7:30 PM. Natick High School Auditorium. ( <i>Town Charter Article 2, Section 12(a) and Town By-Laws Article 1, Section 1</i> )
Thursday, April 27, 2023	5:00 PM. Last day and hour to submit post-election Campaign Finance reports for Annual Town Election Candidates with complete reporting through April 18, 2022.
Thursday, August 17, 2023	5:00 PM. Last day and hour to submit Articles for the Fall Annual Town Meeting. ( <i>Town Charter Article 2, Section 2-11(c)</i> )
Tuesday, October 17, 2023	<b>Fall Annual Town Meeting</b> 7:30 PM, Natick High School Auditorium. ( <i>Town Charter Article 2, Section 12(a) and Town By-Laws Article 1, section1</i> ).
Monday, December 4, 2023	Nomination papers will be available for all Town-wide positions and for Town Meeting from the Town Clerk’s office for the 2024 Annual Town Election.