

# NYS BOARD OF ELECTIONS

## Independent Nominating Objection Petition Filing Calendar for the November 3, 2026 General Election

First day to sign Independent Nominating petitions §6-138(4) ..... Tuesday, April 14, 2026

Dates for filing Independent Nominating petitions §6-138(9)..... Tuesday, May 19 through Tuesday, May 26, 2026

### For Independent Petitions Filed on:

### General Objections Must Be Filed Within 3 Days: §6-154(2)

Tuesday, May 19, 2026..... Friday, May 22, 2026

Wednesday, May 20, 2026 ..... Tuesday, May 26, 2026\*

Thursday, May 21, 2026 ..... Tuesday, May 26, 2026\*

Friday, May 22, 2026 ..... Tuesday, May 26, 2026\*

Tuesday, May 26, 2026..... Friday, May 29, 2026

### For General Objections Filed on:

### Specifications Must Be Filed Within 6 Days: §6-154(2)

Tuesday, May 19, 2026..... Tuesday, May 26, 2026\*

Wednesday, May 20, 2026 ..... Tuesday, May 26, 2026

Thursday, May 21, 2026 ..... Wednesday, May 27, 2026

Friday, May 22, 2026 ..... Thursday, May 28, 2026

Tuesday, May 26, 2026..... Monday, June 1, 2026

Friday, May 29, 2026 ..... Thursday, June 4, 2026

Last day to file Certificate of Acceptance or Declination §6-158(11)..... Friday, May 29, 2026

Last day to fill vacancy after declination §6-158(12)..... Monday, June 1, 2026

Last day to decline after acceptance if nominee loses party primary §6-158(11) ..... Friday, June 26, 2026

Last day to submit Proof of Service of Specifications §6-164(3)(b)..... Two (2) business days after specifications are filed.

Last day to institute Judicial proceedings §16-102(2)..... Tuesday, June 9, 2026 **OR**  
three (3) business days after BOE hearing where independent petition/candidacy is invalidated.

Hearings on Independent Nominating petitions §6-154(4)(a)..... TBD

**FILING REQUIREMENTS:** All certificates and petitions of designation or nomination, certificates of acceptance or declination of such designations or nominations, certificates of authorization for such designations or nominations, certificates of disqualification, certificates of substitution for such designations or nominations and objections and specifications of objections to such certificates and petitions required to be filed with the State Board of Elections or a board of elections outside of the city of New York shall be deemed timely filed and accepted for filing **if sent by mail or overnight delivery service**, in an envelope postmarked or showing receipt by the overnight delivery service prior to midnight of the last day of filing, and **received no later than two business days after the last day to file** such certificates, petitions, objections or specifications. Failure of the post office or authorized overnight delivery service to deliver any such petition, certificate, or objection to such board of elections outside the city of New York no later than two business days after the last day to file such certificates, petitions, objections, or specifications shall be a fatal defect per NY Election Law § 1-106.

\*These dates would ordinarily fall on a Monday but as May 25, 2026 is Memorial Day and offices are closed, the deadline to file becomes Tuesday, May 26, 2026.