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**FACTSHEET**  
**2008 ELECTION CALENDAR**

<b><u>Subject</u></b>	<b><u>Event/Deadline</u></b>	<b><u>Date</u></b>
Candidates	File organizational report with Campaign Spending Commission (HRS §11-194)	* See Below
Candidates	Pick up nomination papers from Office of Elections or City/County Clerk (HRS §12-2.5)	Fri., Feb. 1, 2008
New Political Parties	File petition to form political party with Office of Elections (HRS §11-62)	Thurs., April 3, 2008
Political Parties	File party rules with Office of Elections (HRS §11-63)	Wed., April 23, 2008
Political Parties	Deadline to file political party objections with Office of Elections (HRS §11-62)	Thu., May 1, 2008
Political Parties	Submit names of precinct officials to the Chief Election Officer (HRS §11-72)	Fri., May 23, 2008
Political Parties	File party officers with Office of Elections (HRS §11-64)	Fri., June 20, 2008
Voters	Request absentee mail ballots for Primary and/or General Election from City/County Clerk (HRS §15-4)	Tues., July 22, 2008

- HRS §11-194 requires candidates for the 2008 election to register with the Campaign Spending Commission by filing an organizational report within ten days of: 1) Filing nomination papers for office; or 2) The date the candidate or candidate's committee receives contributions or makes expenditures that amount to more than \$100 in the aggregate during the applicable election period.

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Event/Deadline</u>	<u>Date</u>
<b>Candidates &amp; OHA Candidates</b>	<b>Last day to file nomination papers for the Primary Election &amp; OHA Election with Office of Elections or City/County Clerk (HRS §12-6)</b>	Tues., July 22, 2008
Candidates	Submit request to withdraw from the Primary Election for any reason to Office of Elections or City/County Clerk (HRS §11-117)	Wed., July 23, 2008
Candidates	File 1 <sup>st</sup> Preliminary Primary Election report with Campaign Spending Commission (HRS §11-212)	Thurs., July 31, 2008
Candidates	Last day to file organizational report with Campaign Spending Commission. (HRS §11-194)	Fri., Aug. 1, 2008
C&C Candidates	File C&C financial disclosure statements with the City Clerk (ROH §3-8.4(b)(1))	Fri., Aug. 1, 2008
City/County Clerks Office of Elections	Mail Primary Election absentee ballots to overseas voters (Recommended by the Federal Voting Assistance Program)	Sat., Aug. 16, 2008
Candidates, Parties, and Voters	File written objections to nomination papers for Primary Election and OHA candidates with Office of Elections or City/County Clerk (HRS §12-8)	Thurs., Aug. 21, 2008
Voters	Last day to register to vote for the Primary Election with City/County Clerk (HRS §11-24)	Thurs., Aug. 21, 2008
Candidates	Submit request to withdraw from Primary Election for reasons of ill health to Office of Elections or City/County Clerk (HRS §11-117)	Fri., Aug. 29, 2008
State	File candidate financial disclosure forms with State Ethics Commission (HRS §84-17)	Tues., Sept. 2, 2008
Presidential Candidates	Last day to file presidential petitions (HRS §11-113)	Fri., Sept. 5, 2008
Parties	Last day to submit names and addresses of nominees for presidential elector and alternates (HRS §14-21)	Fri., Sept. 5, 2008
Parties	Last day to certify nominees for presidential elector and alternates (HRS §14-21)	Fri., Sept. 5, 2008

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Event/Deadline</u>	<u>Date</u>
Voters	Request absentee mail ballots for General Election from City/County Clerk (HRS §15-4)	Fri., Sept. 5, 2008
City/County, House, and Senate Clerks	Submit Constitutional Amendment questions, County Charter Amendment questions, and County Initiative questions to the Office of Elections (HRS §11-119)	Fri., Sept. 5, 2008
City/County Clerks	Open Primary Election walk-in absentee polling places (HRS §15-7)	Mon., Sept. 8, 2008
Candidates	File 2nd Preliminary Primary Election report with Campaign Spending Commission (HRS §11-212)	Wed., Sept. 10, 2008
Political Parties	Submit names of poll watchers for the Primary Election to Office of Elections or County Clerk (HRS §11-77)	Wed., Sept. 10, 2008
Voters	Last day to request absentee mail ballots for Primary Election from City/County Clerk (HRS §15-4)	Sat., Sept. 13, 2008
Candidates	File Primary Election Late Contributions Report with Campaign Spending Commission (HRS §11-207.5)	Wed., Sept. 17, 2008
Voters	Last day to vote at Primary Election walk-in absentee polling places (HRS §15-7)	Thurs., Sept. 18, 2008
	<b>PRIMARY ELECTION (HRS §12-2)</b>	<b>SAT., SEPT. 20, 2008</b>
Candidates, Parties, and Voters	File complaint on contests for cause in Primary Election with Hawaii State Supreme Court (HRS §11-173.5)	Fri., Sept. 26, 2008
City/County Clerks Office of Elections	Mail General Election absentee ballots to overseas voters (Recommended by the Federal Voting Assistance Program)	Tues., Sept. 30, 2008
Voters	Last day to register to vote for the General Election with City/County Clerk (HRS §11-24)	Mon., Oct. 6, 2008

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Event/Deadline</u>	<u>Date</u>
Candidates	File Final Primary Election report with Campaign Spending Commission (HRS §11-213)	Fri., Oct. 10, 2008
Candidates	File expense report on use of public funds in Primary Election with Campaign Spending Commission (HRS §11-224)	Fri., Oct. 10, 2008
OHA Candidates	File candidate financial disclosure forms with State Ethics Commission (HRS §84-17)	Wed., Oct. 15, 2008
Candidates	Submit request to withdraw from General/OHA Election for reasons of ill health to Office of Elections or City/County Clerk (HRS §11-117)	Wed., Oct. 15, 2008
City/County Clerks	Open General Election walk-in absentee polling places (HRS §15-7)	Tues., Oct. 21, 2008
Political Parties	Submit names of poll watchers for General Election to Office of Elections or County Clerk (HRS §11-77)	Fri., Oct. 24, 2008
General & OHA Candidates	File Preliminary General Election report with Campaign Spending Commission (HRS §11-212)	Mon., Oct. 27, 2008
Voters	Last day to request absentee mail ballots for General and OHA Elections from City/County Clerk (HRS §15-4)	Tues., Oct. 28, 2008
Voters	Last day to vote at General Election walk-in absentee polling places (HRS §15-7)	Sat., Nov. 1, 2008
Candidates	File General Election Late Contributions Report with Campaign Spending Commission (HRS §11-207.5)	Mon., Nov. 3, 2008
	<b>GENERAL ELECTION (State Constitution, Article II, Section 8)</b>	<b>TUES., NOV. 4, 2008</b>
Candidates, Parties, and Voters	File complaint on contest for cause in General and/or OHA Elections with Hawaii State Supreme Court (HRS §11-174.5)	Mon., Nov. 24, 2008

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Event/Deadline</u>	<u>Date</u>
Candidates	File Final Election Period report with Campaign Spending Commission (HRS §11-213)	Thurs., Dec. 4, 2008
Candidates	File expense report on use of public funds in General Election with Campaign Spending Commission (HRS §11-224)	Thurs., Dec. 4, 2008
Candidates	File final Application for Public Funds for 2008 elections with Campaign Spending Commission (HRS §11-222)	Thurs., Dec. 4, 2008
Electors and Alternates	Electoral College (HRS §14-26)	Mon., Dec. 15, 2008
Candidates	File Supplemental report on deficit/surplus funds with Campaign Spending Commission (HRS §11-213)	Mon., Feb. 2, 2009
State (Office of Elections)	Determine political party disqualifications (HRS §11-65)	Wed., March 4, 2009

HRS = Hawaii Revised Statutes	ROH = Revised Ordinances of Honolulu
OHA = Office of Hawaiian Affairs	§ = Section

This Fact Sheet is intended for informational purposes only and should not be used as an authority on the Hawaii election law and candidate deadlines. Requirements and/or deadlines may change pending changes in legislation. Consult the Hawaii Revised Statutes and other sources for more detailed and accurate requirements.

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