



## Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands COMMONWEALTH ELECTION COMMISSION

### IMPORTANT DATES *for the* **2026 General Election**

<b><u>DATES</u></b>	<b><u> DAYS</u></b>	<b><u>ACTIVITY</u></b>
July 6, 2026	120 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Last day to establish residency requirements.</li><li>•First day for submission for nominating petition and candidacy.</li></ul>
August 5, 2026	90 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Last day of submission of nominating petitions &amp; candidacy documents.</li></ul>
August 20, 2026	75 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Request for absentee ballots commence.</li></ul>
September 4, 2026	60 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Last day for voter's registration for election.</li></ul>
September 18, 2026	46 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Last day for Commission's action on nominating petitions candidacy documents.</li><li>•Early voting for Northern Island <u>ONLY</u> commences.</li></ul>
October 9, 2026	25 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Deadline for application for absentee voting by electronic/mail.</li></ul>
October 19, 2026	15 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Designation of polling places &amp; distribution of listing.</li></ul>
October 27, 2026	7 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Early voting for Saipan, Tinian &amp; Rota commences.</li><li>•Specimen ballot to be posted in each polling place.</li></ul>
November 2, 2026	1 day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Last day of early voting.</li></ul>
<b>November 3, 2026</b>	<b>0 days</b>	<b>•2026 GENERAL ELECTION</b>
November 18, 2026	15 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Removal of all campaign materials from public places.</li></ul>
December 23, 2026	50 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Submission of Campaign Financial Statement.</li></ul>
January 11, 2027	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Elected Officials take Office</li></ul>