652:21 Authority; Format. Prior to the state primary election, the secretary of state with the advice and approval of the attorney general shall prepare a political calendar for state and town elections setting forth the dates when action required under the election laws must be taken. Any action taken by any candidate or official in connection with the election laws which shall be taken in accordance with the dates set forth in said calendar shall be deemed to be duly performed for the purposes of the election laws. The expense of printing said political calendar shall be a charge upon the appropriation for the office of the secretary of state.

Time Computation

652:17 Uniform System. For the purposes of the election laws, a uniform system of computation of time shall be maintained.

652:18 Days Included and Excluded. I. Except where specifically stated to the contrary, when a period or limit of time is to be reckoned from a day or date, that day or date shall be excluded from and the day on which an act should occur shall be included in the computation of the period or limit of time.

II. Whenever the election laws refer to a period or limit of time, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays shall be included, except as provided in paragraph I. However, when the last day for performing any act under the election laws is a Saturday, Sunday or official state holiday, the act required shall be deemed to be duly performed if it is performed on the following business day.

652:20 End of Day. Whenever the election laws require a filing with or an action by an official, such filing or action shall be performed before 5 o'clock in the afternoon of the stipulated day. During the afternoon of the stipulated day, the school district clerk or his designee, or the town clerk or his designee, shall arrange his time so as to be available between the hours of 3 o'clock and 5 o'clock.
TOWN ELECTION – 2020
These dates do not apply to towns or school districts which are governed by RSA 40:13 (SB2)

2020
January 10
Supervisors should post checklist showing party registration at town or city clerks office or at town or city hall; checklist must show place and time for session for correction of the checklist. RSA 654:33

January 14
Last day to publish notice of the January 21 session for correction of the checklist for town election in 2 appropriate places, one of which shall be the city or town’s website (if such exists) or published in a newspaper of general circulation. RSA 654:27; 669:5

January 21
Supervisors must hold session for correction of checklist from 7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and for extended hours at the discretion of the supervisors for town election. Change in party registrations may NOT be accepted. RSA 669:5.

January 22 – January 31
Filing period for town offices in towns using non-partisan ballot system. Any candidate filing on last day must file in person. Clerks must be available between 3p.m. and 5 p.m. on last day of filing period. RSA 669:19; 652:20

Declarations of candidacy. All candidates filing on the last day must file in person. RSA 669:19

January 31
Last day for party caucus to nominate candidates for town office in towns using partisan system. RSA 669:39

February 4
Last day for 2 percent of voters of a town to petition selectmen to place referendum on ballot to increase or decrease membership of board of selectmen. RSA 41:8-b, 8-d

Last day for 25 or more voters or 2% of the voters, whichever is less, in the town to apply to selectmen to include a warrant article. RSA 39:3

February 11
Last day for supervisors to post current checklist at the office of the town or city clerk or at the town hall; notice of day, hour and place of upcoming checklist sessions must be posted with checklist. RSA 654:26, 669:5
February 21
Last day to publish notice of February 29 session for correction of checklist for town election in 2 appropriate places, one of which shall be the city or town’s website (if such exists) or published in a newspaper of general circulation. RSA 654:27, 669:5.

February 24
Last day for selectmen to post warrant at all polling places and at town clerks office and at town hall; warrant shall prescribe place, day, hour of election, the time polls are to open and the time before which polls may not close; warrant shall specify which items will be voted on by ballot. RSA 39:5, 669:2.

February 29
Session of supervisors for correction of checklist at a time determined by the supervisors. RSA 654:28; 669:5.

Last day for town clerk/supervisors to accept voter registration applications. No additions or corrections shall be made to the checklist after this session, until election day, except as provided in RSA 659:12. RSA 654:8, II

Reports of transfer; reports of death; removal of names. RSA 654:36, 37, 44

March 6
Last day for supervisors to post final, corrected checklist for town election, on or before midnight. RSA 654:28

Certification of checklist; 2 copies filed with town clerk. RSA 654:28, 29.

March 9 5:00 p.m.
Town clerk must be available to accept any completed absentee ballots filed in person, or delivered by a delivery agent at least between 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. RSA 652:20; 669:29; 657:4; 657:17; 657:17-a; 657:24.

March 10
Town Election Day. Voters may register at the polls on election day. RSA 39:1, 669:1, 654:7-a, 7-b

Any person has the right to observe in-person voter registration. They may not be positioned within 5 feet of the voter registration table. The ballot clerk must publicly announce name and address of person registering. RSA 654:7-c

No person not authorized by law may stand or sit within 6 feet of the ballot clerk for purposes of observing the check-in of voters without the express permission of the moderator. RSA 659:13-a; 666:4,5
5:00 p.m. 
Deadline for town clerk or ward clerk to accept any completed absentee 
ballets delivered by mail or by a delivery agent. RSA 657:22; 669:29, 
657:17

March 13
Last day for any person for whom a vote was cast to apply to town clerk 
for a recount. Clerk must be available at least between 3:00 and 5:00 
p.m. RSA 669:30; 652:20

March 17
Last day for 10 voters of a town to petition clerk to recount ballots on 
any question printed on official ballot. Clerk must be available at least 
between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. RSA 40:4-c; 652:20.
ALTERNATE TOWN ELECTION – 2020
These dates do not apply to towns or school districts which are governed by RSA 40:13 (SB2)

2020
March 13
Supervisors should post checklist showing party registration in town clerk's office or at town hall; checklist must show place and time for session of the checklist. RSA 654:33

March 17
Last day to publish notice of the March 24 session for correction of the checklist for town election in 2 appropriate places, one of which shall be the city or town’s website (if such exists) or published in a newspaper of general circulation. RSA 654:27; 669:5

March 24
Supervisors must hold session for correction of checklist from 7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and at the discretion of the supervisors for extended hours. Change in party registrations may be accepted. RSA 669:5

March 25 – April 3
Filing period for town office in those towns using non-partisan ballot system. Any candidate filing on last day must file in person. Clerks must be available between 3p.m. and 5 p.m. on last day of filing period. RSA 669:19; 652:20

Declaration of candidacy. All candidates filing on last day must do so in person. RSA 669:19

April 3
Last day for party caucus to nominate candidates for town office in towns using partisan system. RSA 669:39

April 7
Last day for 25 or more voters or 2% of the voters, whichever is less, in the town to petition selectmen to include a warrant article RSA 39:3

Last day for 2 percent of voters of a town to petition selectmen to place referendum on ballot to increase or decrease membership of board of selectmen. RSA 41:8-b, 8-d

April 14
Last day for supervisors to post alternate town election checklist in town clerk's office or at town hall; notice of day, place, hour of upcoming checklist sessions must be posted with checklist. RSA 654:26, 669:5

April 24
Last day to publish notice of the May 2 session for correction of the checklist for town election in 2 appropriate places, one of which shall be
the city or town’s website (if such exists) or published in a newspaper of
general circulation. RSA 654:27; 669:5

April 27
Last day for selectmen to post warrant at all polling places and at town
clerk’s office and at town hall; warrant shall prescribe place, day, hour of
election, the time polls are to open and the time before which polls may
not close; warrant shall specify which items will be voted on by ballot.
RSA 39:5, 669:2.

May 2
Session of supervisors for correction of checklist at a time determined by
the supervisors. RSA 654:28; 669:5.

Last day for town clerk/supervisors to accept voter registration
applications. No additions or corrections shall be made to the checklist
after this session, until election day, except as provided in RSA 659:12.
RSA 654:8, II

Reports of transfer; reports of death; removal of names. RSA 654:36, 37,
44

May 8
Last day for supervisors to post final corrected checklist, on or before
midnight. RSA 654:28

Certification of checklist, 2 copies filed with town clerk. RSA 654:28,29

May 11 5:00 p.m.
Town Clerk must be available to accept any completed absentee ballots
filed in person, or delivered by a delivery agent at least between 3:00
p.m. and 5:00 p.m. RSA 652:20; 669:29; 657:4; 657:17; 657:17-a;
657:24

May 12
Alternate Town Election Day. Voters may register to vote at polls on
election day. RSA 39:1-a; 669:1; 654:7-a, 7-b

Any person has the right to observe in-person voter registration. They
may not be positioned within 5 feet of the voter registration table. The
ballot clerk must publicly announce name and address of person
registering. RSA 654:7-c

No person not authorized by law may stand or sit within 6 feet of the
ballot clerk for purposes of observing the check-in of voters without the
express permission of the moderator. RSA 659:13-a; 666:4,5

5:00 p.m.
Deadline for town clerk to accept any completed absentee ballots
delivered by mail or by a delivery agent. RSA 657:22; 669:29; 657:17
May 15
Last day for any person for whom a vote was cast to apply to town clerk for recount. Clerk must be available at least between 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. RSA 669:30; 652:20

May 19
Last day for 10 voters of a town to petition for clerk to recount ballots on any question printed on official ballot. Clerk must be available at least between 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. RSA 40:4-c; 652:20
STATE PRIMARY ELECTION – 2020

April 15
Secretary of State to provide each state political committee the number of inspectors of election to be appointed for each town and ward.  RSA 658:2

May 15 - July 15 - Period for each state political committee to appoint inspectors of election.  RSA 658:2

May 22
Last day for supervisors to post notice of session for correction of the checklist at the office of the town or city clerk or at town or city hall.  RSA 654:33

May 26
Last day to publish notice of the June 2 session for correction of the checklist for town election in 2 appropriate places, one of which shall be the city or town’s website (if such exists) or published in a newspaper of general circulation.  RSA 654:27; 669:5

June 1
Last day for clerks to post Notice of Primary in 2 public places in the town or ward.  RSA 655:11, 12

June 2
Supervisors to be in session for change of party registration between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. and at the discretion of the supervisors for additional hours.  Additions and corrections to checklist may be made.  RSA 654:32

Last day for voters already registered to change or declare a party affiliation.  Only undeclared voters may declare a party and vote on primary election day.  RSA 654:34

Voters who register subsequent to this date may declare a party when they register.  RSA 654:15

June 3 - 12
Filing period for all offices for state primary election.  RSA 655:14; 652:20

Filing period for declarations of intent for all candidates who wish to file nomination papers to run as independents in general election.  All candidates filing declarations of intent shall file with the Secretary of State.  RSA 655:14-a, 17-a, 17-b, 17-c, 40-45

Declaration of Candidacy.  RSA 655:17
Clerks to send declarations of candidacy to Secretary of State every day. **RSA 655:18**

Administrative assessment fees, primary petitions, assents to candidacy. **RSA 655:19-c, 21, 25**

Examination and rejection of primary petitions. **RSA 655:26**

Forward of petitions and assents by clerks to Secretary of State, on same day they are received. **RSA 655:27**

Affidavit of qualifications. **RSA 655:28, 29**

Candidate shall designate a fiscal agent. **RSA 664:12**

**June 12 5:00 p.m.**

If a person must file a declaration of candidacy or a declaration of intent with the Secretary of State and is filing on the last day of the filing period, he or she must do so in person. **RSA 655:15, 16, 652:20; 655:43, II**

If a person must file a declaration of candidacy with a town or city clerk and is filing on the last day of filing period, he or she must do so in person. **655:15, 16**

Any candidate who wishes to withdraw must do so in writing no later than 5:00 p.m. on the last day of the filing period with the Secretary of State. **RSA 655:30**

Disqualification of candidates. **RSA 655:33, 38**

Death of candidate. **RSA 655:34, 39**

**June 17**

Deadline for candidates to file complaints that an opposing candidate is not a bona fide candidate (straw candidate) **RSA 655:31**

**June 17**

Last day for appropriate party committee to fill vacancy on party tickets. Affidavit of qualifications required for candidates for governor, executive councilor, state senator, and state representative. **RSA 655:32**

Last day to file supplemental primary petitions in case of rejected petitions. **RSA 655:26**

**June 17**

Report of receipts and expenditures due by political advocacy organizations, political committees, including the political committee of a political party and the political committee of a candidate. **RSA 664:6, 1; 664:21, IV**
July 15 – Last day for state political committee chairmen to notify town or ward clerk and city clerk of inspector of election appointments. If committee fails to notify clerk, selectmen shall appoint inspectors in equal number from the political parties. RSA 658:2

July 24
Last day city or town clerks must mail or e-mail Write-In Ballots to UOCAVA voters for the primary. RSA 657:10-a

July 25
45 day deadline for city or town clerks to mail or email all ballots to UOCAVA voters for the primary who have a request on file. RSA 657:19

August 1
Terms of inspectors of election chosen between May 15 and July 15 begin; Inspectors serve until successor is appointed and qualified. RSA 658:4

August 5 – September 4
Period for 5 percent of the voters of any town or city to petition Secretary of State to print liquor or sweepstakes sales questions on general election ballot. RSA 663:5,7

August 5 5:00 p.m.
Deadline for persons or political organizations to file nomination papers with supervisors of the checklist for certification for placement on the general election ballot. Supervisors or a designee must be available between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. RSA 655:40-a; 655:41; 652:20

August 10
Last day for city council to set polling hours in cities for primary election. RSA 659:4

August 11
Last day for supervisors to post copy of checklist for primary in the town or city clerk's office or at town or city hall; notice of day, place, hour of upcoming checklist sessions must be posted with checklist. RSA 654:26

August 19
Report of receipts and expenditures due for political advocacy organizations, political committees, political committees of political parties and political committees of candidates, and candidates. RSA 664:6, II; 664:7, 664:21, IV

Notice of the next session for correction of checklist must be published at least 7 days prior to the session, in 2 appropriate places, one of which shall be the city or town’s website (if such exists) or published in a newspaper of general circulation. RSA 654:27; 669:5
August 25
Last day for supervisors to prepare and post checklist for additional polling place; checklist must be posted in town or city clerk's office or at town or city hall and 2 copies to be filed with clerk. RSA 658:12

August 25
Last day Proof of Voter Identity Instructions Poster must be posted prominently in town and or ward. Poster must also be posted outside guardrail at all elections. RSA 658:9-a; 652:25

August 26 5:00 p.m.
Deadline for supervisors of the checklist to have nomination papers certified. RSA 655:41

August 26-September 2
Supervisors must hold a session which shall be 6 to 13 days prior to the election. No additions or corrections shall be made to the checklist after this session, until election day, except as provided in RSA 659:12. RSA 654:8, II; RSA 654:27; 18.

Reports of transfer, reports of death, removal of names. RSA 654:36, 37, 44

September 1
Last day for Secretary of State to deliver ballots to clerks. Ballots shall be inspected by town or city clerk in the presence of at least one other legal voter and resealed for use on election day. RSA 656:22

Last day Secretary of State may receive name of substitute candidate to be placed on ballot. RSA 656:21

September 2 5:00 p.m. - Deadline for persons or political organizations to file nomination papers with Secretary of State for general election. RSA 655:40-b; 655:43; 652:20

Report of receipts and expenditures due for political advocacy organizations, political committees, political committees of political parties, political committees of candidates, and candidates. RSA 664:6, II-a; 664:7, 664:21, IV

September 4- Last day for supervisors to post final corrected checklist and certification of checklist. RSA 654:28, 29

September 7 5:00 p.m. - City or town clerk must be available to accept any completed absentee ballots filed in person, or delivered by a delivery agent at least between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. RSA 652:20; 657:4; 657:17; 657:17-a; 657:24

Last day for filing objections to nomination papers filed with Secretary of State. RSA 655:44
September  8 - State Primary Election Day. Voters may register at the polls on election day.  RSA 653:8; 654:7-a, 7-b

1:00 p.m. – Processing of absentee ballots shall begin unless a different time that is no earlier than 2 hours after the opening of the polls is posted and announced in accordance with RSA 659:49, II.  RSA 659:49

5:00 p.m. - Deadline for clerks to accept any completed absentee ballots delivered by mail, or by a delivery agent.  RSA 657:17, 22

Any person has the right to observe in-person voter registration. They may not be positioned within 5 feet of the voter registration table. The ballot clerk must publicly announce name and address of person registering.  RSA 654:7-c

No person not authorized by law may stand or sit within 6 feet of the ballot clerk for purposes of observing the check-in of voters without the express permission of the moderator.  RSA 659:13-a; 666:4, 5

September 17
Ballot Law Commission shall meet to hear and decide any objections or appeals.  RSA 665:5

September 11 5:00 p.m.
Any candidate for whom a vote was cast in a primary to apply to Secretary of State for recount.  RSA 660:2, 7

Any person voted for upon the ballot of any party who, by declaration of the Secretary of State upon recount, was not chosen as the candidate of such party may, within 3 days after said declaration appeal to the ballot law commission by filing his written appeal to the Secretary of State.  RSA 665:6

September 11
Last day for any person who is nominated by the same political party for incompatible offices to notify the Secretary of State in writing of which nomination he or she will accept.  RSA 659:91

September 14 5:00 p.m.
Deadline for any candidate who requested a recount to withdraw the request and receive a refund of any fees paid.  RSA 660:7

September 15  5:00 p.m.
Last day a vacancy can be filled due to rejection of incompatible offices as provided in RSA 659:91. Declarations of candidacy and affidavits to be filed.

Last day persons nominated by write-in vote who wish to reject the nomination to notify the Secretary of State of said rejection in writing.  RSA 659:90
September 15 – October 27 STATE PARTY CONVENTIONS - RSA 667:21

September 16 - Last primary report of receipts and expenditures due. RSA 664:6, III; 664:7, 664:21, IV

September 18 - Last day for 5 legal voters of any city or town to petition Secretary of State to recount ballots cast on any question submitted to the voters of said city or town on the state primary election ballot. Fee of $10 per 1,000 ballots cast; not to exceed $50. RSA 660:13

September 18
Last day city or town clerks must mail or email Write-In Ballots to UOCAVA voters for the general election. RSA 657:10-a

September 19
45 day deadline for city or town clerks to mail or email all ballots to UOCAVA voters for the general election who have a request on file. RSA 657:19
STATE GENERAL ELECTION – 2020

October 5 - Last day for city council to set polling hours in cities for general election. RSA 659:4

October 5
Last day for selectmen or city council to determine boundaries of communities to be served by additional polling places. RSA 658:10, 18

October 6 - Last day for supervisors to post checklist for state general election in town or city clerk's office or at town or city hall; notice of day, hour of upcoming checklist sessions must be posted with checklist. RSA 654:26

October 9 - Last day for voters or supervisors to petition Ballot Law Commission for a revision and verification of checklist. RSA 654:38

October 14
First report of receipts and expenditures due for all political committees and candidates. RSA 664:6

Notice of next session for correction of the checklist must be published at least 7 days prior to the meeting in 2 appropriate places, one of which shall be the city or town’s website (if such exists) or published in a newspaper of general circulation. RSA 654:27; 669:5

October 19 - Last day for selectmen to post warrant for general election at all polling places and at town or city clerk's office or at town or city hall; warrant shall state offices and questions that will appear on ballot, location of central and any additional polling places, the hours of opening polls and the hour before which the polls may not close. RSA 658:1

October 20
Last day for supervisor to prepare and post checklist for additional polling place; checklist must be posted in town or city clerk's office or at town or city hall and 2 copies filed with the town clerk. RSA 658:12

October 21 - 28
Supervisors must hold a session which shall be 6 to 13 days prior to the election. No additions or corrections shall be made to the checklist after this session, until election day, except as provided in RSA 659:12. RSA 654:8, II; RSA 654:27; 18.

Reports of transfer, reports of death, removal of names. RSA 654:36, 37, 44

October 27 - Last day for Secretary of State to deliver general election ballots to clerks. Ballots shall be inspected by town or city clerk in
the presence of at least one other legal voter and resealed for use on election day. RSA 656:20

October 27
Last day Secretary of State may receive name of substitute candidate to be placed on ballot. RSA 656:21

October 28 - Second report of receipts and expenditures due for all political committees and candidates. RSA 664:6, II-a

October 30
Last day for supervisors to post final corrected checklist and certification of checklist. RSA 654:28, 29

November 2 5:00 p.m. - City or town clerk must be available to accept any completed absentee ballots filed in person, or delivered by a delivery agent at least between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. RSA 652:20; 657:4; 657:17; 657:17-a; 657:24

November 3 - State General Election Day. Voters may register at the polls on election day. RSA 653:7; 654:7-a, 7-b

1:00 p.m. – Processing of absentee ballots shall begin unless a different time that is no earlier than 2 hours after the opening of the polls is posted and announced in accordance with RSA 659:49, II. RSA 659:49

5:00 p.m. - Deadline for city (ward) or town clerk to accept any completed absentee ballots delivered by mail or delivered by an absentee voter’s family member. RSA 657:17, 22

Hours of polling. RSA 659:4

Moderator to fill out 2 copies of certificate showing total number of ballots received; clerk to certify one copy, which is then sent to the Secretary of State with election returns. RSA 658:32

State party committee and Attorney General may appoint challengers of voters. Such challengers shall be positioned in the polling place so that they may be able to see and hear each voter as he offers to vote. RSA 666: 4, 5

Any person has the right to observe in-person voter registration. They may not be positioned within 5 feet of the voter registration table. The ballot clerk must publicly announce name and address of person registering. RSA 654:7-c

No person not authorized by law may stand or sit within 6 feet of the ballot clerk for purposes of observing the check-in of voters without the express permission of the moderator. RSA 659:13-a; 666:4, 5
Write-in votes cast for candidates whose name is on ballot counted as vote for that candidate. RSA 659:67

Moderator and clerk to certify that checklists are the ones used at that election; list then given to supervisors. RSA 659:56, 57

Election returns prepared by clerk; one copy kept by clerk and one copy should be given to the State Police to be delivered to the Secretary of State on election night. RSA 659:73-75, 76

Sealing and certifying of ballots. RSA 659:95, 96

Ballots delivered to clerk for preservation. RSA 659:98-103

Secretary of State to notify candidates elected to incompatible offices; Candidate has 10 days to notify Secretary of State of which office he will accept. RSA 659:85

November 6 - Last day for any candidate for whom a vote was cast in general election to apply to Secretary of State for recount. RSA 660:1

November 12 - Third report of receipts and expenditures due for all political committees and candidates. RSA 664:6

November 13
Last day for 5 legal voters of any city or town to petition Secretary of State to recount ballots cast on any question other than a constitutional amendment submitted to the voters of said city or town on the state general election ballot; a fee of $10 per 1,000 ballots cast shall accompany the application, not to exceed $50. RSA 660:13

Last day for 50 voters of any county to petition Secretary of State to recount ballots cast on any question submitted to the voters of said county. RSA 660:12

November 23
Ballot Law Commission shall meet to hear and decide any objections or appeals. RSA 665:5

November 30 (November 27 is state holiday)  
Last day for 100 voters to petition Secretary of State to recount the ballots cast on any constitutional amendment question voted on at the state general election. RSA 660:10

December 2
House and Senate Organization Day  
Part II, Art. 3, N.H. Constitution

December 28 (December 25 is state holiday)  
Last day for voters or supervisors to petition Ballot Law Commission for a revision and verification of checklist. RSA 654:38
December 15
Last day for person to contest the election of a state senator or state representative; letter must be sent by certified mail, postmarked by December 15. RSA 660:18

2021
February 1, 2021
Last day for supervisors to send one copy of marked checklist from General Election to State Archives. RSA 659:102

June 2, 2021
Receipt and Expenditure report due for all committees which have registered for the 2022 election cycle. RSA 664:6

December 1, 2021
Receipt and Expenditure report due for all committees which have registered for the 2022 election cycle. RSA 664:6
TOWN ELECTION – 2021

These dates do not apply to towns or school districts which are governed by RSA 40:13 (SB2)

2021
January 6
County officers assume office. RSA 653:10

Resumed meeting of the legislature.

Part II, Art. 3, N.H. Constitution

Day for Secretary of State to lay the vote for Governor and Executive Councilors before the Senate and House of Representatives.

Part II, Art. 42, 60, N.H. Constitution

January 8
Supervisors should post checklist showing party registration in town clerk's office or at town hall; checklist must show place and time for session for correction of the checklist. RSA 654:33

January 12
Last day to publish notice of the January 19 session for correction of the checklist for town election in 2 appropriate places, one of which shall be the city or town’s website (if such exists) or published in a newspaper of general circulation. RSA 654:27; 669:5

January 19
Supervisors must hold session for correction of checklist from 7 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and at the discretion of the supervisors for extended hours. Change in party registration may be accepted. RSA 669:5

January 20 - 29
Filing period for town office in town using non-partisan ballot system. Candidates filing on last day must file in person. Clerk to be available between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. on last day. RSA 669:19, 652:20

Declarations of candidacy. All candidates filing on last day must do so in person. RSA 669:19

January 29
Last day for party caucus to nominate candidates in towns using partisan ballot system. RSA 669:39

February 1– Last day for supervisors to send one copy of marked checklist used at the State General Election to State Archives. RSA 659:102
February 2
Last day for 2 percent of voters of a town to petition selectmen to place referendum on ballot to increase or decrease membership of board of selectmen. RSA 41:8-b, 8-d

Last day for 25 or more voters or 2% of the voters, whichever is less, in the town to petition selectmen to include warrant article. RSA 39:3

February 9
Last day for supervisors to post town election checklist at town clerks office or at town hall; notice of day, hour and place of upcoming checklist sessions must be posted with checklist. RSA 654:26, 669:5

February 19
Last day to publish notice of February 27 session for correction of checklist for town election in 2 appropriate places, one of which shall be the city or town’s website (if such exists) or published in a newspaper of general circulation. RSA 654:27; 669:5

February 23 (22nd is state holiday)
Last day for selectmen to post warrant at all polling places and at the town clerk's office and at town hall; warrant shall prescribe place, time of election, the time the polls are to open and the time before which polls may not close; warrant shall specify which items will be voted on by ballot. RSA 39:5; 669:2

February 27
Session of supervisors for correction of checklist at a time determined by the supervisors. RSA 654:28; 669:5

Last day for town clerk/supervisors to accept voter registration applications. No additions or corrections shall be made to the checklist after this session, until election day, except as provided in RSA 659:12. RSA 654:8, II

Reports of transfer; reports of death; removal of names. RSA 654:36, 37, 44

March 5
Last day for supervisors to post final corrected checklist, on or before midnight. RSA 654:28

Certification of checklist, 2 copies filed with town clerk. RSA 654:28, 29

March 8 5:00 p.m.
Town clerk must be available to accept any completed absentee ballots filed in person, or delivered by a delivery agent at least between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. RSA 652:20; 657:4; 669:29; 657:17; 657:17-a; 657:24
March 9
Town Election Day. Voters may register at the polls on election day. RSA 39:1; 669:1; 654:7-a, 7-b

Any person has the right to observe in-person voter registration. They may not be positioned within 5 feet of the voter registration table. The ballot clerk must publicly announce name and address of person registering. RSA 654:7-c

No person not authorized by law may stand or sit within 6 feet of the ballot clerk for purposes of observing the check-in of voters without the express permission of the moderator. RSA 659:13-a; 666:4,5

5:00 p.m.
Deadline for town clerk to accept any completed absentee ballots delivered by mail, or by a delivery agent. RSA 669:29; 657:17, 657:22

March 12- Last day for any person for whom a vote was cast to apply to town clerk for a recount. Clerk must be available at least between 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. RSA 669:30; 652:20

March 16
Last day for 10 voters of a town to petition clerk to recount ballots on any question printed on official ballot. Clerk must be available at least between 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. RSA 40:4-c
ALTERNATE TOWN ELECTION – 2021
These dates do not apply to towns or school districts which are governed by RSA 40:13 (SB2)

2021
March 12
Supervisors should post checklist showing party registration in town clerk's office or at town hall; checklist must show place and time for session for correction of the checklist. RSA 654:33

March 16
Last day to publish notice of the March 23 session for correction of the checklist for town election in 2 appropriate places, one of which shall be the city or town’s website (if such exists) or published in a newspaper of general circulation. RSA 654:27; 669:5

March 23
Supervisors must hold session for correction of checklist from 7:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and at the discretion of the supervisors for extended hours. Change in party registrations may be accepted. RSA 669:5

March 24 – April 2
Filing period for town office in towns using non-partisan ballot system. Candidates who file on the last day must file in person. Clerks must be available between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. RSA 669:19, 652:20

Declaration of candidacy. All candidates filing on the last day must do so in person. RSA 669:19

April 2
Last day for party caucus to nominate candidates in towns using partisan ballot system. RSA 669:39

April 6
Last day for 25 or more voters or 2% of the voters, whichever is less, in the town to petition selectmen to include warrant article. RSA 39:3

Last day for 2 percent of voters of a town to petition selectmen to place referendum on ballot to increase or decrease membership of board of selectmen. RSA 41:8-b, 8-d

April 13
Last day for supervisors to post alternate town election checklist in town clerk's office or at town hall; notice of day, place, hour of upcoming checklist session must be posted with the checklist. RSA 654:26, 27, 669:5
April 23
Last day to publish notice of the May 1 session for correction of the checklist for town election in 2 appropriate places, one of which shall be the city or town’s website (if such exists) or published in a newspaper of general circulation. RSA 654:27; 669:5

April 26
Last day for selectmen to post warrant at all polling places and at town clerk's office or at town hall. Warrant shall prescribe place, time of election, the time polls are to open and the time before which they may not close; warrant shall specify which items will be voted on by ballot. RSA 39:5; 669:2

May 1
Session of supervisors for correction of checklist at a time determined by the supervisors. RSA 654:28; 669:5.

Last day for town clerk/supervisors to accept voter registration applications. No additions or corrections shall be made to the checklist after this session, until election day, except as provided in RSA 659:12; 654:8, II

Reports of transfer; reports of death; removal of names. RSA 654:36, 37, 44

May 7
Last day for supervisors to post final corrected checklist, on or before midnight. RSA 654:28

Certification of checklist, 2 copies filed with town clerk. RSA 654:28, 29

May 3
Last day for candidates, parties and committees with outstanding debt, obligation, or surplus from general election to file reports of receipts and expenditures if they have not registered for the 2022 election cycle. RSA 664:6, 7

May 10 5:00 p.m.
Town clerk must be available to accept any completed absentee ballots filed in person, or delivered by a delivery agent at least between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. RSA 652:20; 669:29; 657:4; 657:17; 657:17-a; 657:24

May 11 Alternate Town Election Day
Voters may register at polls on election day. RSA 39:1-a; 669:1; 654:7-a, 7-b

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ballot clerk must publicly announce name and address of person registering. **RSA 654:7-c**

No person not authorized by law may stand or sit within 6 feet of the ballot clerk for purposes of observing the check-in of voters without the express permission of the moderator. **RSA 659:13-a; 666:4.5 5:00 p.m.**

Deadline for town clerks to accept any completed absentee ballots delivered by mail, or by a delivery agent. **RSA 669:29; 657:17, 657:22**

**May 14**
Last day for any person for whom a vote was cast to apply to town clerk for a recount. Clerk must be available at least between 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. **RSA 669:30; 652:20**

**May 18**
Last day for 10 voters of a town to petition clerk to recount ballots on any question printed on official ballot. Clerk must be available at least between 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. **RSA 40:4-c**