



Pennsylvania Department of State

2026 Campaign Finance Reporting Dates

Not applicable to candidates running for Federal offices

Type of Report	Cycle	Complete as of	Filing Deadlines**
2025 Annual Report	Cycle 7	December 31, 2025	February 2, 2026
6 th Tuesday Pre-Primary*	Cycle 1	March 30, 2026	April 7, 2026
2 nd Friday Pre-Primary	Cycle 2	May 4, 2026	May 8, 2026
24-Hour Reporting (Daily)	Cycle 10	Starts May 5, 2026	Through and including May 19, 2026
30 Day Post-Primary	Cycle 3	June 8, 2026	June 18, 2026
6 th Tuesday Pre-Election*	Cycle 4	September 14, 2026	September 22, 2026
2 nd Friday Pre-Election	Cycle 5	October 19, 2026	October 23, 2026
24-Hour Reporting (Daily)	Cycle 11	Starts October 20, 2026	Through and including November 3, 2026
30 Day Post-Election	Cycle 6	November 23, 2026	December 3, 2026
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* You are **only** required to file these reports if you are a **candidate for a statewide office, an authorized committee for such a candidate, or a committee contributing to candidates** for statewide office.

For your report to be accepted as timely filed, you must postmark your report **at least one day prior to the filing deadline.

Your unsworn declaration **must be received in our office ten calendar days (including weekends) after the filing deadline. Postmarks will not be accepted. Email submission is encouraged.

Office of Campaign Finance & Lobbying Disclosure

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NOTE: All dates are **subject to change** without notice in the event of passage of any amendatory legislation.

SIXTH TUESDAY PRE-PRIMARY or PRE-ELECTION REPORTS are required to be filed only by candidates for statewide office, their authorized candidate committees, and any political committee or lobbyist that has made an expenditure to influence the election of a statewide candidate. In 2026, statewide offices appearing on the ballot include the following:

Governor
Lieutenant Governor

Political committees/lobbyists that have not made an expenditure to influence the election of a candidate for the statewide offices listed above do not need to file the Sixth Tuesday Pre Primary/Election report.

SECOND FRIDAY PRE- and THIRTY DAY POST-PRIMARY or ELECTION REPORTS are required to be filed by all candidates appearing on the ballot and all political committees and lobbyists that have made expenditures to influence the election of such candidates. In 2026, offices appearing on the ballot include:

Governor
Lieutenant Governor
Senator in the General Assembly
Representative in the General Assembly

ANNUAL REPORTS must be filed by all candidates, political committees and contributing lobbyists that have not filed a termination report.

****SPECIAL ELECTIONS**** - In the event of any special election, candidates and committees should contact our office regarding reporting requirements and filing deadlines. A separate report will need to be filed for each Special Election Cycle. Special Elections do not follow the reporting dates for Cycles 1-7.

PENALTIES - In accordance with the Campaign Finance Reporting Law, those who file required reports after the filing deadline are assessed a late filing fee of \$20 per day for the first six days that a report is late, and \$10 per day thereafter, up to a maximum penalty of \$250 for each report.

UNSWORN DECLARATIONS - The Department allows ten (10) calendar days for the unsworn declaration to be received in our office before the report is marked late. The Department does not accept postmarks for the cover pages, and we strongly encourage you to email the forms to ra-stcampaignfinance@pa.gov.

POLITICAL COMMITTEE TREASURERS - It is the treasurer's responsibility to file required committee reports. Keep this schedule available for reference prior to each reporting deadline. If you need a reporting form, you may print one from the Department's [website](#) or request one from our office. You may also file your report online. From the website, select the link to Campaign Finance and then to Online Filing for more information. Please remember that all reports must include your filer identification number on the cover page.

24 HOUR REPORTING - Section 1628 of the Campaign Expense Reporting Law, 25 P.S. § 3248, requires any candidate or political committee, authorized by a candidate and created solely for the purpose of influencing an election on behalf of that candidate, which receives any contribution or pledge (in-kind & monetary) of five hundred dollars (\$500) or more, or any person making an independent expenditure of five hundred dollars (\$500) or more after the final pre-election/pre-primary report has been deemed completed shall report such

contribution or expenditure to the appropriate supervisor. The candidate, chairperson or treasurer of the political committee shall send the report of late contributions within twenty-four (24) hours of receipt of the contribution. The same shall apply to persons making independent expenditures. Our office will accept the filing of 24-hour reports via e-mail at: ra-stcampaignfinance@pa.gov or [online](#). The filing of 24-hour reports does not remove the obligation to report those contributions on the post-primary/election report.

QUESTIONS - If you have any questions about Pennsylvania's reporting requirements, please direct them to the Office of Campaign Finance at 717-787-5280, option 4 or via e-mail at ra-stcampaignfinance@pa.gov.