

Timetable for local elections in England: 1 May 2025

This timetable covers the following polls taking place on 1 May 2025:

* local government principal area elections (i.e. district, borough, county, county borough and unitary authority elections)
* parish council elections
* local authority mayoral elections in England
* combined (county) authority mayoral elections in England

The days which are disregarded in calculating the timetable are Saturday, Sunday, bank holidays and any day appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning.

Please be aware that the timetable may change in the event of days being appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning.

This timetable has been developed based on the legislation as it currently stands and so it may be subject to change. We will update and re-publish the timetable as appropriate if further legislation is made.

| Event | Election | Working days before poll (deadline if not midnight) | Date |
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| Publication of notice of election | All | Not later than 25 days | Not later than Tuesday 25 March |
| Delivery of nomination papers | All, excluding combined authority mayoral | From the date stated on the notice of election up to 4pm on the nineteenth working day before the election | From the date stated on the notice of election up to 4pm on Wednesday 2 April |
| Delivery of nomination papers | Combined authority mayoral | From the day after the publication of notice of election until 4pm on the nineteenth working day before the election (10am to 4pm) | Between 10am and 4pm on any working day after publication of the notice of election until 4pm on Wednesday 2 April |
| Deadline for withdrawals of nomination | All | 19 days (4pm) | 4pm on Wednesday 2 April |
| Deadline for the notification of appointment of election agent | All, excluding parish council | 19 days (4pm) | 4pm on Wednesday 2 April |
| Making objections to nomination papers | Combined authority mayoral | On 19 days (10am to 5pm), subject to the following:  Between 10am and 12noon objections can be made to all delivered nominations  Between 12 noon and 5pm objections can only be made to nominations delivered after 4pm, 20 days before the poll | Between 10am and 12 noon on Wednesday 2 April objections can be made to all delivered nominations  Between 12 noon and 5pm on Wednesday 2 April objections can only be made to nominations delivered after 4pm on Tuesday 1 April |
| Publication of first interim election notice of alteration | All | 19 days | Wednesday 2 April |
| Publication of statement of persons nominated | All | Not later than 18 days (4pm) | Not later than 4pm on Thursday 3 April |
| Deadline for receiving applications for registration | All | 12 days | Friday 11 April |
| Deadline for receiving new postal vote and postal proxy applications, and for changes to existing postal or proxy votes | All | 11 days (5pm) | 5pm on Monday 14 April |
| Deadline for receiving new applications to vote by proxy (not postal proxy or emergency proxies) | All | 6 days (5pm) | 5pm on Wednesday 23 April |
| Deadline for receiving applications for Voter Authority Certificates | All | 6 days (5pm) | 5pm on Wednesday 23 April |
| Publication of second interim election notice of alteration | All | Between 18 days and 6 days | Between Thursday 3 April and Wednesday 23 April (inclusive) |
| Publication of notice of poll | All | Not later than 6 days | Not later than Wednesday 23 April |
| Publication of final election notice of alteration | All | 5 days | Thursday 24 April |
| Deadline for notification of appointment of polling and counting agents | All | 5 days | Thursday 24 April |
| Deadline for notification of appointment of sub agents | Combined authority mayoral | 5 days | Thursday 24 April |
| First date that electors can apply for a replacement for lost postal votes | All | 4 days | Friday 25 April |
| **Polling day** | All | **0 (7am to 10pm)** | **7am to 10pm on Thursday 1 May** |
| Last time that electors can apply for a replacement for spoilt or lost postal votes | All | 0 (5pm) | 5pm on Thursday 1 May |
| Deadline for emergency proxy applications | All | 0 (5pm) | 5pm on Thursday1 May |
| Last time to alter the register due to clerical error or court appeal | All | 0 (9pm) | 9pm on Thursday 1 May |
| Delivery of return as to election expenses (parish council elections only) | Parish council | Not later than 28 calendar days\* after the date of the election | Thursday 29 May |
| Delivery of return as to election expenses | All, excluding parish council | Not later than 35 calendar days\* after the date the election result is declared | Refer to the following table for further information on the date for return of election expenses. |
| Sending postal vote identifier rejection notices | All | Within 3 calendar months beginning with the date of the poll | By Friday 1 August |

\*If the last day of the period falls on a weekend, bank holiday or any day appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning, in which case the last day moves to the next working day.

Delivery of return as to election expenses (all, excluding parish council elections).

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| If the result is declared: | Deadline for return: |
| Thursday 1 May | Thursday 5 June |
| Friday 2 May | Friday 6 June |
| Any declaration made between 3 May and 5 May | Monday 9 June |
| Tuesday 6 May | Tuesday 10 June |