



## Elections Timetable Template

### Local Government Elections

Enter election date>> **16/10/2021**

Note: Please manually adjust dates in the 'Date' column which fall on a public holiday to the next business day.

Days from Polling Day	Election Activities or Events	Relevant Act sections or Regulations	Day	Date
273 to 92	If an elected member's office becomes vacant on or between these days, the council may, with the approval of the Electoral Commissioner, allow the vacancy to remain unfilled until the ordinary election.	LGA s4.16(4) LGA s4.17(2)	Sat to Fri	16/01/2021 to 16/07/2021
91	If an elected member's office becomes vacant on or after this day the vacancy will remain unfilled until the ordinary election.	LGA s4.16(2)(3) LGA s4.17(1)	Sat	17/07/2021
80	Last day for local governments to gain agreement from the Electoral Commissioner to conduct the election (compulsory if intent is to hold a postal election).	LGA s4.20 (2)(3)(4) LGA s4.61 (2)(4)	Wed	28/07/2021
80	A decision for the Electoral Commissioner to conduct the election cannot be rescinded after this day.	LGA s4.20(6) LGA s4.61(5)	Wed	28/07/2021
70 to 56	Between these days, the CEO of the local government is to give Statewide public notice of the closing date and time for elector enrolments.	LGA s4.39(2)	Sat to Sat	7/08/2021 to 21/08/2021
56	Last day for the local government's CEO to advise the Electoral Commissioner of the need to prepare an updated residents roll.	LGA s4.40(1)	Sat	21/08/2021
Close of Rolls	56	Advertising may begin for council nominations from 56 days, and no later than 45 days, before election day.	Sat	21/08/2021
	50	<b>Close of Rolls – 5.00pm</b>	Fri	<b>27/08/2021</b>
Nominations Open	45	Last day for advertisement to be placed calling for council nominations.	Wed	1/09/2021
	44	<b>Nominations Open</b> First day for candidates to lodge completed nomination papers, in the prescribed form, with the Returning Officer. Nominations are open for 8 days.	Thu	<b>2/09/2021</b>
Close of Nominations	38	If a candidate's nomination is withdrawn not later than 4.00pm on this day, the candidate's deposit is to be refunded.	Wed	8/09/2021
	37	<b>Close of Nominations – 4.00pm</b>	Thu	<b>9/09/2021</b>
	36	Last day for the Electoral Commissioner to prepare an updated residents roll for the election. Last day for the local government's CEO to prepare an owners and occupiers roll.	Fri	10/09/2021
	36	Returning Officer to give Statewide public notice of the election as soon as practicable but no later than 19 days before election day.		As soon as practicable
	22	The preparation of any consolidated roll (combined roll of residents, owners and occupiers) under regulation 18(1) is to be completed on or before this day.	Fri	24/09/2021
	19	Last day for the Returning Officer to give Statewide public notice of the election.	Mon	27/09/2021
Election Day	4	Close of absent voting and close of postal vote applications for 'voting in person' elections – 4.00pm.	Tue	12/10/2021
	1	Close of early voting for 'voting in person' elections – 4.00pm.	Fri	15/10/2021
	0	<b>Election Day</b> Close of poll – 6.00pm.	Sat	<b>16/10/2021</b>
	2	Election results declared and published.		As soon as practicable
	2 - 14	Report to Minister. The report relating to an election under section 4.79 is to be provided to the Minister within 14 days after the declaration of the result of the election. (See Online 'Form 20' at <a href="http://www.dlqc.wa.gov.au">www.dlqc.wa.gov.au</a> )		As soon as practicable
	Within 28 days of result publication	An invalidity complaint can be made to a Court of Disputed Returns, constituted by a magistrate, but can only be made within 28 days after notice is given of the result of the election.		As applicable
	Within 2 months of result declaration	Newly elected members to make their declarations of office.	LGA s2.29(1)(2) LGA s2.32(c) LGA s2.34(1)(c)	As soon as practicable
	Within 3 months of members making declarations	Newly elected members to lodge their Primary Returns with the local government's CEO.	LGA s5.75(1)	As soon as practicable

\* All Act sections refer to the *Local Government Act 1995*. All regulations refer to the *Local Government (Elections) Regulations 1997*.