

The City of Lewes



The First Town In The First State

The City of Lewes Municipal Election for 2025 is scheduled for Saturday, May 10th.

Polls open from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

For Candidates

The candidate filing period will begin **March 1, 2025, at 8:00 AM**, and end **Thursday, April 3, 2025, at 4:30 PM**, for the following open seats:

One (1) Mayor will be elected for a three (3) year term

In accordance with Section 5 of the City Charter, the qualifications for City Council person are:

- (a) A bona fide citizen of the United States and of the State of Delaware and a resident of the City of Lewes for at least one (1) year preceding the date of the annual election.
- (b) At least twenty-one (21) years of age; and
- (c) Shall not have been convicted of a felony.
- (d) Each of the qualifications for the Mayor and for the City Council Persons shall be continuing qualifications to hold office, and the failure of either the Mayor or any of the City Council Persons to have any of the qualifications required by this section during his term of office shall create a vacancy in the office.
- (e) A candidate for **Mayor** shall have been a qualified voter of the City of Lewes for at least one year prior to the date of the election.

Prospective candidates must also file [Candidate Filing Form](#), indicating the desire to file as candidate for the open seat.

On **April 14, 2025**, the City Council will take action on a recommendation from the City Manager, and by a majority vote of disinterested members, will make the final determination of the qualification of each candidate.

For Voters

To be eligible to vote, individuals must be at least (18) years of age or older on the date of the annual municipal election, a citizen of the United States and a bona fide citizen of the City of Lewes. **Eligible voters must register with the State of Delaware Department of Elections no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, April 25, 2025.**