

**STATE OF DELAWARE
DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS
SUSSEX COUNTY OFFICE**

**State House – 20th Representative District
Special Election – Tuesday, August 5, 2025**

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DATE All times are Eastern (local) time	EVENT	Delaware Code, Title 15 Section reference(s) (unless otherwise stated)
June 24, 2025	Vacancy created in office of State Representative for the 20 th District.	
July 3, 2025	Writ of Election issued by the House of Representatives and August 5, 2025 set as date for Special Election to fill vacancy.	§ 7101, § 7102(a)
July 3, 2025	Writ of Election received at the Department of Elections, Sussex County Office in Georgetown.	§ 7101
July 6, 2025	Campaign Finance 30-Day State Representative District 20 Special Election reporting period ends.	§ 8030(b)(2)
July 7, 2025	Proclamation posted at the Sussex County Courthouse and on State of Delaware website, and the Department of Elections website.	§ 7104(1)
July 8, 2025	Campaign Finance 30-Day State Representative District 20 Special Election report due.	§ 8030(c)(2)
July 11, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.	Deadline for a political party with ballot status in the 2024 General Election to submit nominating certificate to nominate a candidate at Department of Elections, Sussex County Office.	§ 7103(a), § 7103(d)

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July 11, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.	Deadline for an unaffiliated candidate to file required forms at Department of Elections, Sussex County Office.	§ 3002 § 7103(b)
July 18, 2025 (TBD)	Approximate date that the Department of Elections, Sussex County Office begins sending absentee ballots.	
TBD	Logic & Accuracy Testing of the State Representative District 20 Special Election Absentee Voting Tabulating Equipment at the Department of Elections Sussex County Office, 119 North Race Street, Georgetown, Delaware 19947.	§ 5008A § 5523
TBD	Random Selection of Voting Machine and Election District for State Representative District 20 Special Election Post-Election Audits at the Department of Elections Sussex County Office, 119 North Race Street, Georgetown, Delaware 19947.	§ 5012A(b)&(c)
TBD	Logic & Accuracy Testing and Certification of the State Representative District 20 Special Election ExpressVote XL Voting Machines to be used for Early Voting. Testing held at the Department of Elections Sussex County Seaford Warehouse, 200 Allen Street, Seaford, Delaware 19973.	§ 5008A
Thursday, July 24, 2025 7AM	Early Voting period for Special Election begins. See details below.	Chapter 54
Thursday, July 24, 2025 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.	Early Voting for the Special Election offered at Mariner Middle School, 16391 Harbeson Rd., Milton, DE 19968.	Chapter 54
Friday, July 25, 2025 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.	Early Voting for the Special Election offered at Mariner Middle School, 16391 Harbeson Rd., Milton, DE 19968.	Chapter 54
July 26, 2025 11:59 p.m.	DEADLINE to register to vote to be eligible to vote in the Special Election.	§ 2037
Saturday, July 26, 2025 7 a.m. – 7 p.m.	Early Voting for the Special Election offered at Mariner Middle School, 16391 Harbeson Rd., Milton, DE 19968.	Chapter 54

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Sunday, July 27, 2025	NO EARLY VOTING	
July 28, 2025	Campaign Finance 8-Day Representative District 20 Special Election reporting period ends.	§ 8030(b)(3)
TBD	Logic & Accuracy Testing and Certification of the State Representative District 20 Special Election ExpressVote XL Voting Machines to be used for Special Election Day Voting. Testing held at the Department of Elections Sussex County Seaford Warehouse, 200 Allen Street, Seaford, Delaware 19973.	§ 5008A
Monday, July 28, 2025 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.	Early Voting for the Special Election offered at Mariner Middle School, 16391 Harbeson Rd., Milton, DE 19968.	Chapter 54
Monday, July 28, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.	DEADLINE for a person to declare as a write-in candidate at the Department of Elections, Sussex County Office.	§ 3402, § 3405
TBD at 8:00 a.m.	Preparation and Scanning of Special Election Absentee Ballots at the Department of Elections, Sussex County Office, 119 North Race Street, Georgetown, DE 19947. This meeting will recess and reconvene as necessary until all absentee ballots have been processed and tabulated. Please note no ballots will be tabulated until the close of polls on Special Election Day, August 5, 2025 at 8:00 p.m.	Chapter 54
Tuesday, July 29, 2025 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.	Early Voting for the Special Election offered at Mariner Middle School, 16391 Harbeson Rd., Milton, DE 19968.	Chapter 54
Wednesday, July 30, 2025 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.	Early Voting for the Special Election offered at Mariner Middle School, 16391 Harbeson Rd., Milton, DE 19968.	Chapter 54

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July 30, 2025 at 11:59 p.m.	DEADLINE to file Campaign Finance 8-Day State Representative District 20 Special Election Report.	§ 8030(c)(3)
Thursday, July 31, 2025 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.	Early Voting for the Special Election offered at Mariner Middle School, 16391 Harbeson Rd., Milton, DE 19968.	Chapter 54
August 1, 2025	DEADLINE for the Department of Elections, Sussex County Office to mail absentee ballots for the Special Election.	§ 5504(b)
Friday, August 1, 2025 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.	Early Voting for the Special Election offered at Mariner Middle School, 16391 Harbeson Rd., Milton, DE 19968.	Chapter 54
Saturday, August 2, 2025 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.	Early Voting for the Special Election offered at Mariner Middle School, 16391 Harbeson Rd., Milton, DE 19968.	Chapter 54
Sunday, August 3, 2025 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.	Early Voting for the Special Election offered at Mariner Middle School, 16391 Harbeson Rd., Milton, DE 19968.	Chapter 54
Sunday, August 3, 2025 7PM	Early Voting period for Special Election ends.	Chapter 54
August 4, 2025 at 12 Noon	The last time (12 Noon) the Department of Elections, Sussex County Office may issue an absentee ballot for the Special Election.	§ 5503(a)
Tuesday, August 5, 2025 7 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Special Election Polling Places in State Representative District 20 are open from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. Eligible voters must vote at their assigned polling place on Special Election Day.	§ 7101, § 7102(a)

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Tuesday, August 5, 2025 at 8 p.m.	Deadline for the Department of Elections, Sussex County Office, 119 North Race Street, Georgetown, DE 19947 to receive an absentee ballot for the Special Election to be counted. Absentee ballots cannot be accepted at early voting sites and polling places.	§ 5508(b)
August 7, 2025 at 10 a.m.	Canvass of the Special Election by the Board of Canvass at the Sussex County Court House.	§ 7107
TBD	Voting Machine & Election District Audit of the State Representative District 20 Special Election at the Department of Elections, Sussex County Office, 119 North Race Street, Georgetown, DE 19947.	§ 5012A
December 31, 2025	Campaign Finance Year-End Special Election Report reporting period ends.	§ 8002(11)(a)(1) § 8030(b)(1)
January 20, 2026 at 11:59 p.m.	Deadline to file Campaign Finance 2025 Year-End Special Election Report.	§ 8030(c)(1)

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