

RECORDER'S NOTES
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2016 ELECTION DATES:

January 4, 2016, Monday: **Last day to affiliate with a major party in order to run as a party candidate in the primary (either through nomination or petition).**

January 4, 2016, Monday: **Last day to register as unaffiliated, in order to be placed in nomination (by petition) as an unaffiliated candidate.**

February 1, 2016, Monday: **Last day to affiliate with the Republican Party, Democratic Party in order to vote in the March 1st party precinct caucuses. (2 months before the precinct caucuses)**

February 1, 2016, Monday: **Last day to update your voter registration address to participate in the March 1st party precinct caucuses. (Must be a resident of the precinct for 29 days before the precinct caucus)**

February 1, 2016, Monday: **First day to circulate major/minor party candidate petitions for the Primary Election (first Monday in February).** April 4, 2016, Monday: **Last day to file major/minor party candidate petitions for the Primary.**

March 1, 2016, Tuesday: **Republican Party and Democratic Party Precinct Caucus Day** (In each even-numbered year, political parties hold their precinct caucus on the 1st Tuesday in March)

March 1, 2016-April 16, 2016: **Party County Assemblies (held in this time frame)** Republican or Democratic Party Assemblies. (No later than 25 days after precinct caucuses)

April 22, 2016, Friday: **Last day a write-in candidate may file an Affidavit of Intent for the Primary Election.**

April 26, 2016, Tuesday: Last day an unaffiliated voter may give notice in writing to the county clerk that he/she wishes to serve as an election judge. **Unaffiliated Voter Election Judge.**

May 19, 2016, Thursday: **First day an unaffiliated candidate may circulate or obtain signatures on a petition for nomination for the General Election.** (An unaffiliated candidate may not circulate a petition or gather signatures earlier than 173 days before the General Election) **Last day to file is July 14, 2016.**

May 27, 2016, Friday: **Last day for voters who are affiliated with a political party to change or withdraw their affiliation if they wish to vote in a different party's primary election** (Up to and including the 29th day before the Primary Election).

NOTE: in order to participate in the Primary Election, unaffiliated voters may affiliate at any time before and through the day of the primary election.

June 6, 2016, Monday: **Last day to submit an application to register to vote at a voter registration drive.** (No later than 22 days before the election)

June 6 – June 10, 2016: **Mail delivery ballots will be sent for the Primary Election (No later than 18 days before the Primary Election)**

June 20, 2016, Monday: **Last day for an individual to submit a voter registration application and still receive a ballot in the mail.** (No later than the close business on the 8th day before the election)

June 21, 2016, Tuesday: **Last day to file an absentee ballot application to receive the absentee ballot by mail.** (No later than the close of business on the 7th day before the election).

June 25, 2016, Saturday: **Clerk and Recorder's Office will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for replacement ballots, receipt of ballots or to register to vote.**

June 28, 2016, Tuesday: **PRIMARY ELECTION (Ballots can be dropped off at the Mogan County Courthouse 231 Ensign, Fort Morgan, CO 80701. No other Voter Service and Polling Centers will be available).**

July 14, 2016, Thursday: **Last day to file an unaffiliated candidate nomination petition.** (No later than 3:00 p.m. on the 117th day before the General Election)

July 21, 2016, Thursday: **Last day for a write-in candidate to file an Affidavit of Intent for the General Election.** (By the close of business on the 110th day before the General Election)

July 29, 2016, Friday: **Last day for a political subdivision to notify the county clerk in writing that it has taken formal action to participate in the General Election.** (100 days before the General Election)

October 17, 2016, Monday: **First day ballots for the General Election can be mailed out.**

October 17, 2016 Monday: **Last day to submit an application to register to vote through a voter registration drive.** (No later than 22 days before the election)

October 21, 2016 Friday- **Last day to send mail ballots to voters for the General Election, except for UOCOVA voters. (No later than 18 days before the General Election)**

October 31, 2016, Monday: **Last day to submit a voter registration application and still receive a ballot in the mail.** (No later than eight days before the election)

November 1, 2016, Tuesday: **Last day to file an absentee ballot application to receive the absentee ballot by mail if you are absent from your home address.**

November 8, 2016, Tuesday: **GENERAL ELECTION (OPEN) 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (Ballots can be dropped off at the Morgan County Courthouse 231 Ensign Street, Fort Morgan, CO 80701) ELECTION DAY ONLY:(Three Voter Service and Polling Centers will be available; The Morgan County Clerk's Office, Morgan County Fairgrounds and Wiggins Fire Hall.**

The Election and Recording Department can be reached at 542-3521, option 5 for voter and election questions or recording information. The Motor Vehicle Department can be reached at 542-3521, option 2 for license plates/renewals or titling a vehicle. The Recording Department can be reached at 542-3521, option 4. You can also reach our office by email at sbailey@co.morgan.co.us.

Clerk & Recorder/Motor Vehicle Offices will be closed at noon on December 24 and remain closed December 25, 2015 and on January 1, 2016 so our employees can spend time with their families for the holidays!