



WESTERN AUSTRALIAN Electoral Commission

POSTAL ELECTION TIMETABLE

2023 Local Government Ordinary Election

Days to Polling Day	Day	Date	Local Government Act	References to Act / Regs
80	Wed	2/08/2023	Last day for declaration to have the Electoral Commissioner conduct a postal election. A decision made to conduct the election as a postal election cannot be rescinded after the 80th day.	LGA 4.20(2)(3)(4) LGA 4.61(5)
77	Sat	5/08/2023	Electoral Commissioner to appoint a person to be the Returning Officer of the Local Government for the election.	LGA 4.20(4)
77 to	Sat to	5/08/2023 to	Between the 77th / 63rd day the CEO is to give Statewide public notice of the time and date of close of enrolments.	LGA 4.39(2)
63	Sat	19/08/2023	* Preferred date: Wednesday 9 August 2023	
63	Sat	19/08/2023	Last day for the CEO to advise the Electoral Commissioner of the need to prepare a residents roll. Advertising may begin for nominations from 63 days and no later than 52 days before election day. * Preferred date: Wednesday 23 August 2023	LGA 4.40(1) LGA 4.47(1)
57	Fri	25/08/2023	Roll Close Close roll 5.00 pm.	LGA 4.39(1)
52	Wed	30/08/2023	Last day for advertisement to be placed calling for nominations.	LGA 4.47(1)
51	Thu	31/08/2023	Nominations Open First day for candidates to lodge completed nomination paper, in the prescribed form, with the Returning Officer. Nominations period is open for 8 days.	LGA 4.49(a)
45	Wed	6/09/2023	If a candidate's nomination is withdrawn not later than 4.00 pm on the 45th day before election day, the candidate's deposit is to be refunded.	Reg. 27(5)
44	Thu	7/09/2023	Close of Nominations 4.00 pm on the 44th day before election day.	LGA 4.49(a)
43	Fri	8/09/2023	Last day for the CEO to prepare and certify an owners and occupiers roll for the election. Last day for the Electoral Commissioner to prepare and certify a residents roll.	LGA 4.41(1) LGA 4.40(2)
36	Fri	15/09/2023	Commencement of lodgement of Country Local Government District election packages with Australia Post. Delivery dependent on normal Australia Post standards.	
31	Wed	20/09/2023	Commencement of lodgement of Metropolitan Local Government District election packages with Australia Post. Delivery dependent on normal Australia Post standards.	
29	Fri	22/09/2023	The preparation of any consolidated roll under subregulation (1) be completed on or before 29th day before election day.	Reg. 18(2)
26	Mon	25/09/2023	Public Holiday Last day for the Returning Officer to give Statewide public notice of the election. * Preferred date: Wednesday 20 September 2023	LGA 4.64(1)
19	Mon	2/10/2023	Commence processing returned election packages.	
0	Sat	21/10/2023	ELECTION DAY - Close of poll 6.00 pm	LGA 4.7
Post Election Day	Day	Date	Post Declaration	References to Act / Regs
5	Thu	26/10/2023	Notice of Election Result	LGA 4.77
16	Mon	6/11/2023	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.	Reg. 81
30	Mon	20/11/2023	An invalidity complaint is to 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.	LGA 4.81(1)