

<u>Runoff Election Procedures</u>	
Date TBD	Drawing for candidate positions on the Runoff Election ballot will be held in the Secretary of State's office at a time TBD (SDCL 12-16-8).
June 10	Deadline for Runoff Election ballots to be printed and in a County Auditor's possession (SDCL 12-16-1 , 12-16-17).
June 12	<u>Absentee Voting</u> Absentee voting for the Runoff Election begins on this date (SDCL 12-19-1.2). Ballots must be sent out within forty-eight hours of an application being received (SDCL 12-19-3).
June 13 or June 14	The Secretary of State must publish notice of a Runoff Election and a facsimile ballot in state newspapers that publish on Saturday and Sunday on the eleventh or twelfth day after the Primary Election (SDCL 12-12-1).
Weeks of June 22 and 29	Publish a notice for the Voter Registration Deadline in all official newspapers in the county at least once each week for two consecutive weeks, with the final notice being published not less than ten nor more than fifteen days prior to the Voter Registration Deadline. This notice must also be published online by the County Auditor (SDCL 12-4-5.2 , ARSD 5:02:04:04).
June 26	Deadline for an individual's voter registration to be challenged on the grounds of a felony conviction, mental incompetence, or death, pursuant to SDCL 12-4-58 . The challenge must be filed with the County Auditor not later than the thirtieth day before the Primary Election (SDCL 12-4-58).
June 26	A list containing the names of each person who will be receiving, processing, and tabulating ballots must be sent by the County Auditor to the county chair of each political party at least thirty days prior to the election to ensure bipartisan representation (SDCL 12-17B-11).
July 8	Precinct superintendents and precinct deputies must be appointed by the County Auditor for each election precinct at least twenty days prior to the election (SDCL 12-15-1 , 12-15-2 , 12-15-3).
July 13	<u>Voter Registration Deadline</u> A person must register to vote by 5:00 p.m. local time on this date (fifteen days prior to the election) to vote in the Runoff Election (SDCL 12-4-5).
July 17	If ballots will be processed by an automatic tabulating machine prior to the closing of the polls on Election Day, notification of the processing must be provided to the county chair of the republican party at least ten days before the election (SDCL 12-19-43).
Weeks of July 13 and 20	Publish a notice for the Run-Off Election in all official newspapers in the county at least once each week for two consecutive weeks, with the final notice being published not less than four nor more than ten days prior to the Run-Off Election (SDCL 12-12-1).
Weeks of July 13 and 20	Publish a copy of the facsimile ballot in all official newspapers in the county at least once within the two calendar weeks prior to the Primary Election (SDCL 12-16-16 , 12-16-16.1 , 12-16-16.2).
July 18 – earliest date to test	Not more than 10 days prior, automatic tabulating equipment must be tested by the County Auditor during this period. The County Auditor must publish a notice of testing at least forty-eight hours prior to the test (SDCL 12-17B-5 , ARSD 5:02:09:01.01).
July 27	Last day for a voter to request an absentee ballot. A voter must request an absentee ballot before 5:00 p.m. local time on this date (SDCL 12-19-2.1).

	No public official may mail an absentee ballot to a voter after the Monday prior to Election Day (SDCL 12-19-5).
July 28	<p><u>RUNOFF ELECTION DAY</u></p> <p>Polls are open from <u>7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.</u> local time (SDCL 12-2-1, 12-2-3).</p> <p>Ballots and election supplies must be delivered to the superintendent of each election precinct prior to the opening of the polls (SDCL 12-16-18).</p> <p>An absentee ballot may be requested by a voter confined due to sickness or disability through an authorized messenger until 3:00 p.m. local time on Election Day (SDCL 12-19-2.1). All absentee ballots requested in this manner must be returned to the County Auditor in time for them to be delivered to the correct polling location by the time the polls close (SDCL 12-19-9).</p> <p>An absentee ballot that is delivered to a polling place, absentee counting board, or the office of the person in charge of the election after the polls have closed in the County may not be counted or opened (SDCL 12-29-12).</p> <p>An automatic tabulating machine that will be used on Election Day must be tested in the manner prescribed by SDCL 12-17B-5 immediately prior to the start of the official count of the ballots (SDCL 12-17B-12).</p>
August 3	<p>The County Auditor (and any other person in charge of the election) must make an official canvass of the votes within six calendar days of the election, with the governing board serving as the canvassing board (SDCL 12-20-36).</p> <p>Certified copies of the official county canvass must be filed with the Secretary of State immediately after the canvass has been made. These copies may be sent electronically as long as the required seal is visible and an original copy is also sent in the mail (SDCL 12-20-38.1).</p>
August 4	<p>The State Board of Canvassers must meet to open and examine the returns from each county within seven days of the election (SDCL 12-20-47).</p> <p>*Note: The Secretary of State will notify County Auditors when the state canvass has been completed.</p>
September 15	<p>Deadline for the County Auditor to transmit voter election history from the Runoff Election into TotalVote/SDVotes (SDCL 12-4-37).</p> <p>*Note: This timeline mirrors that which is established for the Primary Election and General Election because there is no statutory deadline for the Runoff Election.</p>