

Timetable for a UK Parliamentary general election in Northern Ireland

The days which are disregarded in calculating the timetable for a UK Parliamentary election are Saturday, Sunday, bank holidays and any day appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning.

Please be aware that the timetable may change in the event of days being appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning.

This timetable is based on the assumption that the writ is received on the day following the dissolution of Parliament. If the writ is received on a different date:

The notice of election in that particular constituency must be published no later than 4pm on the second day following the receipt of the writ.

The period for delivery of nomination papers will begin from the day after the publication of notice of election. The deadline for nominations will remain the same (i.e. 4pm on 19 working days before the poll).

| **Event** | **Date** | **Working days before poll**  **(deadline if not midnight)** |
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| Dissolution of Parliament | Wednesday 6 November | 25 days |
| Receipt of writ | Thursday 7 November | 24 days |
| Publication of notice of election | Monday 11 November | Not later than 22 days (4pm) |
| Delivery of nomination papers | Until 4pm on 14 November | Between 10am and 4pm on any working day after the publication of the notice of election until 4pm on the sixth day after the date of dissolution |
| Deadline for delivery of nomination papers | Thursday 14 November 4pm | 19 days (4pm) |
| Deadline for withdrawals of nomination | Thursday 14 November 4pm | 19 days (4pm) |
| Making objections to nomination papers | Between 10am and 12 noon on Thursday 14 November objection can be made to all delivered nomination papers.  Between 12 noon and 5pm on Thursday 14 November objections can only be made to nominations delivered after 4pm on Wednesday 13 November | On 19 days (10am to 5pm), subject to the following:  Between 10am and 12 noon objections can be made to all delivered nominations  Between 12 noon and 5pm objections can only be made to nominations delivered after 4pm, 20 days before the poll |
| Deadline for the notification of appointment of election agent | Thursday 14 November 4pm | 19 days (4pm) |
| Publication of statement of persons nominated, including notice of poll and situation of polling stations | If no objections at 5 pm Thursday 14 November  If objections are made at 4 pm on Friday 15 November | If no objections: on 19 days (at 5pm)  If objection(s) are made: Not before objection(s) are disposed of but not later than 18 days (4pm) |
| Deadline for receiving postal vote and proxy applications | Thursday 21 November 5pm | 14 days (5pm) |
| Deadline for receiving applications for registration | Tuesday 26 November | 12 days |
| Deadline for receiving late applications to vote by post or proxy | Wednesday 4 December | 6 days (5pm) |
| Publication of notices of alterations as a result of late registration | Thursday 5 December | 5 days |
| Deadline for notification of appointment of polling and counting agents | Thursday 5 December | 5 days |
| Deadline for notification of appointment of sub agents | Tuesday 10 December | 2 days |
| Re-issue of spoilt postal votes | 5pm on Wednesday 11 December | 1 day |
| **Polling day** | **Thursday 12 December** | **0 (7am to 10pm)** |
| Last time to alter the register due to clerical error or court appeal | Thursday 12 December 7pm | 0 (7pm) |