2021 April Fire District Election Timeline

**March**

March 9
Publication of Notice of Fire Election by Fire District Commissioners
(at least 6 weeks prior to election)
N.J.S.A. 40A:14-72

March 22
Nomination Petition Filing Deadline for Fire District Election
(29 days before election)
N.J.S.A. 40A:14-71

March 30
Voter Registration Deadline for Fire District Election
(21 days before election)
N.J.S.A. 40A:14-74

**April**

April 13
Deadline to apply for a Mail-In Ballot by Mail for Fire District Elections
(not less than 7 days prior to election)
N.J.S.A. 19:63-3

April 13
Publication of Notice of Fire District Election by Fire District Commissioners
(at least once not later than 1 week prior to election)
N.J.S.A. 40A:14-74

April 13
Fire District Election Voter Registry List to be Provided to Fire District Commissioners by County Commissioners of Registration
(at least 7 days prior to election)
N.J.S.A. 40A:14-74

April 16
Deadline for Applications to Receive Mail-In Ballot for Fire District Election by Electronic Means for Qualified Overseas Civilian and Military Voters
(4th day before election)
N.J.S.A. 19:59-4

April 19 – by 3:00 p.m.
Deadline for In-Person Mail-In Ballot Applications for Fire District Elections
(up to 3:00 pm on the day before election)
N.J.S.A. 19:63-3

April 20
Fire District Elections
(Moved from the 3rd Saturday in February to the date of the Annual School Election by Executive Order 211)
N.J.S.A. 40A:14-72

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April 20
Last Day for Testing of Electronic Scanning Equipment for Tabulation of Paper Ballots for Fire District Election
(day of election)
(notice to be given 48 hours prior to start of testing)
N.J.S.A. 19:53A-8

April 20
Deadline for Post Office Receipt of Mail-In Ballots from the Fire District Election

April 20
Deadline for in Person Submission of Fire District Election Mail-In Ballots to County Boards of Election
(by 8:00 p.m. on the day of election)
N.J.S.A. 19:63-16

April 21 - May 7
Impoundment Period for Voting Machines Used in the Fire District Elections
(17 days following election) (to comply with P.L. 2018, c.72)

April 26
Deadline for Receipt of Timely Mailed Postmarked Mail-In Ballots to County Boards of Election
(no later than 144 hours (6 days) after the time of the closing of the polls for the election)
N.J.S.A. 19:63-22

May

May 7
Deadline for Recount Applications for Fire District Elections
(within 17 days after election)
N.J.S.A. 19:28-1

May 7
Deadline for Applications for Recheck of Voting Machines Used in the Fire District Elections
(within 17 days after election) (to comply with P.L. 2018, c.72)

May 22
Deadline for Filing of Election Contest Petitions for Fire District Elections
(not later than 32 days after election)
N.J.S.A. 19:29-3