

**TOWN OF BURLINGTON
2026 ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
INFORMATION AND CALENDAR**

NOMINATION PAPERS AVAILABLE 1ST WORKDAY OF THE YEAR – Jan. 2, 2026

The Town Clerk shall not furnish blank forms for nomination of candidates for town office to any person other than a candidate seeking such nominations or a person presenting the signed authorization of a candidate to secure said forms on his/her behalf. (53:17)

Each candidate shall file with the Town Clerk prior to obtaining blank nomination papers, a statement containing his/her name and address, and the office for which he/she intends to be a candidate. (53:9A) No candidate for town office shall receive more blank nomination papers than will contain the number of signatures required to place his/her name in nomination, multiplied by five. (53:9A)

No nomination paper shall be received or be valid unless the written acceptance of the candidate thereby nominated shall be filed therewith. (53:9)

Note: The references in parentheses show the specific sections of Massachusetts General Laws that set these requirements.

Wednesday, January 21, 2026	5:00 PM	Campaign Finance Reports Due for Candidates with Balances from previous year
Friday, February 6, 2026	1:00 PM	Last day to receive notice from Select Board of a resignation/vacancy for an office to be placed on the ballot (41:10)
Friday, February 13, 2026	1:00 PM	Last day for incumbent Town Meeting Members to file notice of re-election (53:10)
Wednesday, February 18, 2026	5:00 PM	Last day for obtaining nomination papers (53:9A)
Friday, February 20, 2026	1:00 PM	Last day for filing nomination papers with Office/ Board of Registrars (53:7)
Tuesday, March 10, 2026	5:00 PM	Last day for filing objections/withdrawals (53:11/13)
Wednesday, April 1, 2026	5:00 PM	Last day to register to vote (Ch 92:Acts of 2022)
Friday, April 3, 2026	1:00 PM	Campaign Finance Reports Due (Town-wide only)
Monday, April 6, 2026	5:00 PM	Last day to request Vote by Mail Ballot (Chapter 92:Acts of 2022)
Saturday, April 11, 2026	8 AM - 8 PM	Annual Town Election
Monday, May 11, 2026	5:00 PM	Campaign Finance Reports Due

NOMINATION PAPERS - NUMBER OF SIGNATURES REQUIRED (43A:6, 53:6,7)

Town-wide Office	Minimum of 50 voters of the town. No more than four blank nomination papers issued.
Town Meeting	Minimum of 10 voters of the precinct in which the candidate resides. No more than one blank nomination paper issued.

Note: MGL Chapter 216 of the Acts of 2007 approved by the voters on April 5, 2008 provides that an elected official shall hold only 1 elected position in the town of Burlington. If an elected official shall be elected to an additional office in violation of this section, the elected official shall be deemed to have vacated the initial office held upon being sworn into the new office. If the elected official fails to be sworn into the new office within 10 days after the election, the new office shall be declared vacant.