

State Voters' Pamphlet Deadlines

Applicable to candidates for state offices and candidates for local offices eligible to appear in the State Voters' Pamphlet.

**These deadlines do not apply to county voters' pamphlets. Contact your county elections official.*

First Day to File Prospective Petition	September 11, 2025
First Day to File by Fee or Completed Petition	January 19, 2026
Last Day to File by Fee or Completed Petition	March 12, 2026, 5:00:00 pm
Last Day to Withdraw	March 12, 2026, 5:00:00 pm
Last Day to Submit Signatures for Guaranteed Verification	February 26, 2026, 5:00:00 pm
! If 100% of the required signatures are submitted by this date, the elections official will verify signatures so they can be used as payment. Signatures filed after this date may not be verified by the filing deadline and the filer would be required to pay the fee instead.	
State Voters' Pamphlet Filings Become Public	March 18, 2026
! Voters' pamphlet records are exempt from public disclosure until the 4th business day after filing deadline.	

Filing by Fee or Petition

For a candidate statement or measure argument filing to be considered complete it must be accompanied by the required filing fee or a voters' pamphlet petition containing the required number of verified signatures.

By Fee

Payments must be processed before the filing deadline at 5:00:00 pm.

Statements and Arguments may still be amended up until the deadline.

By Petition

The required number of signatures must be verified by the appropriate election officials by the deadline at 5:00:00 pm.

The petition must first be approved to circulate before signatures can be gathered. The statement or argument cannot be amended after this point.

Signers must be active registered voters in the associated district, but don't need to be registered in the same party as the candidate (if applicable).

Signatures are verified by elections officials on a first come, first served basis.

Endorsements

All candidate statements and measure arguments that include the name of a person or organization as supporting or endorsing the candidate or a measure require that person's or the organization's permission.

- Their permission must be documented on an [SEL 400 Statement of Endorsement](#) form. Filers must submit a completed and signed [SEL 400](#) for each person or organization identified in the statement or argument.
- **or** filers may include a publicly disseminated quote identified by source and date.

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Filing Requirements for State Candidates

Office	Fee	Signatures	Additional Details
President or Vice President	\$3,500	500	➤ Petition signers must be active registered voters of the district ➤ Signatures verified by the Elections Division
US Senator	\$3,000	500	
US Representative	\$2,500	300	
Governor	\$3,000	500	
State Senator			
State Representative	\$750	200	
Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries	\$3,000	500	
Supreme Court Judge			
Court of Appeals Judge	\$3,000	500	
Circuit Court Judge			
District Attorney	\$600	200	

Filing Requirements for Local Candidates

If the relevant county is producing a voters' pamphlet, local candidates must file their statement directly with the county.

Contact the county elections official for information as to whether the county is publishing a voters' pamphlet and if so, how to be included.

- Local candidates, including metropolitan service district candidates, county candidates or city candidates in cities with populations over 50,000 (Albany, Beaverton, Bend, Corvallis, Eugene, Gresham, Hillsboro, Medford, Portland, Salem, Springfield and Tigard) may file statements for inclusion in the State Voters' Pamphlet **only** if the county does not print its own voters' pamphlet.

The following information pertains only to local candidates eligible to file in the State Voters' Pamphlet:

County Office	Fee	Signatures	Additional Details
Eligible offices	\$600	200	➤ Petition signers must be active registered voters of the district ➤ Signatures verified by County Elections Official

City Office	Fee	Signatures	Additional Details
Eligible offices	\$600	200	➤ Applicable for cities with population over 50,000 ➤ Petition signers must be active registered voters of the district ➤ Signatures verified by County Elections Official
i Candidates in a multi-county city must file with each filing officer producing a voters' pamphlet. In some instances, this may mean filing for the state voters' pamphlet as well as a county voters' pamphlet.			

District Office

- i** Metropolitan service district candidates may appear in the State Voters' Pamphlet only if the county in which the district is located, is not producing a voters' pamphlet.
- No other district candidates may appear in the State Voters' Pamphlet. If the county in which the special district is located in does not produce a voters' pamphlet, the candidate will not appear in any official voters' pamphlet.

Filing Requirements for State and Local Measures

State Measure	Fee	Word Count	Signature Requirements
State Measure	\$1200	325	500
			➤ Signers must be active registered voters of Oregon ➤ Signatures are verified by the Elections Division on a first come, first serve basis

Local Measure

A county measure, a community college district measure relating to bonding, or metropolitan service district measure may only appear in the State Voters' Pamphlet in the following circumstances:

- The county is not producing a voters' pamphlet;
- A ballot title and explanatory statement are drafted, and a process is in place for review of the ballot title and explanatory statement;
- Submission of arguments is allowed by county charter or ordinance, and the cost of submission is no more than \$300 or 1,000 signatures;

and

- A request is filed with the county elections official that the measure be included in the State Voters' Pamphlet.

! City measures are not eligible to appear in the State Voters' Pamphlet.

Eligible Measures	Fee	Signatures	Additional Details
Contact your county	County Sets	County Sets	➤ County measure argument filings are filed with the county elections official ➤ Process is coordinated by county elections official and State
i Measure arguments supporting or opposing a local measure are always filed with the county election official, regardless of if the county is producing its own voters' pamphlet.			

How to File in ORESTAR

All candidate statements must be submitted electronically using ORESTAR. Filers are required to have a user account in ORESTAR to submit a statement for inclusion in the State Voters' Pamphlet. Detailed steps can be found in the [ORESTAR User's Manual: Voters' Pamphlet Filing](#) available at www.oregonvotes.gov.

- ❗ ORESTAR may become slow to respond due to increased activity approaching the filing deadline. Filers are **strongly encouraged** to complete their filings, including payment, early. Completed fee filings may still be amended up until the deadline.
- ❗ Filings must be completed by the deadline at 5:00:00pm. A filing is not considered complete until it is submitted and paid for by fee or verified signature.

Basic ORESTAR Steps

- 1 Create an ORESTAR user account [here](#).
- 2 Access your Private Workshop by logging into ORESTAR.
- 3 Click *Submit New Filing* from the vertical menu bar in the left frame of ORESTAR and select *File Voters' Pamphlet Statement/Argument*.
- 4 Complete all required fields in the *Filing Information* and *Statement* Tabs.
 - ❗ Petition filers **cannot change** their statement or argument unless they begin the petition process again or pay the required filing fee.
- 5 Upload photos and statement of endorsements in the Uploads tab.
 - ℹ Photos and any statements of endorsements are due no later than 5:00:00 pm on the filing deadline. They are not required to be submitted with the initial filing and can be added to the filing until the filing deadline.
- 6 Once complete click *Submit Filing* to attest to the accuracy of the statement/argument and to pay fee or request approval to circulate.