General Election Results Reporting Timeline – 2026

Nov. 2 (Mon)

Pre-election night upload to county's election management system

No later than 7 pm (local time)

All early voting results and tabulated vote-by-mail ballots tabulated by end of voting period

(s. 102.141(4), FS.)

Nov. 3 (Tue) ELECTION DAY

Preliminary election night returns

Within 30 minutes of polls close and every 45 minutes thereafter all tabulated VBM and EV results and precinct results

(s. 102.141(4), FS.)

(All returns from precinct/polling places due to the canvassing board no later than next morning (i.e., 2 am Wed)

(s. 102.141(3), FS.)

Nov. 5 (Thu)

Deadline for voter submit proof and/or cure for provisional ballots and cures for vote-by-mail ballots as applicable

No later than 5 pm/2nd day (local time)

(ss. 101.048, 101.68, FS.)

Nov. 7 (Sat)

Unofficial returns

Due no later than noon/4th day

Includes results of provisional ballots and vote-by-mail ballots (cures)

(s. 102.141(5), FS.)

Nov. 12 (Thu)

2nd unofficial returns

Due no later than 3 pm/9th day if machine recount triggered by unofficial returns in race

(s. 102.141(7), FS.)

Nov. 16 (Mon)

County official returns

Due no later than noon/13th day

Includes results of manual recount if 2nd unofficial returns triggered recount in race and count of 10-day returned overseas ballots

(ss. 101.6952(5), 102.166, 102.112, FS.)

Nov. 17 (Tue)

Elections Canvassing Commission

Certifies official returns by 8 am/14th day

(s. 102.111, FS.)

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