

***COCHISE COUNTY
PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON
FILING PACKET***



This pamphlet had been prepared by the Cochise County Elections/Special Districts Office to provide general information to persons seeking election for Precinct Committeeperson within Cochise County.

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PRIMARY ELECTION CALENDAR 2014

MONDAY – APRIL 28, 2014

First date for Partisan Primary Candidates to file papers – 120 days (Petitions, Nomination Paper, Affidavit of Qualification and Campaign Finance Laws Statement) (A.R.S. 16-311, 16-314)

WEDNESDAY – MAY 28, 2014

Last date for Partisan Primary Candidates to file papers - 120 days (Petitions, Nomination Paper, Affidavit of Qualification and Campaign Finance Laws Statement) (A.R.S. 16-311, 16-314)

WEDNESDAY – JUNE 11, 2014

Last date for Partisan Primary Candidate to file as a Write-In (A.R.S. 16-312)

MONDAY – JULY 28, 2014

Last day to register to vote in the Primary Election (A.R.S. 16-120)

THURSDAY – JULY 31, 2014

Early Voting begins for Primary Election (A.R.S. 16-545)

FRIDAY – AUGUST 15, 2014

Last day to request a ballot by mail (A.R.S. 16-542 (D))

FRIDAY – AUGUST 22, 2014

Last day to vote early at the Recorder's Office (A.R.S. 16-542 (D))

TUESDAY – AUGUST 26, 2014

PRIMARY ELECTION (A.R.S. 16-201)

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS:

For a candidate to run for precinct committeeperson they must have signatures of a minimum of 2% and a maximum of 10% or 10 signatures (whichever is less) of the party voter registration within the precinct the candidate is registered in. A list of precinct committee men allowed by law per precinct and signature requirements for each precinct will be provided after (March 1st).

PRECINCT COMMITTEEPERSON CANDIDATE FILING CHECKLIST

The candidate filing period for all documents begins April 28, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. and ends May 30, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. Candidates (or their representatives) must present ALL of the necessary paperwork at one time. Candidates will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis. The Election Department staff processes all nominating papers presented before 5:00 p.m. the same day they are brought in. Please be prepared to wait into the evening, if necessary. Avoid the wait by filing early in the candidate filing period.

1. Nomination Paper, Affidavit of Qualification and Campaign Finance Laws Statement

(All three of these are on the same one-page form)

- Make sure to answer every question and fill in every blank.*
- Write the candidate's name exactly how he or she wants it to be printed on the ballot. The candidate's last name must appear first. Nicknames are permissible as long as they do not suggest a title.*
- The candidate must sign the form and have the signature notarized. ****

2. Nomination Petition

- All petitions must be on letter size paper and copied onto one page, front to back.*
- The candidate must file at least the minimum number of signature required for the office sought and no more than the maximum number. If there are too few, the Elections Office cannot accept the nomination papers.*
- Check to see that the circulator portion on the back of each petition is complete:*
 - Did the circulator print his or her name, residence address, city or town, and county on the back of each petition?*
 - Did the circulator sign the back of petition?*
- Check to see that the signature portion of each petition is complete:*
 - Is there a date for each signature?*
 - Is there an actual residence address including city or Town, or a description of the residence location, for each signature?*

NOTE: *Signatures on petitions are not verified by this office; however, they are subject to challenge. Nomination paper and petitions become public record once filed and are subject to inspection by the general public.*

****** The Election staff will notarize forms; free of charge, if the signer presents picture identification.***

Write-In Candidate:

Precinct Committee Candidate running as a write-in candidate for an office where only one candidate or no candidate has filed a nomination paper and the election may therefore be subject to cancellation, to file the candidate's write-in nomination paper no later than 76 days before the election.

ELECTION 2014 – CONTACTS

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