

Election Process

Eligible candidate files petition with required number of signatures in Municipal Clerk's office before 4:00 P.M. of the 57th day before the Primary Election. If running as an Independent, petition gets filed in County Clerk's Office on Primary Election Day before 4:00 P.M.

Typed ballot copy with candidates names, slogans and Municipal Clerk's signature get filed in County Clerk's office by the Municipal Clerk by the 4th day after receipt of petition.

Voter registration forms and absentee ballot applications may be obtained from the Municipal Clerk's office.

Change of party affiliation declaration forms to be filed 50 days before Primary Election. Last day to register to vote for the Primary Election is 29 days before the election.

Sample ballots are mailed the Wednesday before Primary Election.

The deadline for civilian absentee ballot applications in person up to 3:00 P.M. on the day before election up to the County.

The Municipal Clerk certifies to the County Clerk and County Board of Elections the winning candidate's names and addresses within 8 day after the Primary Election (County Committee members run every other even year.)

The deadline for submission of a public question proposed by the electorate and adopted by the local or County Government to be filed with the County Clerk 60 days before the General Election.

The last day a vacancy can occur for Primary Election nominees is 51 days before the General Election.

The deadline for filling the Primary Nominee vacancy is 48 days before the General Election.

The Municipal Clerk files the General Election ballot copies, signed and certified in the County Clerk's office within 4 days of the deadline for filling vacancy,

Last day to register to vote for the General Election is 29 days before the election.

Absentee ballot applications by mail must be received in the County Clerk's office not less than 7 days prior to election.

The deadline for civilian absentee ballot applications in person is up to 3:00 P.M. of the day before the election up to the County.

The deadline for submitting absentee ballots to County Board of Elections is by 8:00 P.M. on the day of the election.

The elected officials are sworn in at the Reorganization Meeting on January 1st at 1:00 P.M.

The Borough of Carlstadt has a Mayor and 6 Councilman.

The Mayor's term of office is 4 years.

The Councilman's term of office is 3 years.