

In compliance with the Election and Political Organizations Law, in March 2017, the TSE established a detailed election calendar of the election events. This Calendar allows citizens, national and international observers, as well as academics and researchers of democratic processes of our country or the Central American region, at the international level, to have a reference of the planning of our general elections in 2017, a calendar that contributes to make the timelines of the events more transparent.

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2017 GENERAL ELECTIONS ELECTORAL CALENDAR

DAE	MONTH	DAY AND DATE	ELECTION EVENT	LAW ART.	OBSERVATIONS
OCTOBER 2017					
45	October	Thursday 12	Deadline for public officers and employees to inaugurate works and diffuse in the media.	32	Financing Law
45	October	Thursday 12	Incorporation of the Municipal Elections Tribunals.	21	45 days before the general elections.
35	October	Sunday 22	Appointment, by the Supreme Elections Tribunal, of positions that have not been covered by political parties, alliances and independent candidates.	22	As of the 10 days following the lack of appointment of members.
32	October	Wednesday 25	Armed Forces at the disposal of the Supreme Elections Tribunal.	272	Constitutional
30	October	Friday 27	The prohibition period starts for natural persons and legal entities to measure electoral behavior by disclosing surveys and opinion surveys	145	
NOVEMBER 2017					
25	November	Wednesday 01	Delivery of credentials to MER members, to political parties, alliances and independent candidates	27	
6	November	Monday 20	Start of the period of delivery of election material to the TED and TEM.	165	
6	November	Monday 20	<i>End of electoral propaganda, political concentrations periods.</i>	144, 149	
5	November	Tuesday 21	Start of electoral silence period, during which only media can be used to explain and diffuse government programs without directly requesting people's votes.	149	5 days before the general elections (Saturday 25).
3	November	Thursday 23	Start of the period of collaboration of the media and the TSE.	229	
1	November	Saturday 25	End Electoral silence.		

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1	November	Saturday 25	6:00 a.m. prohibition of public events and alcohol sale points begins.	181	
1	November	Saturday 25	End electoral silence.		
DE	November	Sunday 26	General Elections Take Place.	159	
		6:00 a.m.	Polling Stations (MER) established and review of election material	168	
		7:00 a.m.	Voting process begins.	169	
		4:00 ó 5:00 p.m.	<i>Closing of voting process according to TSE resolution and vote count begins.</i>	172, 173	Extension – Fortuitous event or force majeure until 5:00 p.m.
		4:00 a 6:00 p.m. ó 5:00 a 7:00 p.m.	Prohibition to disclose the results of the exit poll surveys during the two hours following the closing of the voting announced by the TSE.	182	
1	November	Monday 27	6:00 p.m. the prohibition of public events and sale points of alcohol is suspended.	181	
			Preparation of the provisional election national census for the 2021 primary elections starts.	48	
			General vote counting period begins.	189	
			Start of period for actions for invalidation of the voting process	204	10 days after the elections.
2	November	Tuesday 28	4: 00 p.m. Delivery of vehicles to government institutions	227	
DECEMBER 2017					
10	December	Wednesday 06	Period for actions for invalidation of the voting process comes to an end	204	
15	December	Monday 11	TED and TEM operations end.	19, 21	15 days after the elections.
30	December	Tuesday 26	Postal and telephone franchise period ends.	221	
			Statement of the Elections	198	At the latest 30 days after the election.
			Period of Armed Forces at the disposal of the Supreme Elections Tribunal Ends		
31	December	Wednesday 27	Publication of the statement of the elections in the official journal "la Gaceta"	198	
2	December	Thursday 28	Period for actions of invalidation of elections against statement of General Elections initiates.	204	
DECEMBER 2017					
39	January	Thursday 04	The period for actions of invalidation of elections against statement of General Elections ends	204	
			Determine the date of delivery of credential to citizens elected for Public Office		

Our Electoral civic celebration has been intensively and eagerly planned, as already highlighted. Many economic resources are involved, and many people will be mobilized. Also, citizens from friend countries join by participating and accompanying us as observers of the process. We exhort all to contribute by participating in a responsible manner, exercising the citizen's right to vote, in an environment of peace and sisterhood, with the conviction that our democracy is strengthened and matures with each election, as mandated by our Constitution.