



## Elections Alberta Summary of Filing Dates for Political Entities

Political Entity	Party						Constituency Association (CA)					Political Third Party Advertiser (P-TPA)					Election Third Party Advertiser (E-TPA)			Nomination Contestant	Candidate	Leadership Contestant
Event	Annual Return	Quarterly Contributions Report				Campaign Return	Annual Return	Quarterly Contributions Report				Annual Return	Quarterly Contributions Report				Annual Return	Election Period Return	Weekly Contributions Report	Campaign Return	Campaign Return	Campaign Return
		Q1	Q2	Q4	Q4			Q1	Q2	Q4	Q4		Q1	Q2	Q4	Q4						
Period Start/End	Jan 1 - Dec 31 Sec. 42(1)	Jan 1 - Mar 31	Apr 1 - Jun 30	Jul 1 - Sep 30	Oct 1 - Dec 31	Feb 1 (or date of writ) to 2 months after polling day Sec. 1(b)(i) & Sec. 1(b)(ii)	Jan 1 - Dec 31	Jan 1 - Mar 31	Apr 1 - Jun 30	Jul 1 - Sep 30	Oct 1 - Dec 31	Jan 1 - Dec 31 Sec. 44.82(1)	Jan 1 - Mar 31	Apr 1 - Jun 30	Jul 1 - Sep 30	Oct 1 - Dec 31	Jan 1 to Dec 31 Sec. 44.9(3)	Election period (Writ day to polling day) Sec. 44.9(5)	Election Period (Writ day to polling day) Sec. 44.81(2)	Date contestant registered (under sec. 9.3) to 2 months after date which a nomination contestant was selected Sec. 1(1)(V)	Feb 1 (or date of writ) to 2 months after polling day Sec. 1(b)(i) & Sec. 1(b)(ii)	Date contestant is required to register (under section 9.2) to 2 months after date which leadership contestant was selected 1(1)(vi)
Filing Deadline	Mar 31 Sec. 42(1)(a)	Apr 15 Sec. 32(3)	Jul 15 Sec. 32(3)	Oct 15 Sec. 32(3)	Jan 15 Sec. 32(3)	6 months after polling day Sec. 43(1)	Mar 31 Sec. 42(1)(b)	Apr 15 Sec. 32(3)	Jul 15 Sec. 32(3)	Oct 15 Sec. 32(3)	Jan 15 Sec. 32(3)	Mar 31 Sec. 44.82(5)	Apr 15 Sec. 44.82(4)	Jul 15 Sec. 44.82(4)	Oct 15 Sec. 44.82(4)	Jan 15 Sec. 44.82(4)	Mar 31 Sec. 44.9(3)  Mar 31 of subsequent years Sec. 44.92(4) if an outstanding surplus exists	6 months after polling day Sec. 44.9(1)	As decided by the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO).	4 months after nomination contest Sec. 43.01(1)	4 months after polling day Sec. 43(2)	4 months after date fixed for leadership vote(s) Sec. 44.96(1)
Audit required	Yes Sec. 42(1)(a) unless party revenue & expenses do not each exceed \$1,000 Sec. 42(1.1) & (1.2)	No	No	No	No	Yes Sec. 43(5) unless party revenue & expenses do not each exceed \$1,000 Sec. 43(5.1)	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes Sec. 44.91(1) if election advertising expenses are \$100,000 or more	Yes Sec. 44.91(1) if election advertising expenses are \$100,000 or more	No	No	No	Yes Sec. 43.02(2) if campaign expenses exceed \$25,000
Election Expense Limit	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Yes \$2,000,000 for PGE & \$23,000 for BE Sec. 43(7)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes \$150,000 PGE & \$3,000 for BE Sec. 44.11	n/a	Yes \$10,000 Sec. 41.4	Yes \$50,000 Sec. 41.3	No
DRP	No	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	No	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	No	No	n/a	Yes	Yes	Yes

**Key Terms/Abbreviations:**

**CAMPAIGN PERIOD** - In the case of a general election held in accordance with section 38.1(2) of the Election Act, the period commencing on Feb 1 in the year in which the election is held and ending 2 months after polling day, as per Sec. 1(b)(i). In the case of a general election held other than in accordance with section 38.1(2) of the Election Act, the period commencing with the issue of a writ for the election and ending 2 months after polling day, as per Sec. 1(b)(ii).

**ELECTION PERIOD** - The period commencing the day the writ of election is issued for an election and ending at the end of the polling day, as per Sec. 1(f)(1).

PGE - Provincial General Election

BE - By-election

DRP - Deficit Retirement Period

**Notes:**

- Section references refer to the *Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act* unless otherwise specified.
- DRP #2 is by request only, before end of DRP #1
- Contributions shall not exceed \$4,000 in the aggregate to any of the following or to any combination of them: Parties, constituency associations, candidates, nomination contestants, and/or leadership contestants, as per Sec. 17(1). This section does not apply to political third party advertisers and election third party advertisers.

<b>DRP #1</b> ➤	3 mth period beginning day after campaign filing deadline Sec. 43.1(3)	3 mth period beginning day after campaign filing deadline Sec. 43.1(3)	3 mth period beginning day after campaign filing deadline Sec. 43.1(3)
<b>DRP #1 Filing Deadline</b> ➤	One mth after DRP #1 ends Sec. 43.1(6)	One mth after DRP #1 ends Sec. 43.1(6)	One mth after DRP #1 ends Sec. 43.1(6)
<b>DRP #2</b> ➤	3 mth period beginning day after DRP #1 ended Sec. 43.1(4)	3 mth period beginning day after DRP #1 ended Sec. 43.1(4)	3 mth period beginning day after DRP #1 ended Sec. 43.1(4)
<b>DRP #2 Filing Deadline</b> ➤	One mth after DRP #2 ends Sec. 43.1(6)	One mth after DRP #2 ends Sec. 43.1(6)	One mth after DRP #2 ends Sec. 43.1(6)