

CHECKLIST FOR NONPARTISAN - SPECIAL DISTRICTS and MCC BOARD OF GOVERNORS CANDIDATES

Disclaimer: Candidates are responsible for ensuring they have the most current information. **The Elections Department does not and cannot give legal advice or legal guidance for your campaign.**

Fillable forms are available on the Elections website www.mohave.gov; select Departments, then Elections, and select from the navigation menu to the left of the contents page. Current Candidate Signature Requirements are available after January 2 of even numbered years. For assistance on candidate signature requirements, you may also contact the Elections Department at 928-753-0733.

NOTICE: Legislative Change

Effective September 29, 2021: All special taxing districts' candidates are exempted from filling a **Statement of Interest**. [\[A.R.S. §§ 16-311\(H\)\(1\); 16-341\(I\)\(1\)\]](#)

MCC Board of Governors and School Board candidates **must file a Statement of Interest before obtaining any signatures on the Nomination Petition.**

- Nomination papers must be filed not less than **120 nor more than 150 days** before the election.
 - **General Election Date: November 3, 2026** (Run only in the General of even numbered years)
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- A candidate shall register as a candidate committee if the candidate receives contributions or makes expenditures, in any combination, of at least **\$1,500.00** in connection with their candidacy. [\[A.R.S. §§16-905\(A\), \(I\); 16-931\(A\)\(1\)\]](#)
 - Candidate shall file a **Statement of Organization** with the Elections Dept. within **ten (10) days** after qualifying as a committee (**\$1,500** threshold). This triggers the candidate's obligation to file **Campaign Finance Reports**.

The Elections Department processes all nomination papers presented before 5:00 p.m. the same day.

REQUIRED FORMS ARE LISTED BELOW.

All ORIGINAL 2026 Candidate **Nomination Petitions and Nomination Paper** must be filed **together** at the Mohave County Elections Office on the following dates, to wit:

**General Election (Nonpartisan offices):
June 8, 2026 - July 6, 2026**

1. NOMINATION PAPER, DECLARATION OF QUALIFICATION

- Make sure to fill in each blank.
- Print 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 form must be signed by the candidate.

2. NOMINATION PETITIONS

Each Circulator is responsible for witnessing ALL of the signatures on the petitions they circulate.

[\[A.R.S. §16-321\]](#)

- The candidate must file at least the minimum number of signatures required for the office sought and no more than the maximum number allowed. If there are too few, the Elections Director cannot accept the nomination petitions.
- Before circulating any nomination petition, you must complete **ALL** the spaces on the top of the petition sheet. Circulating the petition with incomplete information could cause them to be invalid. Prior to circulating petitions, a **Candidate Statement of Interest** must be on file with the Elections Department if you are required to file one.
- Check to see that the signature portion of each petition is complete:
 - Is there a signature for each signer?
 - Is there a printed name for each signature?
 - Actual residence address or description of place of residence; Arizona post office box address; city or town.
 - Is there a date for each signature?
- Check to see that the circulator portion on the back of each petition is complete. Did the Circulator:
 - Print his/her name in **both** spaces provided.
 - Print the County in the space provided.
 - Sign his/her name in the space provided.
 - Print the circulator's actual residence address including city, town, and zip code.

Limitations on appeals of validity of nomination petitions; disqualification of candidate. [\[A.R.S. §16-351\]](#)

[Statutes are included for your reference only and should not be interpreted as legal advice. For legal advice contact an attorney.](#)