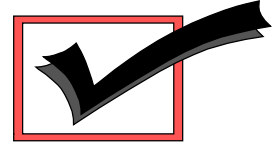


2026 Ballot Access Checklist: Municipalities Where Caucus is Used



Each of the following forms must be completed and filed by all candidates nominated at the caucus for municipal office for the **April 7, 2026 Spring Election**. If the forms are not filed by the deadline, the candidate's name will not be placed on the ballot. Wis. Stat. §§ 8.05(1)(j), 8.30(2),(3),(4).

For municipal elections, the filing officer is the municipal clerk (town, village or city). Candidates should contact their filing officer for further information or to obtain any of the necessary forms.

- ☐ **Complete and submit a Registration Statement (Form [CF-1](#))** to the filing officer no later than **5:00 p.m. on the 5th day after receipt of written notification** of nomination at the caucus. If a current registration statement is not filed by the 5th day after receipt of written notification, the candidate's name will not be placed on the ballot. If the form is faxed or emailed, the original document must follow, postmarked no later than the 5th day after receipt of written notification. Wis. Stat. §§ 8.05(1)(j), 8.30(2), Wis. Admin. Code EL § 6.04.

- ☐ **Complete and submit a Declaration of Candidacy (Form [EL-162](#))** to the filing officer no later than **5:00 p.m. on the 5th day after receipt of written notification** of nomination at the caucus. If this form is not filed by the 5th day after notification, the candidate's name will not be placed on the ballot. If the form is faxed or emailed, the original document must follow, postmarked no later than the 5th day after receipt of written notification. Wis. Stat. §§ 8.05(1)(j), 8.21, 8.30(4), Wis. Admin. Code EL § 6.04.

- ☐ **Municipal judge candidates:**

Complete and submit a Statement of Economic Interests (SEI) to the Wisconsin Ethics Commission using the website <https://sei.wi.gov>. Faxed or emailed forms are also acceptable. The SEI must be received no later than **4:30 p.m. on Friday, January 6, 2026**, or the candidate's name will not appear on the ballot. Wis. Stat. §§ 8.10(5), 8.30(3), 19.43(4). Candidates may print the *Statement of Economic Interests* form and instructions from the Ethics Commission website (<https://ethics.wi.gov>).

For more information regarding Statements of Economic Interests, please contact the Ethics Commission at 608-266-8123 or ethics@wi.gov.

Important Note Regarding Statements of Economic Interests:

A municipality may enact an ordinance establishing a code of ethics for public officials that may require a candidate for municipal office, *in addition to the office of Municipal Judge*, to file a **Statement of Economic Interests (SEI)**. The ordinance may also provide that failure to timely file an SEI will prevent the candidate's name from being placed on the ballot. Wis. Stat. § 19.59(1m),(3)(b). Please contact the filing officer to learn if this requirement applies to you.