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Withdrawal of candidacy

If you decide you do not want your name printed on the ballot, your signed withdrawal form must be submitted to the County Auditor's Office by 3:30pm on the Monday immediately following candidate filing week – May 18.

Filing fees are not refundable, even if you filed for the wrong office.

No withdrawal is permitted if you filed during a special filing period.

Campaign finance reporting

Candidates should refer to the Public Disclosure Commission for reporting requirements and forms. To get you started, if you are a candidate in a district with over 5,000 registered voters, you are required to complete a C-1 and F-1 within 2 weeks of becoming a candidate. Visit www.pdc.wa.gov for more detailed information.

Notes

The information presented is subject to change due to new legislation, judicial determination, or additional office vacancies. It does not replace local, state, or federal laws.

For local voter guide rules or other candidate filing information, please visit our website at www.yakimacounty.us/vote or call us at 574.1340.
Where, when and cost to file

Where to file

The County Auditor is the filing officer for all offices up for election in 2015.

When to file

Candidate filing week is May 11-15

file by mail: begins April 27 | ends May 15
mail to: Yakima County Elections Division
PO Box 12570
Yakima WA 98909

*your filing fee must accompany your declaration
*filings received prior to April 27 will not be accepted
*filings received after May 15, regardless of postmark, will not be accepted

file in person: begins May 11; 9am | ends May 15; 3:30pm
visit: Yakima County Auditor’s Office
128 N 2nd St, Room 117
Yakima 98901

file by email: begins May 11; 8am | ends May 15; 3:30pm
send to: ivote@co.yakima.wa.us

*your filing is held until the filing fee is received
*filings received prior to May 11 will not be accepted
*filings received after 3:30pm on May 15 will not be accepted

Cost to file

Filing fees are **not** refundable under any circumstance. The Auditor’s office accepts checks, cash, or money orders. If you lack the income to pay the filing fee, you may submit a filing fee petition.

Specific filing fees are available on the list of offices up for election at www.yakimacounty.us/vote.

No salary........................................... No filing fee
Per-diem or by-meeting basis.................. No filing fee
Annual salary under $1,000................... $10.00
Annual salary over $1,000..................... 1% of salary

the declaration of candidacy

All candidates must submit a Declaration of Candidacy.

1. Office
Enter the jurisdiction, office name and position number that defines the office for which you want to be a candidate.

You are responsible for meeting all the qualifications of the position.

2. Personal info
Enter your information as you are registered to vote.

3. Ballot name
Print your name exactly as you want it to appear on the ballot. Titles are not acceptable.

4. Party preference
Do not list a party preference if you are a candidate for a nonpartisan office.

5. Campaign information
If you do not provide campaign contact information, your voter registration address will be published on the list of candidates who have filed. Government offices may not be used for campaign contact information.

6. Filing fee
Mark the appropriate circle. Filing fees are nonrefundable.

7. Oath
Read and sign the oath. Your Declaration will not be approved without your signature.

Your Declaration of Candidacy is a public record.