

City of Edinburgh Council By-election Ward 15 Southside / Newington and Ward 17 Portobello/Craigmillar			
Date of Poll:		Thursday 03 September 2026	
Publication of the notice of election	-35		Wednesday 15 July 2026
Delivery of nomination papers	-34		Each working day (between 10am and 4pm) from Thursday 16 July 2026
Last day to publish notice of election	-28		Not later than Friday 24 July 2026
Deadline for the delivery of nomination papers	-23		Not later than 4.00pm on Friday 31 July 2026
Deadline for withdrawal of nomination	-23		
Deadline for notification of appointment of election agents	-23		
Publication of notice of poll	-23		As soon as practicable after 4.00pm on Friday 31 July 2026
Issue of poll cards	n/s		31 July 2026
Registration deadline	-12		Midnight on Tuesday 18 August 2026
Deadline for new postal vote applications and for changes to existing postal or proxy votes	-11		Not later than 5.00pm on Wednesday 19 August 2026
Issue of Postal votes	n/s		21 August 2026
Deadline for new applications to vote by proxy (not postal proxy), except for medical emergencies	-6		Not later than 5.00pm on Wednesday 26 August 2026
Deadline for notification of appointment of polling and counting agents	-5		Thursday 27 August 2026
POLLING DAY	0		7.00am – 10.00pm on Thursday 03 September 2026
Deadline for emergency proxy applications	0		Not later than 5.00pm on Thursday 03 September 2026
	0		Not later than 10.00pm on

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Last time for re-issue of spoilt and lost postal votes			Thursday 03 September 2026
Last time to alter the register due to clerical error or court appeal	0		Not later than 9.00pm on Thursday 03 September 2026
COUNT	-		From 10pm on Thursday 3 September 2026
Last day to submit election spending returns	+35d		Thursday 08 October 2026
Destruction of candidate home address forms	+36		Friday 23 October 2026