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Date		Reference
June 21	<ul> <li>Deadline for sending the invitation for the General Assembly to all Member Federations, to registered email addresses. The invitation must indicate that the elections will be a specific point in the General Assembly Agenda.</li> <li>Deadline for nomination of three Scrutineers and three substitutes by the Council, for an open vote election of them at the General Assembly.</li> </ul>	FIDE Charter Art.17.10 FIDE Electoral Rules Art.10.1 FIDE Electoral Rules Art.13.2
July 23	<ul> <li>A list of Member Federations having right to vote and a separate list of suspended Member Federations, if any, together with the names of the Presidents and FIDE Delegates, specifying who is deputed to exercise the right to vote is sent to all member Federations and published on the FIDE website.</li> </ul>	FIDE Electoral Rules Art.3.6
August 21	<ul> <li>Candidatures for the Chairmen and the Members of the Verification Commission, Ethics and Disciplinary Commission and Constitutional Commission to reach the FIDE Offices by 6 pm CET.</li> </ul>	FIDE Electoral Rules Art.24.2
August 22	<ul> <li>Deadline for information (received from Member Federation) about any election or nomination, of a different FIDE Delegate or President in member Federations. Communications received after that date will not be taken into account for the purposes of the legitimacy to exercise the right the vote.</li> </ul>	FIDE Electoral Rules Art.3.6
September 6	<ul> <li>Only in case of proven impossibility of the person entitled to exercise the right to vote, communicated no later than fifteen (15) days before the elections, and only if their names were already included in the above-mentioned list (list published on July 23<sup>rd</sup>). Deadline for communication about replacement the FIDE Delegate of a Member Federation by the President of that Federation, or the President by the FIDE Delegate.</li> <li>Deadline for complaints regarding the eligibility of a candidate and the right to be voted and to be elected. The Electoral Commission shall decide on these complaints in the shortest possible period, communicating a final decision not later than fifteen (15) days before elections.</li> </ul>	FIDE Electoral Rules Art.3.6 & Art.4.4
September 9	<ul> <li>Deadline for publication of the final version of the list of those who are entitled to vote on the FIDE website, following the verification by the Electoral Commission, by 6.00 PM CET time.</li> </ul>	FIDE Electoral Rules Art.3.6
September 21	GENERAL ASSEMBLY/ELECTIONS	

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ADDITIONAL NOTES	Reference
• At the opening of the General Assembly, the Chairman of the Electoral Commission or of the Constitutional Commission reports on the complete list of those entitled to vote and answers any questions and comments. The General Assembly cannot overrule the decisions of the Electoral Commission and of the Constitutional Commission.	FIDE Electoral Rules Art.3.9
• Every person has the right to stand as a candidate in FIDE elections, but to be eligible for FIDE	
<ul> <li>elections, a candidate must meet the following criteria:</li> <li>the candidate must have reached the age of 18 no later than by the date of the meeting during which the election takes place;</li> <li>the candidate must not be deprived of his or her civil rights, as an additional sanction</li> </ul>	
related to the commission of a crime, as a result of an enforceable judgment of a national or international judicial authority;	FIDE Electoral Rules
<ul> <li>the candidate must not have incurred any sanction of ineligibility, ban or exclusion from office, in relation to any violation of the FIDE Ethics and Disciplinary Code, following a final decision of the Ethics and Disciplinary Commission or of the Electoral Commission enforceable at the date of the meeting during which the election takes place;</li> </ul>	Art.4.1
<ul> <li>the candidate must meet all the nominations and nominee requirements as set out by the FIDE Charter and by the FIDE Electoral Rules;</li> <li>the candidate should be able to communicate effectively in the FIDE official working language.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Every person who intends to present his or her candidacy in FIDE elections shall submit an application form or personally to FIDE Offices or writing to the e-mail address office@fide.com.</li> </ul>	FIDE Electoral Rules Art.5.1
<ul> <li>Elections can be held only if inserted as a specific point in the agenda of the meeting, communicated to the Member Federations at the latest three months prior to the opening date of the electoral meeting, in accordance with the modalities established by the FIDE Charter.</li> </ul>	FIDE Electoral Rules Art.10.1
• The Chairman and the other members of the Verification Commissions are elected by the General Assembly among candidates having sufficient background and expertise on finances and accounting or in FIDE administration (at least 4years of experience as auditor in public or private institutions, including sport associations, or as accountant or similar professional experiences, or scholar or professor on financial subject matters or business financial management, or at least 6 years of experience as FIDE office bearer or Member Federation office bearer). They may not belong to the same Member Federation.	FIDE Charter Art.25.2
• The Chairman and three members of the Ethics and Disciplinary Commissions 27 are elected by the General Assembly among candidates having sufficient practical background and expertise in law and justice (at least 4 years of experience as judge, or lawyer, or notary, or scholar or professor on legal subject matters, or similar professional experiences). The other three members are elected by the General Assembly among candidates having sufficient background in the administration of FIDE or of a Member Federation (at least 6 years of experience as FIDE or Member Federation office bearer). They may not belong to the same Member Federation and shall not be re-elected for more than two consecutive terms	FIDE Charter Art.26.2

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•	The Chairman and two members of the Constitutional Commission are elected by the General Assembly among candidates having sufficient practical background and expertise in law and justice (at least 4 years of experience as judge, or lawyer, or notary, or scholar or professor on legal subject matters, or similar professional experiences). The other two members are elected by the General Assembly among candidates having sufficient background in the administration of FIDE or of a Member Federation (at least 6 years of experience as FIDE or Member Federation office bearer). They may not belong to the same Member Federation	FIDE Charter Art.27.2
•	Each candidacy for the positions of the Chairmen and the Members of the Verification Commission, Ethics and Disciplinary Commission and Constitutional Commission must be endorsed by nominations from at least three (3) Member Federations. Each Member Federation is entitled to endorse only one candidacy for each one of these positions.	FIDE Electoral Rules Art.24.3
•	A defeated candidate for a position of chairman may accept nominations for the position of member of the same commission, submitting his or her candidacy before the beginning of the procedures for these elections.	FIDE Electoral Rules Art.24.4
•	The Council is competent to carry out a preliminary examination of the received applications, may ask a candidate to integrate the application and/or to submit additional documents or more specific declarations.	FIDE Electoral Rules Art.24.5
•	Separate elections are organised for the positions of: Chairman of the Verification Commission, members of the Verification Commission, Chairman of the Constitutional Commission, members of the Constitutional Commission, Chairman of the Ethics and Disciplinary Commission, members of the Ethics and Disciplinary Commission.	FIDE Electoral Rules Art.24.7
•	All these elections shall be made by secret ballot, except when there are no more candidates than positions to be filled.	FIDE Electoral Rules Art.24.8
•	Given that chairman and members of the same elected commission may not belong to the same Member Federation, if in the list of candidatures for the position of member of these Commissions there are persons who represent the same Member Federation of the newly elected Chairman, these candidates shall be considered as no longer eligible, and if there are more candidates for the position of member of these Commissions, belonging to the same Member Federation, no more than one can be elected in the same Commission, the most voted.	FIDE Electoral Rules Art.24.9
•	To assure gender balance inside FIDE elected Commissions, both genders must be represented among elected members of these Commissions, it means that if all the most voted candidates are of the same gender, the less voted of them will not be elected and the most voted candidate of the other gender will be elected.	FIDE Electoral Rules Art.24.10