

SALIENT PROCESSES AND TIMELINES FOR THE 10TH AUGUST 2027 GENERAL ELECTION AS DRAWN FROM THE POLITICAL PARTIES ACT CAP. 7D AND ELECTIONS ACT CAP. 7

1. The Office of the Registrar of Political Parties is an independent state office established under Section 33 of Political Parties Act Cap. 7D to register and regulate political parties as well as to administer the Political Parties Fund.
2. Pursuant to Article 88(4) of the Constitution, the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC) vide the Gazette published on 20th August 2026 under **Vol.CXXVII-No.144** stipulated activities and processes towards the 10th August 2027 General Election.
3. Flowing from the above, the attention of the public and the political parties is drawn to the following salient timelines: -

A. POLITICAL PARTY NOMINATIONS 7TH TO 15TH OCTOBER, 2026

Activity/Process	Dates
Submission of names and specimen signatures of authorized persons by political parties to ORPP	7th to 15th October
Submission of names and specimen signatures of authorized persons by political parties to IEBC	By 15th October 2026
Submission of Elections and Nomination rules by political parties to ORPP	28th September 2026 to 16th October 2026
Certification of political party nomination rules by the Registrar of Political Parties	By 30th October 2026
Submission of party nomination rules by political parties to IEBC	By 6th November 2026
Submission of party membership lists by political parties to ORPP	16th March 2027 to 23rd March 2027
Certification of party membership registers by ORPP	By 23rd March 2027
Submission of party membership registers by political parties to IEBC	By 12th April 2027
A political party to request ORPP for a certified party membership register.	At least 21 days to the date of the party nominations.
ORPP to submit a certified party membership register to a political party.	Within 7 days of the request by the political party.
A political party to notify ORPP of the method it intends to use in conducting party nominations in line with its nomination rules	At least 10 days before the date of party nomination.
A political party to notify ORPP of the dates, venues, and list of members of the party who wish to be nominated by the party.	At least 10 days before the party nomination.
A political party to submit the address of the party official website to ORPP	At least 14 days before the date of the party nomination.
A political party to publish in the official website of the political party the dates and venues of the nominations.	At least 7 days before the date of the party nomination.
ORPP publishes in its website the dates and venues of the political party's nominations.	At least 7 days before the date of the party nomination.
For direct nomination, a party to post in a conspicuous place within each nomination venue the list of party members eligible to participate in the nomination at that venue.	Before the date of the party nomination.
Submission to ORPP and publishing in the party website particulars of the party organ to conduct the direct nominations	Before the date of the party nomination.
Submission to ORPP and publishing in the party website the procedure to be used in direct nomination.	Before the date of the party nomination.
A political party to provide essential election materials including ballot papers; ballot boxes; a copy of the register of the members of the party; pens; and nomination results slips at each polling venue.	Before the date of the party nomination.
For indirect nomination, political parties to select delegates who shall participate in the party nominations from among the registered members of the party.	Before submission of the list of delegates to the ORPP.
For indirect nomination, political parties to submit a list of delegates to the ORPP.	At least 7 days before the date of the party nomination.
For indirect nomination, political parties to specify the date and venue of the delegates' meeting.	At least 10 days before the date of the party nomination.
A political party candidate to submit self-declaration forms to the political party in the prescribed form under the Leadership and Integrity Act Cap. 185C.	Before the date of the party nominations.
A political party to confirm that candidates meet qualifications under the Constitution, Elections Act, Political Parties Act, Party Nomination rules, and other relevant laws.	Before submission of list of persons who wish to be nominated to the ORPP.
A political party to submit to ORPP a register of party members, and a statement of its assets and liabilities.	12th May 2027

B. COALITION POLITICAL PARTIES AND PRE-ELECTION COALITIONS

Activity/Process	Dates
Submission of a coalition agreement by political parties to ORPP for registration of a coalition political party.	By 12th April 2027
Submission of a coalition agreement by political parties to ORPP for confirmation of a pre-election coalition.	By 9th May 2027

C. INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES

Process/Activity	Dates
Resignation from political parties	By 8th May 2027
Submission of symbols to ORPP	23rd March to 8th May 2027
Certification of symbols by ORPP	23rd March to 8th May 2027
Submission of request for certification that a person is not a member of a political party	23rd March to 8th May 2027
Certification that persons intending to contest as independent candidates are not party members	23rd March to 8th May 2027

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D. MERGERS

Process/Activity	Timeline
Political parties to submit the merger agreement to ORPP.	Within 21 days of signing the merger agreement.