

UK GENERAL ELECTION WHAT'S NEXT?



22 MAY

General Election campaigning begins in full

23-30 MAY

Final 'wash-up' of current legislation; pausing/continuation of policy development activities

30 MAY

Dissolution of Parliament; MPs cease to be and revert to 'candidates'

6-9 JUNE

EU Parliament Elections

4 JUNE

TV debate between Rishi Sunak and Keir Starmer.

(Further debates, e.g. between Jeremy Hunt and Rachel Reeves, the minor parties, or further Sunak/Starmer debates, may be scheduled later in the campaign).

30 MAY ONWARDS

Restricted (purdah) period begins, limiting central and local government announcements on new initiatives

W/C 3 JUNE

Labour's clause V meeting expected to sign off manifesto (with unions and other key senior Labour stakeholders)

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Manifestos expected to be published in the first two weeks of June, with Labour first and the Conservative Party second

7 JUNE

Deadline for parliamentary candidates to be nominated; parties will be rushing to find suitable PPCs to fill these gaps

20 JUNE

MPC interest rate meeting

18 JUNE

Deadline to register to vote

10 JUNE

Formalities of campaign begin e.g. rules for expenditure begin

28 JUNE

Labour NEC, NCC, WCAC and National Policy Forum – nominations close

4 JULY General Election

9 JULY

Parliament's first sitting post-General Election

Some parliamentary business can begin, for example the Government could begin to introduce some bills if it wished, oral questions can begin, and secondary legislation can be considered

18 JULY

European Political Community Meeting

17 JULY

State opening of Parliament and King's Speech for new Parliamentary session

9-11 JULY

NATO Summit

FIRST HUNDRED DAYS

Post-election Budget and Spending Review

Potential opposition Leadership Election Campaigns

Appointment and election of new Parliamentary Committees

END OF JULY

Summer Recess Starts

29 SEPTEMBER – 2 OCTOBER

Conservative Party Conference

22 – 25 SEPTEMBER

Labour Party Conference

14-17 SEPTEMBER

Lib Dem Party Conference

SEPTEMBER

First Budget expected for a Labour Government