

**Fair Political Practices Commission  
2015 Filing Schedule for  
Political Party Committees**

<b>Deadline</b>	<b>Period</b>	<b>Form</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>Within 10 Business Days of the Expenditure</b> <i>\$5,000 Report</i>	<b>See Notes</b>	496 497	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>E-Filers only:</b></li> <li>▪ <b>State Ballot Measure Expenditures:</b> Report each contribution or independent expenditure totaling \$5,000 or more to support or oppose the qualification or passage of a single state ballot measure. List all new contributions of \$100 or more received by the committee that have not been previously reported up through the date of the \$5,000 or more payment.</li> </ul>
<b>Feb 2, 2015</b> <i>Semi-Annual</i>	<b>thru 12/31/14</b>	<a href="#">450</a> or <a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ All committees must file this report.</li> <li>▪ The January 31 deadline falls on a Saturday, so the deadline is extended to the next business day.</li> </ul>
<b>Apr 30, 2015</b> <i>Odd Year</i>	<b>1/1/15 – 3/31/15</b>	<a href="#">450</a> or <a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ File if contributions totaling \$10,000 or more are made to committees controlled by elected state officers or committees primarily formed for an elected state officer.</li> </ul>
<b>Jul 31, 2015</b> <i>Semi-Annual</i>	<b>1/1/15 – 6/30/15</b>	<a href="#">450</a> or <a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Period covered is 4/1/15 – 6/30/15 if an odd year report was filed.</li> </ul>
<b>Nov 2, 2015</b> <i>Odd Year</i>	<b>7/1/15 – 9/30/15</b>	<a href="#">450</a> or <a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ File if contributions totaling \$10,000 or more are made to committees controlled by elected state officers or committees primarily formed for an elected state officer.</li> <li>▪ The October 31 deadline falls on a Saturday, so the deadline is extended to the next business day.</li> </ul>
<b>Feb 1, 2016</b> <i>Semi-Annual</i>	<b>7/1/15 – 12/31/15</b>	<a href="#">450</a> or <a href="#">460</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Period covered is 10/1/15 – 12/31/15 if an odd year report was filed.</li> <li>▪ The January 31 deadline falls on a Sunday, so the deadline is extended to the next business day.</li> </ul>

**State Special Elections**

- See filing schedule for each special state election.
- 24-Hour Reporting: Form 496 or Form 497 must be filed if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$1,000 or more are made during the 90-day election period before any state special election. Independent expenditures also require the filing of Form 462 and Form 465.
- Committees may need to file reports even if the committee is not active in the special election. For example, a contribution received by a political party within 90 days of any state special election may trigger Form 497 within 24 hours.

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- **E-File:** A state committee that has received contributions or made expenditures totaling \$25,000 or more since January 1, 2000.
- **Forms 450/460:** All state committees. Including e-filers, must file an original and one copy in paper format with the Secretary of State by personal delivery or first class mail.
- **Period Covered:** The period covered by any statement begins on the day after the closing date of the last statement filed, or January 1, if no previous statement has been filed.
- **Filing Deadlines:** Deadlines are extended when they fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or an official state holiday. A \$10 per day late fine may be assessed on both paper and electronic reports resulting in a \$20 per day fine.
- **Expenditures for Local Elections:** 24-hour independent expenditure or contribution reports (Forms 496 & 497) must be filed if independent expenditures or contributions totaling \$1,000 or more are made during the 90-day period prior to an election. Independent expenditures of \$1,000 or more also require the filing of Form 462 and Form 465. Consult the filing schedule for the election.
- **Contribution Limits:** Contributions to state candidates and to committees that make contributions to state candidates are subject to contribution limits. Refer to the [contribution limits chart](#) on the FPPC website. Committees making “issue ads” featuring state candidates are also subject to contribution limits. Campaign finance ordinances for cities and counties are posted on the FPPC’s website on the [Local Campaign Ordinances](#) page. Contact local jurisdictions for information on local restrictions, if any.
- **Public Documents:** All statements are public documents. Campaign manuals and instructional materials are available at [www.fppc.ca.gov](http://www.fppc.ca.gov), click on the [Campaign](#) link.