



In line with Article 2.9, paragraph 1, point 2 of the Election Law of Bosnia and Herzegovina (Official Gazette of BiH, no. 23/01, 7/02, 9/02, 20/02, 25/02, 4/04, 20/04, 25/05, 52/05, 65/05, 77/05, 11/06, 24/06, 32/07, 33/08, 37/08, 32/10, 18/13, 7/14 and 31/16) and the Decision on calling and administering the 2020 Local Elections in Bosnia and Herzegovina number 05-1-07-1-393-1/20 from May 5, 2020 and the Decision on postponement of the 2020 Local Elections number: 05-1-07-1-393-25/20 from May 23, 2020 the Central Election Commission of Bosnia and Herzegovina has at its 25th session held on May 23, 2020 passed

INSTRUCTION
on deadlines and sequence of electoral activities for the 2020 Local Elections to be held on
Sunday, November 15, 2020

Article 1
(Application)

This Instruction shall lay down deadlines and sequence of activities for the 2020 Local Elections, which will be held on Sunday, November 15, 2020, and start running from May 26, 2020.

Article 2
(Activities and deadlines)

1) Registration and certification of the political subjects¹

No.	Activities	Deadline	Holder of activity	Legal basis ²
1.	Collecting application forms for participation in the elections	from 26.05.2020	<i>Political parties, independent candidates, associations and groups of citizens for election of NM³</i>	Article 4.4
2.	Submitting of applications for certification of political parties, independent candidates, associations and groups of citizens to participate in the elections	From 27.05.2020 to 03.07.2020 until 16.00 hours	<i>Political parties, independent candidates, associations and groups of citizens for election of NM</i>	Article 4.6, 4.10 and 13.14

¹ Political parties, independent candidate, coalitions and list of independent candidates, and for election of members of national minorities also associations and groups of 40 citizens.

² BiH Election Law (Official Gazette of BiH, no. 23/01, 7/02, 9/02, 20/02, 25/02, 4/04, 20/04, 25/05, 52/05, 65/05, 77/05, 11/06, 24/06, 32/07, 33/08, 37/08, 32/10, 18/13, 7/14 and 31/16).

³ National minorities

3.	Certification of political parties, independent candidates, associations and groups of citizens to participate in the elections to participate in the elections	Until 18.07.2020	<i>BiH Central Election Commission</i>	Article 4.6, 4.10 and 13.14
4.	Submitting of applications for certification of coalitions and lists of independent candidates	From 19.07.2020 to 28.07.2020 until 16.00 hours	<i>Coalitions and independent candidates</i>	Article 4.12 and 4.15
5.	Certification of coalitions and lists of independent candidates to participate in the elections	Until 04.08.2020	<i>BiH Central Election Commission</i>	Article 4.12 and 4.15

2) Submission of candidates' lists

No.	Activities	Deadline	Holder of activity	Legal basis
1.	Submitting of candidates' lists	From 05.08.2020 to 17.08.2020 until 16.00 hours	<i>Political subjects</i>	Article 4.21 paragraph (1)
2.	Final certification of candidates' lists	Until 11.09.2020	<i>BiH Central Election Commission</i>	Article 4.21 paragraph (2)
3.	Publishing final candidates' lists in official gazettes and in the media	Until 01.10.2020	<i>BiH Central Election Commission</i>	Article 4.23 paragraph (1)

3) Determining sequence of political subjects on the ballots papers

No.	Activities	Deadline	Holder of activity	Legal basis
1.	Lottery draw to determine sequence of the political subjects on the ballot papers	From 02.09. to 03.09.2020	<i>BiH Central Election Commission</i>	Article 5.15 paragraph (2)

4) Central Voters' Register

No.	Activities	Deadline	Holder of activity	Legal basis
1.	Update of changes in the records of displaced persons and the final deadline for submission of applications of the citizens voting outside BiH	From 01.09.2020 at 24.00 hours	<i>BiH Central Election Commission</i>	Article 3.6 paragraph (6) point b)
2.	Conclusion of the Central Voters' Register	01.10.2020	<i>BiH Central Election Commission</i>	Article 3.6 paragraph (6) point a)
3.	Announcing the number of voters for each constituency	Until 08.10.2020	<i>BiH Central Election Commission</i>	Article 15.10 paragraph (1)

5) Polling stations

No.	Activities	Deadline	Holder of activity	Legal basis
1.	Preliminary allocation of streets to polling stations	No later than 10.09.2020	<i>Election commission⁴</i>	Article 5.1 paragraph (2)
2.	Determining polling stations	No later than 11.09.2020	<i>Election commission</i>	Article 5.1 paragraph (2)
3.	Publicizing locations of the polling stations designated for voting	No later than 31.10.2020	<i>Election commission</i>	Article 5.1 paragraph (5)

6) Polling station committees

No.	Activities	Deadline	Holder of activity	Legal basis
1.	Appointing members and deputy members of polling station committees and drawing up a reserve list of candidates	No later than 16.10.2020.	<i>Election commission</i>	Article 2.19 paragraph (3)
2.	Training of members and deputy members of polling station committees and	From 17.10.2020 to 08.11.2020 at the latest	<i>Election commission</i>	Article 2.13 paragraph (1) point 3)

⁴ Election commission shall mean all election commissions of basic constituency.

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7) Election campaign

No.	Activities	Deadline	Holder of activity	Legal basis
1.	Paid political advertising	From 16.10.2020	<i>Political subjects and media</i>	Article 16.12 paragraph (1)
2.	Prohibition on release of results of public opinion polls	From 13.11.2020 from 07.00 hours to closing of the polling stations	<i>Media</i>	Article 16.10
3.	Election silence	From 14.11.202. from 07.00 hours to closing of the polling stations	<i>All participants in election process</i>	Article 16.11

8) Election Day

No.	Activities	Deadline	Holder of activity	Legal basis
1.	Election Day	15.11.2020 from 07.00 to 19.00 hours	<i>All participants in election process</i>	Article 1.14 and 14.3

9) Election results

No.	Activities	Deadline	Holder of activity	Legal basis
1.	Public posting of the voting results at the polling station	No later than 12 hours after the closing of the polling stations	<i>President of the polling station committee</i>	Article 5.26
2.	Public posting of consolidated summary of voting at the municipal level	No later than 12 hours after the closing of the polling stations	<i>Election Commission</i>	Article 5.27

3.	Publishing preliminary, unofficial and incomplete results of the 2020 Local Elections	a) 15.11.2020 at 24.00 hours b) 16.11.2020 at 12.00 hours c) 16.11.2020 at 19.00 hours d) from 17.11. to 21.11.2020 at 16.00 hours e) from 22.11.2020 until confirmation of results every 48 hours	<i>BiH Central Election Commission</i>	Article 5.29 a
4.	Confirmation of the results of 2020 Local Elections	No later than 15.12.2020.	<i>BiH Central Election Commission</i>	Article 5.32

**Article 3
(Entry into force and publication)**

This Instruction shall enter into the force on the day of its enactment and will be published in the Official Gazette of BiH, Official Gazette of BiH Federation, Official Gazette of RS and Official Gazette of Brčko District BiH and on the website of the BiH Central Election Commission www.izbori.ba.

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