



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 conducting the 2018 General Elections in Bosnia and Herzegovina number 05-1-07-1-491-1/18 from 08.05.2018, the Central Election Commission of Bosnia and Herzegovina has at its 18th session held on 08.05.2018 adopted

I N S T R U C T I O N

on deadlines and sequence of electoral activities for the General Elections, scheduled for Sunday, October 7, 2018

Article 1

This Instruction shall lay down deadlines and sequence of activities for the General Elections, which will be held on Sunday, October 7, 2018, commencing on May 8, 2018 i.e. on the day the Decision on calling and conducting the 2018 General Elections was published.

Article 2

1) Registration and certification of the political subjects¹

No.	Activities	Deadline	Holder of activity	Legal basis ²
1.	Acquiring application form for registration of political subjects	from 08.05.2018	<i>Political subjects</i>	Article 4.4.
2.	Submitting of applications for certification of political parties and independent candidates	from 09.05.2018 to 25.05.2018 until 16.00 hours	<i>Political parties and independent candidates</i>	Article 4.6 and 4.10
3.	Certification of political parties and independent candidates to participate in the elections	until 09.06.2018	<i>BiH Central Election Commission</i>	Article 4.6 and 4.10
4.	Submitting of applications for certification of coalitions and lists of independent candidates	from 10.06.2018 to 19.06.2018 until 16.00 hours	<i>Coalitions and independent candidates</i>	Article 4.12 and 4.15

¹ Political parties, independent candidate, coalitions and list of independent candidates.

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).

5.	Certification of coalitions and lists of independent candidates to participate in the elections	until 26.06.2018	<i>BiH Central Election Commission</i>	Article 4.12 and 4.15
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2) Submitting candidates' lists and compensation lists

No.	Activities	Deadline	Holder of activity	Legal basis
1.	Submitting of candidates' lists	from 27.06.2018 to 09.07.2018 until 16.00 hours	<i>Political subjects</i>	Article 4.21 paragraph (1)
2.	Final certification of candidates' lists	until 03.08.2018	<i>BiH Central Election Commission</i>	Article 4.21 paragraph (2)
3.	Submitting of compensation lists	until 08.08.2018 until 16.00 sati	<i>Political subjects</i>	Article 4.24 paragraph (1)
4.	Publishing final candidates' lists in official gazettes and in the media	until 23.08.2018	<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	12.07.2018	<i>BiH Central Election Commission</i>	Article 5.15

4) Central Voters' Register

No.	Activities	Deadline	Holder of activity	Legal basis
1.	Delivery on information on changes in the records of displaced persons, records of citizens voting outside BiH and determining voting option for voters from Brčko District of BiH	until 24.07.2018 at 24.00 hours	<i>BiH Central Election Commission</i>	Article 3.6 paragraph (6) point b)

2.	Concluding and confirming the final Central Voters' Register	23.08.2018	<i>BiH Central Election Commission</i>	Article 3.12 a paragraph (1)
3.	Announcing the number of voters for each constituency	until 30.08.2018	<i>BiH Central Election Commission</i>	Article 15.10 paragraph (1)

5) Polling stations

No.	Activities	Deadline	Holder of activity	Legal basis
1.	Designating polling stations	No later than 03.08.2018	<i>Election commission³</i>	Article 5.1 paragraph (2)
2.	Publicizing locations of the polling stations designated for voting	No later than 22.09.2018	<i>Election commission</i>	Article 5.1 paragraph (5)

6) Polling station committees

No.	Activities	Deadline	Holder of activity	Legal basis
1.	Appointing members of polling station committees	No later than 07.09.2018	<i>Election commission</i>	Article 2.19 paragraph (3)
2.	Training for members of the polling station committees	from 08.09.2018 to 05.10.2018	<i>Election commission</i>	Article 2.13 paragraph (1) point 3.

7) Election campaign

No.	Activities	Deadline	Holder of activity	Legal basis
1.	Paid political advertising	from 07.09.2018	<i>Political subjects and media</i>	Article 16.12 paragraph (1)

³ Election commission shall mean municipal election commission, election commission of Brčko District of BiH and election commission of cities.

2.	Prohibition on release of results of public opinion polls	from 05.10.2018 from 07:00 hours until closing of the polling stations	<i>Media</i>	Article 16.10
3.	Election silence	from 06.10.2018 from 07:00 hours until closing of the polling stations	<i>All participants in election process</i>	Article 16.11

8) 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 paragraph (2)
2.	Public posting of consolidated summary of voting at the municipal level	No later than 24 hours after the closing of the polling stations	<i>Election Commission</i>	Article 5.27 paragraph (1)
3.	Publishing preliminary, unofficial and incomplete results of the 2018 General Elections	a) 07.10.2018 at 24.00 hours b) 08.10.2018 at 12.00 hours c) 08.10.2018 at 19.00 hours d) from 09.10.2018 to 13.10.2018 every 24 hours e) from 14.10.2018 until confirmation of results every 48 hours	<i>BiH Central Election Commission</i>	Article 5.29 a
4.	Confirmation of the results of 2018 General Elections	No later than 06.11.2018	<i>BiH Central Election Commission</i>	Article 5.32

Article 3

This Instruction shall enter into force on day of its enactments, and shall be published in the Official Gazette of BiH, Official Gazette of the BiH Federation, Official Gazette of Republika Srpska, Official Gazette of Brčko District of BiH and on the web page of the BiH Central Election Commission www.izbori.ba.

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