

# MEC News

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## 2024 Personal Financial Disclosure (PFD) Filing Deadlines

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### 2024 Annual Filers

If a political subdivision listed you as a person required to file a PFD due to a position held in 2023, you must file your PFD no later than **May 1, 2024**. You will receive a letter with e-filing instructions and your MEC ID.

Annual filers who are also candidates should adhere to the earlier due date. Annual filers must file for each year (or portion of a year) for which they hold a position that requires the filing of a PFD.

Failure to file by May 1, 2024, results in a late filing fee of \$10 per day. After 30 days, the fee increases to \$100 per day, not to exceed \$6,000. Additional penalties may also apply.

### 2024 April Candidates

If you are required to file a PFD as a candidate in the April 2, 2024, election, the due dates are:

- 14-day deadline: **January 9, 2024**
- 21-day deadline: **January 16, 2024**

\*Failure to file by the 14-day deadline results in \$10/day late fees for candidates in a political subdivision without a conflict of interest ordinance.

\*\*Failure to file by the 21-day deadline results in candidate disqualification and removal from the ballot for candidates in a political subdivision without a conflict of interest ordinance.

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### Important Reminder:

The MEC cannot enforce a political subdivision's conflict of interest ordinance.

If a subdivision has a conflict of interest ordinance on file and PFD deadlines are not met, penalties can only be enforced by the subdivision according to its ordinance.

Our mission: The MEC serves the public interest by promoting and maintaining transparency, accountability, and compliance with campaign finance, lobbying, and conflict of interest laws. We educate and assist the citizens of Missouri, public officials, lobbyists, and those participating in public elections by increasing awareness and understanding of the law. We investigate and enforce these laws consistently.

## The MEC's Roadmap for New Candidates

### Starting Your Campaign

- ✓ File your PFD (if required).
- ✓ Determine whether to form and register a candidate committee and complete the registration process if necessary.
- ✓ Learn about any contribution limits, restrictions, and proper usage relevant to your candidacy.

### During Your Campaign

- ✓ Keep records of all contributions received and expenditures made to support your candidacy (even if you don't have a committee).
- ✓ Include proper paid for by disclosure on campaign materials (even if you don't have a committee).
- ✓ File all campaign finance reports required for your committee.

### After the Election

- ✓ If unsuccessful, terminate your committee within 30 days of the election.
- ✓ If successful, amend your Statement of Committee Organization to reflect your new election date.
- ✓ File the 30 Day After Election Report.

### How can the MEC help?

- Attend a Top 10 Tips for PFD Filers [Webinar](#).
- Attend a Forming and Registering a Committee [Webinar](#).
- Review the MEC's [Guide to Ethics Laws](#), included in your candidate materials.

### How can the MEC help?

- Attend a Maintaining a Committee [Webinar](#).
- Attend an E-Filing a Campaign Finance Report [Webinar](#).
- Review our [YouTube tutorials](#).
- Review the MEC's [Paid for By Disclosure](#) Information Sheet.

### How can the MEC help?

- Attend a Preparing for After the Election [Webinar](#).
- Review the MEC's [After Election Guidelines](#) Information Sheet.
- Review the MEC's [Terminating a Committee](#) Information Sheet.

## We're Hiring! Reporting Specialist Position Available

The MEC is seeking a reporting specialist to join its Jefferson City team. Duties include assisting candidates and public officials in state and local office and committee treasurers required to file campaign finance reports with the MEC. The specialist will also assist lobbyists with registration and monthly reports. The ideal candidate has an associates degree or two years of experience and possession of a high school diploma/GED. Learn more about this position [here](#).

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## Calendar Check

JANUARY 2024							
	<b>1/1</b>	New Year's Day—State Offices Closed					
	<b>1/5</b>	Lobbyist registration renewal period ends					
	<b>1/9</b>	14-day PFD deadline for 4/2 candidate filers					
	<b>1/10</b>	Lobbyist monthly expenditure report due					
	<b>1/15</b>	Martin Luther King Jr. Day—State Offices Closed					
	<b>1/16</b>	21-day PFD deadline for 4/2 candidate filers					
	<b>1/16</b>	Mandatory January Quarterly Report due					
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FEBRUARY 2024							
		<b>2/6</b>	Election Day				
		<b>2/12</b>	Lincoln Day — State Offices Closed				
		<b>2/13</b>	Lobbyist monthly expenditure report due				
		<b>2/19</b>	President's Day—State Offices Closed				
		<b>2/22</b>	40 Day Before 4/2 Election Report Due				
		<b>2/27</b>	Candidate filing begins for 8/6 election				
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MARCH 2024							
		<b>3/5</b>	Election Day				
		<b>3/7</b>	30 Day After 2/6 Election Report due				
		<b>3/11</b>	Lobbyist monthly expenditure report due				
		<b>3/15</b>	List of Principals and Legislative Action Report due				
		<b>3/25</b>	8 Day Before 4/2 Election Report due				
		<b>3/26</b>	Candidate filing closes for 8/6 election				
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CALENDAR KEY	
	Lobbyist Deadlines
	Personal Financial Disclosure (PFD) Deadlines
	Campaign Finance Disclosure Deadlines
	General MEC and Statewide Information

**MEC Tip:**  
Add deadlines to a calendar you check regularly to avoid penalties.

  
**Coming Soon:**  
Mandatory April Quarterly Report due April 15, 2024

