

**Operational Calendar for the Election of the National Parliament**

The Technical Secretariat for Election Administration (STAE) in compliance with the provisions of Article 18 of the Law on the Election of the National Parliament and taking into account the Decree No 27/2017 of May 2, of the President of the Republic, which set July 22 2017 as the date of the election for the National Parliament, now published the operational calendar for the election of the National Parliament of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste:

	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>LEGAL BASIS Law no. 6/2006</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>COMMENTS</b>
<b>ELECTION ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALENDAR</b>				
<b>1</b>	Decree of the President of the Republic: announcing the date of the election + publication in the Official Gazette	Art. 17 no 1	02/05/2017 (Tuesday) KM	80 days before the election
<b>2</b>	STAE publishes the calendar of election operations in the Official Gazette	Art. 18	No later than 10/05/2017 (Wednesday)	No later than 8 days after publication of Presidential decree that announces the election
<b>CANDIDACIES AND RELEVANT LITIGATION</b>				
<b>3</b>	Formation of party coalitions	Art 20 no 2	22/05/2017 (Monday)	Not later than 20 days after the publication of the presidential decree
<b>4</b>	STAE publishes a notice in the Official Gazette about the Party Coalitions formed.	Art 20 no 3	-	It depends on the date of communication of formation of coalitions from CNE to STAE
<b>5</b>	Presentation of the lists of candidates to the Supreme Court of Justice (STJ) / Court of Appeal	Art.22	01/06/2017 (Thursday)	No later than 30 days after the publication of the presidential decree
<b>6</b>	Verification of the regularity, sufficiency and authenticity of the candidate lists by the STJ / Court of Appeal	Art.23	Until 11/06/2017 (Sunday)	No later than ten days after the deadline for receipt of candidate lists
<b>7</b>	Deadline for appeal to the full bench of the STJ / Court of Appeal on decisions on the approval of candidacies	Art.24 no 1	12/06/2017 (Sunday)	No later than one day after the announcement of the decisions on approval of candidacies
<b>8</b>	Deadline for the decision on appeals concerning approval of candidacies	Art. 24 no 3	No later than 14/06/2017 (Wednesday)	The appeals are decided by the full bench of the STJ / Court of Appeal no later than two days after the deadline for submission
<b>9</b>	Lottery for order on the ballot paper of the candidate lists presented + display of the minutes	Art.22	13/06/2017 (Tuesday) or 15/06/2017 (Thursday)	Depending on whether any appeals are filed against decisions on the admission of candidacies. The lottery result is displayed at the entrance to the STJ and sent to CNE and STAE
<b>COMPOSITION OF POLLING CENTRES AND POLLING STATIONS</b>				

10	STAE announces the number and location of polling centres and polling stations	Art. 32 no 4	22/06/2017 (Thursday)	No later than 30 days before election day
11	Placement on the voter card of the identification tag of the nearest polling centre to the voter's residence, where the voter will exercise his or her voting right	-	From 10/07/2017 (Sunday) until 20/07/2017 (Thursday)	-
<b>ELECTION CAMPAIGN</b>				
12	Election campaign period	Art.28°	from 20/06/2017 (Tuesday) to 19/07/2017 (Wednesday)	Duration 30 days and ends 2 days before election day
<b>ELECTION / FIRST ROUND VOTING AND RESULTS TABULATION</b>				
13	Election day (7am to 3pm)	Art. 33	22/07/2017 (Saturday)	Voting abroad is on local time
14	Start counting of the votes in the polling centres and sending of the ballot boxes for municipal/regional tabulation	Art. 46	22/07/2017 (Saturday)	Starts after closing of voting
15	Municipal/regional tabulation of results and dispatch of the electoral minutes and other elements (null votes, protests and complaints that exist) to CNE	Art.47	From 22/07/2017 (Saturday) to 24/07/2017 (Monday)	Send to CNE no later than 2 days after election day with a copy to STAE.
16	Final tabulation of national results (CNE)	Art.48	From 24/07/2017 (Monday) to 27/07/2017 (Thursday)	72 hours
17	CNE compiles the minutes of the provisional national results	Art.48	From 27/07/2017 (Thursday) to 30/07/2017 (Sunday)	With a copy to STAE and information organs
18	Deadline for filing an appeal against the provisional national results with the Court of Appeal	Art.49	No later than 01/08/2017 (Tuesday)	To be filed within 48 hours after the display of the provisional minutes of the results
19	Court of Appeal shall decide on appeals	Art.49	No later than 03/08/2017 (Thursday)	Court decides within 48 hours
20	The CNE gives the results to the Court of Appeal, if there are no appeals	Art.49	No later than 02/08/2017 (Wednesday)	After expiry of the period for appeal
21	The Court of Appeal analyzes the documentation sent by the CNE, validates the results and proclaims the results	Art.50	05/08/2017 (Saturday) or 06/08/2017 (Sunday)	72 hours - period, counted from the receipt of the documentation (NOTE: from 19 or 20 above)
22	Publication in the Official Gazette of the decision of the Court of Appeal	Art.50°	07/08/2017 (Monday)	-