

**BENUE STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL COMMISSION
TIME-TABLE AND SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT
COUNCILS' ELECTIONS 2024.**

S/N	ACTIVITY	DAY/DATE	ENABLING LAW	REMARK
1.	Election Notice/Stakeholders Forum	Friday 05/04/2024 10.00am	Section 6 & 15(2)(a)(b) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	BSIEC Headquarters Makurdi
2.	Collection of Forms BCF 002 by Political Parties	Tuesday – Friday 02/07/2024 – 12/07/2024 9.00am-4.00pm	Section 15 (1) and Section 32(1) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024 and Section 5(b) Benue State Independent Electoral Commission (Amendment) Law 2012	Political Parties
3.	Commencement of Campaigns	Tuesday – Thursday 02/07/2024 – 03/10/2024	Section 8 (b) Benue State Independent Electoral Commission (Amendment) Law 2012	Political Parties at BSIEC Headquarters Makurdi.
4.	Release/Issuance of Election Guidelines and Timetable	Friday 09/08/2024 10:00am	Section 6 & 15(2)(a)(b) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	BSIEC Headquarters Makurdi
5.	Submission of Form BCF 002 by Political Parties	Monday - Friday 12/08/2024 - 06/09/2024 9.00am – 4.00 pm	Sections 15 (2)(b) (3), 32(1) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	Submission by Political Parties at BSIEC Headquarters Makurdi

6.	Collection of Bio-Data Form BCF 001 by Political Aspirants	Friday - Tuesday 06/09/2024 – 10/09 /2024 9.00am – 400pm	Section 15 (2)(b)) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	Aspirants at BSIEC Headquarters Makurdi
7.	Last day of submission of Bio-Data Forms BCF 001	Wednesday 11/09/2024 9.00am – 4.00pm	Section 15 (2), (b) & (3) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	Aspirants at BSIEC Headquarters
8.	Verification of Particulars of Candidates	Thursday - Saturday 12/09/2024 – 14/09/2024 9.00am – 4.00pm	Section 5 (b) Benue State Independent Electoral Commission (Amendment) Law 2012 and Section 16 (1) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	BSIEC i. Chairmanship HQs ii. Councillors LGA
9.	Return of Suitable and Unsuitable Candidates verified by the Commission Form BCF 003 & BCF 004	Monday 16/09/2024 9.00AM – 4.00 pm	Section 16 (3) (a) and (b) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	BSIEC to Political Parties
10.	Return of List of Substituted Candidates by Political Parties to the Commission	Tuesday – Friday 17/09/2024– 20/09/2024. 9.00AM – 4.00 PM	Section 16 (3) (b) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	Political Parties to BSIEC

11.	Verification of Particulars of Substituted Candidates	Monday 23/09/2024 9.00am – 4.00 pm	Section 16 (1) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024 and Section 5 (b) Benue State Independent Electoral Commission (Amendment) Law 2012	BSIEC i. Chairmanship HQS ii. Councillors LGA
12.	Collection of Nomination Forms(BCF 005) by Cleared Candidates	Tuesday – Wednesday 24/09/2024 – 25/09/2024 9.00AM – 4.00 PM	Section 17 (1) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	Political Aspirants at BSIEC Headquarters
13.	Last day of Submission of Nomination Forms (BCF005) to the Commission	Thursday 26/09/2024 9.00AM – 4.00 PM	Section 17 (4) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	Political Aspirants
14.	Last day of Second Nomination Forms by candidates whose 1 st Nomination is adjudged invalid	Friday. 27/09/2024 9.00AM – 4.00 PM	Section 18 (4) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	Political Parties at BSIEC Headquarters.
15.	Notification of Validity or otherwise of Nomination	Monday 30/09/2024 9.00AM – 4.00 PM	Section 18 (4) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	BSIEC to Political Parties

16.	Last day of withdrawal of candidates if any and display of their names	Wednesday 02/10/2024 9.00AM – 4.00 PM	Section 19 (1)(2) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	Political Parties & Aspirants
17.	Display of names of Candidates standing for Elections	Wednesday 02/10/2024 9.00AM – 4.00 PM	Section 20 Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	BSIEC Headquarters/LGA Offices.
18.	Publication of Polling Date, Particulars of Candidates and the Location of Polling Stations.	Wednesday 02/10/2024 9.00AM – 4.00 PM	Section 33 (a), (b), (c) & (d) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	BSIEC Headquarters/LGA Offices.
19.	Submission of Names of Polling Agents by Political Parties	Wednesday 02/10/2024 9.00AM – 4.00 PM	Section 32 Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	Political Parties at the BSIEC Headquarters
20.	Termination of Campaigns	Thursday 03/10/2024 12:00 AM (Midnight)	Section 59 (i) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	Political Aspirants
21.	Elections and Declaration of Results	Saturday 05/10/2024	Section 34 and 51 (1) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	Wards/Local Government Collation Centres

22.	Issuance of Certificates of Return to Successful Candidates	Tuesday 08/10/2024 10.00AM – 4.00 PM	Section 51 (1) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	BSIEC Headquarters
23.	Publication of Results	Wednesday 09/10/2024 9.00AM – 4.00 PM	Section 51 (3) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	BSIEC Headquarters
24.	RE-Run Election (if any)/Declaration of Results	Saturday 12/10/2024	Section 44 (1), (2), (3) and (4) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	Wards/Local Government Collation Centres
25.	Issuance of Certificate of Return for Re-run Elections to Successful Candidates	Monday 14/10/2024 10.00AM – 4.00 PM	Section 51 (1) Benue State Electoral (Amendment) Law No. 31 of 2024	BSIEC Headquarters