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**ENUGU STATE INDEPENDENT ELECTORAL
COMMISSION (ENSIEC)**

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Pursuant to Section 28(1) of the Electoral Act 2022, Enugu State Independent Electoral Commission Law Cap 59 Revised Laws of Enugu State 2004, Enugu State Independent Electoral (Amendment) Law 2024 and Local Government Law 2020.

WHEREAS Enugu State Local Government Council Elections are due to be held in 2026,

AND WHEREAS the Enugu State Independent Electoral Commission (ENSIEC) is empowered by the Enugu State Electoral Law and other relevant statutes to organize, undertake and supervise all elections to the Local Government Councils within Enugu State;

NOW THEREFORE, TAKE NOTICE THAT:

DATE OF ELECTION: The date fixed for the upcoming Local Government Council Election in Enugu State shall be Saturday, 26th September, 2026.

DELIVERY OF NOMINATION PAPERS: Duly completed nomination papers for all nominated candidates by political parties shall be delivered to the Headquarters of the Enugu State Independent Electoral Commission (ENSIEC) at No. 3, Achi Street, Independence Layout.

TIMETABLE & SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES FOR 2026 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION

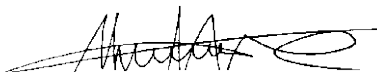
S/N	DATES	ACTIVITIES	REMARKS
1	Wednesday, 20th August, 2025	Publication of Notice of Election by ENSIEC	Section 28(1) of the Electoral Act 2022 provides not later than 360 days before the election
2	Friday, 17th October, 2025	Meeting with Political Parties for the Election Guidelines	
3	27th November, 2025 to 12th December, 2025	-Call for Political Parties to submit information on conduct of Party Primaries specifying the time, venue and day of Party Primaries.	
4	23rd January, 2026 to 19th February, 2026	Conduct of Party Primaries including resolution of disputes arising from the primaries and observation of same by ENSIEC	To enable Political Parties democratically nominate candidates for the election as required by Section 84 of the Electoral Act 2022
5	20th February, 2026 – 27th February, 2026	Collection of Nomination Forms ENSIEC 7 and ENSIEC 7A for Chairmanship and Councillorship Election respectively	
6	19th March, 2026 – 21st March 2026	Checking Councillorship candidates credentials at each Senatorial Headquarters	

7	25th March, 2026 – 27th March 2026	Checking Chairmanship candidates credentials at the Enugu State Independent Electoral Commission ENSIEC Headquarters, No. 3 Achi Street, Independence Layout Enugu. Enugu North Zone - 25th March Enugu East Zone - 26th March Enugu West Zone - 27th March	
8	30th March, 2026	Last day of submission of Nomination Forms ENSIEC 7 and ENSIEC 7A for Chairmanship and Councillorship Election respectively by Political Parties	Section 29(1) of the Electoral Act 2022 provides for not later than 180 days before the election
9	6th April, 2026	Publication of Personal Particulars of Candidates of Political Parties at Local Government Offices and ENSIEC Headquarters by ENSIEC	Section 29(3) of the Electoral Act 2022 provides for publication within 7 days of the receipt of the form
10	27th April, 2026	Last day for the withdrawal by candidate(s)/replacement of withdrawn candidate(s) by Political Parties	Section 31 of Electoral Act 2022 provides not later than 90 days to the election for withdrawal of candidates (to accommodate 14 days period for the conduct of primaries to replace dead or withdrawn candidates in Section 33)
11	29th April, 2026	Publication by ENSIEC of the final list of Political Parties nominated candidates	Section 32(1) of the Electoral Act 2022 provides at least 150 days before the day of the election to publish the final nomination list of candidates
12	29th April, 2026	Commencement of campaign by Political Parties	Section 94(1) of the Electoral Act 2022 provides campaigning in public by every Political Party shall commence 150 days before pooling day and end 24 hours prior to that day
13	13th August, 2026	Last day of submission of names of Polling Agents for the election to the Electoral Officer(EO) of the Local Government Area by the Political Parties	Section 43 of the Electoral Act 2022 provides for not later than 14 days before the election

14	11th September, 2026	Publication of Notice of Poll by ENSIEC	Section 44 of the Electoral Act 2022 provides for not later than 14 days before the election to publish Notice of Poll
15	25th September, 2026	Last day for Campaign by Political Parties	Section 94(1) of the Electoral Act 2022 provides campaigning in public by every Political Party shall commence 150 days before pooling day and end 24 hours prior to that day
16	26th September, 2026	Date of Election (Voters' accreditation and voting by open secret Ballot System in the hours of 8.00am and 3.00pm.	Section 103(3) of the Electoral Act 2022 empowers the Commission to appoint date for Local Government Election not earlier than 150days and not later than 30 days before the expiration of the term of office of the last holder of that office
17	10th October, 2026	Run off/ RE-run Election(s) (If any)	

DATED this 28th day of August, 2025.

Signed:



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