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## 2022 BROADCASTERS' CALENDAR

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## **2022 Calendar of Important Dates for Broadcasters**<sup>1</sup>

A new year is upon us, and it is time to look forward to the regulatory dates and deadlines for broadcasters in that year. While we expect an FCC that will, for the first time since 2016, be controlled by Democrats, when that will occur and what that will mean is still uncertain as the nomination of one new commissioner is, at this time, in limbo. But many routine regulatory filings, dates, and deadlines remain to fill a broadcaster's calendar. These include the requirement to prepare an annual Equal Employment Opportunity ("EEO") public inspection file report, to upload quarterly issues/programs lists to the public file, and to pay annual FCC regulatory fees. License renewals also will continue this year.

Other dates to note include the final deadline for LPTV stations and TV translators to implement digital operations if they have not done so already, and some final dates for reimbursement filings for those stations affected by the repacking of the TV Band following the Incentive Auction. To help keep track of many of these obligations, we have put together this advisory to provide a preview of many of the important FCC compliance-related dates, as well as other deadlines broadly applicable to significant portions of the broadcast industry. The calendar is not intended to cover all filing dates and deadlines that apply to every station or licensee. Instead, the calendar is meant to highlight some of the more critical deadlines that we can identify in advance. Remember, these dates can change, and new deadlines for action can be added, so be sure to keep up with the latest developments.

The year will end the radio license renewal cycle that began in 2019, with renewal applications for radio stations in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Delaware closing the cycle until 2027. TV renewals will continue, as that cycle is one year behind radio. Thus, TV renewals will continue until April 2023.

2022 will also be a big political year, with control of the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate being contested, as well as many governors' seats and plenty of state and local offices. Some predict that, with the uncertainties caused by redistricting following the 2020 census and the strong partisan battles over almost every issue, political spending in the year could exceed that from the 2020 presidential election. With the FCC's recent scrutiny of station compliance with the political broadcasting rules, broadcasters need to be paying careful attention to the wave of advertising coming their way. Do not forget the political file obligations that attach to political advertising – even outside the political windows. We have noted on our calendar the start of the window for lowest unit rates for the primaries and the November election, but stay alert

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<sup>1</sup> This calendar is intended to be a reference guide to important deadlines but is not intended to be an exhaustive list of required filings and will not be updated throughout the year. Filing requirements may change over the year, and new filing requirements may be adopted.

as these windows could change because of court fights over redistricting or for other reasons. Also, be alert for windows for local elections or special elections held at other times of the year that we may not have noted on this calendar.

For radio broadcasters that stream their programming on the Internet, there are required payment and reporting obligations to SoundExchange for music use. The new rates for streaming sound recordings on the Internet for 2021-2025 went into effect in 2021 following the decision of the Copyright Royalty Board to increase those rates. Even though the decision is now being appealed, the new rates are effective unless overturned by the courts. Already, the rates set in 2021 have gone up because of a cost-of-living adjustment that will apply to streaming done in 2022. In addition, the minimum fees for most webcasters have increased to \$1,000 per channel. Minimum fees are due by the end of January. SoundExchange royalties need to be paid every month. In addition, stations also have obligations to pay ASCAP, BMI, SESAC, and GMR. The GMR rates for radio have been in the news – as a settlement of the long-running litigation with the Radio Music License Committee over whether those rates should be subject to any antitrust review appears to be in the works. Watch to see if that agreement is finalized in the first few months of the new year. Also, review your agreements with these organizations to make sure you meet all required payment and reporting deadlines and watch for developments over these royalties.

Television stations have the extra burden of complying with the children's television rules and filing an annual children's television programming report, to be submitted on January 31 (as the normal January 30 due date is a Sunday). Television stations providing fee-based non-broadcast services with their digital spectrum must file an annual DTV Ancillary/Supplementary Services Report (known as FCC Form 2100 Schedule G, formerly FCC Form 317) in December of each year.

In our calendar, we provide a description of the obligation, the due date, and the place where compliance is required (through an FCC filing, an upload to the public files, etc.). Broadcasters have online public file obligations, and they must ensure that the required documentation (such as the annual EEO public inspection file report or quarterly issues/programs lists) is uploaded by the applicable deadline to the station's FCC-hosted online public file. The online public file makes these deadlines even more important, particularly during the ongoing license renewal cycle, as interested parties (including the FCC) no longer need to come to your station and wade through paper files to review whether you have met your public file obligations. Instead, they can review your file anywhere there is an Internet connection and assess your compliance with the various public file obligations. In the last few years, we saw hundreds of stations enter into consent decrees with the FCC or pay fines because of the stations' failure to timely upload documents to their public files. Don't let your station be caught with late uploads or an incomplete public file.

As the year unfolds, there will no doubt be other compliance deadlines that arise, including comment periods for various rulemakings. We try to provide information about many of these deadlines and news about other regulatory issues on our blog: [www.broadcastlawblog.com](http://www.broadcastlawblog.com). Check the blog regularly, sign-up for email alerts about new posts, or get in touch with any of the attorneys in our [Broadcast Group](#) for more information about the many deadlines and other issues that will be important to broadcasters in 2022.

With that background and an important reminder to check with your accountant, tax advisor, and local counsel on dates for filings such as those relating to local business and real estate fees and taxes, filing dates for Equal Employment Opportunity Commission submissions for large employers, and other requirements that may be applicable to your station(s), some important dates for 2022 are set out in the calendar that follows.

## JANUARY 2022

DEADLINE FOR ACTION, FILING OR PAYMENT <sup>2</sup>	WHAT ACTION IS REQUIRED or WHAT MUST BE FILED OR PAID?	WHERE MUST IT BE FILED OR PAID?	WHO MUST FILE OR ACT?
<b>January 1, 2022</b>	Compliance with the Audio Captioning Rules	On-Air Subchannel	TV Broadcasters Affiliated with the Top 4 Networks that Operate in DMAs 71-80 Have Been Added to the Compliance Obligations that Already Apply to Network-Affiliated Stations in the Top 70 markets
	Cost-of-Living Increase in Rates for SoundExchange Royalties for Digital Streaming	SoundExchange <sup>3</sup>	Broadcasters that are Streaming Noninteractive Audio through the Internet or on Mobile Apps
<b>January 10, 2022</b>	Quarterly Issues/Programs List covering the 4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter of 2021—October 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021	Stations' Online Public Inspection Files	Full Power and Class A Television Stations; Commercial and Noncommercial AM and FM Radio Stations

<sup>2</sup> The FCC rules are unclear as to whether dates for posting documents to the online public file which fall on a weekend or a holiday are extended to the next business day. While informal FCC staff guidance and some caselaw suggests that they do, we have left the actual due dates in this calendar except where the FCC has made a specific statement that a date is extended. Consult your legal counsel for advice as to whether these deadlines can be interpreted to be consistently extended.

<sup>3</sup> These increased rates become effective on January 1, 2022, but the deadline for payment is not until 45 days after the end of the month.

DEADLINE FOR ACTION, FILING OR PAYMENT <sup>2</sup>	WHAT ACTION IS REQUIRED or WHAT MUST BE FILED OR PAID?	WHERE MUST IT BE FILED OR PAID?	WHO MUST FILE OR ACT?
January 10, 2022 cont.	Documentation of On-Air Fundraising by Noncommercial Educational Stations benefitting third parties from October 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021	Stations' Online Public Inspection Files	Noncommercial Educational Stations Not Affiliated with NPR or PBS that Conducted Third-Party On-Air Fundraising that Interrupted Their Normal Programming
	Documentation of Class A Television Continuing Eligibility for October 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021	Stations' Online Public Inspection Files	Class A Television Stations
	License Applications to Cover New Digital Facilities <sup>4</sup>	FCC	All LPTV Stations and TV Translators That Received an Extension on Their Digital Conversion, and All Holders of Construction Permits for New Digital LPTV Stations or TV Translators That Had an Expiration Date Prior to July 13, 2021
January 14, 2022	Copyright Royalty Fee: Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms Due—Must File Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms for the Month Ending Nov. 30, 2021	SoundExchange	Commercial and Noncommercial Webcasters and Broadcast Stations That Simulcast Programming over the Internet

<sup>4</sup> The FCC has in a few cases granted tolling requests extending this deadline for some LPTV stations or TV translators that can show that their inability to meet this deadline was for specific reasons beyond their control.

DEADLINE FOR ACTION, FILING OR PAYMENT <sup>2</sup>	WHAT ACTION IS REQUIRED or WHAT MUST BE FILED OR PAID?	WHERE MUST IT BE FILED OR PAID?	WHO MUST FILE OR ACT?
January 31, 2022	Copyright Royalty Fee; Annual, Nonrefundable Minimum Fee of \$1,000 for Each Channel and Station	SoundExchange	Commercial and Noncommercial (Except Those Affiliated with NPR/CPB or Those Licensed to Educational Institutions <sup>5</sup> ) Webcasters (Including Broadcast Simulcasts)
	Annual Children’s Television Programming Report (Form 2100, Schedule H) <sup>6</sup>	FCC	All Full-Power and Class A Television Stations
	Certification of Compliance with Commercial Limits in Children's Programming for January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 <sup>7</sup>	Stations’ Online Public Inspection Files	All Full Power and Class A Television Stations

<sup>5</sup> Noncommercial educational webcasters (affiliated with a school or college), not affiliated with NPR and CPB, must make elections by January 31 about recordkeeping requirements that will apply to their streaming operations. They also must make a minimum fee payment of \$600 by January 31, and pay an additional \$100 if they are eligible for a waiver of the requirements on reporting the songs they play and the listeners they have. Most stations that are affiliated with NPR or which receive CPB funds are covered by a separate agreement by which CPB pays a blanket fee for their royalties. Check with NPR and CPB for the conditions they impose to qualify for inclusion in their arrangement with SoundExchange.

<sup>6</sup> The report’s January 30 filing due date falls on a Sunday, so the report is due by the next business day.

<sup>7</sup> The certification’s January 30 upload due date falls on a Sunday, so the upload must be done by the next business day.

**JANUARY 2022**  
**POLITICAL DATES**

Date	Election Information	State/Territory
<b>January 15, 2022<sup>8</sup></b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on March 1.	Texas (Primary)

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<sup>8</sup> Redistricting in Texas is subject to a lawsuit, and a request has been made to delay the primary date. If the primary is delayed, the opening of the Lowest Unit Rate window would be delayed.



## **FEBRUARY 2022**

DEADLINE FOR ACTION, FILING OR PAYMENT	WHAT ACTION IS REQUIRED or WHAT MUST BE FILED OR PAID?	WHERE MUST IT BE FILED OR PAID?	WHO MUST FILE OR ACT?
February 1, 2022	Broadcast Renewal Application (Form 2100, Schedule 303-S) and Equal Employment Opportunity Report (Form 2100, Schedule 396)	FCC	Television, Class A, LPTV and TV Translator Stations in <b>Kansas, Nebraska, and Oklahoma</b>
	Broadcast Renewal Application (Form 2100, Schedule 303-S) and Equal Employment Opportunity Report (Form 2100, Schedule 396)	FCC	Commercial and Noncommercial Full-Power AM, FM, and LPFM Radio Stations in <b>New York and New Jersey</b>
	Annual EEO Public File Report	Stations' Online Public Inspection File; Station Website	Radio and Television station Employment Units in <b>Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, and Oklahoma</b>
February 14, 2022	Copyright Royalty Fee: Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms Due—Must File Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms for the Month Ending Dec. 31, 2021	SoundExchange	Commercial and Noncommercial Webcasters and Broadcast Stations That Simulcast Programming over the Internet

## MARCH 2022

DEADLINE FOR ACTION, FILING OR PAYMENT	WHAT ACTION IS REQUIRED or WHAT MUST BE FILED OR PAID?	WHERE MUST IT BE FILED OR PAID?	WHO MUST FILE OR ACT?
<b>March 13, 2022</b>	Daylight Saving Time Begins	Station Engineer	AM Daytime-Only Radio Stations and Stations with Pre-Sunrise and/or Post-Sunset Authorizations Should Check Their Sign-On and Sign-Off Times on Their Current FCC Authorizations to Ensure Compliance. All times Listed on FCC Licenses are in Standard Time.
<b>March 17, 2022</b>	Copyright Royalty Fee: Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms Due—Must File Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms for the Month Ending Jan. 31, 2022 <sup>9</sup>	SoundExchange	Commercial and Noncommercial Webcasters and Broadcast Stations That Simulcast Programming over the Internet
<b>March 22, 2022</b>	Full Power and Class A TV Stations Assigned Transition Completion Dates in Incentive Auction Repack Phases 6-10 Must Submit All Remaining Invoices for Reimbursement	FCC	Full Power and Class A TV Stations in Incentive Auction Repack Phases 6-10 Seeking Reimbursement for Repack Costs

<sup>9</sup> This payment will reflect the increased royalties due to the cost-of-living increases in the SoundExchange royalty that went into effect on January 1.

## **MARCH 2022** **POLITICAL DATES**

Date	Election Information	State/Territory
<b>March 1, 2022<sup>10</sup></b>	Primary Election Day	Texas
<b>March 19, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on May 3.	Indiana (Primary), Ohio (Primary)
<b>March 25, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on May 24.	Arkansas (Nonpartisan General) and Georgia (Nonpartisan General)
<b>March 26, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on May 10.	Nebraska (Primary) and West Virginia (Primary)

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<sup>10</sup> Redistricting in Texas is subject to a lawsuit, and a request has been made to delay the primary date. Watch locally to see if any action is taken with respect to this request.

## APRIL 2022

DEADLINE FOR ACTION, FILING OR PAYMENT	WHAT ACTION IS REQUIRED or WHAT MUST BE FILED OR PAID?	WHERE MUST IT BE FILED OR PAID?	WHO MUST FILE OR ACT?
<b>April 1, 2022</b>	Broadcast Renewal Application (Form 2100, Schedule 303-S) and Equal Employment Opportunity Report (Form 2100, Schedule 396)	FCC	Television, Class A, LPTV and TV Translator Stations in <b>Texas</b>
	Broadcast Renewal Application (Form 2100, Schedule 303-S) and Equal Employment Opportunity Report (Form 2100, Schedule 396)	FCC	Commercial and Noncommercial Full-Power AM, FM, LPFM, and FM Translator Radio Stations in <b>Delaware</b> and <b>Pennsylvania</b>
	Annual EEO Public File Report	Stations' Online Public Inspection File; Station Website	Radio and Television Station Employment Units in <b>Delaware, Indiana, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, and Texas</b>
<b>April 10, 2022</b>	Quarterly Issues/Programs List covering the 1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter—January 1, 2022 through March 31, 2022	Stations' Online Public Inspection File	All Full-Power Radio, Full-Power Television, and Class A Television Stations
	Documentation of Class A Television Continuing Eligibility for January 1, 2022 through March 31, 2022	Stations' Online Public Inspection File	Class A Television Stations

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<b>April 10, 2022 cont.</b>	Documentation of On-Air Fundraising by Noncommercial Educational Stations Benefitting Third Parties from January 1, 2022 through March 31, 2022	Stations' Online Public Inspection File	Noncommercial Educational Stations Not Affiliated with NPR or PBS that Conducted Third-Party On-Air Fundraising that Interrupted Their Normal Programming
<b>April 14, 2022</b>	Copyright Royalty Fee: Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms Due—Must File Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms for the Month Ending February 28, 2022	SoundExchange	Commercial and Noncommercial Webcasters and Broadcast Stations That Simulcast Programming over the Internet

## APRIL 2022 POLITICAL DATES

Date	Election Information	State/Territory
<b>April 2, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on May 17.	Idaho (Primary), Kentucky (Primary), North Carolina (Primary), Oregon (Primary), Pennsylvania (Primary)
<b>April 9, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on May 24.	Alabama, Arkansas (Preferential Primary), Georgia (General Primary), Texas (Primary Runoff)
<b>April 22, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on June 21.	Georgia (Nonpartisan General Runoff)
<b>April 23, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on June 7.	California (Primary), Iowa (Primary), Mississippi (Primary), Montana (Primary), New Jersey (Primary), New Mexico (Primary), South Dakota (Primary)
<b>April 30, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on June 14.	Maine (Primary), Nevada (Primary), North Dakota (Primary), South Carolina (Primary)

## MAY 2022

DEADLINE FOR ACTION, FILING OR PAYMENT	WHAT ACTION IS REQUIRED or WHAT MUST BE FILED OR PAID?	WHERE MUST IT BE FILED OR PAID?	WHO MUST FILE OR ACT?
May 15, 2022	Copyright Royalty Fee: Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms Due—Must File Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms for the Month Ending March 31, 2022	SoundExchange	Commercial and Noncommercial Webcasters and Broadcast Stations That Simulcast Programming over the Internet

## MAY 2022 POLITICAL DATES

Date	Election Information	State/Territory (Election Type)
May 3, 2022	Primary Election Day	Indiana, Ohio
May 7, 2022	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on June 21.	Alabama (Primary Runoff), Arkansas (General Primary), District of Columbia (Primary), Georgia (General Primary Runoff), Virginia (Primary)
May 10, 2022	Primary Election Day	Nebraska, West Virginia
May 14, 2022	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on June 28.	Colorado (Primary), Illinois (Primary), Maryland (Primary), Mississippi (Primary Runoff), New York (Primary), Oklahoma (Primary), South Carolina (Primary Runoff), Utah (Primary)
May 17, 2022	Primary Election Day	Idaho, Kentucky, North Carolina, Oregon, Pennsylvania,
May 24, 2022	Primary Election Day	Alabama
	Preferential Primary and Nonpartisan General Election Day	Arkansas
	General Primary and Nonpartisan General Election Day	Georgia
	Primary Runoff Election Day	Texas



## JUNE 2022

DEADLINE FOR ACTION, FILING OR PAYMENT	WHAT ACTION IS REQUIRED or WHAT MUST BE FILED OR PAID?	WHERE MUST IT BE FILED OR PAID?	WHO MUST FILE OR ACT?
<b>June 1, 2022</b>	Broadcast Renewal Application (Form 2100, Schedule 303-S) and Equal Employment Opportunity Report (Form 2100, Schedule 396)	FCC	Television, Class A, LPTV and TV Translator Stations in <b>Arizona, Idaho, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming</b>
	Annual EEO Public File Report	Stations' Online Public Inspection File; Station Website	Radio and Television Station Employment Units in <b>Arizona, District of Columbia, Idaho, Maryland, Michigan, Nevada, New Mexico, Ohio, Utah, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wyoming</b>
<b>June 14, 2022</b>	Copyright Royalty Fee: Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms Due—Must File Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms for the Month Ending April 30, 2022	SoundExchange	Commercial and Noncommercial Webcasters and Broadcast Stations That Simulcast Programming over the Internet

## **JUNE 2022** **POLITICAL DATES**

Date	Election Information	State/Territory (Election Type)
<b>June 7, 2022</b>	Primary Election Day	California, Iowa, Mississippi, Montana, New Jersey, New Mexico, South Dakota
<b>June 14, 2022</b>	Primary Election Day	Maine, Nevada, North Dakota, South Carolina
<b>June 18, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on August 2.	Arizona (Primary), Kansas (Primary), Michigan (Primary), Missouri (Primary), Washington (Primary)
<b>June 20, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on August 4.	Tennessee (Primary)
<b>June 21, 2022</b>	Primary Runoff Election Day	Alabama
	General Primary Election Day	Arkansas
	Primary Election Day	District of Columbia, Virginia
	General Primary and Nonpartisan General Runoff Election Day	Georgia
<b>June 22, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on August 6.	U.S. Virgin Islands (Primary)
<b>June 25, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on August 9.	Connecticut (Primary), Minnesota (Primary), Vermont (Primary), Wisconsin (Primary)

<b>June 28, 2022</b>	Primary Election Day	Colorado, Illinois, Maryland, New York, Oklahoma, Utah
	Primary Runoff Election Day	Mississippi, South Carolina
<b>June 29, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on August 13.	Hawaii (Primary)

## JULY 2022

DEADLINE FOR ACTION, FILING OR PAYMENT	WHAT ACTION IS REQUIRED or WHAT MUST BE FILED OR PAID?	WHERE MUST IT BE FILED OR PAID?	WHO MUST FILE OR ACT?
<b>July 10, 2022</b>	Documentation of Class A Television Continuing Eligibility for April 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022	Stations' Online Public Inspection File	Class A Television Stations
	Quarterly Issues/Programs List Covering the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter—April 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022	Stations' Online Public Inspection File	All Full-Power Radio, Full-Power Television, and Class A Television Stations
	Documentation of On-Air Fundraising by Noncommercial Educational Stations Benefitting Third Parties from April 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022	Stations' Online Public Inspection File	Noncommercial Educational Stations Not Affiliated with NPR or PBS that Conducted Third-Party On-Air Fundraising That Interrupted Their Normal Programming
<b>July 15, 2022</b>	Copyright Royalty Fee: Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms Due—Must File Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms for the Month Ending May 31, 2022	SoundExchange	Commercial and Noncommercial Webcasters and Broadcast Stations That Simulcast Programming over the Internet

## **JULY** **POLITICAL DATES**

Date	Election Information	State/Territory (Election Type)
<b>July 2, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on August 16.	Alaska (Primary), South Dakota (Primary Runoff), Wyoming (Primary)
<b>July 9, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on August 23.	Florida (Primary), Oklahoma (Primary Runoff)
<b>July 13, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on August 27.	Guam (Primary)
<b>July 30, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on September 13.	Delaware (Primary), New Hampshire (Primary), Rhode Island (Primary)

## AUGUST 2022

DEADLINE FOR ACTION, FILING OR PAYMENT	WHAT ACTION IS REQUIRED or WHAT MUST BE FILED OR PAID?	WHERE MUST IT BE FILED OR PAID?	WHO MUST FILE OR ACT?
August 1, 2022	Broadcast Renewal Application (Form 2100, Schedule 303-S) and Equal Employment Opportunity Report (Form 2100, Schedule 396)	FCC	Television, Class A, LPTV, and TV Translator Stations in <b>California</b>
	Annual EEO Public File Report	Stations' Online Public Inspection File; Station Website	Radio and Television Station Employment Units in <b>California, Illinois, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Wisconsin</b>
August 14, 2022	Copyright Royalty Fee: Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms Due—Must File Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms for the Month Ending June 30, 2022	SoundExchange	Commercial and Noncommercial Webcasters and Broadcast Stations That Simulcast Programming over the Internet

## **AUGUST 2022** **POLITICAL DATES**

Date	Election Information	State/Territory (Election Type)
<b>August 2, 2022</b>	Primary Election Day	Arizona, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Washington
<b>August 4, 2022</b>	Primary Election Day	Tennessee
<b>August 6, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on September 20.	Massachusetts (Primary)
	Primary Election Day	U.S. Virgin Islands
<b>August 9, 2022</b>	Primary Election Day	Connecticut, Minnesota, Vermont, Wisconsin
<b>August 13, 2022</b>	Primary Election Day	Hawaii
<b>August 16, 2022</b>	Primary Election Day	Alaska, Wyoming
	Primary Runoff Election Day	South Dakota
<b>August 23, 2022</b>	Primary Election Day	Florida
	Primary Runoff Election Day	Oklahoma
<b>August 27, 2022</b>	Primary Election Day	Guam

## SEPTEMBER 2022

DEADLINE FOR ACTION, FILING OR PAYMENT	WHAT ACTION IS REQUIRED or WHAT MUST BE FILED OR PAID?	WHERE MUST IT BE FILED OR PAID?	WHO MUST FILE OR ACT?
<b>September 5, 2022</b>	Low Power TV, TV Translator, and FM Stations That Incurred Costs in the Incentive Auction Repack Must Submit All Remaining Invoices for Reimbursement	FCC	Low Power TV, TV Translator, and FM Stations Seeking Reimbursement for Repack Costs
<b>September 14, 2022</b>	Copyright Royalty Fee: Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms Due—must file Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms for the Month Ending July 31, 2022	SoundExchange	Commercial and Noncommercial Webcasters and Broadcast Stations That Simulcast Programming over the Internet
<b>September __, 2022<sup>11</sup></b>	Annual FCC Regulatory Fees Payment	FCC	Commercial Full-Power and Class A Television Stations, TV Translators, TV Boosters, and Commercial AM and FM Radio Stations, FM Translators, and FM Boosters

<sup>11</sup> The payment date of annual FCC regulatory fees is usually determined during the summer. In recent years, the deadline has been announced at the end of August. However, the deadline for payment is typically set for a date in mid to late September, as the fees must be paid before the government's new fiscal year starts on October 1.



**SEPTEMBER 2022**  
**POLITICAL DATES**

Date	Election Information	State/Territory (Election Type)
<b>September 9, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the General Election to be held on November 8.	All States and Territories
<b>September 13, 2022</b>	Primary Election Day	Delaware, New Hampshire, Rhode Island
<b>September 20, 2022</b>	Primary Election Day	Massachusetts

## OCTOBER 2022

DEADLINE FOR ACTION, FILING OR PAYMENT	WHAT ACTION IS REQUIRED or WHAT MUST BE FILED OR PAID?	WHERE MUST IT BE FILED OR PAID?	WHO MUST FILE OR ACT?
<b>October 1, 2022</b>	Annual EEO Public File Report	Stations' Online Public Inspection File; Station Website	Radio and Television station Employment Units in <b>Alaska, American Samoa, Florida, Guam, Hawaii, Iowa, Missouri, N. Mariana Islands, Oregon, Puerto Rico, and Washington</b>
<b>October 3, 2022</b>	Broadcast Renewal Application (Form 2100, Schedule 303-S) and Equal Employment Opportunity Report (Form 2100, Schedule 396) <sup>12</sup>	FCC	Television, Class A, LPTV, and TV Translator Stations in <b>Alaska, American Samoa, Guam, Hawaii, N. Marianas Islands, Oregon and Washington</b>
<b>October 10, 2022</b>	Documentation of Class A Television Continuing Eligibility for July 1, 2022 through September 30, 2022	Stations' Online Public Inspection File	Class A Television Stations
	Quarterly Issues/Programs List covering the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter—July 1, 2022 through September 30, 2022	Stations' Online Public Inspection File	All Full-Power Radio, Full-Power Television, and Class A Television Stations

<sup>12</sup> The October 1, 2022 filing deadline falls on a Saturday, so the deadline is pushed to the next business day.

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<b>October 10, 2022 cont.</b>	Documentation of On-Air Fundraising by Noncommercial Educational Stations Benefitting Third Parties from April 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022	Stations' Online Public Inspection File	Noncommercial Educational Stations Not Affiliated with NPR or PBS that Conducted Third-Party On-Air Fundraising that Interrupted Their Normal Programming
<b>October 15, 2022</b>	Copyright Royalty Fee: Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms Due—Must File Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms for the Month Ending August 31, 2022	SoundExchange	Commercial and Noncommercial Webcasters and Broadcast Stations That Simulcast Programming over the Internet

**OCTOBER 2022**  
**POLITICAL DATES**

Date	Election Information	State/Territory (Election Type)
<b>October 7, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on December 6.	Georgia (General Runoff)
<b>October 11, 2022</b>	The Lowest Unit Rate period begins for the election to be held on December 10.	Louisiana (General Runoff)

## NOVEMBER 2022

DEADLINE FOR ACTION, FILING OR PAYMENT	WHAT ACTION IS REQUIRED or WHAT MUST BE FILED OR PAID?	WHERE MUST IT BE FILED OR PAID?	WHO MUST FILE OR ACT?
<b>November 6, 2022</b>	Daylight Saving Time Ends	Station Engineer	AM Daytime-Only Radio Stations and Stations with Pre-Sunrise and/or Post-Sunset Authorizations Should Check Their Sign-On and Sign-Off Times on Their Current FCC Authorizations to Ensure Compliance. All times Listed on FCC Licenses are in Standard Time.
<b>November 14, 2022</b>	Copyright Royalty Fee: Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms Due—Must File Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms for the Month Ending September 30, 2022	SoundExchange	Commercial and Noncommercial Webcasters and Broadcast Stations That Simulcast Programming over the Internet

**NOVEMBER 2022**  
**POLITICAL DATES**

Date	Election Information	State/Territory (Election Type)
<b>November 8, 2022</b>	General Election Day	All States and Territories

## DECEMBER 2022

DEADLINE FOR ACTION, FILING OR PAYMENT	WHAT ACTION IS REQUIRED or WHAT MUST BE FILED OR PAID?	WHERE MUST IT BE FILED OR PAID?	WHO MUST FILE OR ACT?
<b>December 1, 2022</b>	FCC Form 2100, Schedule G, Annual DTV Ancillary/Supplementary Services Report Due—Stations That Provided Feeable Ancillary or Supplementary Services During the 12-Month Period Ending on September 30, 2022	FCC	Commercial and Noncommercial Full-Power and Digital Class A Television Stations, Digital LPTV Stations That Have Fee-Based, Non-Broadcast Revenues from Their Digital Transmission Capabilities
	Broadcast Renewal Application (Form 2100, Schedule 303-S) and Equal Employment Opportunity Report (Form 2100, Schedule 396)	FCC	Television, Class A, LPTV, and TV Translator Stations in <b>Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont</b>
	Annual EEO Public File Report	Stations' Online Public Inspection File; Station Website	Radio and Television Station Employment Units in <b>Alabama, Colorado, Connecticut, Georgia, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Montana, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Rhode Island, South Dakota, and Vermont</b>

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<b>December 15, 2022</b>	Copyright Royalty Fee: Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms Due—Must File Monthly Report of Use and Monthly Usage Statement of Account Forms for the Month Ending October 31, 2022	SoundExchange	Commercial and Noncommercial Webcasters and Broadcast Stations That Simulcast Programming over the Internet



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**POLITICAL DATES**

Date	Election Information	State/Territory (Election Type)
<b>December 6, 2022</b>	General Election Runoff Date	Georgia – if in a particular race, no candidate receives a majority of the vote cast on November 8
<b>December 10, 2022</b>	General Election Runoff Date	Louisiana - if in a particular race, no candidate receives a majority of the vote cast on November 8