

## INFORMATION ON THE 2025 EXTRAORDINARY LOCAL ELECTORAL PROCESS FOR THE JUDICIARY OF THE STATE OF TABASCO FOR FOREIGN VISITORS

<p><b>Characteristics of the state's electoral bodies</b></p>	<p><b>Name of the local electoral management body:</b> Instituto Electoral y de Participación Ciudadana de Tabasco (IEPC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Website:</b> <a href="https://iepctabasco.mx/">https://iepctabasco.mx/</a></li> <li>• <b>Number of councils:</b> 1 State Council and 16 District Electoral Councils.</li> <li>• <b>Composition of the highest directive body:</b></li> </ul> <table border="1" data-bbox="662 709 1243 825"> <tr> <td><b>Total councillors</b></td><td><b>7</b></td></tr> <tr> <td><b>Women</b></td><td><b>5</b></td></tr> <tr> <td><b>Men</b></td><td><b>2</b></td></tr> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Main election-related responsibilities:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To approve the ballot model, documentation, and electoral materials, according to the legal provisions;</li> <li>To approve the necessary guidelines or agreements to carry out the election's organisation, unfolding and tally;</li> <li>To issue the budgetary policies of rationality, austerity and discipline applicable to the election;</li> <li>To carry out the election at the state level or by judicial district, in accordance with the territorial scope determined by the Administration Body of the Judiciary;</li> <li>To carry out the tally of the election;</li> <li>To organise and carry out, where appropriate, discussion forums among the candidates and establish the bases for the public, private or social institutions to provide such free spaces, as well as to oversee their due implementation and the fair participation of all willing candidates;</li> <li>To ensure no candidate receives public or private campaign financing;</li> <li>To establish the individual campaign expenditure ceilings applicable to each candidate;</li> <li>To oversee that no political party or public servant proselytises or speaks out on or against any candidate;</li> <li>To guarantee the fair development of the campaigns among candidates;</li> <li>To issue the necessary agreements for the fair dissemination of the proposals of candidates and to encourage citizen participation in the electoral process; and,</li> <li>To issue any other agreements to enforce all of its legal responsibilities.</li> </ol> </li> </ul> <p><b>Name of the local electoral judicial body:</b> Tribunal Electoral de Tabasco</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.tet.gob.mx/">http://www.tet.gob.mx/</a></li> <li>• <b>Number of courtrooms:</b> 3</li> <li>• <b>Composition of the highest directive body:</b></li> </ul>	<b>Total councillors</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Women</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Men</b>	<b>2</b>
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1. The State Congress announced the official call for the make-up of the list of candidates within thirty calendar days following the installation of the first ordinary period of sessions of the year prior to that of the corresponding election, which detailed the complete stages of the procedure, their timeline and non-extendable deadlines, and the elective offices. The Administration Body of the Judiciary informed the Congress of the elective offices and any other information it might have required.
2. The following were observed for the evaluation and selection of the applicants:
  - a) The Government Branches established public, open, transparent, inclusive, and accessible mechanisms to allow the submittance of a three-page essay by all the interested constitutionally- and lawfully-eligible persons to explain the reasons for their application, along with five letters from their neighbours, colleagues, or persons endorsing their suitability for the position;
  - b) An Evaluation Committee —of three recognised legal professionals— was set up by each Government Branch to receive the files of the applicants, assess their compliance with the constitutional and legal requirements and identify those best technically-evaluated and who have distinguished themselves for their honesty, good reputation, competence, and academic and professional background; and,
  - c) Each Evaluation Committee compiled a list of the five best-evaluated applicants for each elective office. Then, adjusted it to the number of candidates, adhering to gender equality. Finally, the adjusted lists were sent to the corresponding branch authority for their approval and submission before Congress.
3. The Congress, upon receiving the lists, sent them to the Local Electoral Management Body (Tabasco's IEPC) by 12 February, at the latest, to organise the election.

Candidates may be nominated simultaneously by more than one government branch, provided they stand for the same elective office.

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<b>Mechanisms for the candidates' campaigning</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Dissemination by the electoral management body</b> "Candidates: Get to know them" (<i>Conóceles</i>) system</li> <li>• <b>Traditional mass media</b> Candidates are banned from purchasing —by themselves or through a third party— radio and television airtime.</li> <li>• <b>Social Media</b> Candidates may use social networks or digital media to promote themselves, provided that no expenditures are made to enhance or amplify their content.</li> <li>• <b>Interviews</b> Disseminate their professional career, merits and visions about the jurisdictional function and the administration of justice, as well as proposals for improvement or any other statement under the right of freedom of expression, as long as they do not overlook or outright infringe the applicable constitutional and legal provisions.</li> <li>• <b>Use of written advertising</b> Only written electoral propaganda, printed on recyclable paper manufactured with biodegradable non-toxic and innocuous materials can be disseminated. It must abide by the legal blackout period that starts three (3) days before Election Day.</li> </ul>																
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Use of electoral materials for persons with disabilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Materials for visually impaired people (Fresnel Magnifying Glass)</li></ul>															
Use of technological tools to cast/count the votes	<p>State Electoral Information System (SIEE) for the counting and tallying of each electoral ballot for the elections of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Judges of the Court of Judicial Discipline</li><li>Judges of the High Court of Justice</li><li>Judges in Criminal Matters</li><li>Judges of Specialties</li></ul>															
Counting procedure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Preliminary vote counting by the polling officers of the Joint Sectional Polling Stations</li><li>Vote Counting by the 16 District Electoral Councils</li><li>The Electoral Law has no provisions for recount</li></ul>															

Bodies responsible for reporting the official result of the count		
Dispute Resolution for this Election	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>First instance:</b> Electoral Tribunal of Tabasco</li><li>• <b>Second instance:</b> Regional Chamber (Xalapa) of the Electoral Court of the Federal Judiciary</li><li>• <b>If applicable, subsequent instances:</b> Superior Courtroom of the Electoral Court of the Federal Judiciary</li></ul>	
	Link to the state constitution	<a href="https://congresotabasco.gob.mx/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Constitucion-Politica-del-Estado-de-Tabasco1.pdf">https://congresotabasco.gob.mx/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/Constitucion-Politica-del-Estado-de-Tabasco1.pdf</a>
	Link to the state's election laws	<a href="https://congresotabasco.gob.mx/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/Ley-Electoral-y-de-Partidos-Politicos-del-Estado-de-Tabasco.pdf">https://congresotabasco.gob.mx/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/Ley-Electoral-y-de-Partidos-Politicos-del-Estado-de-Tabasco.pdf</a>
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