

INFORMATION FOR FOREIGN VISITORS ABOUT THE 2025 EXTRAORDINARY ELECTORAL PROCESS OF THE JUDICIARY OF THE STATE OF COAHUILA

Name of the state administrative electoral authority: State Electoral Institute of Coahuila

- Website address: https://iecoah.org.mx/
- Number of Councils: 1 General Council, 8 Electoral Judicial District Councils
- Integration of the highest management body:

Total City Councils	*7
Women	3
Men	3

Agreement to remove Electoral Councilor

Main attributions on the election framework:

According to Article 104 of the General Law on Electoral Institutions and Procedures, the powers of this Local Public Electoral Body (OPLE) are:

Characteristics of state electoral bodies

- ✓ Carry out the activities necessary for preparing for election day.
- ✓ Print documents and produce electoral materials, in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Institute.
- ✓ Conduct the total examination and counting of the elections held in the
 corresponding federal entity, based on the consigned results recorded in the
 district and municipal tally sheets.
- ✓ Issue majority certificates and declare the election valid for the candidates who obtained the majority of votes, as well as the certificate of allocation to the proportional representation formulas of the local legislatures, in accordance with the count and declaration of validity made by the body itself.
- ✓ Verify compliance with the general criteria issued by the Institute regarding surveys or opinion polls on electoral preferences, which must be adopted by individuals or legal entities that intend to conduct these types of studies in the entity in question.
- Carry out the activities required to guarantee citizen' rights to conduct electoral observation work in the entity in question, according with the rules and criteria issued by the institute.

Article 310 of the Electoral Code for the State of Coahuila de Zaragoza:

^{*}Acuerdo INE/CG13/2025



- ✓ Guarantee the free, authentic, and periodic holding of elections to renew the members of the Legislative, Judicial and Executive Branches as well as the municipalities of the State, under the terms, procedures, conditions, and modalities for each popular election. Judicial elections shall be held in accordance with the special rules provided in this code.
- ✓ Ensure the freedom, authenticity, and effectiveness of popular suffrage.
- ✓ Promote voting and contribute to the dissemination of democratic culture

Name of the state jurisdictional electoral authority: State Electoral Court of Coahuila de Zaragoza

Website address: https://www.tecz.org.mx

• Number of Meeting Rooms: 1 plenary session, no meeting rooms

• Integration of the highest management body:

Total of magistrates	3
Women	2
Men	1

• Main attributions on the election framework:

Article 427 of the Electoral Code for the State of Coahuila de Zaragoza establishes that the Electoral Tribunal shall have final and unassail jurisdiction to resolve and hear following matters:

- ✓ Challenges filed regarding the election of popular offices in the State Judicial Branch.
- ✓ Hear nullities established in the Lay on Means of Appeal in Political-Electoral Matters and Citizen Participation for the State of Coahuila de Zaragoza, which may affect vote cast in one or more booths and, consequently, the count results of the contested election.
- ✓ The means of appeal provided for in Political-Electoral Matters and Citizen Participation for State of Coahuila de Zaragoza and other applicable laws.
- ✓ Challenges to any alleged political violence against women based on gender, under the terms established in the General Law on Women's Access to a Life Free of Violence, the Law on Women's Access to a Life Free of Violence for the State of Coahuila de Zaragoza, the General Law on Electoral Institutions and Procedures, and the Electoral Code of the State of Coahuila de Zaragoza.
- ✓ Any other matters determined by the Constitution, the Internal Regulations, and applicable laws.



•	Superior	Court of	Justice of	of the	State of	Coahuila
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Total	9
Women	5
Men	4

• Judicial Disciplinary Court

Total	3
Women	2
Men	1

• District Courts

Positions up for elections

Total	4
Women	2
Men	2

• Judges of First Instance

Total	90
Women	45
Men	45

Electoral geography

Electoral districts for local elections

Article three, Section I, Fraction 11 of Decree 218, issued on November 19, 2024, by the Congress of Coahuila, states that for the 2025 Extraordinary Election, only the state district will be established to facilitate voting, the ballot, and election day throughout the State; however, for the integration of the decentralized bodies of the Electoral Institute of Coahuila, the 8 judicial districts approved by the Judicial Council of the Judicial Branch of the State of Coahuila de Zaragoza were considered.

Candidate selection mechanisms

 Superior Court of Justice of the State, Judicial Disciplinary Court, District Courts, and Judges of First Instance



The selection process for popular judicial positions involves the following stages:

- a) The General Call issued by the State Congress or, during its recess, by the Permanent Deputation.
- b) The establishment of the Evaluation Committees to ensure the registration of candidates and their participation in an accessible, public, and inclusive manner.
- c) The public call for each of the Evaluation Committees in accordance with the bases of the General Call.
- d) The formation by the corresponding Evaluation Committees of the candidate lists, which entails issuing:
- i. The eligibility opinion.
- ii. The suitability opinion.
- iii. The list of the best qualified profiles.
- iv. Sending the list of candidates so that each branch of the government can freely create a list of judicial candidacies in question.
 - e) Submission of the list of judicial candidacies by each of the executive, legislative and judicial branches to the Institute for their proper inclusion on the electoral ballots.



Magistrates of the Superior Court of Justice of the State of Coahuila

Total	54
Women	30
Men	24

Magistrates of the Judicial Disciplinary Court

Total	18
Women	11
Men	7

Number of Candidates by position

• Magistrates of District Courts

Total	12
Women	6
Men	6

• Judges of First Instance

Total	270
Women	137
Men	133



✓ Gender equality in the application of candidates:

Election	Affirmative action
State Superior Court of Justice	In the Call issued by the Congress of the State of Coahuila de Zaragoza, it was established in its fifth base that of the thirteen positions that make up the Superior Court of Justice, nine magistrates will be elected that will correspond, by reason of gender parity, to the list of the winning elected slate that is made up of five female magistrates and four male magistrates, owners, and substitutes.
Judicial Disciplinary Court	Of the three positions of the Judicial Disciplinary Court, the three magistrates will be elected, which will correspond, by reason of gender parity, to the list of the winning elected slate that is made up of two female magistrates and one male magistrate, owners, and substitutes.
District Court	Of the four magistrate positions of the District Courts in the State, the four single-person magistrate positions will be elected, which will correspond, by reason of gender parity, to the list of the winning elected slate that is made up of two female magistrate positions and two male magistrate positions.
Judges of First Instance	Of the Courts of First Instance in the following matters, will correspond: Family: 20 judges (10 women and 10 men) Civil: 16 judges (8 women and 8 men) Criminal (accusatory and oral system): 32 judges (16 women and 16 men) Labor: 14 judges (7 women and 7 men)

Participations of specific groups

✓ Affirmative action for indigenous people

Election	Affirmative action
State Superior Court of Justice	Not established
Judicial Disciplinary Court	Not established
District Court	Not established
Judges of First Instance	Not established

✓ Affirmative action for disabled people

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State Superior Court of Justice	Not established
Judicial Disciplinary Court	Not established
District Court	Not established
Judges of First Instance	Not established

✓ Affirmative action for young people

Election	Affirmative action
State Superior Court of Justice	Not established
Judicial Disciplinary Court	Not established
District Court	Not established
Judges of First	Not established
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✓ Affirmative action for LGBTTTIQ+ people

Election	Affirmative action
State Superior Court of Justice	Not established
Judicial Disciplinary Court	Not established
District Court	Not established
Judges of First Instance	Not established

Campaign mechanisms for candidates

- ✓ Disclosure by the electoral authority
- ✓ Traditional mass media
- ✓ Social media
- ✓ Interviews
- ✓ Use of written propaganda

Number of voters

Total of voters	April 11st, 2025*	
Women	1,246,196	
Men	1,208,620	
Others	0	

* As of...



	Type of booths	Total of	booths
Number of booths	Singles	1,78	38
to install	Contiguous	32	8
	Extraordinary	0	
	Specials	6	
	Position	Color	Size
Ballot(s) to be	State Superior Court of Justice	Pantone 1905 U (Pink)	Half letter size
delivered for the	Judicial Disciplinary Court	Pantone 278 U (Blue)	Half letter size
iocai election	District Court	Pantone 748 U (Green)	Half letter size
	Judges of first instance	Pantone 148 U (Orange)	Letter size
Use of electoral material for disabled people	 ✓ Special screen. ✓ Although the ballot boxes produced for the elections in Coahuila have a braille label for voters with visual impairments, considering the Single-Sectional Booth Operating Model, all votes will be placed in a single ballot box. Furthermore, based on the Single Formats for electoral materials approved by the INE, ballot boxes with braille labels will not be used for this judicial process. 		
Use of technological tools for voting/counting	✓ Not considered.		
Examination process	 ✓ There will be no preliminary count ✓ Examination and calculation will be carried out by the 8 decentralized bodies of the Electoral Institute of Coahuila, known as district electoral judicial committees. ✓ Recount: this will not be carried out, considering that the examination and counting of all votes will be carried out at the headquarters of the decentralized bodies of the electoral administrative authorities, by order of the Institute, through its agreement INE/CG57/2025, which approved, among other things, the Model for Sectional Booths, and the Model for Single Sectional Booth for concurrent elections. 		
Responsible bodies	Position		Instance
for reporting the official result of the vote count	State Superior Court of Justice Judicial Disciplinary Court District Court		ouncil of the State titute of Coahuila
	Judges of first instance		



Dispute resolution for this election	 ✓ First instance to attend proceedings: Electoral Court of the State of Coahuila de Zaragoza ✓ Second instance to attend proceedings: Regional Chamber Monterrey of the Electoral Court of the Federal Judicial Branch ✓ If applicable, subsequent instances to attend proceedings: Superior Chamber of the Electoral Court of the Federal Judicial Branch
State Constitution link	https://www.congresocoahuila.gob.mx/coahuila/leyes.html
State's electoral legislation link	https://www.congresocoahuila.gob.mx/coahuila/leyes.html
This election specialized site link	https://iecoah.org.mx/proceso-electoral-judicial-extraordinario-2024-2025/