



**Southwest Coastal Area Local  
American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO  
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### **Southwest Coastal Area Local 2026 Election Notice**

The 2026 Local Union Elections will officially begin on Saturday, February 7, 2026, at 4:00 PM, during the meeting at the union office located at 151 Kalmus Dr, Suite H7, Costa Mesa, Ca 92626

Verbal nominations and acceptance will be accepted at this union meeting.

In order to be nominated for office in this Area Local, a candidate must have been a member in good standing in the American Postal Workers Union for a period of at least one (1) year immediately prior to nomination.

The elected officers of this Area Local shall be: President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, Clerk Division Director, Maintenance Division Director, Motor Vehicle Division Director, and a Chief Steward from each member installation: (Anaheim Plant, Anaheim Stations, Atwood, Brea, Buena Park, Corona Del Mar, Costa Mesa, Cypress, Dana Point, El Toro, Fullerton, Garden Grove, Huntington Beach, Irvine, La Habra, La Mirada, Laguna Beach, Montebello, Newport Beach, Norwalk, Orange, Pico Rivera, Placentia, San Clemente, San Juan Capistrano, Santa Ana Plant, Santa Ana Stations, Silverado, Stanton, Sunset Beach, Trabuco Canyon, Tustin, Westminster, and Yorba Linda).

Candidates for Division Director positions must be members of the craft they seek to represent, and they must be nominated and elected only by members of their specific craft.


Candidates for Chief Steward must be employed in the office they wish to represent and may only be nominated and elected by members of that specific installation.

Members may send in written nominations and acceptance at any time prior to the close of the February 7, 2026, General Meeting. You can also email a completed nomination form to [swcalelectioncommittee2026@gmail.com](mailto:swcalelectioncommittee2026@gmail.com). Or, mail to SWCAL Election Committee PO Box 26281, Santa Ana, CA 92799– 6281. Or, fax to (714) 666– 1701.

Nominations will close at the February 7, 2026, General Meeting.

Ballots will be mailed on February 27, 2026.

All ballots to be counted must be received by 10 AM March 26, 2026, at the designated PO Box 2040, West Covina, CA 91793– 2040 for the election.

  
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***Meetings Dates for January (4PM) and February (4PM) are January 10, 2026 and February 7, 2026.***

# 2026 Southwest Coastal Area Local Election Rules (amended)

2026 Southwest Coastal Area Local Election Committee: Wilmer Khong (chair), Charlie Mai, Demi Nelson, Ken Hirahara, and Milton Flores effective February 3, 2026.

1. Election Committee will be expanded for the Ballot Count on **Thursday, March 26, 2026**, at the local union office.
2. The election period is from **February 7, 2026**, through **March 26, 2026**.
3. The last day to join the union to vote will be Thursday, **March 19, 2026**.
4. The mailing list will be prepared and made available for inspection (not copying) at the union office on **February 9, 2026**.
5. Mailing list will be given to the California Elections Company (**PO Box 302021**, Escondido, CA 92030-2021).
6. Candidates will be placed in alphabetical order on the ballot.
7. Any Candidate who feels aggrieved in connection with the conduct of the election shall file his or her appeal with the Election Committee within seventy-two (72) hours after his or her grievance arises. The term "election" includes the nominating procedure. Mail appeals to the SWCAL Election Committee at **PO Box 26281, Santa Ana, CA 92799-6281**; or hand-deliver appeals to the SWCAL Election Committee at **151 Kalmus Dr Ste H7, Costa Mesa, CA 92626-5971**.
8. The Election Committee phone number is **(949) 666-3136**. Their email address is [swcalelectioncommittee2026@gmail.com](mailto:swcalelectioncommittee2026@gmail.com).
9. Ballots will be prepared for mailing during **February** of 2026 at the California Elections Company offices.
10. Ballots will be transported for mailing on **February 27, 2026**, from the California Elections Company to the local post office.
11. After the Ballots have been mailed, any Undeliverable Ballots will be sent to the California Elections Company, P.O. Box 302021, Escondido, CA 92030-2021. Observers are permitted to review scanned images of the undeliverable ballots upon a written request to the SWCAL Election Committee. An appointment should be made with the Committee to review the images.
12. Ballots must be received no later than 10:00am at: **PO Box 2040, West Covina, CA 91793-2040** on **March 26, 2026**. The counting of ballots will begin shortly thereafter at the Southwest Coastal Area Local Union Office located at 151 Kalmus Dr Ste H7, Costa Mesa, CA 92626-5971.
13. Campaign material must be mailed at the candidate's expense at Mailing Pros located at 5261 Business Drive, Huntington Beach, CA 92649-1221. Office number (714) 892-7251, fax number (714) 893-8813. The contact person is Josie Pimentel. Payment is required at the time of mailing.
14. Only one (1) observer per candidate (this means either the candidate or his/her designee) will be allowed to review election material preparation and the counting of ballots.
15. No union funds or equipment will be used by a candidate or anyone to promote a candidate or candidates.
16. APWU bulletin boards in each installation will be made available to any candidate who wishes to post campaign material for the duration of the election. Officers and Chief Stewards should ensure at least one (1) bulletin board is unlocked and made available to candidates. One posting is allowed per candidate or team.
17. All Ballots must be mailed. No hand delivered ballots will be accepted.
18. Members must be in good standing by 4:00 pm on **March 19, 2026**, to have their vote counted at the ballot tally.
19. Any member who spoils a ballot may request a replacement ballot by contacting the election committee.
20. New members and members who need a replacement ballot must request a duplicate ballot package prior to 4:00 pm on **March 19, 2026**.
21. Members can request a duplicate ballot from the union office by: 1. Emailing [swcalelectioncommittee2026@gmail.com](mailto:swcalelectioncommittee2026@gmail.com) or 2. calling **(949) 666-3136** between the hours of 9am to 4pm Monday through Friday during the period of **February 27 to March 19**.
22. All members shall mail their ballots in sufficient time so that it reaches **PO Box 2040, West Covina, CA 91793-2040** before the ballot pick-up on March 26, 2026, at 10:00 am.
23. **NOTE:** if a member requests a replacement ballot and returns both the original and replacement ballots, only the replacement ballot will be counted.

## Union Mailing House

Mailing Pros  
5261 Business Dr  
Huntington Beach, CA 92649  
Phone (714) 892-7251

## Union Printer

S&S Printers  
2100 W Lincoln  
Anaheim, CA 92801  
Phone (714) 828-0888

## SWCAL Election Committee

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Santa Ana, CA 92799-6281  
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## Election Company

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