

Qualification Requirements to Run for Public Office

Federal Offices

Office	Age	Residency/Citizenship
President of the United States (United States Const., Art. II, § 1-4)	35 yrs.	14 yrs. Resident in Nation, Natural Born Citizen
United States Senator (United States Const., Art. I, § 3-3)	30 yrs.	Inhabitant of State, 9 yrs. Citizen
Representative in Congress (United States Const., Art. I, § 2-2)	25 yrs.	Inhabitant of State, 7 yrs. Citizen

State Offices

Office	Age	Residency/Citizenship
Governor (Pennsylvania Const., Art. IV, § 5)	30 yrs.	7 yrs. Inhabitant of State, Citizenship Required
Lt. Governor (Pennsylvania Const., Art. IV, § 5)	30 yrs.	7 yrs. Inhabitant of State, Citizenship Required
Attorney General (Pennsylvania Const., Art. IV, § 5) (Must be Member of Bar of Supreme Court of PA)	30 yrs.	7 yrs. Inhabitant of State, Citizenship required
Auditor General	(NOT SPECIFIED)	
State Treasurer	(NOT SPECIFIED)	
Senator in General Assembly (Pennsylvania Const., Art. II, § 5)	25 yrs.	4 yrs. Inhabitant of State, 1 yr. Inhabitant of District, 4 yrs. U.S. Citizen
Representative in General Assembly (Pennsylvania Const., Art. II, § 5)	21 yrs.	4 yrs. Inhabitant of State, 1 yr. Inhabitant of District, 4 yrs. U.S. Citizen

Judicial Offices

Justices, judges and justices of the peace shall be citizens of the Commonwealth. Justices and judges, except the judges of the traffic court in the City of Philadelphia, shall be members of the bar of the Supreme Court. Justices and judges of statewide courts, for a period of one year preceding their election or appointment and during their continuance in office, shall reside within the Commonwealth. Other judges and justices of the peace, for a period of one year preceding their election or appointment and during their continuance in office, shall reside within their respective districts, except as provided in this article for temporary assignments. **(Pennsylvania Const., Art. V, § 12(a))**

NOTE: Qualifications for Political Party Offices may be obtained from the State or County Committee Headquarters. Information contained herein is subject to change in the event of the passage of amendatory legislation.