

RNC SOUTH DAKOTA

3 tiered Convention System

Important Dates:

- March 1 - March 10, 2016: County conventions
- March 10 - March 20, 2016: Regional caucuses and filing deadline for district and at-large delegates.
- March, 2016: State Convention
- June 7, 2016: Primary vote

Number of Delegates:

- 3 District delegates
- 23 At-large delegates
- 3 Party leaders and elected officials
- Total: 29

Process:

1. County conventions are held to elect delegates to the regional caucuses
2. Regional caucuses meet to elect delegates to the State convention.
3. The state convention occurs in which attendees vote for delegates to the National Convention. Since the state convention occurs before the primary vote, the state convention creates slates of delegates with priority positions based on the numbers of vote the received. Delegates to the National Convention are then determined from this slate after the primary vote
4. The Primary vote occurs and the number of delegates each candidate receives is allocated based on the results of the vote.

Allocation of Delegates:

- A candidate must receive 20% of the vote to get delegates at either the district or state level.
- At the district level, there are 3 delegates from South Dakota's single congressional district. These delegates are given positions at the state convention and then pledged to candidates proportional to the amount of the vote they receive.
- At the state level, 23 at-large delegates are also pledged to the candidates based proportionally on the votes of the entire state in the order of their slate position determined at the state convention..

Filing information:

- Both district-level and at-large delegates must file with the South Dakota State Republican Party at one of their offices available on their website. Delegates can also register on site at the regional caucuses.

Complete Information:

<http://southdakotagop.com/about-the-party/bylaws/section-vi/>

