

Features of Philippine Elections

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ General (nationwide; electorate defined)○ Free (voluntary; non-obligatory)○ Direct (no electoral colleges)○ Equal (no privileged voting)○ Secret (non-disclosure; safety features)○ Choices (persons in elections or policies in plebiscites)○ Automated (use of appropriate technology)○ All Levels (national and local elective positions)○ Synchronized conduct (national and local elections simultaneously held)○ Regular (periodic; term-based)○ Plurality Formula (not majority; no run-off; with proportional representation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Regulated by Law (1987 Constitution and statutes; campaign; candidates; procedures; offenses)○ Supervised by Comelec (constitutionally-created; exclusive jurisdiction; independent; collegial; enjoys fiscal autonomy; performs administrative, judicial and rule-making powers)○ Honest, Orderly and Peaceful○ Clean and Fair○ Inexpensive (prescribed caps on expenditures)○ Participated in by Political Parties (type classification and benefits)○ Public Disclosures (contributions and expenditures)
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