

Promo-LEX: Presidential elections must be held by June 19

The deadline for holding presidential elections and choosing the head of state is June 19. Such a conclusion was reached by "Promo-LEX" Association, which analyzed the previous periods during which presidential elections were organized, IPN reports.

In its infographer, "Promo-LEX" says that in 1991-1996 the people chose the President by direct vote. The period during which the election date was set and the elections were held was of 79 to 143 days. In 2000, Parliament modified the Constitution so that the President started to be elected by the legislature. In the period between 2000 and 2012, the aforementioned period lasted for 9 to 17 days.

Earlier this month, the Constitutional Court declared the amendments made to the Constitution in 2000 as unconstitutional and restored the old provisions according to which the President is elected by the people's vote. In accordance with the old provisions of the Election Code, the presidential elections are set within three months of the moment the post of head of state falls vacant.

According to "Promo-LEX", the term in office of incumbent President Nicolae Timofti expires on March 23 and thus the new head of state must be elected by June 19, which falls on a Sunday, so as to manage to count the votes, validate the outcome and invest the new President.

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