



6 Things to Consider When Drawing the Lines

2020 CALIFORNIA CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

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Equal Population

Districts must be of equal population to comply with the US Constitution.

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Voting Rights Act

Districts must comply with the Voting Rights Act to ensure that minorities have an equal opportunity to elect representatives of their choice.

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Contiguity

Districts must be drawn so that all parts of the district are connected to each other.

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Communities of Interest

Districts must minimize the division of cities, counties, neighborhoods, and communities of interest to the extent possible

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Geographically Compact

Districts should be geographically compact such that nearby areas of population are not bypassed for more distant populations. This requirement refers to density, not shape.

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Nesting Districts

Where practicable each Senate District should be comprised of two complete and adjacent Assembly Districts and Board of Equalization districts shall be composed of 10 complete and adjacent State Senate Districts.

