

2020 Citizens Redistricting Commission
Presentation by League of Women Voters of Michigan

CRITERIA FOR DRAWING DISTRICT MAPS
Michigan Constitution Art. IV Sect. 6 (13)

The commission must abide by the following criteria in the following order of priority:

1. Districts shall be of equal population and comply with the U.S. Constitution, the VRA, and other federal requirements.
2. Districts shall be geographically contiguous. Islands are considered to be contiguous by land to which they are apart.
3. Districts must reflect the state's diverse population and communities of interest. Communities of interest may include, but shall not be limited to, populations that share cultural or historical characteristics or economic interests. Communities of interest do not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.
4. Districts shall not provide a disproportionate advantage to any political party.
5. Districts shall not be drawn to favor or disfavor an incumbent elected official or candidate.
6. Districts shall reflect consideration of county, city, and township boundaries.
7. Districts shall be reasonably compact.



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