Redistricting Rules: Maine

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**Deadlines and Events**

- **11.14.21** Commission State & Cong. Maps Due
- **11.24.21** State Leg. Deadline to Pass Final Maps
- **1.23.22** Backup State Court Maps Due

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- **Approx. 3 months:** Process data, display draft maps, hold hearings, complete maps
- **Court & County Prep

- **At least 5 months:** Public hearings to take communities of interest testimony

**Timeline:**
- **Apr 21**: Apportm’t data 4.30.21
- **Aug 21**: Raw Redistricting data 8.15.21
- **Sep 21**: Redistricting data 9.30.21
- **Jan 22**: 3.15.22 Candidate Filing
- **Jun 22**: 6.14.22 Primary Election

**Notes:**
- Move to 12.31.21 State & Cong. Redistricting Maps due
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Who draws the lines?

- Congressional lines are **drawn by the state legislature**, and a plan is passed with a 2/3 supermajority of each legislative chamber.
- Process is aided by a 15-member advisory commission.
- If the legislature does not pass a plan, the state Supreme Court is responsible.
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What are the mapping rules?

- **Federal equal population** requirements
- Adherence to the **Voting Rights Act** and constitutional rules on race
- **Contiguity**: for congressional lines, MN Senate, MN House
- **Nesting**: MN House districts must be nested within MN Senate districts
- The legislature has extended the contiguity requirement to all congressional and legislative districts, and asked that political subdivisions not be divided more than necessary