

Proposed Electorates Objection Form

REPRESENTATION
COMMISSION
TE KŌMIHANA WHAKATAU ROHE PŌTI

Have your say on the proposed electorate boundaries and names

Between 25 March and 27 April 2025 you can have your say about the proposed electorate boundaries and names for the 2026 General Election. You can also ask to present your objection to the Representation Commission at a public hearing.

You can submit your objection using this form or our online tool at vote.nz.

Objections must be received by **midnight, Sunday 27 April 2025**.

Objections will be published online at vote.nz after 27 April 2025. We'll publish the names of objectors but we won't publish contact details provided on the form. If you include contact information with any supporting material this information may be published with the objection.

From 8 to 21 May 2025 you'll be able to make counter-objections to any objections received. In June 2025 the Representation Commission will hold public hearings around the country for those who would like to appear in person. We'll confirm when and where the hearings will be held after the counter-objection period has closed. If you ask to be heard we'll contact you to confirm arrangements.

Key things to consider when making your objection

Electorates must have a similar number of people to make sure they have equal representation. An electorate cannot vary more or less than 5% from the population quota.

The limits for the number of people in each electorate are:

| | quota | +/-5% |
|----------------------------------|--------|-------|
| North Island general electorates | 69,875 | 3494 |
| South Island general electorates | 70,037 | 3502 |
| Māori electorates | 74,367 | 3718 |

In setting the electorate boundaries consideration must be given to criteria set out in the Electoral Act. You need to base your objection on the criteria we use when considering the boundaries:

- Existing electorate boundaries
- Communities of interest - including iwi affiliations in Māori electorates
- Infrastructure that links communities such as roads and bridges
- Topographical features such as mountains and rivers
- Projected variations in electoral populations over the next five years.

The name of an electorate should be relevant to the district.

You can find out more about the boundary review at vote.nz.

Filling in this form

Checklist:

- ☐ fill in your name and contact details
- ☐ outline your objection and any suggested changes
- ☐ attach any supporting documents

Returning your form

Send the completed objection form by email or post to:
representation.commission@elections.govt.nz

Representation Commission
PO Box 3220
Wellington 6140

Objections sent by post must be received by the deadline.
Late objections cannot be considered.

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Your details

I am making an objection ☐ as an individual ☒ on behalf of an organisation

I would like to present my objection to the Representation Commission in person ☒ Yes ☐ No

Title First name Last name

Position (if applicable)

Organisation I represent (if applicable)

If you're making an objection on behalf of an organisation make sure you are authorised to represent their views. The name of the organisation will be published with the objection.

Address

City/Town Post code

Email Phone number

Your objection

Proposed electorate my objection relates to

Write the **proposed** electorate that contains the area you want to comment on. Complete a separate objection form for each geographic area you want to comment on.

My objection relates to ☒ a proposed boundary ☐ a proposed name

Your objection and reasons. Please attach additional documents if required.

please see attached

Your suggested solution. Please attach additional documents if required.

please see attached