

My angle on this may be a little different than you've heard. I live in San Clemente, CA which is in Orange County (bordering San Diego County and San Clemente is the first town across the county line) and I'm a San Diego Charger fan. Orange County is considered the "Los Angeles market". When the networks decide there is a "better" game than the Charger game then they can show the Cowboys, Patriots, Raiders or whoever they deem is the better matchup to watch. However, for the blackout rule, San Clemente/Orange County is considered to be within the blackout area! So, they have me both ways, I'm considered IN the Chargers blackout area when they want to black out a game AND I'm NOT in the Chargers area when they want to show a "better" game. It seems that there are two sets of rules/distances for the blackout area and the market area. I find this extremely frustrating!