

Confidence Level Assignments

To be considered a match at any level, the records must match last name and city.

Phonetic matching may be used on last name, first name, and street name for some matches.

- C.L. 1 First Name *or* First Initial
 - + Middle Initial
 - + Street Name
 - + House Number
- C.L. 2 First Name *or* First Initial
 - + Street Name
 - + House Number
- **C.L. 3** First name

 - + Street Name
 - + Middle Initial or (Apartment Number or ZIP Code)
- or First name or First Initial
 - + House Number
 - + Middle Initial or ZIP Code
- or Street Name
 - + House Number

- C.L. 4 First name
 - + House Number or (Street Name
 - + Middle Initial *or* 1 Address Element)
- C.L. 5 First name or First Initial
 - + 2 Address Elements or (Middle Initial + 1 Address Element)
- C.L. 6 &7 * 2 or 3 Name and Address Elements

e.g., House Number + Apartment Number

First Name + ZIP Code First Name + Middle Initial First Initial + Street Name

Address Elements:

Street Name House Number Apartment Number ZIP Code

Records with two or three Name and Address elements are assigned C.L. 6 if there is only one possible match for the last name in the city and the last name was not a phonetic match. If there is more than one possible match, they are assigned to C.L. 7.

C.L. 6 and C.L. 7 records with a publication date more than one year old are not considered matches.

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