

IMPORTANT POINTS

THE AMERICAN FLAG IS THE SYMBOL OF OUR COUNTRY AND OF THE IDEALS EMBODIED IN OUR CONSTITUTION. IT IS THE SPIRIT AND EMOTIONAL EMBLEM OF FREEDOM IN MANY PERSONS EYES AND HEART. IT REPRESENTS MANY OF OUR COUNTRY'S IDEALS SUCH AS; THE PROTECTION OF THE WEAK AGAINST THE STRONG, RESPECT, PRIDE, HERITAGE, AND OUR ACTIONS AND PLACE IN THE WORLD.

WE ALL OWE REVERENCE AND RESPECT TO OUR FLAG AND IT REPRESENTS THE HIGHEST OF IDEALS WHICH INCLUDE LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL.



**IT IS YOUR FLAG
BE PROUD OF IT
RESPECT IT
DISPLAY IT OFTEN**

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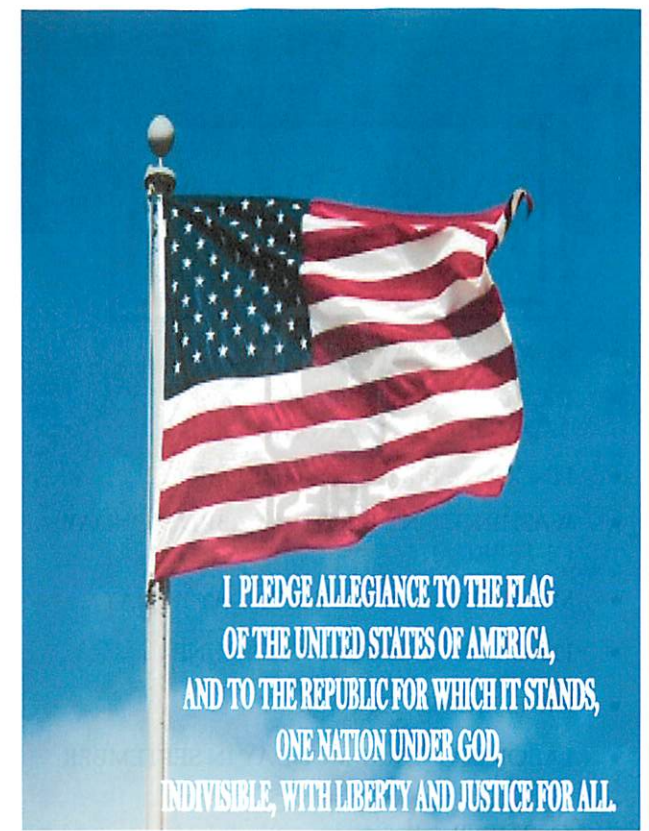
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Flag

Etiquette

WHEN TO DISPLAY YOUR FLAG

- NEW YEARS DAY
- DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. 3RD MONDAY OF JANUARY
- LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY -FEBRUARY 12
- WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY - 3RD MONDAY OF FEBRUARY
- MEMORIAL DAY -LAST MONDAY IN MAY
- FLAG DAY -2ND SUNDAY OF JUNE
- INDEPENDENCE DAY -JULY 4
- LABOR DAY -FIRST MONDAY IN SEPTEMBER
- COLUMBUS DAY -2ND MONDAY IN OCTOBER
- VETERANS DAY -NOVEMBER 11
- THANKSGIVING DAY 4TH THURSDAY IN NOVEMBER
- CHRISTMAS DAY -DECEMBER 25

NOTE: IF ANY SUCH DAY FALLS ON SUNDAY THE FLAG SHOULD BE FLOWN THE NEXT DAY (EXCEPT FLAG DAY)

THE FLAG SHALL BE DISPLAYED ONLY FROM SUNRISE TO SUNSET* ON BUILDINGS AND ON STATIONARY FLAG STAFFS IN THE OPEN. THE FLAG SHALL BE DISPLAYED DAILY, WEATHER PERMITTING ** ON OR NEAR THE MAIN ADMINISTRATION BUILDING OF EVERY PUBLIC INSTITUTION WHENEVER IT IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. THE FLAG SHALL ALSO BE DISPLAYED, WEATHER PERMITTING ON THE FOLLOWING DAYS LISTED ABOVE EACH YEAR.

DISPLAYING YOUR FLAG

THE FLAG SHOULD BE HOISTED BRISKLY AND LOWERED CEREMONIOUSLY.

THE FLAG MAY BE DISPLAYED 24 HOURS A DAY WHEN PROPERLY ILLUMINATED DURING THE HOURS OF DARKNESS.

THE FLAG SHOULD BE DISPLAYED IN OR NEAR EVERY POLLING PLACE ON ELECTION DAYS.

NO OTHER FLAG OR PENNANT SHOULD BE PLACED ABOVE, IF ANOTHER FLAG OR PENNANT IS ON THE SAME LEVEL IT SHOULD BE DISPLAYED TO THE RIGHT OF THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES.

THE FLAG SHOULD BE AT THE CENTER AND AT THE HIGHEST POINT WHEN DISPLAYED IN A GROUP.

WHEN DISPLAYED WITH THE UNION DOWN IT SIGNALS DIRE DISTRESS OR DANGER TO LIFE OR PROPERTY.

THE FLAG SHOULD NEVER TOUCH ANYTHING BENEATH IT SUCH AS THE GROUND, WATER, FLOOR OR OTHER.

ON A VEHICLE THE FLAG SHOULD BE ATTACHED TO THE RIGHT FENDER OR FIXED FIRMLY TO THE CHASSIS.

WHEN THE FLAG IS IN POOR CONDITION, SO THAT IT CAN NO LONGER BE DISPLAYED, IT SHOULD BE BURNED IN A DIGNIFIED MANNER.

WHEN DISPLAYED OUTDOORS WITH OTHER FLAGS, THE POSITION OF HONOR IS THE FLAG'S OWN RIGHT WHICH IS NORMALLY THE EXTREME LEFT POSITION AS THEY ARE VIEWED.

IN A CHURCH OR ON A SPEAKER'S PLATFORM THE UNITED STATES FLAG IS PLACED TO THE SPEAKER'S RIGHT. OTHER FLAGS TO THE SPEAKER'S LEFT.

IF THE FLAG IS DISPLAYED AGAINST THE WALL ON A STAGE OR PLATFORM, IT SHOULD BE ABOVE AND BEHIND THE SPEAKER WITH THE UNION IN THE AUDIENCES LEFT AS THEY FACE THE FLAG.

WHEN DISPLAYED EITHER HORIZONTALLY OR VERTICALLY AGAINST A WALL, THE UNION SHOULD BE UPPERMOST AND TO THE VIEWER'S LEFT WHICH IS THE FLAG'S OWN RIGHT.



PL 94344 - IF THE FLAG IS FLOWN AT NIGHT MUST BE LIGHTED

NYS EXECUTIVE LAW SECTION 403-3-

THE FLAG SHALL NOT BE DISPLAYED ON DAYS WHEN THE WEATHER IS INCLEMENT

FROM NYS EXECUTIVE LAW SEC. 403 WITH AMENDMENTS L-1984, L-1985

