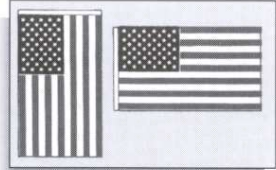


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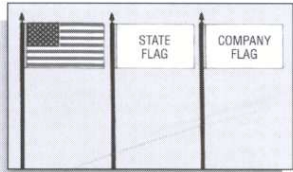
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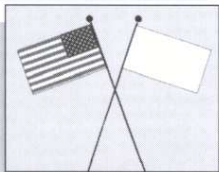
When displayed either horizontally or vertically against a wall, the union or blue field should be uppermost and to the flag's own right, that is, to the observer's left. When displayed in a window, the flag should be displayed in the same way, with the union to the left of the observer in the street.



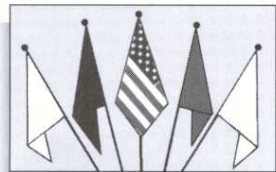
When flags of States, cities, or localities, or pennants of societies are flown on the same halyard with the flag of the United States, the latter should always be at the peak.



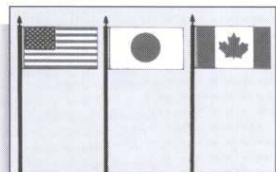
When the flags are flown from adjacent staffs, the flag of the United States should be hoisted first and lowered last. No such flag or pennant may be placed above the flag of the United States or to the United State's flag's right.



The flag of the United States of America, when displayed with another flag against a wall from crossed staffs, should be on the right, the flag's own right, and its staff should be in front of the staff of the other flag.



The flag of the United States of America should be at the center and at the highest point of the group when a number of flags of States or localities or pennants of societies are grouped and displayed from staffs.



When flags of two or more nations are displayed, they are to be flown from separate staffs of the same height. The flags should be of approximately equal size. International usage forbids the display of the flag of one nation above that of another nation in time of peace.



When used on a speaker's platform, the flag, if displayed flat, should be displayed above and behind the speaker. When displayed from a staff in a church or public auditorium, the flag of the United States of America should hold the position of superior prominence, in advance of the audience, and in the position of honor at the clergyman's or speaker's right as he faces the audience. Any other flag so displayed should be placed on the left of the clergyman or speaker or the right of the audience.

HALF-STAFF

The flag, when flown at half-staff, should be first hoisted to the peak for an instant and then lowered to the half-staff position. The flag should be again raised to the peak before it is lowered for the day. On Memorial Day, the flag should be displayed at half-staff until noon only, then raised to the top of the staff. By order of the President, the flag shall be flown at half-staff upon the death of principal figures of the United States Government and the Governor of the State, territory or possession, as a mark of respect to their memory. In the event of the death of other officials or foreign dignitaries, the flag is to be displayed at half-staff according to Presidential instructions or orders, or in accordance with recognized customs or practices not inconsistent with law.

In the event of the death of a present or former official of the government of any State, territory or possession of the United States, the Governor of that State, territory or possession may proclaim that the National flag shall be flown at half-staff.

GENERAL DISPLAY

It is the universal custom to display the flag only from sunrise to sunset on buildings and on stationary flagstaves in the open. However, when a patriotic effect is desired, the flag may be displayed twenty-four hours a day if properly illuminated during the hours of darkness.

COLOR MEANINGS

Red: stands for hardiness and courage.

White: is the symbol of purity and innocence.

Blue: is the color of vigilance, perseverance and justice.

FLAG HOLIDAYS

NEW YEAR'S DAY	January 1
MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY	Third Monday in January
INAUGURATION DAY	January 20 (every 4 years)
LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY	February 12
PRESIDENT'S DAY	Third Monday in February
WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY	February 22
EASTER SUNDAY	Variable
ARMY DAY	April 6
V-E DAY	May 8
MOTHER'S DAY	Second Sunday in May
ARMED FORCES DAY	Third Sunday in May
MEMORIAL DAY	Last Monday in May
FLAG DAY	June 14
FATHER'S DAY	Third Sunday in June
INDEPENDENCE DAY	July 4
LABOR DAY	First Monday in September
V-J DAY	September 2
CONSTITUTION DAY	September 17
COLUMBUS DAY	Second Monday in October
NAVY DAY	October 27
PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION DAY	First Tuesday after first Monday in November
VETERAN'S DAY	November 11
THANKSGIVING DAY	Fourth Thursday in November
PEARL HARBOR DAY	December 7
CHRISTMAS DAY	December 25