

How to Display the Flag



When displayed over a street, the Flag should be suspended vertically. The union will be to the north in an east-west street, and to the east in a north-south street.



When displayed with another flag in the crossed-staff format, the American Flag should be on its own right—and in front of the other flags' staff.



When the Flag is flown at half-staff, it should first be elevated to peak position, held there momentarily, and lowered. At the day's end, the Flag should again be elevated to peak position before lowering.



If other flags are flown on the same staff with the American Flag, the American Flag should be placed at the peak of the staff.



When covering a casket, the Flag should be positioned so the union is at the head and over the left shoulder. It should not be lowered into a grave or allowed to touch the ground.



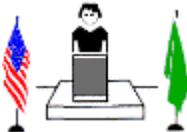
When the flag is suspended over a sidewalk from a rope extending from a house to a pole at the edge of the sidewalk, the flag should be hoisted out, union first, from the building.



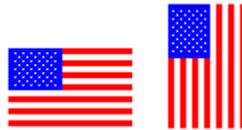
When the Flag is suspended from a staff projecting horizontally from a building, the union should be at the peak of the staff—except when the Flag is at half-staff.



The Flag, when carried in a procession with another flag, should be on the marching right. If in a line of other flags, in front of the center of that line.



The American Flag should always have the position of honor on speakers' platforms, standing to the right of the speaker. All other flags should be on the speakers' left.



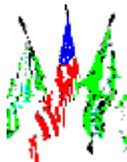
When displayed either horizontally or vertically against a wall, the union should be uppermost and to the flag's own right.



During the raising or lowering of the Flag, or during its passage in a parade, all present should face the Flag, and stand at attention with hand over heart. Men should remove their caps/hats.



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.



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 the flag is displayed on a car, the staff shall be fixed firmly to the chassis or clamped to the right fender.



When hung in a window where it is viewed from the street, place the union at the head and over the left shoulder.



Bunting for ceremonial or decorative use should be arranged with the blue on the top, white in the middle, and red on the bottom. Never use the Flag for decoration or as bunting.